



MAIN GRANTS PROGRAMME
(for applications to a maximum value of £2,500)
APPLICATION FORM

Name of organisation	FRIENDS OF MARSHLANDS ECO PARK
Official address (if applicable)	10 GREENFIELDS DRIVE, LITTLE NESTON

	First contact	Second contact
Name	HELEN PETERS	ASHLEA O'NEILL
Position	SECRETARY	CHAIR
Address		
Telephone		
Email	friends of marshlands eco park → ditto @ gmail.com	

Does your organisation have a named bank account with a minimum of two signatories?	YES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	NO	<input type="checkbox"/>

Registration status (if applicable)	
Charity Commission registration number	
Companies House registration number	

Your organisation	
What does your organisation do?	FORMED TO REJUVENATE & IMPROVE THE OLD CHILDRENS PLAY AREA ON MARSHLANDS RD
How does your organisation benefit the local community? Please include a specific example. <small>also see attached sheet (1)</small>	WE AIM TO BE THE FIRST ECO PARK IN NESTON, USING SUSTAINABLE MATERIALS, PLANTING TO BE ACCESSIBLE BY WHOLE COMMUNITY i.e. crushed limestone paths, wooden play equipment, indigenous trees.
How many people benefit directly from the work of your organisation (itemise numbers of members, volunteers and service users)?	MEMBERS 20 VOLUNTEERS 10 + SERVICE USERS - POTENTIALLY 100's IN THE COMMUNITY
What activities, events or services has your organisation provided in Neston during the last 12 months?	LITTER PICKING, BULB PLANTING ON THE FIELD. A CAR BOOT SALE AT THE ROYAL OAK FOR FUND + PROFILE RAISING.
What activities, events or services does your organisation plan to provide in Neston for the next 12 months?	FURTHER CAR BOOT SALE. PROMOTIONAL DAY AT NESTON MARKET. COMMENCE PATHWAYS + RESIZE FOOTBALL PITCH ON THE MARSHLANDS FIELD.

Your project	
Project title	INSTALLATION OF NOTICE BOARD
Amount requested	£1656
Project start date	as soon as possible
Project end date	— " —
Describe your project	To install a notice board in the Park
List the main objectives of your project	To inform, educate & advertise

see attached sheet (3)

Explain how each main objective will be achieved.	INFORM - convey to the community our existence, purpose + progress	(See attached sheet (2))
Provide a timeline for implementation of your project.	IF FUNDING APPROVED, CURRENT LEAD TIMES FOR INSTALLATION APPROX 6 weeks	
Detail the evidence that proves why this project is needed.	LIMITED MEANS FOR PUBLISHING INFORMATION. SOCIAL MEDIA DOES NOT REACH ALL. FIELD IS A WALK-THROUGH AREA + HAS POTENTIAL TO	
Please demonstrate how the people who will benefit from your project, with lived experience of the issues tackled, have been involved in its development and how they will be involved in its delivery.	FOR MANY YEARS THIS FIELD HAS BEEN A NEGLECTED SPACE. FORMERLY A CHILDRENS PLAY AREA, IT IS NOW MAINLY USED AS BY DOG WALKERS. THERE HAS LONG BEEN CALLS FOR IMPROVEMENT.	REACH WIDER COMMUNITY
What difference will your project make to the lives of the people who will benefit from it and how will you measure its legacy?	IT WILL ENABLE THE LOCAL AREA TO ACCESS QUICKLY + EASILY INFORMATION ABOUT THE GROUP, ITS ACTIVITIES + PROGRESS. IT WILL BE MEASURED BY COMMUNITY/VOLUNTEER PARTICIPATION	
How many people do you estimate will benefit from your project?	Direct beneficiaries Volunteers	COMMUNITY WIDE 10+
If you aim for your project to carry on in the future, how will you ensure it continues after the funding from this application has been used?	General Maintenance by volunteers / Fundraising.	

Breakdown of project costs	
Description of expenditure	Amount £
POSTER DISPLAY CASE (£685 + VAT @ 20%)	822
INSTALLATION OF THE CASE (£695 + VAT @ 20%)	834
(See attached quotation from the Parish Noticeboard Company)	
TOTAL PROJECT COST (do not include in-kind costs)	1,656

Sources of project funding and in-kind support	
Have you secured any other funding for your project? If so, where from?	Amount
	NONE
Description of in-kind assistance secured (eg volunteer hours or donated equipment)	Amount (what is the financial conversion for this in-kind help?)
	NONE

Financial information about your organisation (last financial year)	
What was the date of your last financial year end?	31.1.25
What was your organisation's income in the last financial year?	£ 3609
Did your organisation have a surplus or deficit for the last financial year?	Surplus £ 2746.51
	Deficit £ /
What were your organisation's unrestricted reserves at the end of the last financial year?	£ 1746.51

Financial information about your organisation (current financial year)	
Are you projecting a surplus or deficit for the current financial year?	Projected surplus £ 500 -
	Projected deficit £
What are your organisation's projected unrestricted reserves for the end of the current financial year?	£ 500 -

Previous grant support from Neston Town Council		
Please detail below previous grant support that your organisation has received from Neston Town Council during the past five years		
Date of grant award	Purpose of grant award	Amount
	N/A	

The Town Council's funding priorities	
We look for projects that support the funding priorities detailed in the Town Council's Grants Policy. Which of these priorities does your project support?	
To enable local people to participate in voluntary groups and activities.	✓
To help the Neston area's voluntary and community groups to improve the impact on the community.	✓
To ensure the provision of services, needed by the residents of the Neston area, via the voluntary sector.	✓
To support organisations which meet the needs of people experiencing social and economic difficulties.	✓
To ensure that there is equality of access and opportunity for all Neston area residents to the services it provides and funds.	✓
To improve or enhance the local environment.	✓

Checklist	
Latest annual accounts	✓
Copies of written estimates or catalogue pages (if applicable)	✓
Policies for the protection of children and/or vulnerable adults (if applicable)	N/A

Declaration

1. I am authorised to make the application on behalf of the above organisation.
2. I have read Neston Town Council's Grants Policy and Funding Agreement.
3. I certify that the information in this application is correct.
4. If the information in the application changes in any way I will inform Neston Town Council.
5. I confirm that our organisation has the necessary governance in place to ensure accountability for the spending of any grant money allocated by Neston Town Council.
6. I understand that information provided in this application (with the exception of contact details and signatures) will be in the public domain and will be uploaded to the Town Council's website.
7. I agree to participate in monitoring, auditing and reporting feedback related to Neston Town Council grant funding.

Name	
Signature	
Date	21.6.2025

Applications to the main grants programme are considered twice a year and the deadlines for submission of applications are 31 March and 30 September.

You can submit your application electronically to council@nestontowncouncil.org.uk or by post to Neston Town Council, Town Hall, High Street, Neston CH64 9TR.

NESTON TOWN COUNCIL PRIVACY NOTICE FOR APPLICANTS TO THE TOWN COUNCIL'S GRANTS PROGRAMME

The Data Protection Act 2018 governs how we handle personal data.

Why are we collecting your information?

On our grant application forms most of the information we need relates to your organisation. However, we are often provided with names, email addresses, contact telephone numbers and addresses relating to named individuals who are submitting the form on behalf of the group. We are processing the data in accordance with the Data Protection Act 2018. We will only use the personal data supplied for the means of administering the grants programme.

How will we use your information?

The information you provide to us in connection with your grant application (including personal contact details) will be held securely as hard copy originals and as electronic data on Neston Town Council's shared drive. We will only use this information to assess, process and award community grants. For those successful in obtaining a grant award, we will use information about the project in publicity to promote the grants programme but will not share any personal data. If we want to use any photographs showing people at your events we will ensure we gain consent from them at the time in order to use images of them.

Who will we share your information with?

The information may be shared with other Council Officers and Town Councillors as part of our grant assessment and monitoring process. A redacted version of your grant application (removing private addresses, private telephone numbers, private email addresses and applicant signatures) will be considered at a grants meeting and, as such, will be uploaded to the Town Council website alongside other papers detailed on the agenda. Your contact details

ADDITIONAL SHEET

(1)

OUR FIRST PHASE (LAMA AWAITED FROM CWAC) IS TO PUT IN PATHWAYS OF CRUSHED LIMESTONE TO MAKE THE FIELD ACCESSIBLE FOR ALL RIGHT THROUGH THE YEAR, INCLUDING THOSE WITH MOBILITY ISSUES. WE ALSO INTEND TO RE-SITE + ~~SECTION OFF~~ THE REMAINING GOAL POSTS ~~USING~~ AND SECTION OFF WITH EITHER EDIBLE HEDGING OR INDIGENOUS SHRUBS.

(2) ADVERTISE - GROUP PERSONNEL + CONTACT INFORMATION.

SPECIFIC EVENTS WHICH ASK FOR COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT/PARTICIPATION (LITTER PICK, BULB PLANTING, ETC.)

EDUCATE & EXPLAIN WHY WE ARE APPROACHING THE REJUVENATION IN THE WAY WE ARE - IE. BEING ENVIRONMENTALLY AWARE, USING SUSTAINABLE MATERIALS, INSECT FRIENDLY PLANTING.

PRO (3)

(3) ~~AT~~ THE COMMITTEE + OTHER MEMBERS
HAVE ALL LIVED CLOSE BY FOR MANY YEARS
+ NOW WANT TO TRANSFORM THE AREA.

MANY LOCAL PEOPLE SIMPLY WANTED ANOTHER
CHILDRENS PLAY GROUND. HOWEVER, NESTON IS
WELL-SERVED FOR TRADITIONAL PLAY-EQUIPMENT,
SO WE DECIDED THAT SOMETHING WHICH
COULD BE ENJOYED BY ALL AGE GROUPS IN
THE COMMUNITY WOULD BE A BETTER USE OF
THE LAND. ^{WE CANVASSED LOCALLY + FOUND PEOPLE} GENERALLY SUPPORTED THE VISION.

WITH SUPPORT FROM ~~THE~~ CWAC OFFICIALS
THE CREATION OF AN ENVIRONMENTALLY
SUSTAINABLE SPACE WAS CONSIDERED A SOUND
~~VISION~~ PROPOSITION.

OUR HOPE IS THAT ONCE ESTABLISHED + WITH
THE RIGHT TYPE OF PLANTING / MAINTENANCE
OF THE AREA WILL BE MINIMAL.

THE COMMITTEE WILL BE INVOLVED BOTH
ADMINISTRATIVELY + WITH 'HANDS ON', WITH
OUR WIDER VOLUNTEER GROUP ON HAND TO ASSIST
WHERE + WHENEVER POSSIBLE. WE ARE CONFIDENT
THAT ONCE 'SPADES GO IN THE GROUND', MORE
WILLING VOLUNTEERS WILL BECOME INVOLVED.



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30th June 2025

Ref: marshlands eco park

Dear Helen,

Further to your recent enquiry I have pleasure in detailing below your written quotation for the poster display case you require.

POSTER DISPLAY CASE "complementary" range

Supply new A0 sized poster display case, (viewable area 1189mm x 841mm) landscape

The poster cases are weatherproof, manufactured from aluminium with a magnetic rear panel (allowing the use of magnets to hold your posters in place). They have a full-length top hinge with stay bracket, lockable door with a poly-carbonate front protection panel and secured with allen key security locks

They come powder coated front, sides and rear and internally to a stock RAL colour of choice

Supplied with an external shaped top header with vinyl lettering applied to agreed wording

The poster case to be mounted onto 76mm dia 3.0m long powder coated grey posts

The price for the above comes to

£685.00 + vat

Installation of the above board (into soft ground only) comes to £695.00 + vat otherwise delivery comes to £65.00 + vat

Lead times are currently 35-42 working days

All above prices are exclusive of VAT. This quote is valid for a period of 30 days

Payment terms are a 50% deposit, by cheque (made payable to "Signs of Cheshire Ltd"), BACS or debit card with confirmation of order, and the balance due within 7 working days of receipt of goods.

I trust the above is acceptable but should you have any queries relating to the above quote and/or designs please do not hesitate to contact me.

I look forward to receiving your enquiry/order in due course

Many thanks

S D Johnson

Simon Johnson
Managing Director

Friends of Marshlands Eco Park

DATE : 30-06-25

SCALE :

REF : friends of marshland eco park

TITLE : PROPOSED 'COMPLIMENTARY' RANGE A0 SIZED ALUMINIUM
 POSTER DISPLAY CASE WITH EXTERNAL HEADER.
 MOUNTED ONTO ALUMINIUM POSTS

Friends of Marshlands Eco Park
Accounts for the period 20th December 2023 to 31st December 2024
Income and Expenditure

Income

General donations	1,705.00	
Members budget grant	500.00	
Spacehive fundraising donations	16,506.00	
		18,711.00

Expenditure

Insurance	508.59	
Meeting room hire	39.90	
Event costs	10.00	
Stationery costs	0.00	
Advertising costs	0.00	
General maintenance costs	0.00	
Spacehive fundraising fees	1,368.88	
		1,927.37

NET Income (Gain)

16,783.63

Of which

£ 15,137.12 is restricted NET income for Spacehive 2024 project

£ 1,646.51 is general NET income for annual running costs and reserves

Friends of Marshlands Eco Park
Accounts for the period 20th December 2023 to 31st December 2024
Balance Sheet

Fixed Assets

Plant & Machinery	0.00	
Office Equipment	0.00	
		0.00

Current Assets

Stock	0.00	
Debtors	0.00	
Monies held by Spacehive	14,137.12	
Deposits & Cash in hand	0.00	
Bank account	3,205.00	
		17,342.12

Current Liabilities

Creditors : Short Term	294.60	
Accruals	263.89	
		558.49

Current Assets less Current Liabilities

16,783.63

Total Assets less Current Liabilities

16,783.63

Long Term Liabilities

Creditors : Long Term	0.00	
Restricted Funds : Spacehive 2024 project	15,137.12	
		15,137.12

Total Assets less Total Liabilities

1,646.51

Capital & Reserves

General Reserves	1,646.51	
		<u>1,646.51</u>