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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? | | | |
| **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) | |
| 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: |
| **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** | |
| 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? |  |
| 1. Help people to enjoy, value and care for the AONB? We |  |
| 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** |
| 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](mailto: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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