## **Community Fund Proposal Form**

## Please read the Guide to the Community 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 Community Fund**.

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

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1. Name of Ward	Beaumont Leys			
2. Title of proposal	Park Improvement for Users			
3. Name of group or person making the proposal				
Friends of Castle Hill Country Park				

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.

List of our future project for 2010:-

- 1 Further 10 benches to place in the top and lower half of the park
- 2 Construct mini chicane gates top and bottom of orchard and fencing installation.
- Install V gate top of A46 footbridge,5 x steps and repair fencing.
- 4 Install fencing "Nothill " kissing gate
- 5 Fit post "Nothill / Anstey lane" kissing gate.
- 6 Construct granite set path railway sleeper V gate "Hill ground" nature area.
- 7 Shaleing of "Blackthorn" drive bridleway potholes.

- 8 Shaleing of "Sheepwash lane "potholes
- 9 Construct culvert sleeper crossings, at least 3 for better mobility
- 10 Install park picnic tables, in 3 locations, for example the Orchard off Astill Lodge Rd, Anstey Flood plain, and Sharpley Drive Hill rise.
- 11 Tree planting and bulb planting, hopefully with local schools and local residents

We have consulted with the Parks Department on our future project for 2010. All activities listed are intended to improve users' enjoyment of the Castle Hill Country Park. For disabled users shaleing and bridges are important to make sure access is improved. There are disabled accesses at several entrances to the park. Older users will benefit from the benches installed in the park, some will be placed along paths while others will be placed in good scenic areas to maximise enjoyment and views. V gates, fencing and chicane gates will be installed to prevent unauthorised park users such as dirt and motor bikes which have plagued the park for several years disturbing the authorised users' enjoyment of the park. Also cycling groups and orienteering groups will benefit from the increased mobility of particular areas of the park.

In the past we have provided guided walks of the park for local residents and local school children and plan to do the same in future while encouraging them to participate in our tree planting and bulb planting activities that are run in conjunction with the Parks Department of Leicester City Council.

All tools required for the project will be used for future projects and will be maintained for the community benefit. In the past we have borrowed tools from park users to complete our projects for 2009, see attached pictures. We cannot continue to borrow tools as they were borrowed on a good will basis while we were starting up.

The Council will be providing the wood needed for the 2010 project but all labour and tools used are the responsibility of the Friends of Castle Hill Country Park.

In order to judge the success the project the Friends of Castle Hill Country Park would like to give the Ward committee a tour of the park to view all the improvements.

5. Have you provided supporting information? X Tick if yes

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

£1211

7. 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?
Insurance, public liability	191.	
Administration costs, mail and poster production		150
Cost for tools, cordless drill,		270

locks for tools		90
axe	53.59	
post driver	76.23	
bolt croppers	23.25	
crow bar	19.25	
maul	29.15	
slasher	49.22	
adge		25
Wet weather and safety gear for project team 4X		
Boots	66.96	
High visibility vests	13.08	
Rain gear	55.20	
Nuts, bolts and other hardware		100
Total		1211.93

8. 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

We have approached VAL but do not qualify under their Grass Roots grant scheme because we have been in operation for 2 years not 3, which is required by their criteria.

We have approached Walkers but we are not currently on their list of approved groups we hope to be elected to the list in future.

We have received £120 for administration and £300 in tools from the Chestnut fund from BTCV.

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

Name of contact person	Troy Lavers	
Your position in organisation or group	Vice chairperson	
Name of organisation or group	Friends of Castle Hill Country Park	
Address		

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

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

Name of contact person	Stuart Harlow	
Your position in organisation or group	Projects Manager	
Name of organisation or group	Friends of Castle Hill Country Park	
Address		

## 11. Declaration

I have read the *Guide to the Community 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	Troy Lavers
Signature	
Date	17 November 2009

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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