



Small Change Awards November 2007

Mackworth Community Hub

The group has been established in 2006 to act as a central point for community activity to benefit the residents of Mackworth estate.

The project is a 6 month project to get more residents involved in local community action, community groups and the decision making process in Mackworth estate. The project will undertake a skills audit in the local area, identify people that want to get more involved with the community and identify training and volunteering opportunities locally for people. Residents will receive training on volunteering, how to influence decision making and public services. The group have identified 100 people from a recent community survey who would like to be more involved. The project will be supported by Derby CVS. The project meets the priority of safer and stronger city.

Mackworth Estate

Awarded: £4,040.00

Allenton Scout and Guides 91st Scout Group, 1st Allenton Guide Group

The organisation is a registered charity that has existed for over 40 years and provides scouting and guiding activity for young people mainly from the Allenton area of Derby.

The project is to provide disabled access to the building in which the organisation meets, to provide a disabled toilet, refurbish the existing toilets and link them to the main building which is at the back of St Edmunds Church. The project will improve accessibility of the facility, encourage new people to join and improve the safety of the building for young people. The grant will pay for a contribution to then works which in total will cost £25,000. Additional funding for the project is being sought and £1300 has been secured.

Osmaston and Allenton

Awarded: £5,000.00

APHIDS (Allotment Plotolders In Derby Sinfin)

The organisation has existed since September 2006 to provide access for disabled gardeners to plots and to encourage social activity and educate children from local schools about growing fresh fruit and vegetables

The project is to improve the accessibility of the site for disabled people and to encourage social activity and visits from school groups. The grant will pay a contribution towards building wide pathways, a patio with seating area, provide polytunnels to extend the growing season, a shed and fruit cages. Children from the local school are to visit the site supervised by teachers to learn about planting, care and harvesting. The project meets the priority for safer and stronger communities by improving community green spaces.

New and Old Sinfin

Awarded: £5,000.00

Afro-Arts Association

The group was established in 2006 to strengthen relationships between African refugee artists and the indigenous community by sharing and promoting African Arts through traditional and contemporary performances, storytelling and exhibitions.

The project is to set up an afterschool club for African young people aged 11 to 19 to expose them to historic achievements, traditions, important artifacts and artistic contribution of African people. The project will involve a series of music workshops, African drumming, story telling, dance and painting. At the end of the 6 month project young people will share their achievements with the wider community. The grant will pay 10 Drums to be used within the project additional project costs are to be funded by the Local Network Fund.

Normanton Regeneration Area

Awarded: £1,390.00

Aasra project-health activities

The group was established in Oct 2005 to provide support needs for elderly Asian people in Derby. They provide services of low level care in a safe environment and aim to reduce isolation for both carers and service users.

The project is for healthy cooking activities for the group and this meets the priority of projects to encourage healthy eating.

Normanton Regeneration Area

Awarded: £1,600.00

AORTA- Nightingale Project

The group was established in April 2005 to provide a forum for local residents to become involved in issues and activities. The group aims to empower local residents and to improve community cohesion.

The project is for the first stage of a project to look at the feasibility of converting part of the former Rolls Royce premises on Nightingale Road. The proposal is that the premises would be donated by Rolls Royce to create a mixture of community facility and a managed workspace. Income from the workspace would support the costs of the community activities. The building is in a poor state and does not meet DDA requirements. The grant would cover the costs of providing the group with advice and obtaining a detailed tender specifications, outline design costs and indicative costs for the project overall.

Osmaston and Allenton

Awarded: £3,000.00

Asian Advisory Service-Healthy cooking

The group is a registered charity that has existed since 1989. It provides advice and information on welfare rights ,debt, immigration, employment and education.

The project is to provide healthy eating sessions for women from a range of ethnic minority communities. Research shows that there are higher levels of obesity within ethnic minority communities and by providing the healthy eating sessions this will impact on health of families as a whole. The project will take place on Asian Advisory group premises and the course will run for 4 hours a week over 12 weeks. The project meets the healthy city priority of healthy eating projects.

Normanton Regeneration Area

Awarded: £3,500.00

St Martins Methodist Church

The organisation provides a church hall facility that is used by a range of community groups including brownies, guides, keep fit groups, dance and drama groups, other community meetings

The project is to purchase a set of chairs for the community hall to enable the hall to be used as a theatre and venue for larger meetings. The church is in the process of renovating the hall to include a theatre area to be used by drama and dance groups, however seating is needed for public performances. The additional of suitable seating would provide a flexible room for use by the local community.

Osmaston and Allenton

Awarded: £2,441.00

Sinfin Together Partnership- community training

The organisation was established in 2004 to encourage local residents to get involved in the community and neighbourhood. The group is a partnership between residents, voluntary, statutory and private sector.

The organisation plans to work with the University of Derby's Centre for Community Regeneration to develop a learning programme for local residents who want to become active in their local neighbourhood. The learning programme will run between Feb and Sept 08 and will consist of monthly events including a launch event and conclusion event with evaluation and presentation of certificates for participants. The content of the course will be based on needs that have already been identified and also needs identified by course participants. The project will increase the skills and confidence of local people, and encourage participants to move on to further learning, volunteering and employment. The project meets the City Growth priority.

New and Old Sinfin

Awarded: £4,950.00

Apple Core Community Interest Company

The group was initially formed in 2005 to encourage and celebrate the growing and eating of organic fruit and vegetables. In particular focussing on creating a new organic kitchen garden in Marketon Park.

The project is to pilot an afterschool programme for parents and children at Reigate Primary School in Mackworth. The programme will cover tasting a variety of fresh fruit and vegetables, learning how to cook and prepare them safely, table top horticulture and finding out how food was grown and prepared in the past. The project will work with the b-active team and the extended schools team to roll the project out across the city if the pilot project is successful. The project will meet the Healthy city priority.

Mackworth Estate

Awarded: £3,272.00

Lord Street Community Nursery School

The project is to purchase a set of 50 waterproof all weather clothing suits for children and 10 for adults to enable children and adults to use the outdoor play area whatever the weather. This will enable children to participate more frequently in outdoor physical play. The suits will be used by children using the before and after school provision, parent and toddler groups, toy library users and is part of a bigger project to develop a community garden.

Osmaston and Allenton

Awarded: £1,279.00

Women's Work- children's services

Women's Work support women who misuse substances, suffer addiction and are exploited through the sex industry as a consequence of their addiction..

The project is to employ a project worker 12 hours a week for 6 months to develop a new service to support service users and their children. The work will involve introducing parents to new support networks which will help to develop their parenting skills as well as developing a series of child friendly workshops which will focus on healthy eating and physical activity. For example a trip to the Swimming baths or a country walk. 60% of the organisation's client group have parental responsibilities and few recognise the negative impact substance misuse can have within the family unit. The project will help to provide positive experiences and introduce the benefits of choosing healthy lifestyle options and help to prevent future substance misuse in children. The grant is requested to cover 3 months of the project costs with the other 3 months to be funded by the Local Network Fund. The project contributes to 2 priorities healthy eating and also support for drug treatment user groups.

Stockbrook St and Abbey St and Normanton

Awarded: £4,990.00