

# Great Yarmouth

## Working Neighbourhoods Fund

### Small Grants



The wider WNF programme launched a smaller grant component on 09 September 2009. The WNF Small Grant programme aims to assist the wider fund to deliver its overall aim. The WNF Small Grant programme is set to run until March 2011 and is being run in partnership with Voluntary Norfolk.

Voluntary and community organisations, including social enterprises with an annual turnover of less than £200,000 can apply for a grant up to £10,000. All WNF Small Grants must operate within the Borough of Great Yarmouth and link in with the Neighbourhood Management Programme that they operate in or nearest to. This is to ensure that funded projects are shaped and designed at a locality level and stay within the geographical area of need. The scheme is also tied in with the Norfolk Local Area Agreement Indicators and the three priorities that each application must meet (one or more) are Reaching Out, Removal of Barriers and Essential Skills.

All WNF Small Grants funded projects are required to work from and implement recognised standards of best practice which include all the relevant governance procedures. Voluntary Norfolk Development Officers in Great Yarmouth are available to support organisations through their application process and support them to implement governance standards required by the funder.

The assessment process includes a panel of appraisers who judge and score each application objectively against the priorities and criteria agreed by the Appraisal Panel, Great Yarmouth Borough Council and Voluntary Norfolk. The Appraisal Panel consists of relevant agencies in Great Yarmouth which meets every three months to consider applications and review the monitoring of WNF Small Grant projects

Five organisations were successful in applying for a WNF Small Grant in Round 1 totalling an award amount of £18,585. Organisations that received funding include the Eastern Spirit Show Corps, a youth marching band which was awarded £3,200 because the project complimented NEET outcomes with the potential to benefit the wider community and also involved volunteers. 3 Per Cent Plus, a recruitment agency for disabled people and people that face barriers to employment, was awarded £5,000 because it supported the purpose of WNF Small Grants in getting people into work. Round 2 awarded 5 projects a combined allocation of £29,500.90. Organisations that received funding include Growing Changes, a green volunteering project for people with low level mental health and physical disability was awarded £4,981.13. Contact which was awarded the largest award of £10,000 to work with families to promote self esteem, confidence and future development.

Round 3 is currently closed for applications and 7 applications are to be discussed at the next meeting of the Appraisal Panel.

**The closing date for the next round is Monday 02 August 2010 at 1200.** For an application pack or for an informal chat about how your project can match the criteria of the fund please contact [helen.johnson@gyvsp.org.uk](mailto:helen.johnson@gyvsp.org.uk) or 01493 845925

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WNF Small Grants is now open for applications please contact Helen for further information and an application pack

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