

Funding Application

Application to be completed by Organisation/Group/Individual applying for funding	
Neighbourhood Area: St. Nicholas	Name of Councillor: Ralph Raynor
Name of Organisation: Stevenage Borough Juniors Football Club	Name of Applicant: Brian Mitchell, Club Secretary
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<p>I would like my local Councillor to consider the following request for funding:</p> <p><i>We are the largest youth football club in Stevenage, with 494 playing members, of which 85 are female. The split by ward is as follows: Bandle Hill 35, Bedwell 25, Chells 30, Great Ashby 36, Longmeadow 41, Manor 33, Martins Wood 25, Old Town 32, Pin Green 31, Roebuck 33, Shephall 25, St. Nicholas 26, Symonds Green 25, Woodfield 30. (Plus 67 players from surrounding villages etc).</i></p> <p><i>We are hoping that you will be able to help us finance our activities. We are entirely self funding and get no contribution from local authorities, football clubs or football associations. We are asking that councillors consider using £5 of their Local Community Budget for every player in their ward. There are three main reasons for this request:</i></p> <p><i>(a) Due to the economic downturn, we have been asked by many more parents to allow them to pay a reduced annual subscription</i></p> <p><i>(b) Last season 15 of our players had their subscription paid from the extended schools funding scheme which has now discontinued.</i></p> <p><i>(c) We have seen an increase in our playing membership this season of 50 players, many of whom are new to playing football. The reason for the increase appears to be the lack of opportunity to play football in schools, particularly for girls. (We have been approached by Tim Sills head of PE at Marriotts about this issue).</i></p> <p><i>Consequently we were asked to run a couple of free development sessions for players who have never played but would like to learn. We started a session for girls just before Christmas and it has been a great success and we now have 32 girls registered for our Wednesday evening coaching session at Round Diamond School. In January 2012 we started a similar session for boys, this time on a Monday evening at Nobel School and we already have a dozen players attending regularly.</i></p> <p><i>Problem is that we did not budget for these sessions and hiring all-weather facilities is very expensive, (£52 per hour at Round Diamond and £65 per hour at Nobel) and because of dark evenings, we will need to continue to use all-weather facilities through to the end of April .</i></p>	
I have requested other funding for this project from: <i>(name other funding bodies being approached and amounts applied for)</i> None	If you have requested funding for this project from other councillors please tick. Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> YES If you have ticked yes how many councillors in total are you applying to?39.....
Total cost of project:	£ 3042
Other funds already raised <i>(if any)</i>	£ 0

Amount of funding required:	£ 130
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	

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

<i>This information is for Internal use only by Councillor and Officers</i>	
Councillor: Ralph Raynor	Ward: St Nicholas
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> £130.00
Reason for decision	<i>This is a good project that will benefit St Nicholas young people.</i>
Other options considered	<i>(Has the applicant sought advice/guidance on other funding for the project/activity/organisation)</i>
Consultations	<i>(Has the project/activity been discussed with anyone else)</i>
Outcome of consultations	<i>(Consultation result if any)</i>
Financial implications	<i>Sufficient funds are available from Councillor's Local Community Budget</i>
Legal implications	
Other implications	
Declaration of interests	
Signed by Councillor	Ralph Raynor Date: 13 February 2012
If Call-in is to be waived give reason for urgency	
Waiver of Call-in agreed by	Date:
Officer confirmation <i>(signature) C. Murphy</i>	
Date: 13/02/12	
Date of publication	14 February 2012
Deadline for Call-in	21 February 2012
Implementation date	Subject to the decision not being Called-in this decision may take affect from Wednesday 22 February 2012