Voluntary and Community Sector Funding: pilot community-based initiatives

Fund 1 – Small Sparks
Aim: **Preventing Social Isolation in Adults and Older People**
Maximum value - £23,400
Fund lead: **Rita Lawson email: info@teesvalleyruralaction.co.uk Tel: 01642 213852**

How to Apply

Application Forms available through Tees Valley Rural Action, (TVRA) either by telephone (01642 213852) or email info@teesvalleyruralaction.co.uk referencing Small Sparks in the subject line.

Closing Date for Applications:

Applications can be submitted by email to info@teesvalleyruralaction.co.uk or by post to Tees Valley Rural Action, 33-35 Cadcam Centre, High Force Road, Middlesbrough TS2 1RH by **5pm Friday 15th November 2019**.

Applicant Eligibility

- Applicant does not have to be a registered charity;
- Applicants must be able to demonstrate that they are a group with a set of rules, management structure and either a separate bank account in their name or evidence that funds are held by another organisation, for example a parish council, other registered charity;
- Annual income must be less than £50k.

Criteria:

- Funding can be either capital or revenue;
- Minimum grant £500;
- Maximum grant £3,000;
- Applications cannot be retrospective
- The primary aim of the funding is to develop innovative ways of reducing social isolation/promoting community inclusion and the intention that as many barriers as possible to this occurring will be reduced or removed completely.

Approval Process:

All Applicants will receive an acknowledgement of their application and/or request for further information. Following this, it is the intention that applicants will be contacted within 10 working days of the 15th November 2019 closing date.

Monitoring

Applicants will be asked to complete a short monitoring and evaluation form when their project has been completed.

APPLICATION FORM

Organisation applying	
Key contact (name and job title)	
Contact details (telephone and email)	
Summary of bid 1) What do you want the funding for?	***Please keep your response to a maximum of 500 words***
2) How will you ensure the project is accessible to all?	***Please keep your response to a maximum of 500 words***
3) What outcomes will this achieve?	***Please keep your response to a maximum of 500 words***
Amount requested £	

Notes

- The primary aim of the funding is to develop innovative ways of reducing social isolation/promoting community inclusion and the intention is that as many barriers as possible to this occurring will be reduced or removed completely.

- Please note that as the funding will only be available on a 1 off basis, it should be utilised to develop support that will be self-sustaining once the funding has ended.

- The commissioners reserve the right to request amendments/additions to the proposals made and/or to seek to commission other services to fill any gaps identified after all proposals have been received.