



Ward Flexibility Funding Application Form

Thank you for your interest in Stockport Council's Ward Flexibility Fund. To give your group the best chance of success please read the guidance notes and the questions on the application form carefully.

Please ensure that all boxes on this form are completed. You must also include all additional information that is requested.

1. About Your Organisation

1. Name of Organisation/ Group

Samaritans of Stockport & District

2. Organisation/Individual Address

Heaton Moor Centre, Thornfield Road, Stockport, SK4 3LD

3. Main Contact Details (for correspondence)

Title: [REDACTED]

Name: [REDACTED]

Role: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Home Phone Number: [REDACTED]

Email Address: [REDACTED]

4. Please provide your bank account details

Account Name: [REDACTED]

Account Number: [REDACTED]

Sort Code: [REDACTED]

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5. What is the status of your Organisation/ Group?

Please Tick

A New Group	<input type="checkbox"/>	Voluntary Organisation	<input type="checkbox"/>
A Registered Charity No. 219432	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Company Limited by Guarantee No.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Applying for Charitable Status	<input type="checkbox"/>	Unregistered Association	<input type="checkbox"/>
Friendly Society	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other (Please specify)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Housing Association	<input type="checkbox"/>		

6. Please describe the main activities of your Organisation/ Group

Stockport Samaritans help people at the lowest point of their lives. Our primary aim is to reduce the number of people who take their own lives.

We provide confidential, non-judgmental emotional support for those who are combatting distress and despair as well as suicidal feelings. People contact us by telephone or email because they know we listen. Our service is free and is now needed more than ever.

We are active in the local community through our outreach programme which includes raising the awareness of our service, particularly to those who need it most, and giving people guidance on how to look after their mental and emotional wellbeing. We are involved in SMBC's Suicide Prevention Strategy to work with other groups, both statutory and voluntary; we are partners with Stockport College and Pennine Care; we work with Stockport County FC and we give talks and presentations to local community groups, faith groups, schools and businesses, and we have provided support at railway stations and at local events, such as the annual 'Stockport Pride' Festival, Emergency Services Day and The Heatons Summer Festival.

We are:

- Entirely autonomous and run entirely by volunteers - there are currently 111 volunteers who are ordinary, local people, highly trained to cope with the variety of calls that we receive;
- Self-funded and need to raise £20,000 each year to keep our service operating – money is raised through grants and donations and our own fund-raising efforts.

7. When was your Organisation/Group established?

August 1979

8. Does your organisation have the following policies and procedures in place?

If you are awarded a grant, you will be required to send copies of all relevant documents as part of the grant agreement.

A governance/management committee	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
A Constitution/governing document/set of rules	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
An Equal Opportunities Policy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
A Child Protection Policy (where necessary)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
A Health and Safety Public liability	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

2. About Your Application

9. Please give us a brief description of your proposed/planned project or activity

You may wish to include details of what activities will take place, where will it happen, how often and who will take part. If you are applying for equipment you can tell us what will it be used for and why is it needed.

Suicide is the biggest killer of men under 50 and young people aged 20-34. Three quarters of all suicides are men. However, there is still a barrier to men seeking help when they are struggling to cope. Therefore, we are keen to reach out to men in their own environment. We have developed excellent links with Stockport County FC and have supported them with their work on men's mental health. We were fortunate during the pandemic last year to receive some generous donations which enabled us to sponsor two pitch-side spectator-facing banners at the club and to raise awareness of the service we provide. The Club will give us first refusal on these positions. The grant will fund the continued display of these banners for the 2022-23 season in these excellent positions and the purchase of the leaflets, cards and pens to share with fans when we attend matches.

10. Who will benefit from this grant?

e.g. local residents, young people, older people and how?

Edgeley Park has a capacity of over 10,000 and matches attract fans - predominantly men - from across the Borough. This presents a huge opportunity to reach our target audience. Stockport County FC is very active in the local community and our work with them focuses on men's mental health. Spectators will see our pitch-side banners, which were seen on TV during the recent FA Cup match.

By raising awareness and promoting our service at football matches, more people of all ages who are struggling to cope at one point or another in their lives would be able to benefit from the service we provide. This would be to the overall benefit to the mental wellbeing of Stockport citizens and hopefully would reduce the number of people who take their own lives.

10(a) How Many Stockport residents will benefit?

Samaritans' service is available to all Stockport's residents 24/7, 365 days a year.

10(b) Are there any restrictions on who will benefit from the funding?

No

11. Your Project's Budget

Please provide a breakdown of cost for your project including VAT where applicable and submit any estimates for the purchase of equipment or work to be done.

Sponsorship for the continued display of 2 awareness-raising pitchside banners throughout the 2022-23 season	£900.00
Purchase of Samaritans leaflets, cards and pens	£100.00
	£1,000.00

11(a) How much will the project/activity cost in total?

£1,000 including VAT

11(b) Tell us about any other sources of income you have already applied for or raised so far in relation to this project

Through general fundraising and company and public donations, we have funded the banners and the materials for the current season (2021-22). This grant will enable us to do the same for the next season (2022-23).

12. How much are you applying for from the Ward Flexibility Budget?

£1,000

12(a) If the amount you are applying for covers only part of the project/activity, then please tell us how do you intend to fund any shortfall?

The amount we are applying for will cover the full cost of this project.

13. What is the planned timescale for spending this grant?

Start 1st April 2022

Finish 31st December 2022

3. Which Wards are you Applying to?

You may tick more than one box. Please note that no grant of more than £1,000 in totality will ordinarily be made.

Please tell us for each ward you wish to make an application to:-

- (a) how many people will benefit in that ward; and
(b) what proportion of funding from your overall application you are seeking from each ward.

	Number of beneficiaries	How much funding you are seeking
Bramhall & Cheadle Hulme South Area Committee		
Bramhall North	<input type="checkbox"/>	£ 50
Bramhall South & Woodford	<input type="checkbox"/>	£ 50
Cheadle Hulme South	<input type="checkbox"/>	£ 50
Central Stockport Area Committee		
Brinnington & Central	<input type="checkbox"/>	£ 50
Davenport & Cale Green	<input type="checkbox"/>	£ 50
Edgeley & Cheadle Heath	<input type="checkbox"/>	£ 50
Manor	<input type="checkbox"/>	£ 50
Cheadle Area Committee		
Cheadle & Gatley	<input type="checkbox"/>	£ 50
Cheadle Hulme North	<input type="checkbox"/>	£ 50
Heald Green	<input type="checkbox"/>	£ 50
Heatons & Reddish Area Committee		
Heatons North	<input type="checkbox"/>	£ 50
Heatons South	<input type="checkbox"/>	£ 50
Reddish North	<input type="checkbox"/>	£ 50
Reddish South	<input type="checkbox"/>	£ 50
Marple Area Committee		
Marple North	<input type="checkbox"/>	£ 50
Marple South	<input type="checkbox"/>	£ 50
Stepping Hill Area Committee		
Hazel Grove	<input type="checkbox"/>	£ 50
Offerton	<input type="checkbox"/>	£ 50
Stepping Hill	<input type="checkbox"/>	£ 50
Werneth Area Committee		
Bredbury & Woodley	<input type="checkbox"/>	£ 50
Bredbury Green & Romiley	<input type="checkbox"/>	£ 50
Totals		£1,050

This total should add up to
the figure you provided in
Question 12



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4. Application Checklist and Declaration

1. I am authorised to make this application on behalf of the above organisation ☒
2. I certify that the information contained in this application is correct ☒
3. If the information changes in any way I will inform Democratic Services accordingly. ☒
4. I give permission for Democratic Services to contact my organisation and/or myself by phone, mail or e-mail with information about its activities and funding opportunities. ☒
5. I/ we agree (if required) to attend an Area Committee meeting to explain how the proposal will improve the environmental, economic or social wellbeing of the area and to answer any questions. ☒
6. Our details can be used for promotional purposes should this request be successful ☒
7. I/We will use this grant for the proposed project/activities stated in our application. ☒
8. I/we will not use the grant for any other purpose prior to contacting Democratic Services in order to seek authorisation. ☒
9. I/we will provide appropriate proof of expenditure to Democratic Services, within 12 months from the Grant being made. ☒
10. I/we will highlight the support of the Area Committee in recent publicity material. ☒
11. I/we agree to providing information to assist in the future monitoring of the effectiveness of the funding including reporting back to the Area Committee on how the grant has been spent and what difference it has made. ☒
12. I/we agree that the content of this completed application form and any supplementary information provided may be published on the Council's website and other publications as part of the application process. ☒

Print your name:

Signature:

or if submitted electronically tick this box to signify your agreement to the above terms ☒

Date: 9th February 2022