



# 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

Project RECCE CIO

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### 2. Organisation/Individual Address

RECCE HQ  
Hillside Farm  
Werneth Low Road  
SK6 4PY

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

Title:

Name:

Role: CEO/Founder

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:

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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.       | <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"/>            |                                  |                          |

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

The charity assists veterans & service leavers with support to start second careers predominantly in construction. There is a bespoke Level 3 Course in Career Transition coupled with wrap around pastoral care for mental and physical health/wellbeing.

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#### 7. When was your Organisation/Group established?

The organisation has evolved and significantly grown over 5 years from a CIC to CIO.

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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 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

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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.*

Op: Hive is an opportunity to build, set up and manage our own apiary. The intention is to promote biodiversity, ecology and improve mental & physical health amongst the veteran and civilian community of Stockport. Whilst the charity is veteran focused, we see an opportunity for civilian and veteran integration with a shared goal of working together in a Hive like community. There will be engagement and opportunity for local experts to pass on knowledge of bee keeping and teach the practicality of physically building bee hives in the grounds of RECCE HQ and learning how to care for the bees as well as producing honey & wax.

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

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

The Project RECCE community is now national with over 600 veteran beneficiaries, but the Charity firmly has its roots in Stockport. Beneficiaries of the charity frequently return to pay forward their knowledge and employment opportunities and many have expressed an interest in attending a course on building bee hives, bee keeping or volunteering time to help others. All the ambassadors over fifty and growing, have offered to support Op:Hive which will benefit them or their mentees as well as the local residents/communities that attend the hive building and bee keeping courses.

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

We expect 20-50 Stockport residents will directly benefit but it could be argued that the whole of the borough benefits as the majority of flowering plants rely on pollinators to reproduce. Fruits and vegetables all rely on pollinators transporting pollen from one flower to the next. But the value of bees goes beyond just supplying countless fruits and vegetables. The top 5 reasons why bees are important, they:

- Help produce 1/3 of our food supply
- Help provide ½ of the world's fibers, oils, and other raw materials
- Help create many medicines
- Provide food for wildlife
- Help prevent soil erosion

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

No restrictions.

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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?**

£3500

**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 are looking for funding opportunities and with the funding from SMBC, will arrange a charity bar b q to both promote Op:Hive and raise funding and awareness.

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**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?**

Through fundraising activities (charity Bar B Q), corporate sponsorship. There are some big contractors working in the Borough, are being asked to sponsor a Hive or Course.

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

Start Spring 2024

Finish Spring 2025

### 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 & Stockport Central	<input type="checkbox"/>		£
Davenport & Cale Green	<input type="checkbox"/>		£
Edgeley	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	5	£
Manor	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	5	£
<b>Cheadle Area Committee</b>			
Cheadle East & Cheadle Hulme North	<input type="checkbox"/>		£
Cheadle West & Gatley	<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"/>		£
Reddish North	<input type="checkbox"/>		£
Reddish South	<input type="checkbox"/>		£
<b>Marple Area Committee</b>			
Marple North	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	5	£
Marple South & High Lane	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	5	£
<b>Stepping Hill Area Committee</b>			
Hazel Grove	<input type="checkbox"/>		£
Norbury & Woodsmoor	<input type="checkbox"/>		£
Offerton	<input type="checkbox"/>		£
<b>Werneth Area Committee</b>			
Bredbury & Woodley	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	15	£500
Bredbury Green & Romiley	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	15	£500
<b>Totals</b>		50	£ 1000

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: 26/02/24

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