

Chill Out Fund 2012-2013

Reference #:

COF044

Meeting date:

1st Oct

Name of Organisation

Blackbird Leys Adventure Playground

Project Name

Winter Opening

Amount asked for:

£5000

Timescale

5/11/12 – 28/3/13

Hub Area: Abingdon – Didcot – Witney – Banbury – Littlemore – East Oxford
- Bicester

Project description?

To fund the running of the after school club during the winter months (they have funds until half term). Activities they would like to offer include a cycle repair workshop and dance sessions. Other normal after school activities include cooking, arts and crafts and indoor and outdoor games. They would also like to offer a homework space which is to be painted next week by the Autistic group.

The scheme is managed by a team of volunteers who all come from the estate and many of the children come from lone parent families where income is short and where there is little space or motivation for play. The scheme provides an environment where the children can have fun and learn how to interact socially with their peers and adults.

Total project cost, including:	
A - Breakdown of items	
B - How much match funding has the organisation got?	
A: Breakdown of items (cont on separate page if necessary)	Cost £
Heating and lighting (including boiler servicing and extension of heating system to back room)	£3050
Resources	£800
Cleaning, repairs etc	£2000
Wages	£3000
Volunteer expenses/refreshments	£100
Safety checks	£500
Telephone	£200
Training	£250
TOTAL COST OF PROJECT (A) =	£ 9,900
B: Matched funding in place and secured (please list where the funding has come from)	
Sarah Nowell Education Trust (gave £2000)	£1000
ATM Machines	£500
Local business man	£500
Income from summer after school club and playscheme registrations	£3000
Total of matched funding (B) =	£5000
A – B = Total grant requested (no more than £5000)	£5000

young people benefiting

Up to 80

Age range:

8 - 17

Have they applied before

Yes

No

If yes, when, how much and have they completed evaluation form

£

Comments:

This is a good scheme which we have used during the summer months. I suggest providing £2,500 towards the set up. If the scheme is successful BLAP should reapply. BLAP has recently received £10K from OCC Big Society fund.

Completed by: Delia Mann

Suggested amount
to award
£2,500

03 SEP 2012



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Application number:	COFO44
Application received:	319112
Acknowledgement letter sent:	319112
Amount requested:	£5000

Name of Organisation	Blackbird Leys Adventure Playground
Project Name	Winter Opening
How much are you requesting? (no more than £5k)	£ 5000

Has your organisation applied for this funding before?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
How many times have you applied for the funding?	We have received _____ times before. Total received before is £ _____

Age range of children & young people that will be using the project	8-13 year olds plus youth committee 14-17
Number of children & young people who will benefit from this project	up to 80

Describe how children & young people have been involved in this application (please attach any supporting documentation to demonstrate their involvement)

At the end of the summer play scheme many of the children and their parents spoke about the fun they had had and their desire to come to the after school club. Our Young people's committee have met and are keen to begin to lead activities in the winter sessions. Their past involvement has included clearing the playground and building ready for refurbishment, running events and forming themselves into a committee. OPA has offered to train these young people, Sheldon, the chair, has completed his 5 training in play and volunteered all summer. He is keen to volunteer as often as his college course will allow. He is very popular with the children and has a great gift for calming children down. He is himself partially deaf.

What do you want to do? (please describe the project you want funding for)

We have funds to run the after school club, which has been going well, until half term. Alston Quammie, our paid part time play leader, knows that the winter months are very important and in the past have been the best attended. We would like to offer the facility through November to March. We would offer more activities inside, would hope to run a cycle repair workshop (with a management committee volunteer) and the dance sessions offered by our junior committee. There will also be access to the outside play area when the weather is suitable. A local organisation wants to provide a fire pit for us.

Our normal after school activities include cooking, arts and craft, including clay and puppet work, We also have games including pool, table tennis. We organise games including the parachute game and inside bowling. We would like to offer a homework space and the Autistic group at the college will be painting this area next week,

Why is your project important? (and why do you want to do it?)

For users and the wider community the re-opening of BLAP has been a real encouragement. To have to close over the winter months would be a real pity but might be essential in order to keep us financially viable. It is important that we continue to provide a place where the children can have fun (the most common word in the recent evaluation of the Summer Play Scheme) and without knowing it learn how to interact socially with their peers and adults, learn new skills and go home happy and tired and ready to sleep! Many of our children come from lone parent families where income is short and where there is little space or motivation for play.

How will your project help or benefit children and young people in the community?

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The management committee all come from the estate and have become part of these children's lives. Most of the committee volunteer on a regular basis and have trained in play, first aid and are CRB checked.

Local people tell us how much BLAP meant to them whilst growing up. One local business man regularly sends donations because he recognises how BLAP helped when things were tough at home. We want to make the same contribution to the next generation of children on the Leys

Please tell us the total project cost, including:

A - Breakdown of items you are seeking funding for

B - How much match funding you have and from where?

A: Breakdown of items you need (cont on separate page if necessary)	Cost £
Heating and lighting + Servicing + extending to 6th	£800 + 2250
Resources	£800
cleaning, repairs etc	£2000
Wages	£3000
volunteer expenses/refreshments etc	£100
safety checks	£500
telephone	£200
training	£250
TOTAL COST OF PROJECT (A) = 8000 + 10000	
B: Matched funding in place and secured (please list where the funding has come from)	
Sarah Nowell Education Trust-gave £2000	£1000
ATM MACHINES donated £500	£500
Local business man £500	£500
Income from summer after school club and play scheme registrations	£3000
Total of matched funding (B) = £5000 and much volunteer time	
A - B = Total grant requested (no more than £5000)	£5000

What is the timescale for this project (completion must be before 31st March 2013)

Start date:	5th November 2012 28th March 2013
Finish date:	

Chill Out Fund 2012-2013

Reference #:

COF045

Meeting date:

October

Name of Organisation

Innovista International

Project Name

Thrive Barton Community Mentoring Programme

Amount asked for:

£5000

Timescale

Oct 2012 – Mar 2013

Hub Area: Abingdon – Didcot – Witney – Banbury – Littlemore – East Oxford
- Bicester

Project description?

To continue the mentoring work provided successfully last year and to see 12 more vulnerable young people from the Barton estate successfully matched with a mentor. The programme seeks to meet a need; to inspire, enable and support young people to increase their aspirations by working towards goals they set for themselves. The young people are vulnerable to drug or alcohol abuse or may be at risk of anti-social behavior.

The Community Mentoring Programme is ongoing and funding is required to enable the continuation of the 13 mentoring relationships that have not yet completed a year of investment. The young people involved will receive one-to-one mentoring once a week over a period of a year, representing over 600 hours of high-impact investment.

To do this, 15 more volunteer mentors will need to be recruited and trained to enable 12 of these to be successfully matched. The majority of volunteers and young people have already been identified. The mentoring process includes activities such as rock climbing, ice skating, playing squash and cooking.

Total project cost, including:	
A - Breakdown of items	
B - How much match funding has the organisation got?	
A: Breakdown of items (cont on separate page if necessary)	Cost £
Initial training	£480
CRB checks for 15 volunteers (£12 each)	£180
Placement process (covers coordinator's time)	£334
Expenses (12 volunteers, 7 months, £30 per month)	£2520
Expenses (13 volunteers ongoing @ £30 month until finish of year commitment or 31.03.13 whichever is earlier)	£2010
Programme coordinator costs (1day per week at £25K pa for 7 months)	£3132
Senior Youth Work Coordinator Costs (4 hours per week for 7 months at £23K pa)	£1546
Admin (10%)	£1020
TOTAL COST OF PROJECT (A) =	£11,222
B: Matched funding in place and secured (please list where the funding has come from)	
St Michaels and All Saints Charities	£3000
Sponsor a Mentor Programme (3 individuals at £25/month for 7 months)	£525
Regular Committed Giving	£1617
Funding from Cllr Mike Rowley released from the Communities and Neighbourhoods Officer (pending)	£1080
Total of matched funding (B) =	£6222
A – B = Total grant requested (no more than £5000)	£5000

young people benefiting

Age range:

Have they applied before

Yes

No

If yes, when, how much and have they completed evaluation form

£2,250
Evaluation
completed.

Comments:

The provision of mentoring is very valuable particularly for vulnerable young people. However, the Chill Out fund is set up to provide projects and activities for young people to increase the number of positive activities available so unfortunately this bid does not match the criteria of the fund

Completed by: Ruth Ashwell

Suggested amount
to award
£0

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Application number:	COF045
Application received:	3/9/12
Acknowledgement letter sent:	4/9/12
Amount requested:	£5000

Name of Organisation	Innovista
Project Name	Thrive Barton Community Mentoring Programme
How much are you requesting? (no more than £5k)	£5,000

Has your organisation applied for this funding before?	Yes
How many times have you applied for the funding?	We have received once before. Total received before is £2,250

Age range of children & young people that will be using the project	10-19
Number of children & young people who will benefit from this project	25 directly (12 new to mentoring programme and 13 already being mentored)

Describe how children & young people have been involved in this application (please attach any supporting documentation to demonstrate their involvement)

After a successful year of mentoring, funded in part by a grant from the Chill Out Fund, young people have been involved in monitoring and evaluating the programme, as well as promoting it amongst their peers in Barton.

Evaluation has taken place at both a formal and informal level, with those young people who have finished the programme taken through a review and evaluation process with the programme coordinator. At an informal level, the Thrive Team and several of those already volunteering live on the estate and have regular conversations with local young people regarding their needs and aspirations. These processes have helped us evaluate and improve the Community Mentoring Programme.

The programme is tailored to each young person's needs, and whilst the structure of it is facilitated by the Thrive Team, how each mentoring relationship looks is up to the young people themselves. At the initial meeting between the volunteer, the programme coordinator, the young person and their parent/guardian, the young person is encouraged to think about the goals that they would like to set for

MC Donalds (with)
 Strawberry Picking
 Anja
 friends
 Swimming
 SWIMMING

To work on:	Activities
anger	M ^c Donalds
Swimming	Strawberry picking
fighting with family	Swimming
	Raspberry picking

A young person writes down their hopes for their mentoring relationship

themselves, as well as the activities that they would like to take part in with their mentor. Once these young person-oriented goals are set, the mentor will then equip them to plot the steps needed to achieve these.

Michael, a 16 year old who was mentored last year, said *"My mentor really helped me think about my future and what I want to do in life. He understands me."* Michael was referred to us because of his anti-social behaviour. The Police reported that since being mentored, his offending decreased. He also went on to complete a catering course after working with his mentor on an allotment project.

The demand for more mentors is driven by the number of young people being referred to us by local schools and services; young people we know through detached youth work who are interested in the programme; and also siblings and friends of those young people already involved in the programme asking for a mentor. We have five young people who have seen their sibling or friend enjoy being mentored and have asked the Thrive Team for a mentor too, often encouraged by the young person involved! This informal referral process is an indication of how highly the young people value the level of input that they receive from their mentors.

What do you want to do? (please describe the project you want funding for)

We want to see 12 more vulnerable young people from Barton estate successfully matched with a mentor. Their trained mentor will act as a positive role model for the young person, helping them to establish and work towards their own goals. The young people will receive one-to-one mentoring once a week over a period of a year, representing over 600 hours of high-impact investment.

To achieve this goal, we need to recruit and train 15 more volunteer mentors to enable 12 of these to be successfully matched with a young person. Volunteers will have a conversation with the programme coordinator regarding the level of commitment before training, but we do allow for a small number who may be unsuitable for the programme.

The majority of the young people and volunteer mentors have already been identified by us, and plans are in place to begin training in October. Funding will enable 12 new young people to receive mentoring where they will take part in activities that they want to in their leisure time such as rock climbing, ice skating, playing squash and cooking. An integral part of the relationship is establishing goals, and plotting the steps with their mentor towards achieving these. Mentors will encourage the young person to think about these options for themselves so that an unhealthy dependency is not created, thus ensuring sustainable development in the young person to take place.

The Community Mentoring Programme is ongoing, and we are also asking for funding to enable the continuation of the 13 mentoring relationships that have not yet completed a year of investment.

Why is your project important? (and why do you want to do it?)

In Oxford 005a, an area covering around half of Barton estate, less than 1 in 4 of all pupils achieved a C in English and Maths at the end of Key Stage 4 education (Neighbourhood Statistics, 2011). Oxford 005b, which roughly covers the other half of the estate, has the highest Index of Deprivation in Oxford for Education, Skills and Training (Indices of Deprivation, 2010). Along with one other ward in Oxfordshire, Barton and Sandhills ranks highest for the number of working age people on out of work benefits (Joint Strategic Needs Assessment, 2008).



Holly and Amber, who got positive feedback from her teachers for her improved behaviour.

The Thrive Team's own experience of living on the estate confirms that young people are growing up with low expectations of their own abilities. We want to see the young people that we live alongside experience hope and lasting change. Barton's status as a satellite hub means that youth workers are only able to meet the needs of a small number of the most vulnerable young people. However by utilising dedicated and trained volunteers who are supported by the qualified Thrive Team and matched with young people we have contact with through other aspects of our work or who are referred to us by service providers who trust us, vulnerable young people can increase their expectations of themselves by availing of the mentoring programme.

Innovista's Thrive Team was established in Barton in 2010, a year after reductions were made in youth mentoring provision on the estate. Thrive's ongoing Community Mentoring Programme seeks to meet a need; to inspire, enable and support young people to

increase their aspirations by working towards goals they set for themselves. We work with young people who are vulnerable to drug or alcohol abuse (e.g. because of their family situation), and those at risk of or already involved in anti-social behaviour. By helping them to establish goals for themselves and to recognise and celebrate their achievements, the Community Mentoring Programme aims to motivate them to work towards goals and to make wise choices regarding their ambitions. Their trained mentor functions as a positive role model throughout this process, participating in activities with them, or simply talking over an ice cream or milkshake.

We work alongside a wide range of service providers to maximise the joined up support for vulnerable young people in Barton.

How will your project help or benefit children and young people in the community?

Thrive's Community Mentoring Programme will help some of the most vulnerable young people in Barton to increase their aspirations and expectations placed on themselves. By meeting weekly with their trained mentor in a one-to-one setting for a year, they will establish their own goals and plot the steps needed to work towards achieving these. The Programme has been proven to provide lasting and sustainable change measured through goal achievement, increasing self-esteem, confidence and aspirations in the young people involved. Goals that have been set and seen progress have included 'to be nicer to Mum', 'to swear less', 'to work on anger issues' and 'to work on increasing confidence.'

The wider community can also expect to notice a change in the young people involved. Schools have told us of improved behaviour, police have noted a decrease in anti-social behaviour and parents have commented on positive changes in their children's attitudes. One parent whose two sons received mentoring said, "*The work he (Jeremy, a mentor) does with my boys is brilliant. He's really helped them with their behaviour. It's great, they've changed.*"

Because our programme involves the parents/guardians of young people, we are also able to build relationships with the family units of the young people we work with, and have seen some additional benefits.

Rachel, 19, is a young person we mentor who set the goal for herself to 'try and think of things to stop a build up of anger.' Other professionals have noted how Rachel is coping better with her anger in meetings they have with her, and she now has personal strategies she uses when feeling stressed. Her Mum has seen the change in her daughter and wants to join the programme as a trained volunteer. Another single mum whose daughter is receiving mentoring has expressed an interest in helping with the set up and cooking for a self-esteem course we are running for young girls on the estate. Both these parents are out of work and their desire to be involved in helping other young people on the estate is entirely self-driven. The ongoing mentoring programme will continue to work with parents and guardians to increase the aspirations of their young people in Barton.



Cerian and Steph, who set the goal of getting better at resolving conflict.

Please tell us the **total** project cost, including:
 A - Breakdown of items you are seeking funding for
 B - How much match funding you have and from where?

A: Breakdown of items you need (cont on separate page if necessary)	Cost £
Initial Training	£480
CRB Checks for 15 volunteers (£12 each)	£180
Placement process (introducing mentors to their young person and family). This covers the programme coordinator's time for two hours with each of the 12 young people matching them with 12 volunteers	£334
Expenses (for 12 volunteers for 7 months at £30 per month)	£2,520
Expenses (for 13 mentoring relationships already ongoing until the finish of the year commitment or 31 March 2013, whichever is earlier, at £30 a month)	£2,010
Programme Coordinator Costs (1 day per week for 7 months at £25,000 pa, spent administrating the programme, supervising volunteers and liaising with other services)	£3,132
Senior Youth Work Coordinator Costs (4 hours per week for 7 months at £23,000 pa, spent mentoring high-risk young people and organising group activities)	£1,546
Admin (10%)	£1,020
TOTAL COST OF PROJECT (A) =	£11,222
B: Matched funding in place and secured (please list where the funding has come from)	
St Michael's and All Saints Charities	£3,000
Sponsor a Mentor Programme (3 individuals sponsoring a mentor at £25 a month for 7 months)	£525
Regular Committed Giving	£1,617
Funding from Cllr Mike Rowley, released from the Communities and	£1,080

Neighbourhoods Officer (pending)	
Total of matched funding (B) =	£6,522
A – B = Total grant requested (no more than £5000)	£5,000

What is the timescale for this project (completion must be before 31st March 2013)	
Start date:	October 2012
Finish date:	31 March 2013

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Reference #:

COF046

Meeting date:

Oct 1st

Name of Organisation

Freeland Parish Council

Project Name

Freeland Community Recreation Facility (CRF)

Amount asked for:

£5000

Timescale

Feb/mar 2013 to dec 2013

Hub Area: Abingdon – Didcot – Witney – Banbury – Littlemore – East Oxford - Bicester

Project description?

To provide a suitable sports changing facility for the village of Freeland. Currently the adult sports teams use a temporary converted metal container which is unsuitable i.e. heating and showers are unreliable. The proposed facility will give a modern, architect-designed building with warm changing rooms for two teams as well as a small multi-purpose recreation room for Brownies, Scouts and other young people's clubs and groups.

There has been strong support from parents of the young people involved in the project and with the new facility, the Freeland Youth teams will be catered for and the Youth Football team can be expanded. Coaching sessions in the meeting room for youth teams would also be possible as well as enabling youth groups and clubs to participate in recreational activities in the small meeting room.

Total project cost, including:	
A - Breakdown of items	
B - How much match funding has the organisation got?	
A: Breakdown of items (cont on separate page if necessary)	Cost £
Professional fees (Architect and Quantity Surveyor)	£12,500
Construction costs of the CRF building	£184,500
TOTAL COST OF PROJECT (A) =	£ 197,000
B: Matched funding in place and secured (please list where the funding has come from)	
WREN charitable trust (applied for – result Dec 2012)	£50,000
WODC	£47,076
Sport England	£50,000
Village Fundraising groups	£10,000
Parish Council funds (£10k in accounts, £10k to be precepted in Nov 2012)	£20,000
Local benefactor	£10,000
Freeland Charitable Foundation	£5,000
Total of matched funding (B) =	£192,000
A – B = Total grant requested (no more than £5000)	£5000

young people benefiting

210

Age range:

8-19

Have they applied before Yes

No

If yes, when, how much and have they completed evaluation form

£ 5,000

Comments:

Positive community project, benefiting a range of people and hopefully building on the inspiration of the Olympics. Would be important to consider the needs of a range of young people their age and needs to make sure it is accessible. Also important to consider how this will be facilitated and maintained.

Completed by: Annelies Henshall

Suggested amount
to award
£5000

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Office use only	
Application number:	COF046
Application received:	419112
Acknowledgement letter sent:	419112
Amount requested:	£5,000

Name of Organisation	Freeland Parish Council
Project Name	Freeland Community Recreation Facility (CRF)
How much are you requesting? (no more than £5k)	£5,000

Has your organisation applied for this funding before?	Yes
How many times have you applied for the funding?	We have received <u>1</u> times before. Total received before is £ <u>5,000</u>

Age range of children & young people that will be using the project	8 - 19
Number of children & young people who will benefit from this project	210

Describe how children & young people have been involved in this application (please attach any supporting documentation to demonstrate their involvement)

Because it is a major building project for which we are requesting funds, the major input into the project has come from the parents of the young people involved. They feel very strongly that we badly need the CRF. (Please see the attached letters strongly supporting the CRF building project and describing why it is so important for the youth of the Village to have these facilities as soon as possible).

What do you want to do? (please describe the project you want funding for)

With the CRF project we are aiming to provide suitable sports changing facilities for the Village of Freeland. Currently adult sports teams use a temporary converted metal container (painted green) sited on the edge of the playing field for their changing rooms. This gives cramped changing facilities and often unreliable heating and showers and is not suitable for youth teams. They deserve much better facilities. The proposed facility will give a modern, architect-designed building with warm (well insulated) changing rooms for two teams as well as a small multi-purpose recreation room for Brownies, Scouts and other young people's clubs and groups.

Why is your project important? (and why do you want to do it?)

Besides adult teams, the Village currently has one under 8 years (small sided) football team and one youth (under 14s). Currently sports teams struggle to manage with a temporary facility which is totally inadequate and unsuitable for young people and yet expensive to hire. Because of the lack of suitable facilities in Freeland, one football Youth team and two Witney & District men's teams have to play football in Cassington.

How will your project help or benefit children and young people in the community?

With the new CRF facility with its modern changing rooms and small meeting room we would be able to cater for the Freeland Youth teams and also be able to expand the Youth Football teams. Coaching sessions in the meeting room for youth teams would also become possible as well as enabling youth groups and clubs to participate in recreational activities in the small meeting room. Freeland badly needs the CRF!

Please tell us the total project cost, including:

A - Breakdown of items you are seeking funding for	
B - How much match funding you have and from where?	
A: Breakdown of items you need (cont on separate page if necessary)	Cost £
Professional fees for the project (Architect £7,800 and Quantity Surveyor £4,700)	£12,500
Construction costs of the CRF building	£184,500
TOTAL COST OF PROJECT (A) =	£197,000
B: Matched funding in place and secured (please list where the funding has come from)	Please see separate sheet: £192,000

Total of matched funding (B) = **£192,000**

A - B = Total grant requested (no more than £5000) **£5,000**

What is the timescale for this project (completion must be before 31st March 2013)

Start date: Feb/March 2013 Finish date: December 2013

CRF funding

Name of Organization	Organization type	Amount (£)	Status
WREN	Charitable Trust	50,000	Applied for July 2012 (result in Dec 2012)
WODC	Local Authority	47,076	Awarded
Sport England	Charitable Trust	50,000	Awarded
Village Fundraising groups	Voluntary sector	10,000	In PC accounts
Parish Council funds	Local Authority	20,000	£10K in accounts, £10K to be precepted in November 2012
Local benefactor	Local benefactor	10,000	Pledged when other funding received
Freeland Charitable Foundation	Charitable Trust	5,000	Agreed
Total amounts:		192,076	