

Applications for North Neighbourhood Fund

Application No. 1

Funding Source	Neighbourhood Fund
Name of Project	Quarry Park Run
Lead Organisation	Sunderland City Council

Total cost of Project	Total Match Funding	Total NF Application
£5,000	£0	£5,000
Project Duration	Start Date	End Date
Ongoing	September 2022	Ongoing - Operational August 2023

Project Description

The full project description is detailed below:
(verbatim from application)

To provide the opportunity for residents in the north of the city to participate in a weekly free local run/walk or jog at the Quarry each Saturday morning.

What is parkrun

- parkruns are free, weekly, community events led by community volunteers
- Saturday morning events are 5k and take place in parks and open spaces.
- parkrun is a positive, welcoming and inclusive experience where there is no time limit, and no one finishes last.
- Everyone is welcome to come along, whether they walk, jog, run, volunteer or spectate. Parkrun provides the opportunity to learn new skills and enhance physical and mental health and promote happiness in an outdoor environment whilst making new friends, feeling part of the local community and improving fitness.

Participating at parkrun brings a lot of pleasure, enjoyment and happiness, a sense of identity, community connectedness, and long-enduring friendships for many people. The physical and mental health and wellbeing benefits of running are scientifically well established, and the promotion of running and physical activity more generally is part of the public health physical activity message in the UK.

Every parkrun event is completely run by volunteers, a dedicated group of people to ensure others in their community have a weekly event to keep them fit and get them out in the fresh air and meeting people. These core volunteers have been identified and conversations have been conducted with parkrun to establish a safe, enjoyable accessible route at the Quarry.

There are currently two established parkruns in the city (Silkworth and Herrington Country Park) which combined enables approximately 400 people to partake in free activity each week

Project Costs:

Parkrun operational costs	4000
Defibrillator	1000

Recommendation

June Board recommended Approval as part of the area priorities:

- Support Communities to Deliver Local Events
- Support Voluntary and Community Sector
- Improve Parks, Play Areas, Cycle and Walking Routes
- Social Prescribing

Application No. 2

Funding Source	Neighbourhood Fund
Name of Project	Southwick Illuminations
Lead Organisation	Sunderland City Council

Total cost of Project	Total Match Funding	Total NF Application
£13,300	£0	£13,300
Project Duration	Start Date	End Date
3 Years	November 2022	November 2024

Project Description

The full project description is detailed below:
(verbatim from application)

Southwick Community Christmas Project has delivered an extremely successful illumination event in Southwick since 2012. The event has engaged with local voluntary and community sector organisations, Southwick ward elected members, wider area committee members, local schools, businesses and the residents of the North area.

In 2021 the Area Committee awarded Neighbourhood Capital Funding to wrap the majority of trees on the Green and create a Winter Wonderland on the Green.

This application is to cover the Switch On Events for 2022 – 2024, the dressing of the live tree 2023 - 2024 and incorporates a contingency for checking of tree wraps which are recommended to be inspected on a 3 yearly basis in order to prevent damage to trees

Project Costs:

Event Management – Barriers, Staging, Lighting, PA Systems x 3 years 2022 - 2024	3,600
Dressing & Undressing of Live Tree and Switch On Operatives x 2 years 2023 - 2024	4,200
VCS Event Support – Arts & Craft Activities/Event Support/Selection Boxes x 3 years 2022 - 2024	1,500

Contingency for Tree Wrap Inspections and Repairs	4,000
Total	£13,300

Recommendation

This Project delivers to the priority – **Support Communities to Deliver Local Events** - and is part of the North Area Committee agreed Delivery Plan