

**Community projects REF NUMBER:**

**Date received**

Community Projects Fund 23/24

Application Form

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| If you need any help in completing this form please get in touch. |
| **1. APPLICANT DETAILS** |
| **Name** (main contact) |  |
| **Position in organisation** |  |
| **Daytime telephone number** |  |
| **Email** |  |
| **Group or organisation name** |  |
| **Address of the person dealing with the application** (including postcode): |  |
| **Website address** (if one is available) |  |

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| **2. ORGANISATION STATUS** (Please tick and complete all boxes that apply) |
| **Voluntary organisation** | [ ]  |  |
| **Parish Council** | [ ]  |  |
| **Charity**  | [ ]  | Charity number: |
| **Private Individual** | [ ]  |  |
| **Registered Company** | [ ]  | Company number: |
| **Other**  | [ ]  | Please define: |
| **Do you have a formal constitution?** | Yes[ ]  | No[ ]  |  |
| **Are you VAT registered?** | Yes[ ]  | No[ ]  | Vat Number: |

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| **3. PROJECT DETAILS** |
| **Project title** (a catchy name that describes your project) |  |
| **Project description** – please include:1. A brief outline of your project and what you would like to spend the grant on
2. Tell us what your project aims to achieve
3. Who are the key people/organisations involved?
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| **How much funding are you asking for?** |  |
| **Will anyone else be funding this project?** |  |
| **Timetable for your project**(all projects should be able to make a final claim by Feb 1st 2024) | **Start date** (month/year): |  |
| **Completion date** (month/year): |  |

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| 1. **PROJECT LOCATION** (complete 1 **or** 2)
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| 1. If the Project is located within the Malvern Hills AONB please state where:
 | 1. The project is outside the AONB but will benefit the following AONB parishes:
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| **Who owns the land/building where the project will take place (if applicable)?**(Is there a lease? If so, how many years remain?) Have you obtained all the permissions you need? (e.g. planning permission, landowner’s consent, Local Authority or Environment Agency approval) |
| **5. Please estimate the cost of your project, broken down into the following:** |

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|  | **In Cash** | **In Kind****(See guidance)** | **Total** |
| Paid for work – staff/contractors (please specify)Volunteer time Spent on Project:- donated/ in-kind time (including project management/admin) | £ | £ | £ |
| Purchase of goods/ equipment | £ | £ | £ |
| Other costs (please state what they are) | £ | £ | £ |
| **Total** | £ | £ | £ |

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| 1. **PROJECT CHECKLIST - MHAONB Management Plan priorities**
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| Your application will score more if it helps to deliver our vision for the Malvern Hills AONB**Please only complete the boxes below that apply to your project** |
|  **WILL YOUR PROJECT?** |  **HOW?** |
| 1. Help the AONB to become a place of rich, diverse and abundant wildlife?
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| 1. Help people to enjoy, value and care for the AONB? We
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| 1. Maintain the distinctive character and natural beauty of the AONB?
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| **7.** **DIRECT & COUNTABLE RESULTS - outputs of your project**: |
| How many and what type of people, businesses, community groups, etc. will benefit from your project |  |
| Estimated number of volunteers involved with the project and volunteer days spent on the project |  |
| Countable achievements, e.g. trees planted, nest-boxes put up, training sessions completed etc |  |
| Other direct or countable results arising from your project |  |
| **Who will look after the completed project and how will this be funded in the future?** |

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| **8. COMMUNITY PROJECTS FUND CRITERIA**  |
| The aim of the fund is to promote and enhance the environmental, economic and social wellbeing of the AONB. Please tick any of the criteria below that your project meets. |
| **Environmental criteria – does the project?** | **Economic criteria – does the project?** |
| [ ]  | Conserve and improve the built and/or natural environment | [ ]  | Meet local economic needs |
| [ ]  | Protect or increase biodiversity | [ ]  | Provide long-term economic benefit to the community |
| [ ]  | Promote or apply ‘reduce; re-use; recycle’ principles | [ ]  | Make a contribution to local training and/or employment prospects |
| [ ]  | Promote the use and/or generation of renewable energy | [ ]  | Make use of local suppliers of products, services and materials |
| [ ]  | Reduce the need for car, van and lorry journeys or promote walking and cycling | [ ]  | Demonstrate responsible business practices or promote community support for the local economy |
| [ ]  | Minimise pollution of the land, air and water |  |
| **Social criteria – does the project?** | **Criteria for success – does the project?** |
| [ ]  | Help people feel part of their community and support them to take action | [ ]  | Encourage greater awareness and understanding of sustainability – living today in a way that doesn’t harm the future |
| [ ]  | Conserve and support our cultural heritage | [ ]  | Promote understanding and enjoyment of the AONB’s special qualities |
| [ ]  | Encourage links between urban groups and those who live and work in the AONB | [ ]  | Have a clearly defined set of realistic aims and measurable outcomes (changes or results) |
| [ ]  | Combat social exclusion, particularly of young people | [ ]  | Have someone to manage it, so that it will achieve its aims and measure its outcomes |
| [ ]  | Help combat loneliness | [ ]  | Demonstrate innovation, creativity or best practice |
| [ ]  | Encourage people to have a more sustainable lifestyle | [ ]  | Bring organisations together in partnership to tackle an identified need |
| [ ]  | Encourage those who might not access the AONB to visit and enjoy it | [ ]  | Add value or a new dimension to existing sustainability projects |
|  | [ ]  | Explore opportunities to access funds and/or support in kind from other sources |

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| 1. **DECLARATION**
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| I certify that all the information provided in this application is true to the best of my knowledge. I understand that any misleading statements**,** whether deliberate or accidental, could make the application invalid and therefore liable for the return of any money.**Signature:****Printed name: Date:**Please return the completed application form to: khumphries@worcestershire.gov.uk The Malvern Hills AONB Community Projects Fund is delivered locally by the Malvern Hills AONB team and funded by Defra. Logo, company name  Description automatically generated  |

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