

BIRMINGHAM CITY COUNCIL LOCAL INNOVATION FUND "Doing things differently in neighbourhoods to make better places to live" WARD PROPOSAL FORM					
WARD Hodge Hill	INNOVATION TITLE Greener Cleaner Firs & Bromford				
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<p>What is your innovative idea and how does it show collaborative, partnership working and active citizenship?</p> <p>'Greener Cleaner Firs & Bromford' is a project focused on collaboration, partnership working and resident-led regeneration of the Firs & Bromford. The project will work to develop, grow and sustain a range of green spaces and places across the neighbourhood. We will ensure this is resident led work by working with young people (through youth social action YSA) and growing a team of adult volunteers (the Green Team), and having a committee that will oversee the project.</p> <p>The project includes supporting, further developing and growing existing spaces and places:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ambridge House Urban Allotments, Community Forest Space at Tame Valley Academy (CFS) and Bromford Village Green <p>It also includes developing new spaces:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Comet Nature Park & Bluebell Walk, a Community Garden and St. Wilfrids Garden Allotment <p>The project also includes community clean up days, growing days, gardening clubs, skills workshops in the craft barn (wood carving, bench making etc.) and delivering the Grow-Cook-Eat project in the difference spaces.</p> <p>It involves a collaboration between a number of partners:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Firs & Bromford Neighbours Together – as the local resident-led community partnership FBNT are driving forward the vision for a 'Firs & Bromford Village' (see attached map) - Worth Unlimited – who manage the 'Youth Social Action' Project and the 'Community 					

Forest Space' 2 of the delivery partners

- Open Door Community Foundation – Who manage the 'Grow-Cook-Eat' Project and work in partnership with school and the spaces to deliver this project. The organisations 'Street Connectors' will also engage local residents around each green space to get people involved.
- Ambridge House – A local supported housing programme and the base for an urban allotment
- Firs Primary School, Tame Valley Primary School & Heathlands Primary School – 3 local schools who work with the community and where Worth Unlimited deliver YSA with the students

With the funding we are looking to:

- Buy the equipment, resources, tools needed to do the gardening activities (To create a tool shed that the Green Team and YSA team have access to)
- To build and equip a covered craft barn at the CFS which will be the workshop for building materials for the green spaces (benches, raised beds, fences, wood carvings).
- Buy the equipment needed for building the new spaces and developing existing spaces (wood, pollytunnels, pathways, signs)

Time Frame – is it:-

One off event/programme

Implement and complete within 6 months (2016)

Implement and complete within 12 months (2017)

X

How will the innovation be implemented?

A management committee will form to oversee this project. This will have representatives from the delivery partners, the green spaces, and residents. This committee will set out the list of tasks needed to be done and oversee these are completed. Over 12 months individual project plans will be put in place for each space and the different organisations and teams will undertake the work.

What outcomes will the proposal achieve? What will success look like and how will its impact be measured? How will you ensure legacy/ continuation and what learning will the project provide?

In 12 months success will be:

- A functioning management committee who oversee the delivery of the project and also will be in place for the long-term development of a Green Cleaner Firs & Bromford
- A network of sustainable green places where local people are nurturing and developing activities and usage of the spaces by the wider community. These spaces will be visited by over 500 local people in the next 12 months.
- The Green Team is in place of at least 10 local residents who are actively using their gifts and skills, and are being upskilled to oversee and develop the green spaces.
- Over 200 children and young people have engaged in the project in at least 1 green

space through youth social action and the grow-cook-eat project

- Over 100 local residents have engaged in the project through clean-up days, gardening clubs, grow-cook-eat project
- The craft barn and tool shed will develop local people's skills, talents and passion for gardening, craft activities and wood work. This will create more volunteering opportunities for people and develop their employability skills.

The project will leave both a physical legacy (a network of sustainable green spaces & craft barn) alongside a social legacy (local people taking ownership and responsibility for the regeneration of their community).

Have you considered other sources of funding and whether the project can be used to leverage further funding from elsewhere (please specify funding sources)?

The project is being supported by a number of organisations who have secured funding for staffing to deliver this project. This is through Big Local.

What resources will be required?

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- Capital	20000
- Running costs	
- People power volunteers	

Amount required from LIF £.....15000

Have you got any match funding – in cash or in kind?

£2000 is the budget contribution from the CFS for this project

£3000 is the budget contribution from the YSA project for this project

Contact person for proposal

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Which residents or community groups was the proposal discussed with and when (please give details of any meetings and which councillors attended)?

The proposal was discussed at a Ward Committee meeting on Tuesday 24th October 2017 and was endorsed by the residents who attended. All three of the Hodge Hill Ward councillors were in attendance and support the proposal.

Discussed at

Ward meeting Hodge Hill Ward

Date 24th October 2017

Signatures of all 3 Ward Councillors

Name MASIA MAHMOOD Signature Masid Mahmood Date 3.11.17

Name ALAN DONALDSON Signature Alan Donaldson Date 30.11.17

Name FIONA WILLIAMS Signature Fiona Williams Date 30.11.17

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Approved

Yes	
No	