

# Ward Community Cohesion Fund Proposal Form

**Please read the Guide to the Ward Community Cohesion Fund before you fill in this form**

*Then complete Section 1: Budget Proposal.*

*If you are proposing to deliver the project yourself, please complete Section 2: Delivery agency as well. We can help you with this or do it for you – see who to contact in the **Guide to the Ward Community Cohesion Fund**.*

*Continue or separate sheets if you need to, or expand the boxes if you are filling in the form electronically.*

## Section 1: Budget Proposal

1. Name of Ward

2. Title of proposal

3. Name of group or person making the proposal

4. Short description of proposal. Please include information on **how the money will be spent, who will benefit, when they will benefit, and how we will know when the proposal has been successful.**

It is important that your answer to this question is clear, because we will only pay the costs when we can see evidence that the outcomes you describe here have been achieved. You can provide further details in your supporting information if you want to.

We are planting 100 fruit trees to create a Community Orchard. We hope that this will be a valuable area for wildlife, whilst also creating a recreational, and educational, area for the community as a whole.

Having seen the enthusiasm at each youth club for getting involved in practical projects we have planned for the site, we would like to engage the more local of the groups, based at Gilmorton Community Centre, in designing and creating interpretation for the Orchard itself. We have secured funding through Marks and Spencer to create the interpretation and we are looking for Ward Committee funding so that we are able to work with the young people in this specific aspect of the project. We are currently discussing plans for the interpretation with a local craftsman who is known

for his excellent and creative work, as he is for his work with young people. We hope that the finished interpretation will be a creative and innovative way of educating the community about what wildlife will be seen on site, as well as informing them of the different variety of fruits that the orchard has to offer.

Continued work with the young people will allow us to develop on the relationships that the young people, and the community, will have with the Community Orchard itself. Ownership and pride is key in creating strong and positive relationships with the site and within the community itself.

5. Which Ward Community Cohesion Fund criterion or criteria does your proposal support? Please give details of how it does this for each criterion (Add further rows or continue on a separate sheet if needed).

Criterion no.	Details of how your proposal supports the criterion
2a)	Designing, creating, and being directly involved in the implementation of the interpretation, will provide the local young people with 'things to do'.
2b)	Working with young people to create the additional features of the Community Orchard will help to create ownership of the orchard. This will also create and strengthen positive relationships between the local young people and older members of the community.
3a)	Completing tasks, such as creating and implementing the interpretation, will provide the young people with the opportunity to make something that they are proud of. This not only increases their own self-esteem, but will also allow the community to share in their achievement.

6. Have you provided any supporting information?  Tick if yes

7. What is the total cost to the Community Meeting?

8. How have you estimated or calculated the cost? Please show each item of expenditure and say whether it is an estimate or an actual cost.

Item	Cost £	Estimate or actual cost?
Consultations with the local green wood craftsman, and the young people, in creating the interpretation designs and then working with both to implement the interpretation on site.	£1,000	Actual
<b>Total</b>	£1,000	Actual

9. Have you tried to get funding for this project from anywhere else, either in the Council or from another organisation? If so, please give details

The Community Orchard is being funded by Marks and Spencer through the Groundwork Greener Living fund, the value of this grant is £20,000. This fund contributes towards project officer time to work with community groups to transform Gilmorton Open Space into a community resource. Ward committee funding will enable us to increase the reach of the project by involving more young people in practical activities to benefit this site.

10. Who proposed the project? Please provide contact details.

Name of contact person	Kim Hawksworth
Your position in organisation or group	Volunteer Conservation Officer
Name of organisation or group	Groundwork Leicester and Leicestershire
Address Groundwork Leicester and Leicestershire Parkfield Western Park Leicester LE3 6HX	
Phone number 0116 222 0235	Email khawksworth@gwill.org.uk

**Section 2: Delivery agency (this could be a single person, group of people or a group or organisation)**

11. Who will deliver the project? Please provide contact details.

Name of contact person	Kim Hawksworth
Your position in organisation or group	Volunteer Conservation Officer
Name of organisation or group	Groundwork Leicester and Leicestershire
Address Groundwork Leicester and Leicestershire Parkfield Western Park Leicester LE3 6HX	
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## 12. Declaration

I have read the *Guide to the Ward Community Cohesion Fund* and I accept the arrangements described in that guide. I confirm that the information I have given on this form is true. I will inform the council immediately if any of the information I have given on the form changes.

Name	Kim Hawksworth
Signature	
Date	13/10/09

Please send this completed form back to:

Karen Shelton, Member Support Team, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Town Hall, Leicester City Council, Leicester, LE1 9BG.  
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