



# 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

Bramhall in Bloom

### 2. Organisation/Individual Address

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

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Title: Mrs

Name: Amanda Fisher

Role: Organiser

Address:

Postcode:

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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 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 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

We are a voluntary group of longstanding local residents who wish to continue to improve the appearance of Bramhall village. This is our fifth Summer planting and we are successful. Our efforts continue to be noticed, in Spring, in Summer and in the Autumn, that is throughout the year. We started with three planters and now care for eight large planters, 22 small planters and six plots in the centre and the approaches to the village. Bramhall in Bloom has now planted nearly 3,000 tete a tete daffodils since September 2020 when four of us planted 80 around the War Memorial.

We have expertise within our dedicated, hardworking Group and benefit from the support of Woodford Park Garden Centre who help with sponsorship and expertise.

We gave a display of red and white for the Coronation in 2023, a pink display in 2024 and this year we are keen to raise our biodiversity with a display of yellows, oranges, purples and blues, planting bee friendly plants, eg bidens, salvias, wild geraniums, heukera and calibrachoa to name a few of the plants.

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

May 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.*

- |  |                          |
|--|--------------------------|
| A governance/management committee              | <input 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

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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.*

Replanting our eight large planters and 22 small planters for a Summer show and a Winter show for this year. We tend our plots and planters throughout the year and our efforts are noticed. This year we want to steer away from bedding plants and need funds for more shrubs and plants that are bee friendly. We water and care for all our areas with the help and cooperation of many of the shopkeepers and residents.

Funds permitting, we feed the soil with peat free compost where needed and plan to plant tulips this Autumn which will lengthen our Spring display when the tete a tete fades.

Again, funds permitting, we will order the holestar/hanging baskets for the fourth year. These are our only option. Hanging baskets are too low and were stolen when we trialled them three years ago. Holestars, placed higher, and with contract watering, seems the only option open to us.

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

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

All local residents and visitors to the village along with local shops and businesses. An attractive village centre will encourage people into the village, improve the wellbeing of residents and visitors as well as attracting people to use Bramhall's eateries, retail and services. We are a strong team, we work well together and welcome other volunteers, and recently assisted another village volunteer group with support.

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

All Stockport residents who visit Bramhall. Flowers and plants add to the ambiance of the village and make it a more attractive place to visit and spend time. This includes people coming into Bramhall by foot, train, bus and car.

Our Group is successful and has become involved in the improvements of the infrastructure. We have improved our railway station in our role as Friends of Bramhall Station. There is pride, camaraderie and community spirit in Bramhall and our work adds to this, benefiting all.

We plant in an environmentally friendly way as possible and consider wildlife when planning. This we have done more and more as our expertise has grown. Plants, where possible, are used in other spaces when the planters are changed or the seasons. For example, Friends of Bramhall Park are replanting five of our bicopas when they are replaced in our planters as they are now too large. This will benefit the park.

Our Group contributes to the sense of community within the village bringing together residents, retail and businesses in its care eg residents and shopkeepers assist with watering etc and with our liaison with other voluntary groups in the area.

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

No

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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.*

100 premium 1L geraniums Summer 2025, small planters	£300
Replanting large planters with skimmias, bidens, salvias, calibrachoa	£300
Additional shrubs and plants in our plots, instead of bedding plants	£100
Top up peat free compost in the large and small planters	£100
Slow release feed and bone meal for all planters and plots	£100
Six new bell trough planters 60cm x 20cm to replace broken ones	£50
For our Autumn planting we re-plant the Spring polyanthus but wish to buy tulip bulbs in the same colours to enhance our display in Spring 2025	£50

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

Total for the Summer and Autumn planting in our eight planters, 22 small planters and six plots will be £1,000.

We now have more expertise and store plants from season to season.

The cost of the 32 holestars is £3163.20.

### 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

Woodford Park Garden Centre Notcutts sponsor our Elmsway and Village plot.

A Just Giving page gave us £1293.22 recently.

Other sources will have to be approached.

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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?

From our Just Giving page and local donations. £600 compensation was granted to us from Network Rail after our plot was mistakenly concreted over last year.

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

Start	Spring 2025
Finish	Autumn 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	£250
Bramhall South & Woodford	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	£750
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 type="checkbox"/>	£
Manor	<input type="checkbox"/>	£
<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 type="checkbox"/>	£
Marple South & High Lane	<input type="checkbox"/>	£
<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 type="checkbox"/>	£
Bredbury Green & Romiley	<input type="checkbox"/>	£
<b>Totals</b>		£1,000

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



## 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: Amanda Fisher

Signature: .....

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

Date: 28 March 2025

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