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SMALL DISADVANTAGED AREAS FUND



Application Fund

Closing date for this fund: 23 August 2010

Contact details	Help Notes
Q1	
Name of Local Committee Waverley	
Q2	
Name of recipient organisation: Opportunities (Sandy Hill and The Chantrys)	
Q3	
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What are you seeking funding for?	
Q4 Describe the area where the funding applied for would be spent	
The Opportunities Community Project, which is for Lone	
Parents, works in areas of deprivation – Sandy Hill and	
The Chantrys both within the Farnham, Surrey area.	
Dath of these areas have a high negreentage of social	
Both of these areas have a high percentage of social housing and many of the residents are unemployed.	
There is also a high percentage of Lone Parents.	

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Q5 Provide evidence of the local needs which the funding would address

Evidence for the relative disadvantage of these communities is provided most recently by the Index of Multiple Deprivation 2007

Sandy Hill is almost coterminous with Super Output Area 002E

Sandy Hill has an Overall IMD of 2
Employment 3
Education Skills Training 1
Income Deprivation Affecting Children 1
Income Deprivation Affecting Older People 4

The Chantrys is contained within larger S0A 003A

The Chantrys has an Overall IMD of 11
Employment 10
Education Skills Training 13
Income Deprivation Affecting Children 2
Income Deprivation Affecting Older People 23

The Chantrys is a relatively small area and is included in the statistics which also reflect the affluence which often surrounds it. Data from the 2001 census demonstrates the extent to which it is significantly more disadvantaged in comparison with the rest of the electoral ward in which it is situated.

The Chantrys has a 9.58% percentage of Lone Parent households living on the estate, and 7.07% of households with no employed adults and dependent children. These figures are in comparison to the rest of the ward, Lone Parents 1.82%, Households with no employed adults and dependent children 1.60%

Waverley Council has undertaken consultations with the residents in both Sandy Hill and the Chantrys, showing the needs of the areas.

Having worked in both of the localities with Lone Parents and residents from the areas – Sandy Hill for 8 years, The Chantrys for 2 years - we have engaged with many of the residents and been made aware of their needs and problems.

The Opportunities Project works with over 50 Lone Parents in Waverley and Ash, of which 33 come from Sandy Hill, The Chantrys. This number will increase as we

work closely with JobCentre Plus.

Q6 Describe the project or activities you are seeking funding for

The Opportunities Project is a Community Project which has its own committee, making its own decisions. The Project is funded by Surrey Community Foundation and the Haselhurst Trust, which has enabled us to provide courses in Numeracy, Literacy and I.T., enabling the students to gain OCR qualifications with a view to returning to the work market once their children are 7, a necessity now required by Government.

In addition the classes improve the self-confidence and self-worth of the students, whilst encouraging them to become more socialized and to be more pro-active within their communities by helping others. Many of the students now link with the local church and this has given them added confidence and connections within the community.

The students of the Opportunities Project want to support and improve the area, by putting back into the community. For its part, we have recently started working with older members of the community at Sandy Hill/Hale, by providing Tea Afternoons, and we have come to learn their needs. The Over 60's have requested we organise Tea Dances, Quizzes, Film Evenings, Talks, Short Courses in Exercise, Relaxation, I.T. and occasionally take them out on outings. The idea being to hold weekly meetings, with a drop-in facility for a Tea and a Chat during the week at The Bungalow.

There is an Afternoon Club in Hale, but past experience has shown us, that residents of Sandy Hill do not participate in activities within the village. As a result they become isolated and health issues follow.

We would like to replicate the above Project to The Chantrys. We already run I.T. for Lone Parents in this area, and they are keen to support the elderly of their area.

In addition, the students of the Opportunities Project at Sandy Hill, wish to start running a weekly activities session for younger children, up to age 9, based around cooking, healthy living, keeping-fit and developing social communication. We previously received funding for such activities under Children's Network two years ago, before it ceased, and this was a great success, but it has not been possible to continue due to funding. The outcomes were excellent.

The aim of the sessions being to teach a healthy style of living, by organising activities such as growing plants, fun cooking with healthy foods, then eating together. Participating in organised sports and stress management activities. Learning new crafts and activities.

There are no such facilities at present in the Sandy Hill area, as the Youth Groups run by The Bungalow are for the older age range.

7 What outcomes and outputs will you be aiming to achieve and how do they help SCC achieve its strategic priorities? Please also say what SCC services are involved and the named contact(s).

The Project aims to provide a regular local meeting point for the elderly of Sandy Hill.

By engaging with the elderly we provide an opportunity to prevent them from becoming isolated, taking exercise, both physically and mentally, and to make them feel an important part of their community, by listening to the voice of the older generation. We are able to help link them to multi-agencies when help is required.

The success of the Project will be counted by the number of people attending.

The outcome being healthier and fitter Over 60s, who are proactive and have less health issues.

The same would apply to The Chantrys.

The Project working with the younger people will aim to provide a healthier attitude to life, by eating more sensibly, taking more exercise, learning how to deal with stress, and being able to socialize with people.

The success of this group will be counted by number of people attending and researching how their lives have changed, eg exercise, eating habits

By engaging with the children, most of whom do not have a active father-figure in their lives, we are able to help instill and support family values, In addition we would work with the children to build bonds and respect for authority, eg police, fire brigade. This attitude can prevent crime and needless unlawful activities.

We already link with the Health Visitors for all groups as and when required.

At Sandy Hill, we will work with First Wessex, and our local councilor Denise LeGal

At The Chantrys Kate Douglas from Waverley is involved in encouraging the setting-up of the Over 60's Group.

The Project would aim to help the older members of the community, to prevent isolation and mental health issues, to take exercise and support well-being. To encourage activity, preventing ill-health in older years.

For the younger members of the community, our aims will be to teach responsibility, life-long learning, creating bonds and respect for authority and multi-agencies. By achieving these strategies, we look to achieve a better future in the area of Sandy Hill. The younger members of this area are its future.

Q8 How would you involve residents in the project? We have already started working with some of the older members of the community, and word of mouth is always a positive method.

We would use our website to promote the activities.

First Wessex has a Newsletter sent out to all of its residents, so we would utalise this facility and send out a flyer.

Many of the students from the Opportunities Project are already aware and try to help some of the older members of the community on the estate at Sandy Hill, so they would make direct contact.

On the Chantrys, Jubilee Church and Waverley fund an Outreach worker, who takes a very active part on the estate, and is keen to work with us in establishing a regular activity for the Over 60's. This person would know the people to contact, in addition to which a Newsletter is sent out through Jubilee Church, in which we could promote the Project.

As a result of the Opportunities Project having been in place for sometime, we already have links with many voluntary organizations,

Q9 The fund is available for one year only; how will any project initiated during this period be sustained in the longer term?

Once the Project is set-up, the initial costs of equipment will have been met, so it will be ongoing costs which will

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need to be covered.	
By the end of the funding, numbers will have increased in the groups, so the aim will be to hold events during the first year to raise funds to help meet the ongoing costs. In addition it will be proposed to make a token charge for activities after the first year.	
We will also look for sponsorship.	
Q10 How will you measure your success in carrying out the activities and achieving the outcomes you have set out above ?	
Over 60's Group	
Registration Form and Questionnaire	
Registers – Number of people attending	
End of Project Evaluation Form	
Junior Activities	
Registration Form and Parental Questionnaire	
Registers	
Achievement Form and Certificate	
End of Project Evaluation Form	
Q11 Please set out the project timescale and key project milestones	
Hale group is already set-up on a monthly basis with a Tea Afternoon. Feb/March2011 Increase activities, eg Fitness, Talks, Quizzes etc. June and November fund raising events. Feb/March 2012 end of funding, Project becomes sustainable.	

The Chantrys Feb/March 2011 start activities June and November fund-raising events. Feb/March 2012 end of

funding. Project becomes sustainable.

Q12 Who are your key partners and how are you developing a shared approach to the area?

Opportunities
Keyline Computer Training
First Wessex
Jubilee Church/Waverley
Chantrys Resident Association
Sara Wallace, Relaxation Tutor

All of the above partners already work together in supporting the areas of Sandy Hill and The Chantrys. The activities will be delivered locally.

Opportunities, Keyline Computer Training, Sara Wallace and First Wessex, will deliver the activities at Sandy Hill by supporting the Lone Parents in their provision of the activities for the elderly. These activities will create greater bonds between the ages within the area, provide a better understanding of each other, provide socialisation and a more caring approach, and thus prevent health issues.

Q13 Provide details of reports received by the Local Committee which have contributed to an understanding of disadvantage in your borough/district as a whole and in this area in particular.

The Local Committee (Waverley) has received regular reports, most recently at its meetings on 13 October 2006 (Item 17) 14 December 2007 (Item 13), 4 December 2009 (Item 12). The minutes of the December 2009 meeting note that "Members welcomed the report and endorsed the need both for continuing awareness of the pockets of disadvantage within Waverley and for support to sustain the progress made to date, especially in developing an environment in which communities can be strengthened through resident involvement." The Committee has concentrated its efforts on the three or four areas of greatest disadvantage in Waverley, including Sandy Hill and The Chantrys.

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Q14 What has the Local Committee done in the past to support multi-agency activity to respond to the needs of disadvantaged communities?

The Committee has regularly endorsed its commitment to its existing priority areas and reinforced this by many grants from its revenue and capital budgets to support local projects; it has also supported the priority given to strengthening these communities in borough-wide strategic plans and ensured that relevant links are made by County Council services. More generally, the Committee has consistently encouraged services to demonstrate what they have done to address the needs of all communities of place and interest in the borough which experience disadvantage.

Financial Questions Q15 How much are you applying for ? £9,995 Q16 How will this funding help the project or initiative? What are the implications of not receiving the funding you have requested from SCC? What are the implications of receiving part of the funding you have requested from **SCC** ? (Please keep answer brief) At Hale we have just started running a monthly session for the Over 60's, which Opportunities part funds from running a Bring and Buy Sale. If we receive part funding, we will have to reduce the activities accordingly, thus reducing the overall impact of the Project. Without the funding requested, it will not be possible for the Project to take place at The Chantrys. Q17 What resources are available from other partners in the project and how far are these dependent on SCC funding? The Bungalow – the use of accommodation

accommodation

The Community Centre, the Chantrys - the use of

Q18 Has the area received financial support from any part of SCC (including Local Committee allocations and funding from the former self-reliance budget) in the last 2 years? If yes, please give brief details.

We have received the last two years to help extend the activities of the Opportunities Project

Yr 1 allowed us to provide First Aid Training and certification for the students. A Creative Writing Course, Life Coaching and two Dance and Fitness, also covering rent and childcare.

Yr 2 is covering the continuation of the Creative Writing Course, rent and childcare. We are proposing to cover a Healthy Eating Course.

Name of Funding	Name of Manager	Amount	When
Opportunities		£1000	2009
Opportunities	Denise LeGal	£800	2010

Completing this form does not guarantee success when applying for funding				
All successful projects will be required to complete an evaluation form outlining the outcomes of the project				
I confirm that to the best of my knowledge the information contained within this Application Form and the enclosed supporting documentation is accurate.				
CAROL MCFARLANE	OPPORTUNITIES CO-ORDINATOR			
Print Name:	Organisations and Status:			
Signature:		Date: 23 August 2010		

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