



# 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

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### 1. Name of Organisation/ Group

The Friends of Darley Street

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### 2. Organisation/Individual Address

Secretary, The Friends of Darley Street, 265 Green Lane, Heaton Norris, Stockport, SK4 2LZ.

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### 3. Main Contact Details (for correspondence)

Title: [REDACTED]

Name: [REDACTED]

Role: [REDACTED]

Address: [REDACTED]

Postcode: [REDACTED]

Home Phone Number: [REDACTED]

Mobile Phone Number: [REDACTED]

Email Address: [REDACTED]

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**4. Please provide your bank account details**Account Name: Account Number: Sort Code: 

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

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|--------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|
| A New Group                    | <input type="checkbox"/> | Voluntary Organisation           | <input type="checkbox"/>   |
| A Registered Charity No.       | <input 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)           | X <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Housing Association            | <input type="checkbox"/> | A Friends Group                  |                            |

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

We are cultivating and caring for land at the junction of Green Lane and Alexandra Road in Heaton Norris SK4 2LZ which is part of our local Conservation Area with permission from the land's guardian, Stockport MBC. The land is crossed by a public footpath leading to Bower Avenue allowing a short cut for residents of that avenue and from roads from Bowerfold to the A6. The area has lain neglected for many years and has become an eyesore. We are seeking external funding to create a community garden and an asset for the wider area.

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**7. When was your Organisation/Group established?****March 2021`**

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**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.*

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|--|------------------------------|
| A governance/management committee              | <input type="checkbox"/> yes |
| A Constitution/governing document/set of rules | <input type="checkbox"/> yes |



An Equal Opportunities Policy

☐ our constitution requires accessibility for all members of the community irrespective of age, gender, ethnic background, ability or disability.

A Child Protection Policy (where necessary)

☐ we operate a Children's Safeguarding Policy.

A Health and Safety Public liability

☐ Yes we are covered by SMBC provided we adhere to their requirements in this respect.

## 2. About Your Application

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### **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.*

*The Darley Street Community Garden so far has been able to benefit from the enthusiasm and generosity of the Heaton Norris Community in terms of volunteer hours to clear the site including the removal of tree stumps and rubbish and then to plant over 300 donated bulbs and over 80 plants and shrubs. The lawn is being brought back to life and the site is litter picked on a regular basis.*

*We have now reached an important stage in our evolution of the garden and need external funding to put in place some crucial items to fulfil our adopted remit to create a community asset.*

*We need a water supply to the garden via rainwater collection as we cannot keep asking adjacent properties to do our watering in the long term, We wish to have some interpretation of the history of the land and the area via a public information board to tell the story of the garden within an important and historic Conservation Area and to recruit more supporters and volunteers. Signage and noticeboards are expensive items.*

*Additionally, there is a need to provide two raised beds with compost that will encourage children to tend one and the elderly/people with disabilities to garden more easily and safely.*

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### **10. Who will benefit from this grant?**

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

Local people in Heaton Norris of all ages, backgrounds and ability/disability who want to help garden or just enjoy some lovely surroundings. We are already planning events: children on site making a Memory Tree and bunting for the Queen's Jubilee and taking part in The Heaton's Open Gardens afternoon, Also ASDA has given us a chance to drive more interest, support and engagement through an Awareness Sunday this August which will be manned by our volunteers. From that we hope to gain more supporters and volunteers.

#### **10(a) How Many Stockport residents will benefit?**

Following a donated information/joining form campaign distributed to over 600 households by our local volunteers, it was notable that awareness, understanding and interest rose considerably in this project. Fifty residents signed up as supporters and plant donators and 22 for garden volunteering. These and more people from all over the area have donated over 300 bulbs and over 80 plants and shrubs. So we have been entirely self supporting to date.

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



**None whatsoever. The garden is there for everyone to enjoy and hopefully respect.**

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### **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.*

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

**It is very difficult to put a cost on the overall project as a garden is an ongoing process. Once mature, it will require care and maintenance.**

**The current project as outlined we estimate will cost £4,500. This bid is the first that we have made and it covers pressing needs re water supply, compost and also paint supplies to improve and clean the ginnel which forms the access point to the well used footpath from Bower Avenue. This is visible from the Green Lane/Alexandra Road entrance to the site and needs to be cleaned and brightened up. That forms the elements we are bidding for from the Ward Fund.**

**Our estimates are as follows:**

<b>Two tonnes of the best top soil</b>	<b>£150.00</b>
<b>Water butt and pipework plus a safety cage</b>	<b>£200.00</b>
<b>Fence and masonry paint plus brushes</b>	<b>£100.00</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>£450.00</b>

#### **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**

**None yet.**

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

**£450**

#### **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?**

**We are researching other possible avenues for funding..**



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

Start immediately if we are successful and receive the funds.

Finish within six months.

### 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
<b>Bramhall &amp; Cheadle Hulme South Area Committee</b>		
Bramhall North	<input type="checkbox"/>	£
Bramhall South & Woodford	<input type="checkbox"/>	£
Cheadle Hulme South	<input type="checkbox"/>	£
<b>Central Stockport Area Committee</b>		
Brinnington & Central	<input type="checkbox"/>	£
Davenport & Cale Green	<input type="checkbox"/>	£
Edgeley & Cheadle Heath	<input type="checkbox"/>	£
Manor	<input type="checkbox"/>	£
<b>Cheadle Area Committee</b>		
Cheadle & Gatley	<input type="checkbox"/>	£
Cheadle Hulme North	<input type="checkbox"/>	£
Heald Green	<input type="checkbox"/>	£
<b>Heatons &amp; Reddish Area Committee</b>		
Heatons North	<input type="checkbox"/>	£
Heatons South	<input type="checkbox"/>	600-1000 £450.00
Reddish North	<input type="checkbox"/>	£
Reddish South	<input type="checkbox"/>	£
<b>Marple Area Committee</b>		
Marple North	<input type="checkbox"/>	£
Marple South	<input type="checkbox"/>	£
<b>Stepping Hill Area Committee</b>		
Hazel Grove	<input type="checkbox"/>	£
Offerton	<input type="checkbox"/>	£
Stepping Hill	<input type="checkbox"/>	£
<b>Werneth Area Committee</b>		
Bredbury & Woodley	<input type="checkbox"/>	£
Bredbury Green & Romiley	<input type="checkbox"/>	£
<b>Totals</b>		£

## 4. Application Checklist and Declaration

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|-----|--|--------------------------|
| 1.  | I am authorised to make this application on behalf of the above organisation   | <input type="checkbox"/> |
|     |  | X                        |
| 2.  | I certify that the information contained in this application is correct  | X                        |
|     |  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3.  | If the information changes in any way I will inform Democratic Services accordingly.   | X                        |
|     |  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 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.                   | X                        |
|     |  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 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. | X                        |
|     |  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 6.  | Our details can be used for promotional purposes should this request be successful   | X                        |
|     |  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7.  | I/We will use this grant for the proposed project/activities stated in our application.  | X                        |
|     |  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 8.  | I/we will not use the grant for any other purpose prior to contacting Democratic Services in order to seek authorisation.  | X                        |
|     |  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 9.  | I/we will provide appropriate proof of expenditure to Democratic Services, within 12 months from the Grant being made.   | <input type="checkbox"/> |
|     |  | X                        |
| 10. | I/we will highlight the support of the Area Committee in recent publicity material.  | X                        |
|     |  | <input type="checkbox"/> |



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.

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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.

X

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Print your name:

PETER PRESTON

Signature: .....

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

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Date: 23.05.22

