

Brookside Big Local Community Chest application form 2016

Welcome to the Brookside Big Local Community Chest application form. Brookside Big Local is a £1m 10 year resident led programme to make Brookside an even better place to live. The Community Chest is a small pot of money for local groups to apply for. Here are the details.

The aims of the Brookside Big Local Community Chest are to:

- Help make Brookside an even better place
- Support residents take action on the 8 key areas of Brookside Big Local priorities
- *Help individuals and entrepreneurs achieve their dreams*

Who can apply?

- Residents of any age within Brookside
- Community and voluntary sector groups providing services or activities for residents of Brookside

What and how much can be applied for?

What	Who	How much
1. Grants for groups	Application made by a group with at least two resident signatures, supported or in partnership with a local organisation if required.	Up to £500
2. Purchases for groups	Application made by a group with at least two resident signatures, supported by or in partnership with a local organisation if required, for a purchase to be made by our Local Trusted Organisation.	Up to £500
3. Awards	Any individual living in Brookside with new and innovative ideas (Star People)	Up to £500

What are the 8 priorities for Brookside Big Local?

Brookside Big Local has been carrying out consultation and background research since 2012. This has culminated in the development of a Community Vision and a Community Plan. The Community Vision sets out what we would like to achieve by the end of the 10 year Big Local programme. The Community Plan sets out how we hope to achieve this.

In developing our Community Vision, we have defined a set of community priorities and aspirations, detailed below. All activities and project supported by Brookside Big Local must show an impact on one or more of the Community concerns, which are:

Concerns for the environment: The condition and appearance of the visual and physical environment that includes concerns around fly tipping and rubbish; bins and litter generally; wheelie bins and boxes; dog fouling, pathways and housing. Projects that enable the local community to make the environment safer, healthier, greener, cleaner, better designed and more welcoming would be encouraged..

Concerns for health: A wide range of issues experienced by some residents who may be isolated in their own homes; the elderly; those with issues of mental health, depression, substance misuse, aspergers / autism, mobility, carers confined to their home with lack of opportunities, and the need for local support, services and groups.

Concerns for community safety: Activities that increase positive social behaviour that can promote an increase in personal and community safety would be encouraged.

Concerns for young people:

Activities that will offer a good variety of physical, social and emotional ways for our young residents to feel involved and included residents of Brookside. These activities will allow opportunities for new networks and friendships to form, they will help strengthen family support as well as giving young people opportunities to live a healthier lifestyle, learn a new skills and boost confidence to thrive into a stable adulthood.

Concerns for adults:

There are a range of concerns that residents felt can contribute to long-term improvements in general health and well-being. Introducing more opportunities that encourage more socialising and help networks and friendships to form; helping to increase neighbourliness and reduce isolation and loneliness, developing more community support systems and ways opportunities to build self esteem and for residents to feel valued and contributing members of Brookside.

Concerns for more public engagement and involvement:

Introducing more opportunities that can bring about more social cohesion and a sense of belonging, increase motivation to engage and for residents to become involved, empowered and active members of the local community of Brookside.

Concerns for children and families:

There are a range of concerns relating to feeling safe, having places to go and things to do, improving communication, reducing isolation and improving family advice and support.

Concerns for employment, training and skills:

Many positive suggestions were made by residents to help people prosper with training, employment and skills for life. These suggestions include; Good quality and meaningful volunteering opportunities; creating opportunities that encourage entrepreneurial behaviour; valuing and involving our 'expert employed' (retired people); finding out what skills the community has and maximising opportunities for use; creating wider opportunities by improving the way in which skills, training and support towards employment can be delivered and communication for skill development, training and employment and being creative to maximise the way that information is communicated.

How to apply:

- You can download the form from the website or pick up a copy from the Brookside Central.
- You can contact us to find out more to help with your application.
- 2 residents must sign and support the application.

How decisions are made:

- Applications are submitted to a panel of people living and working locally.
- A short list is drawn up from the applications submitted to the panel.
- Those who are not successful are contacted and offered support to look at how to strengthen their application for the future.
- Those shortlisted may be invited to meet the panel to discuss their application in more detail.
- Decisions are made and announced publically.

How to find out more and pick up an application form:

- The **application form** is below. You can complete electronically or pick up a hard copy from the Brookside Central and submit in writing.
- Email about the Community Chest grants to Tina.rogers3@virginmedia.com or info@brooksidebiglocal.co.uk
- Drop us an email or call in to the Brookside Central if you need more **information**.

- **Decisions** for shortlisted groups will be made within 4 weeks of receiving the completed application

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1. Names of those applying and contact details, with email and phone if possible

Resident name:

Email:

Address:

Phone:

Resident name:

Email:

Address:

Phone:

Supporting organisation name:

Email:

Name of main contact:

Phone:

Address:

2. What does your group do and who does it benefit? (It must be local residents)

May need to add something else here if you want to include awards to individuals

3. What are you applying for? (circle the one that applies)

Grant – Purchase – Award

4. What do you need money for and how much do you need from Brookside Big Local? If you are purchasing equipment, please include a quote of costs.

5. Which of Brookside Big Local priorities does your application respond to? Please tick all those that apply from the list below

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| Concerns for the environment | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Concerns for health | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Concerns for community safety | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Concerns for young people | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Concerns for adults | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Concerns for more public engagement and involvement | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Concerns for children and families | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Concerns for employment, training and skills | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Please choose no more than 3 of the priorities you have selected and add some further comment to help us understand how your idea meets our priority / priorities.

6. What benefits will this money bring to you / the group and the wider community

7. How will we know you have made a difference? It is a condition of the award that you report to us on what has been achieved. Please choose at least one of the methods below. Whatever approach you choose, we would expect information concerning those who have benefited.

A short written story

A short verbal presentation at an event

A short film, video clip or photos showing visually what's changed

8. How will you keep track of the money? Who will hold the money and how will expenditure be approved and kept track of? If you are successful, we will ask you to sign an agreement with us that you will use the money as agreed in the application. We expect you to keep receipts and we may need to see these. **Please include a Bank statement from the supporting organisation.**

9. Anything else you would like to add?

Date of application:

Signed by

Resident:

Resident:

Main worker of supporting organisation:

Please return by email tina.rogers3@virginmedia.com or a hard copy to Brookside Big Local, Tina Rogers , Brookside Central, Burford, Telford TF3 1LP.

Admin use only:	
Date received:	
Received by:	
Acknowledged on:	
If approved signed and dated by grant recipient agreeing to terms	
Additional comments or information regarding the terms of grant.	