



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

Friends of Marple Memorial Park

2. Organisation/Individual Address

c/o 72 Woodville Drive, Marple, Stockport, SK6 7QX

3. Main Contact Details (for correspondence)

Title: Mr

Name: Mark Whittaker

Role: Treasurer & Key Contact

Address:



Postcode:

Home Phone Number:



Mobile Phone Number:

Email Address:



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4. Please provide your bank account details

Account Name:

Account Number:

Sort Code:



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

Please Tick

A New Group	<input type="checkbox"/>	Voluntary Organisation	YES
A Registered Charity	<input type="checkbox"/>	Company Limited by Guarantee	<input type="checkbox"/>
No.		No.	
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

Friends of Memorial Park are a group of local people whose aim is to provide opportunities for community members to improve and promote the use, awareness and care of facilities within Marple Memorial Park in order to make the park a welcoming, safe and enjoyable environment for all.

7. When was your Organisation/Group established?

December 2003

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



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2. About Your Application

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

Friends of Marple Memorial Park have used two 18-year-old 3m x 3m gazebos donated by The Marple Website in 2010 to attend Marple Carnivals, Food and Drink Events and their Family Treasure Hunt in the Park over the last 12 years. The gazebos have helped us to raise significant sums of money for the benefit of the park, including £50k for the skatepark project.

Unfortunately one gazebo reached the end of its safe working life in 2020 and the second is now nearing this stage too. With activities springing back into life post-pandemic in 2022 we urgently need to purchase at least one replacement. This year we hope to attend Marple Carnival, Marple Food and Drink Festival and hold our own events in the park to commemorate its 100th anniversary. We have also been offered a free stall at the regular Makers' Market, where we plan to sell hand-made cards and gifts to raise funds for our next big project in the park, which will be to purchase and install outdoor exercise equipment.

This application seeks the support of Marple Area Committee to purchase a new gazebo to help us continue to raise funds at local events for the benefit of everyone who uses Memorial Park.

10. Who will benefit from this grant?

Everyone who uses Marple Memorial Park benefits from the activities and fundraising of Friends of Marple Memorial Park. The group has directly raised over £140,000 for the park and instigated a further £300,000 of investment in the park via the council and other partners.

10(a) How Many Stockport residents will benefit?

We believe the majority of Marple residents and many others from within the Stockport Borough and beyond benefit from the activities of Friends of the Park, so many thousands of residents.

10(b) Are there any restrictions on who will benefit from the funding? No.

11. Your Project's Budget

We have investigated the cost and quality of many gazebos available online and have determined that the Rhino Hex 45 3m x 3m Pop-up Gazebo by Rock Awnings provides the best balance of long-term durability, cost and availability of spares.

11(a) How much will the project/activity cost in total? £398.00

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

We have not applied anywhere else. We can use some of our existing funds to purchase but this would directly reduce the funding available for projects, which is why we are seeking help.

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

Ideally £398 (£199 from each Ward) but we could accept a reduced amount if funds are limited.

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?

Please see answer to Q11(b) and Q12.

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

Start / Finish: We need to purchase by end of April to enable attendance at events.



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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"/>		£
Bramhall South & Woodford	<input type="checkbox"/>		£
Cheadle Hulme South	<input type="checkbox"/>		£
Central Stockport Area Committee			
Brinnington & Central	<input type="checkbox"/>		£
Davenport & Cale Green	<input type="checkbox"/>		£
Edgeley & Cheadle Heath	<input type="checkbox"/>		£
Manor	<input type="checkbox"/>		£
Cheadle Area Committee			
Cheadle & Gatley	<input type="checkbox"/>		£
Cheadle Hulme North	<input type="checkbox"/>		£
Heald Green	<input type="checkbox"/>		£
Heatons & Reddish Area Committee			
Heatons North	<input type="checkbox"/>		£
Heatons South	<input type="checkbox"/>		£
Reddish North	<input type="checkbox"/>		£
Reddish South	<input type="checkbox"/>		£
Marple Area Committee			
Marple North	<input type="checkbox"/>	10,000+	£199
Marple South	<input type="checkbox"/>	10,000+	£199
Stepping Hill Area Committee			
Hazel Grove	<input type="checkbox"/>		£
Offerton	<input type="checkbox"/>		£
Stepping Hill	<input type="checkbox"/>		£
Werneth Area Committee			
Bredbury & Woodley	<input type="checkbox"/>		£
Bredbury Green & Romiley	<input type="checkbox"/>		£
Totals			£398.00

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



4. Application Checklist and Declaration



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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: Mark Whittaker

Signature:

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

Date: 4 March 2022.



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