



WARWICK DISTRICT COMMUNITY FORUM GRANT FUND 2009/10

APPLICATION FORM

Please circle the community forum to which you are applying for money:						
Kenilworth	North Leamington	South Leamington	Rural East	Rural West	Warwick	Whitnash

Project name AND/OR your name.	Lillington Children's Allotment Dads Project - Action 21.
Your contact details (address, telephone, email).	J shire
Briefly describe your project. (What do you want to provide, and how will you provide it? How long will the project run?)	The project aims to engage local fathers and their children with the Lillington Children's Allotment. By providing a weekly session with a worker skilled in both family work and gardening the project aims to:* provide a stimulating and exciting outdoor learning environment;* support economic and physical wellbeing by teaching families how to grow their own fresh fruit and veg;*the opportunity for dads to develop their parenting skills and contribute to their child's learning. We would like to provide outdoor clothing for use at the project so that families who may be otherwise be unable to afford such equipment can come. The project would run initially for 6 months then be evaluated.
How much money are you asking for, and what will you use it for? (Please give us an itemised list of costs – on a separate sheet it necessary.)	Salary cost (4hrs a week - 2 hrs direct work, 2 hrs developmental time) (including hourly rate plus on-costs of national insurance etc)(£10 x 4 = £40 per week x 26 weeks) £1,040 Management, supervision, personnel costs (including CRB checks) £ 210 Outdoor clothing, wet weather gear, wellies etc for up to 8 fathers and 10 children (£60 per adult and £40 per child) £ 880 Tools, green wood working equipment, seeds, etc. £ 250 <div style="text-align: center;">Total £2,380</div>
Describe the sort of people who will benefit from or use the project (age, gender, particular need etc.).	The aim would be to run the group during the week so as to appeal to fathers who are not in employment. We would hope to attract father's of pre-school aged children as we aim to work in conjunction with Lillington Children's Centre who's target group are families of children aged 0 - 5. The project will also be supported by a group of local volunteers.

Which geographical area will the project focus on? (Be as specific as you can.)	Lillington, Cubbington, Milverton, (Wards - Milverton, Clarendon, Crown)
If you are going to operate from a building, please tell us where it is.	The worker will be able to use office space at Lillington Children's Centre, Mason Avenue, Lillington for develop-mental and planning work. The group will run at the Lillington Children's Allotment site on the Campion Hills Allotments, Back Lane, Lillington.
Which community forum priority does the project link to? (See the yellow sheet enclosed for your priorities.)	Fundamentally the project aims to strengthen the local community by helping improve the local environment. We aim to increase community spirit and pride through encouraging father's who may not be in employment to become actively involved in their local community and by encouraging their children likewise. In addition we aim to engage local volun-teers of all ages to share their knowledge and skills.
How do you know there is a need for this project? (Describe the evidence you have got and where you got it from.)	Lillington Children's Centres have found that fathers are consistently under represented in their attendance figures. There is evidence that outcomes for children, families and communities are much improved when father's are actively involved in their children's upbringing.(Fathers in Sure Start by The National Evaluation of Sure Start (NESS 2009). The Office of National Statistics highlights that several wards in our area have twice the rate of local unemployment.
List any groups or agencies who are involved in the project with you.	Action 21, Lillington Children's Centre, Action for Children, Warwickshire CAVA. Local nurseries and pre-schools will be engaged with by the project worker to establish a working relationship and to ask them to introduce the worker to local fathers. Bell Green Children's Centre Coventry.
If you are applying, or have applied successfully, for other funding for this project please tell us where from, and how much.	We have so far not applied to any other bodies for funding of this project. If this funding bid is successful we would look to identify other funding sources to maintain its continuation. The project would be evaluated on a monthly basis by staff to ensure that it is meeting the stated aims. If these aims are not achieved then further funding may not be sought.
What proof will there be of whether the project has been successful? (We will need to check that money has been well spent. To do this we will need to see proof that the project has delivered the things it set out to do. Success must take a form that we can measure, such as number of people helped.)	Numbers of people attending the sessions will be monitored each week with a signing in sheet. Parents will also be asked to fill in a Warwickshire County Council Children's Services Registration form so that statistical data about them and their child /ren can be monitored. The North Leamington Community Forum will be provided with a written report evaluating this data and demonstrating the outcomes achieved. The project will know it has achieved its aims if the following outcomes are achieved: *We have engaged at least 10 individual fathers and their children over the 6 month period in regularly attending the allotment. *A feedback survey of fathers will be conducted to evaluate the positive effects of the project. *The project engages a number of local volunteers.
Are you a constituted group?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>