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HELPING THE OLDER GENERATION

## Elmbridge Partnership Fund 2019

### Who are the funding partners?

This Fund has contributions from Elmbridge Borough Council, Walton Charity and Walsingham Care. The total sum available is £45,000.

### What is the aim of the funding? – to assist in alleviating loneliness and social isolation

The local voluntary, community and faith sector is seeing an increased demand for services. This could be due to increasing interest in joining social groups, increased demand for befriending visits, or a requirement to increase volunteer numbers and this trend is likely to remain upward. The aim of the funding is to enable organisations to meet this demand, particularly but not exclusively, organisations that support older people, loneliness, or potentially isolated members of the local community.

### Who can apply?

- Applications will be accepted from not for profit organisations that support vulnerable residents including organisations which are registered or unregistered with the Charity Commission and Community Interest Companies. Individuals will not be funded.
- Applications are particularly welcome from organisations supporting older people i.e age 60+
- Organisations who are funded from the Elmbridge Council's Annual Grants 2019/2020, Walton Charity Community Grant and Walsingham Care Community Grants are eligible to apply to the Partnership Fund 2019.

### Who will benefit from the Partnership Fund?

The funding must only be used to support Elmbridge residents.

### Partnership Fund criteria

The Partnership Funding priorities are as follows: -

- **Build and Develop capacity** – supporting local organisations and groups to develop skills, knowledge and confidence to deliver their services to reach more people.
- **Sustainability** – supporting local organisations and groups to increase/improve the robustness of the organisation with the longer term aim of increasing capacity e.g. recruiting more volunteers.
- **Service Innovation** – enabling you to develop additional services, to reach more people, or create a new service.

### What the grant will fund

Applications are invited to apply for funding that will develop capacity, service innovation and improve sustainability. The applicants are invited to come up with ideas to fulfil their own organisation's needs, but examples of the type of projects we would fund are:

- attending training that meets your specific needs,
- to develop systems, strategies, processes, structures and resources to meet increasing demand for services
- address unmet need e.g. purchasing consultancy time, developing a dynamic web site and use of social media.

Organisations that support isolated, or potentially isolated and lonely members of the local community will be given preference.

## **Support for organisations to apply**

We are keen for small organisations to apply. Central Surrey Voluntary Action can provide support to complete applications and, for those groups who are successful, with completing the monitoring form.

CSVA will hold 2 drop-in sessions at the Voluntary Sector Hub, Civic Centre the first is between 10am and 12pm on 28<sup>th</sup> August and the second between 10am and 12pm on 19<sup>th</sup> September.

## **What the fund will not cover**

The fund will not accept applications for the following: -

- Business as usual activities
- Individuals who are not partnered with a voluntary sector group
- To cover the cost of salaries of a fund raiser
- Support to be provided outside of the Borough of Elmbridge
- Activities which are the responsibility of the statutory sector to provide
- Medical Research
- Funding for **major** capital projects or items (will support low level equipment costs)
- Fundraising appeals
- Advancement of any religion or religious group, unless the application is to provide non-religious services to the local community eg Foodbank or other similar project which supports the local community irrespective of religion.
- Animal welfare
- Retrospective requests
- Commercial or business activities, but this does not exclude social enterprise
- Applications that would be eligible for the Community Infrastructure Levy fund <https://www.elmbridge.gov.uk/planning/community-infrastructure-levy-cil-funding/> .

## **How much can be applied for**

A maximum amount any one organisation can apply for is up to £5,000. If successful, your request will be paid in full, but please indicate on the application form whether you would be prepared to accept a scaled back amount.

## **Evidence of need**

Clear evidence of need to increase capacity must be provided in the application form. The application must also demonstrate how this funding will respond to your identified need.

## **Monitoring**

Successful organisations will be asked to provide direct evidence of the increase in capacity development, building and/or improved sustainability 12 months after receipt of funding.

## **Further information on how to build capacity within an organisation**

Please look at the following NCVO web page

<https://knowhow.ncvo.org.uk/organisation/orgdev/development-1/capacitybuilding2>

## **Closing Date**

Applications must be received no later than 12.00 midday on 11<sup>th</sup> October 2019. They can be posted, hand delivered or e-mailed to: [gmckenzie@elmbridge.gov.uk](mailto:gmckenzie@elmbridge.gov.uk) We do acknowledge applications, if you have not received an acknowledgement 2 weeks after submitting it, please contact us. Successful organisations will be contacted mid November 2019.

## **For further information please contact:**

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