



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 East Avenue Park

2. Organisation/Individual Address

East Avenue Park,
East Avenue,
Heald Green,
SK8 3BR

3. Main Contact Details (for correspondence)

Title: Miss

Name: Lydia Seton

Role: Chair of Friends group

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

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| A New Group | <input type="checkbox"/> | Voluntary Organisation | <input checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Other (Please specify) | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Housing Association | <input type="checkbox"/> | | |

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

We are group of local volunteers who make up the Friends of East Avenue Park. We are mostly local parents, who want a nice outdoor space for our families to enjoy. We are a small team. Our main aim is to make sure we have a nice greenspace and park for the local community to enjoy. We help to fundraise to keep the park and play equipment up to date and relevant for the community's needs. We also act as a go between for the community and the council. East Avenue Park is one of only two parks that serve the community of Heald Green, which has a current population of almost 13,000. We have quite a mixed demographic, with 16% of the local community being of Asian heritage. This is over 10% higher than the Stockport total population percentages. We also have over 300 extra new properties being built in the local area and East Avenue Park will be their local park. It is a very popular park with people running, cycling, playing on the play equipment, dog walking, playing football and even just sitting on the benches and watching the planes and the world go by. It is very rare to pass the park and no one be in it.

We try to make the park as accessible as possible, within our local area is both The Seashell Trust and The Together Trust and we have visitors from both frequently. The path around the park is very flat which makes it easy for wheel chair users. We have two lovely rainbow picnic benches with spaces for wheelchairs under them. Our play equipment is from an 'accessible' range. Our park also only as one entrance and exit which helps with safety for our visitors who are less aware of dangers. A couple of years ago we installed a bucket swing and toddler area within the park which you kindly donated towards. We are now reaching out for support with helping to install some fitness and gymnastic style equipment.

Our Facebook page is www.facebook.com/FriendsOfEastAvePark/ if you would like to have a look.

We are an active group and try our best to make the park the best it can be for the local community

7. When was your Organisation/Group established?

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.

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

2. About Your Application

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

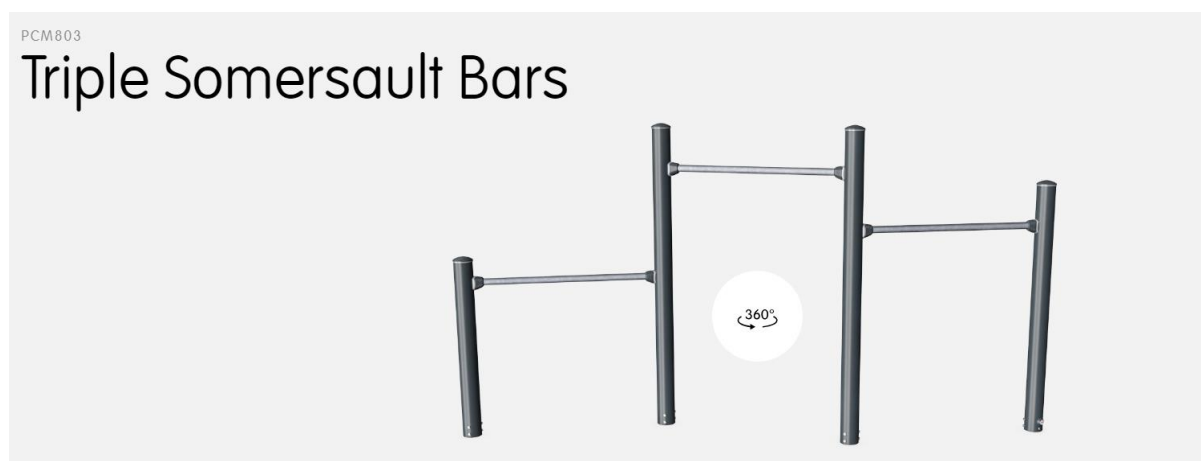
You may wish to include details of what activities will take place, where will it happen, how often and who will take part. If you are applying for equipment you can tell us what will it be used for and why is it needed.

Our last fundraising mission was to install a bucket swing and toddler area after noticing a gap in what our park is able to offer. We have seen the delight on everyone's faces when we were able to install these and come rain or shine the bucket swing always seems to have someone on it! We have since reached out to the community, surveyed what people would like to see in the park and worked with the council to get a quote for our first phase of fitness and gymnastics equipment with possible more to come in the future. We try to be realistic with our aims of what we can achieve but want the very best for our community.

Fitness is great not only for health benefits but can also help to keep teenagers from acts of antisocial behaviour and getting themselves into trouble. By fundraising for a combi fitness piece of equipment we hope that the social side of keeping fit, and even competitive side, will encourage youngsters to use it for fun and fitness. Gymnastics is getting more and more popular and we find that girls especially are using the divider bars in the park to roll on. These are quite low and it would be great to give them somewhere to practice their rolls and balances whilst younger children are enjoying the climbing frame areas.

With higher energy prices and the cost of living increasing we are also seeing many more people use the park, come rain or shine, rather than opting for paid for leisure venues. It will demonstrate a lasting benefit to the community if we could achieve the target and they could see what we have been working towards.

Here are the pieces of equipment we hope to get enough funds to install along with their costs for supply and installation through Stockport Council.

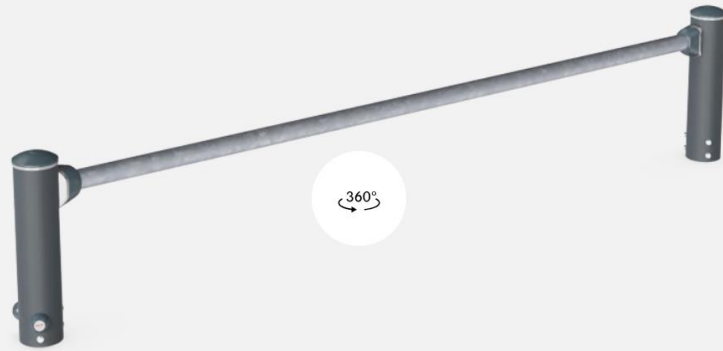


£2,800.00.

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PCM80621

Balance Beam, Round



£1,700

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Balance Beam, Flat



£1,700

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Need help?

£15,000

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Total £21,200

10. Who will benefit from this grant?

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

So many of our residents in the local community will benefit. I predict that the gymnastics style equipment would target our teenage residents and the gym/keeping fit combo equipment will more target our older teens and adults.

10(a) How Many Stockport residents will benefit?

There are approximately 13,000 residents in Heald Green and only two available parks

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.

From: Richard Booker <richard.booker@stockport.gov.uk>

Sent: 01 May 2024 10:21

To: Lydia Seton <Friendssofeastave@outlook.com>

Subject: FW: External: Kompan Play, Sport & Fitness

Hi Lydia

Not all the companies responded to my request for quote so I will chase that up. Let me know if you want me to provide any further detail on any of them at this stage.

Below is a cost estimate for some of the items you requested

<https://www.kompan.com/en/gb/p/pcm803>

PCM803 - Supply and installed on safer surface (18sqm at 1.5 CFH) £2,800.00. I think these would work really well at East Av, we don't have parallel bars in any of our play areas but when I have seen them in other play spaces they have always been really popular. I am looking to put some in at a refurbishment of Goyt Valley Play Area

<https://www.kompan.com/en/gb/p/pcm80621>

PCM803 - Supply and installed on safer surface (14sqm at 1.0m CFH) £1,700

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<https://www.kompan.com/en/gb/p/pcm80721>

PCM803 - Supply & installed £957.54 (14sqm at 1.0m CFH) £1,700

<https://www.kompan.com/en/gb/p/fsw105>

PCM803 - Supply & installed over safer surface (60sqm at 2.3 CFH) £15,000. There is one in Marple Memorial Park if you want to go and see one.

https://www.kompan.com/en/gb/p/fsw104?variant=plate_yellow

PCM803 - Supply & installed over safer surface (43sqm at 2.3 CFH) £10,500

<https://www.kompan.com/en/gb/p/fsw103>

PCM803 - Supply & installed over safer surface (41 sqm at 1.5m CFH) £9,800

You also asked me for a price for a cable way, I would recommend against including this item. We do have them in the borough but they are very labour intensive and cant be repaired by our inhouse team so they become costly to maintain and often cant be repaired quickly. We could look at options that provide a similar play experience.

Thanks Richard

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

£21,200 in total if we manage the whole project

Or two projects which will cost £16,000 & £7200 as include additional set up fees which can be reduced when doing the whole project together

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 £4000 in our bank account

We have received £3000 from the Brookfield Park Shiers Family Trust

We have £4000 in Section 106 money allocated to the Park

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

£1000

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 have an event in September which we aim to raise at least £600

We are applying for Stockport CAN fund

We are applying for a few more funds such as Arnold Clarke and when we hear back from these we will apply for the Manchester Airport Fund as this money has to be spent within 3 months of receiving it

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

Start – We aim to install either the whole or part of our project in Jan/Feb 2025

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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 & Stockport Central	<input type="checkbox"/>		£
Davenport & Cale Green	<input type="checkbox"/>		£
Edgeley	<input type="checkbox"/>		£
Manor	<input type="checkbox"/>		£
Cheadle Area Committee			
Cheadle East & Cheadle Hulme North	<input type="checkbox"/>		£
Cheadle West & Gatley	<input type="checkbox"/>		£
Heald Green	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	13,000	£1000
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"/>		£
Marple South & High Lane	<input type="checkbox"/>		£
Stepping Hill Area Committee			
Hazel Grove	<input type="checkbox"/>		£
Norbury & Woodsmoor	<input type="checkbox"/>		£
Offerton	<input type="checkbox"/>		£
Werneth Area Committee			
Bredbury & Woodley	<input type="checkbox"/>		£
Bredbury Green & Romiley	<input type="checkbox"/>		£
Totals			£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: Lydia Seton

Signature:

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

Date: 29/08/2024

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