

The City Bridge Trust

Investing In Londoners: Application for a grant



About your organisation

Name of your organisation: St John's Church, Waterloo	
If your organisation is part of a larger organisation, what is its name?	
In which London/Borough is your organisation based? Lambeth	
Contact person: Revd Canon Giles Goddard	Position: Vicar
Website: http://www.stjohnswaterloo.org	
Legal status of organisation: Registered Charity	Charity, Charitable Incorporated Company or company number: 1132457
When was your organisation established? 11/04/2009	

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 More children and young people receiving specialist help, resulting in improved mental health
Please describe the purpose of your funding request in one sentence. To make the church crypt accessible, where most of our community work takes place, plus first floor gallery for audiences and second floor offices.
When will the funding be required? 01/05/2016
How much funding are you requesting? Year 1: £100,000 Year 2: £0 Year 3: £0 Total: £100,000

Aims of your organisation:

St John's Waterloo is an open, inclusive church community with strong local connections, based in the deprived borough of Lambeth. The large church is exceptionally well located opposite Waterloo Station. It accommodated a homelessness centre for many years and we now have strong relationships with resident arts organisations including Southbank Sinfonia, South Bank Mosaics, Futures Theatre, youth engagement specialist SE1 United and many other charities and community groups. We have a long history of supporting local communities, especially young people, using our resources to benefit all.

We have created "The Bridge at Waterloo" (TBAW) to build on our track record of supporting young people towards employment, working with an increased number from across Lambeth and Southwark. Our collective vision is to play a significant part in enabling Waterloo communities to thrive, and for young people, many with mental health issues, to fulfil their full potential - building on a legacy of successful multiculturalism under the umbrella of a Christian ethos.

Main activities of your organisation:

We welcome everyone who lives, works or passes through this part of London. Our physical location and strong spiritual and social links with disadvantaged communities, local companies and businesses, the Borough and arts organisations mean that St John's is uniquely placed to act with and on behalf of local people. Charity partners based in St John's are: Southbank Sinfonia, UK's leading orchestral academy, based here since its foundation 11 years ago, providing 32 talented graduate musicians each year with a springboard into the profession; Futures Theatre Company creating inspiring touring theatre productions and pioneering education programmes; SE1 United, a successful youth-led charity supporting 1,000 young people aged 10-21 years old each year from Southwark and Lambeth; Southbank Mosaics creating mosaic art for public spaces; and other community groups.

Consultation of local people and existing users of the church indicates we can achieve more by coming together as one group, creating a more accessible centre and meeting local needs together.

Number of staff

Full-time:	Part-time:	Management committee members:	Active volunteers:
1	10	12	60

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?
Owned	

Summary of grant request

St John's Waterloo church is presently inaccessible and unwelcoming in many ways, and the access audit conducted by the Centre for Accessible Environments highlighted 80 issues, 37 requiring funding to put right. Over half of the building is inaccessible for wheelchair users, including the crypt, where most of our community work takes place. We will be refurbishing the church and want to ensure it is truly accessible to all - in the widest sense. The access audit has made us even more aware of all aspects of accessibility, many of which we can, and will implement, without incurring monetary cost.

The larger developments of our building will include a new performance space in the nave of the church that will greatly enhance rehearsals and performances. This will include new removable staging and audience seating. Furthermore the acoustics and lighting will be improved to a professional standard and the windows will be replaced to let in more and brighter daylight.

By providing a 'welcoming' entrance with glass walls, allowing a view of the nave from the road, this will attract many more people into the building. This in turn will allow St John's and its partner organisations to attract more people to participate. The entrance/foyer area will hold exhibitions: this year we are commemorating the centenary of the Battle of Waterloo and we will be able to hold many more similar exhibitions when the improved entrance is complete.

The crypt (lower ground) level will be developed into studios, rehearsal spaces, meeting rooms and small performance areas and will include communal social areas, kitchen facilities, new toilets and full disabled access.

The name of our project is The Bridge at Waterloo. We will use the building as a secular community resource, offering spaces for local people, charities and organisations in the Waterloo area. We have created "The Bridge at Waterloo" (TBAW) to build on our successful track record of supporting young people towards employment, working with an increased number from across Lambeth and Southwark. TBAW will offer tailored development programmes for individuals, including, for example, confidence building, interview skills, timekeeping support and in-work mentoring. TBAW will work with our resident organisations and other groups to achieve even more together, recognising the stated desire of the beneficiaries to have bespoke courses which treat them as individuals with particular needs and skills.

We have consulted local people and our current partners all the way along. The local community is engaged and involved in the governance of TBAW to enable future activities to be planned and effectively targeted at real and emerging community need. We currently work with 60 volunteers and the number is growing constantly as people are learning of our exciting development plans.

We have completed an accessibility audit funded by the City Bridge Trust, and have further engaged members of the local community and the congregation in developing our plans. Two members of our congregation who are registered blind, a person in a wheelchair and a hearing-impaired person have all commented on the proposals, and will be involved as the development progresses, taking into consideration physical and also sensory access, orientation and way-finding.

We are also in the process of becoming an 'Eco-Congregation.' We have completed an environmental audit, and as a result are planning to change our energy supplier as well as monitoring and reducing our energy use. We hold a regular Environment Sunday - the last one was on May 25th - encouraging greater awareness of environmental issues, particularly around climate change. The Vicar of St John's, Giles Goddard, is on the Church of England's Environment Working Group.

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?

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.

Installation of fully accessible lift

Fitting power assisted push-pads to open doors

Improved ramps to remove steps and other trip hazards

Better signage and security, put in alarms, improve positioning of dryer.

Other aspects highlighted in audit to ensure St John's Church meets best practice standards of accessibility. They range from raising the heights of balustrades to creating visually contrasted demarcation to step edge nosings on ancient steps. This recommendation is unlikely to gain approval on conservation grounds.

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.

All visitors including wheelchair users and those people with mobility issues will be able to access all parts of the church, notably the crypt where most of our intensive community work takes place.

In five places, there are doors that cannot be opened independently by people with disabilities or mobility problems. The push buttons will allow independent access.

This activity will facilitate much easier movement into and around the church without risk of tripping over steps or other hazards.

These works will improve signage around the church, improve security of the church and install alarms for the safety of individuals.

These works are aspects of lower priority recommended within the audit which will ensure best practice accessibility.

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?

Our intention is to address the significant issues highlighted in the Access Audit as part of the refurbishment of St John's. We will continue to review and improve the accessibility of the church and will prioritise for funding, any future accessibility issues identified, that may prevent people with disabilities and mobility problems from reaching any part of the church.

Who will benefit?

About your beneficiaries

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

30,000

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

Lambeth (60%)

Southwark (30%)

Several SW London (10%)

What age group(s) will benefit?

All ages

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?

21-30%

Funding required for the project

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

Expenditure heading	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Total
Accessible lift	75,000	0	0	0
Fitting power assisted push-pads	10,150	0	0	0
Improve ramps	8,700	0	0	0
Better signage and security, put in alarms	1,925	0	0	0
Providing visual contrast	3,865	0	0	0
Hold-open detentes	500	0	0	0
Other aspects to meet best practice stds of accessibility	29,000	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0
TOTAL:	129,140	0	0	0

What income has already been raised?

Source	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Total
Personal donation	7,376	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0
TOTAL:	7,376	0	0	0

What other funders are currently considering the proposal?

Source	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Total
	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0
TOTAL:	0	0	0	0

How much is requested from the Trust?

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	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0
TOTAL:	100,140	0	0	0

Finance details

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

Financial year ended:	Month 31 st December	Year: 2014
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Income received from:	£
Voluntary income	114,208
Activities for generating funds	226,591
Investment income	46,435
Income from charitable activities	3,069
Other sources	5,696
Total Income:	395,999

Expenditure:	£
Charitable activities	380,978
Governance costs	1,560
Cost of generating funds	50,937
Other	0
Total Expenditure:	433,475
Net (deficit)/surplus:	(37,476)
Other Recognised Gains/(Losses):	2,194
Net Movement in Funds:	(35,282)

Asset position at year end	£
Fixed assets	901,177
Investments	44,234
Net current assets	142,542
Long-term liabilities	(40,240)
*Total Assets (A):	1,047,713

Reserves at year end	£
Restricted funds	(£14,722)
Endowment funds	48,413
Unrestricted funds	1,014,022
*Total Reserves (B):	1,047,713

*** 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? 0%
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Organisational changes

Describe any significant changes to your structure, financial position or core activities since the date of your most recent accounts: A part time finance administrator has been employed. Otherwise, no significant changes to structure or financial position of the church. The project 'The Bridge at Waterloo' to create a state-of- the- art multipurpose facility inside the church premises is the major focus of St John's and its stakeholders. A structure for this project is evolving and we plan to recruit a project manager when funds are secured.

Previous funding received

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

	2012 £	2013 £	2014 £
City of London (except City Bridge Trust)	0	0	0
London Local Authorities	0	0	47,000
London Councils	0	0	0
Health Authorities	0	0	0
Central Government departments	0	0	0
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	2012 £	2013 £	2014 £
Diocese of Southwark Mission Fund	0	5,000	0
London Eye Community Chest	0	0	5,000
	0	0	0
	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: **Rev Canon Giles Goddard**

Role within **Vicar**
Organisation: