

Ward Action Plan Budget Proposal Form

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Please read the Guide to the Community Plan Budget before you fill in this form

Then complete Section 1: Budget Proposal.

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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 Community Plan Budget**.

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

LEICESTER CITY COUNCIL

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Section 1: Budget Proposal

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1. Name of Ward

Westcotes

MEMBERS' SUPPORT

2. Title of proposal

Development of Westcotes Street Pastors

3. Name of group or person making the proposal

Westcotes Street Pastors

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 and detailed, 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.

Westcotes Street Pastors has been running since March 2007. As the attached article says, a team of people go out onto Narborough Road, Braunstone Gate, Bede Park and surrounding streets normally every Friday night but also on Sunday nights on bank holiday weekends.

The Street Pastors seek to help anyone who needs them. They provide a visible, cheerful presence which often in itself deters anti-social behaviour, as well as reassuring local residents and other visitors to the area. Street Pastors provide a listening, caring and supportive ear to people, including those who are in distress. Some Street Pastors provide basic first aid where this is needed, and the team is equipped with foil blankets. Where women have taken their shoes off, Street Pastors offer them flipflops which has reduced accident & emergency admissions. The team also picks up sharps such as broken glass and replace street furniture items such as bollards in their proper locations.

The work of the Street Pastors has received an overwhelmingly positive response. Local traders value the presence of the Street Pastors, as do the Police. The group operates in close partnership with Hinckley Road LPU, ward councillors, the City Warden, local traders and De Montfort University.

The Street Pastors initiative has now reached a point where it needs to consolidate and build on the success of the first three years. As a shoestring operation, one particular problem that the group has experienced is a lack of suitable IT and display equipment. We therefore wish to bid for this, including a projector to use for briefings, training and presentations to other groups to spread awareness of the Street Pastors initiative (and seek additional funding).

Issuing contact cards is an important part of our work and we have now exhausted our initial supply.

We have been encouraged by the Police and West End Pubwatch to continue to use Citywatch radios to help with the general security of the area. These have to be rented and we are seeking to cover the cost of these for the next year.

We have recently succeeded in attracting new volunteers. Each Street Pastor undergoes extensive training, some of which has to be bought in (e.g. basic counselling skills, safeguarding children and vulnerable adults). They also need to be kitted out with the fluorescent jackets which are the trademark of Street Pastors.

Given the nature of our work, it is essential that the scheme has comprehensive insurance covering not just equipment but also volunteers. Our insurance during 2009/10 was funded by the Police, but this is about to expire.

We have liaised closely with the Community Meeting since its creation, and would welcome the opportunity to give an annual update on our work including feeding back on the benefits obtained from the funding we are bidding for.

5. Which priority or priorities in the Ward Action Plan does your proposal support? (Add further rows or continue on a separate sheet if needed).

Priority number and priority description (taken from the Ward Action Plan)	
2	Tackling late night noise etc in the Narborough Road area

6. Have you provided any supporting information?

Tick if yes

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

£3,703.38

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?
Laptop, printer & accessories	370.00	Actual
Software & licences	229.00	Actual
Digital Projector	368.00	Actual
Display Stand & Literature Stand	400.00	Actual
VAT on above at 17.5%	239.23	Actual
2000 approx contact cards	100.00	Estimate
VAT on above	17.50	Estimate
Hire of 2 x Citywatch radios @ £238 per year	238.00	Actual
VAT on above	41.65	Actual
12 x volunteer training sessions by external trainer	825	Actual
5 x uniforms for new volunteers	675 inc VAT	Actual
Comprehensive Insurance for Street Pastors Scheme	200	Estimate
Total	3,703.38	

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 Police have provided £2,000 funding in 2009/10 to meet core costs i.e. the salary of the co-ordinator. Small donations have been received from local churches to buy items such as a mobile phone, rubber gloves, sharps containers etc.

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

Name of contact person	Ann Murphy
Your position in organisation or group	Co-ordinator
Name of organisation or group	Westcotes Street Pastors
Address	<div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 40px; width: 100%;"></div>
Phone number	<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 100%;"></div>
Email	<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 100%;"></div>


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	Ann Murphy
Your position in organisation or group	Co-ordinator
Name of organisation or group	Westcotes Street Pastors
Address <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 40px; width: 100%;"></div>	
Phone number	<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 100px; height: 20px;"></div>
Email	<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 150px; height: 20px;"></div>

12. Declaration

I have read the *Guide to the Ward Action Plan Budget* 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	Ann Murphy
Signature	
Date	26 February 2010

Please send this completed form back to:
Karen Shelton, Member Support Team, 2nd Floor, Town Hall, Leicester City Council, Leicester, LE1 9BG.

WESTCOTES STREET PASTORS

Making a positive difference

I have been volunteering as a Street Pastor for 2½ years and I love it!

Street Pastors is a national organisation whose aim is to make a positive difference in our community, especially among young people. I belong to the Westcotes area team, and have worked here since the team started.

Each Friday night, a team of at least 4 people go out in our area - Narborough Road, Braunstone Gate, Hinckley Road and Bede Park up to the Student Union. Between 9.30pm and 3.00am, we walk around engaging in conversation with some, offering help to any who may need it and building relationships with those we see regularly, such as door-staff.

We deter some (less social) behaviour, mainly just by being there. We also pick up empty glass bottles to prevent them being used as weapons. The team has many positive conversations with interesting people. Some conversations are spiritual and quite deep, some are simply light-hearted.

Some of those we have assisted include lone



females crossing Bede Park, or those under the influence of alcohol or drugs, or those having relationship issues. There is evidence to suggest that Street Pastors being active in an area reduces the level of crime and increases people's feeling of being safe and cared for.

Friends have asked me if I feel unsafe doing this? I can honestly say that only once have I felt a little intimidated and never yet scared.

We always go in a team and have received training for this role. I love the fact that I can make a difference to the community in which I and my family live and socialise.

Local traders and door-staff welcome our presence and chat with us as circumstances allow. We are now established as a Friday night feature.



We operate alongside "nite-Lite Café" at Robert Hall Memorial Baptist Church where people can go on a Friday night for a warm drink, a chat and use the toilet!

Ruth Fryer