

The City Bridge Trust

Investing In Londoners: Application for a grant



About your organisation

Name of your organisation: Whittington Park Community Association	
If your organisation is part of a larger organisation, what is its name? WHITTINGTON PARK COMMUNITY CENTRE	
In which London Borough is your organisation based? Islington	
Contact person: Ms Ann Mason	Position: Centre Manager
Website: http://whittingtonpca.org.uk	
Legal status of organisation: Registered Charity	Charity, Charitable Incorporated Company or company number: 1114033
When was your organisation established? 01/06/1976	

Grant Request

Under which of City Bridge Trust's programmes are you applying? Making London More Inclusive
Which of the programme outcome(s) does your application aim to achieve? Community buildings that are more accessible and as a result Disabled people reporting increased well-being as a result of taking part in the arts or sport
Please describe the purpose of your funding request in one sentence. To install a lift and access improvements to Hocking Hall (our most attractive meeting and sports space) as Phase 1 of our capital improvements
When will the funding be required? 01/01/2018
How much funding are you requesting? Year 1: £100,000 Year 2: £0 Year 3: £0 Total: £100,000

Aims of your organisation:

To provide a welcoming and well run centre for individuals and groups in Islington to sustain and develop a vibrant community.

Main activities of your organisation:

We serve people in the area currently by providing:

Direct help -- lunches for the over 60's (4,000 provided in 2016), accessing support from their "peers" (childminders service used by 20 minders per week), free nursery with 24 places for economically disadvantaged families, after school and holiday activities for children (over 4,000 children).

Spaces to organise to meet their own needs or join in with activities provided by others so that they can live well and keep their health.

Advice and referral to people who can help them with their problems -- we have been around a long time and know local organisations and individuals who can help people with advice and access to services.

A place to socialise and learn-- our café and halls enable people to celebrate life events with friends and family and organise events for their own learning, entertainment and amusement. That way they are not isolated.

Number of staff

Full-time:	Part-time:	Management committee members:	Active volunteers:
2	7	8	13

Property occupied by your organisation

Is the main property owned, leased or rented by your organisation?	If leased/rented, how long is the outstanding agreement?
Leased	50 years

Summary of grant request

The project is needed because many of our service users and hirers cannot make full use of, or enjoy our building and its surroundings. Our grant request is towards Phase 1 of our project for Hocking Hall. The hall needs improvements to access, heating and ventilation and windows. The benefits of our capital improvements project overall for us as an organisation is that we can enlarge our spaces and deal with overcrowding, increase our income and footfall and reduce our fixed costs for the building. This will mean we can continue to subsidize our over 60's lunch club, our early years hub and a community nursery.

The building itself is very important as a hub for service delivery in the local area which has many health needs associated with age, disability and long term sickness. Many families in our local area have very low incomes and children live with poverty as a result. Our role in addressing these needs by delivering services from our buildings is acknowledged by our local council as we receive revenue funding from them as a Strategic Partner and Hub. We will deliver Phase 1 work for Hocking Hall with the support of our professional team who have worked with us to develop and cost our plans and we have established a Working Group of Board members, professional and staff team to monitor and manage the work. This will include the London Borough of Islington as the freeholder of the building and one of our committed funders of the capital improvements.

WPCA are in an excellent position to deliver this project because we have run the building for a very long time and have an agreement to lease with the building owner, the London Borough of Islington. We know the building well and what our users need to make good use of it.

We benefited from an Access Audit supported by City Bridge Trust and our proposals address all of CBT's outcomes for its Making London More Inclusive programme so that people with disabilities can take part in sports, arts and other well being activities.

Our plans were developed in line with good practice following not just the findings of our access audit but the results of consultation with our users, hirers and local residents. As a result the proposals build on our efforts to reduce our carbon footprint via our existing solar panels by also addressing windows, insulation and thermal comfort for all users of the building.

Good practice principles apply for us not only in our inclusive approach to the development of our building proposals, but how we involve people in design of our services, the way we run our buildings and our collaborative approach with our volunteers where our focus is on making sure they get as much learning and enjoyment in their time with us as individuals as we get from their support.

We have a users representative for our over 60's lunch club on our Board, collect impact information via specific project evaluation and our annual users survey. This allows us to make changes and develop new services based on people's experience of what we do.

If you need any planning or other statutory consents for the project to proceed, what stage have the applications reached?

Do you have a Vulnerable Adults policy? **Yes**

What Quality Marks does your organisation currently hold?

VISIBLE

Outputs and outcomes

What are the main activities or outputs you want to deliver? Please include no more than 5. By activities or outputs we mean the services, products or facilities you plan to deliver. If you plan to deliver work over more than one year you should include activities over the full grant period requested. Try to be specific.

Deliver building improvements - lift, heating and lighting, level access, DDA compliant WCs, Wheelchair Refuge, improvements to building wayfinding and signage

Children's Activities - After School Club for 38 weeks of the year and Holiday Play scheme for 9 weeks of the year to provide activities for children for learning and fun and support for parents by provision of a safe environment

Dance and Music Activity - 39 sessions of Zumba, 50 sessions of Tango for the over 55's 50 sessions of ballroom 38 sessions of "Dance Sparks for Children

Social Activity - Big Day Out Festival once per year, featuring advice, and taster sessions for healthy activities, arts and crafts. 50 sessions of the Over 55 men's club Community Led Events. One off hires include birthday and henna parties, wakes, fundraising events, ceilidhs and dance nights.

Exercise Activities - 49 chair based exercise classes, 100 Pilates sessions, 50 body conditioning sessions for >55's, 38 sessions of hula hooping, 38 sessions of yoga tonic, 45 sessions of dynamic yoga, 38 sessions of children Tai Chi, 150 sessions of adult Tai chi, 50 sessions of Hatha Yoga

What main differences or outcomes do you hope the activities you have described above will achieve? Please include no more than 5. By differences or outcomes we mean the changes, benefits, learning or other effects that result from the work your project would deliver. These might be for individuals, families, communities or the environment.

Building users will report that they are able to undertake activities in the building without discomfort from cold/overheating or barriers to access. WPCA can deliver more activities and benefit from increased income from hires. WPCA can improve the attractiveness of its offer to building users and accommodate more varied bookings

Children report enjoyment and learning from After School Club and Holiday Play scheme sessions and outings.

Parents/carers report that children learn to focus, have better coordination and develop their musicality, rhythm and flexibility

Participants in Social Activities report trying new activities, making new friends, getting active, feeling good, accessing information to local services and organisation and feeling part of a community and less isolated.

Adult participants in Exercise classes report improvements to flexibility, balance and overall well-being.

Do you plan to continue the activity beyond the period for which you are requesting funding? If so, how do you intend to sustain it? If not, what is your exit strategy?

N/A This is a capital funding request

Who will benefit?

About your beneficiaries

How many people will benefit directly from the grant per year?

37,500

In which Greater London borough(s) or areas of London will your beneficiaries live?

Islington (90%)

Hackney (7%)

Enfield (3%)

What age group(s) will benefit?

0-15

16-24

25-44

45-64

65-74

75 and over

What gender will beneficiaries be?

All

What will the ethnic grouping(s) of the beneficiaries be?

A range of ethnic groups

If Other ethnic group, please give details:

What proportion of the beneficiaries will be disabled people?

11-20%

Funding required for the project

What is the total cost of the proposed activity/project?

Expenditure heading	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Total
Repairs/Improvements	587,175	0	0	0
Accessibility Improvements and Externals	104,300	0	0	0
Preliminaries	103,722	0	0	0
Fees	46,799	0	0	0
Contingency and Inflation	83,683	0	0	0
VAT	185,136	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0
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TOTAL:	1,110,81	0	0	0
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What income has already been raised?

Source	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Total
London Borough of Islington	400,000	0	0	0
London marathon Charitable trust	150,000	0	0	0
Sport Lottery	65,000	0	0	0
Individual Donations/Fundraising	10,000	0	0	0

TOTAL:	625,000	0	0	0
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What other funders are currently considering the proposal?

Source	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Total
Wolfson Foundation	75,000	0	0	0
Cloth Workers Foundation	150,000	0	0	0
Garfield Weston	30,000	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0

TOTAL:	255,000	0	0	0
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How much is requested from the Trust?

Expenditure heading	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Total
Accessibility Improvements and Externals	100,000	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0

TOTAL:	0	0	0	0
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Finance details

Please complete using your most recent audited or independently examined accounts.

Financial year ended:	Month: March	Year: 2017
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Income received from:	£
Voluntary Income	95,683
Activities for generating funds	208,557
Investment Income	7
Income from charitable activities	0
Other sources	15,209
Total Income:	319,456

Expenditure:	£
Charitable activities	141,908
Governance costs	3,822
Cost of generating funds	12,258
Other	138,425
Total Expenditure:	296,413
Net (deficit)/surplus:	23,043
Other Recognised Gains/(Losses):	1,815
Net Movement in Funds:	24,858

Asset position at year end	£
Fixed assets	1
Investments	0
Net current assets	29,857
Long-term liabilities	5,000
*Total Assets (A):	24,858

Reserves at year end	£
Restricted funds	28,464
Endowment Funds	0
Unrestricted funds	-3,606
*Total Reserves (B):	24,858

*** Please note that total Assets (A) and Total Reserves (B) should be the same.**

Statutory funding

For your most recent financial year, what % of your income was from statutory sources?
51-60%

Organisational changes

Describe any significant changes to your structure, financial position or core activities since the date of your most recent accounts:

No significant changes

Previous funding received

Please list the funding received by your organisation from the following statutory sources during the last THREE years.

	Year 3 £	Year 2 £	Most recent £
City of London (except City Bridge Trust)	0	0	0
London Local Authorities	92,344	117,348	98,611
London Councils	0	0	0
Health Authorities	0	0	0
Central Government departments	0	18,552	92,673
Other statutory bodies	0	0	0

Previous grants received

Please list the grants received by your organisation from charitable trusts and foundations (other than City Bridge Trust) during the last THREE years. List source, years and annual amounts. Please include the 5 largest only.

Name of Funder	Year 3 £	Year 2 £	Most recent £
Awards for All	6,159	0	0
Big Lottery	0	0	5,500
Age UK	0	0	1,000
	0	0	0
	0	0	0

Declaration

I confirm that, to the best of my knowledge, all the information I have provided in this application form is correct. I fully understand that City Bridge Trust has zero tolerance towards fraud and will seek to prosecute and recover funds in every instance.

Please confirm: Yes Full Name: **Ann Mason**

Role within **CEO**
Organisation: