

Funding Application

Application to be completed by Organisation/Group/Individual applying for funding	
Neighbourhood Area: Chells	Name of Councillor: Howard Burrell
Name of Organisation: Sport Stevenage	Name of Applicant: Grahame Bowles
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<p>I would like my local Councillor to consider the following request for funding: <i>(please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)</i></p> <p>You will recall that SBC was obliged to discontinue funding Sport Stevenage this year due to economies in its budget. A large proportion of our funding went directly to grassroots local sports clubs to support their work in realising the targets within the Stevenage Community Strategy as well as the National Strategy for Sport. Voluntary Sports Clubs are required to ensure that their personnel are properly trained and educated before they begin the task of increasing opportunities for sport for all within our communities. It is a national requirement from Government, DCMS, Sport England and their own national governing bodies of sport that clubs fulfil all manner of regulation that includes child and vulnerable adult protection, volunteer support, first aid, welfare of young players etc. even before they get to the stage of acquiring the coaching know-how in order to develop individual Skills in young people. Such qualifications are expensive to acquire and we have always supported our volunteers with these expenses. Our strategy of support was usually a third of the cost from the club, a third from the individual and a third from Sport Stevenage. Thus we were able to spread the support amongst a wide variety of sports and clubs. Sadly we have had to inform our clubs that we will be unable to continue with this programme at the moment. The sporting activities on offer in Stevenage are many and varied and the membership of our clubs are drawn from across the town not specifically from one particular ward. We want to maintain the quality of our clubs especially those who are coaching large numbers of young people and that means seeking the funds to keep our volunteer coaches well qualified and prepared. The Local Community Budget which you administer may just give us an opportunity</p>	

<p>to continue with support to the clubs replacing the funding previously granted to us direct from SBC resources. If each Councillor was to provide £100 to Sport Stevenage that would total £3900 for coach education and I would be most grateful if you felt able to donate that amount. Not that I would object should you choose to donate more!</p>	
<p>I have requested other funding for this project from: <i>(name other funding bodies being approached and amounts applied for)</i></p>	<p>If you have requested funding for this project from other councillors please tick. Yes <input type="checkbox"/> If you have ticked yes how many councillors in total are you applying to?</p>
Total cost of project:	£
Other funds already raised <i>(if any)</i>	£
Amount of funding required:	£ 500
<p>Declaration: I declare that the information supplied in this request is true and that any grant money received from Stevenage Borough Council will be used for the purposes described in this form</p>	

**Individual Councillor Decision
Local Community Budget 2011/2012**

<i>This information is for Internal use only by Councillor and Officers</i>	
Councillor: Howard Burrell	Ward: Chells
Decision taken	<i>(Do you as the budget holder agree or not agree to fund?)</i> Agreed
	<i>If you do agree what amount?</i> £ 500
Reason for decision	<i>To support Sports Stevenage</i>
Other options considered	<i>(Has the applicant sought advice/guidance on other funding for the project/activity/organisation)</i> <i>None</i>
Consultations	<i>(Has the project/activity been discussed with anyone else)</i> <i>None</i>
Outcome of consultations	<i>(Consultation result if any)</i> <i>None</i>
Financial implications	<i>Sufficient funds are available from Councillor's Local Community Budget</i> <i>None known</i>
Legal implications	<i>None known</i>
Other implications	<i>None known</i>

Declaration of interests	None	
Signed by Councillor	Howard Burrell	Date:10.ii.12
If Call-in is to be waived give reason for urgency		
Please email the completed form to: LocalCommunityBudgets@stevenage.gov.uk		
Waiver of Call-in agreed by		Date:
Officer confirmation <i>(signature) M. Williams</i> Date:10.2.12		
Date of publication	13 February 2012	
Deadline for Call-in	20 February 2012	
Implementation date	Subject to the decision not being Called-in this decision may take affect from Tuesday 21 February 2012	