

# BELPER TOWN COUNCIL

## APPLICATION FOR SMALL ONE OFF GRANT

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1. NAME of ORGANISATION: Blooming Milford

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2. NAME and ADDRESS of CONTACT: [REDACTED]

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3. POSITION in ORGANISATION: Chair

4. TELEPHONE Daytime: [REDACTED]

5. EMAIL: [REDACTED]

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6. Briefly Outline what the current activities of your group are: Blooming Milford is a voluntary group of Milford residents who strive to make Milford a better place through gardening related activities. Please see our page covering our activities and achievements over the last 12 years in the Milford & Makeney website [here](#). This year so far we have set up a Spring Garden in Hopping Mill Meadow and set up two large planters with perennial flowers in Hopping Mill Meadow and by The Strutt Arms bus shelter (both in collaboration with Amber Valley BC), continued to upkeep The Triangle garden between the A6 and Chevin Road and refreshed our community herb planters throughout the village (both in collaboration with Belper Town Council). We have been encouraged by Councillors Porter and Angharad recently to look for sites in the village to plant fruit trees. One area we have identified is the Green Space for Milford School project, hence this application.

7. How many people are currently involved in the running of your group?

Employed full-time worker

Volunteers

15

Employed part-time worker

Members

Support or external worker

Informal helpers

Committee Members

12

Others (please state)

8. What will the grant be used for, how are you going to do it and where? As the Chair of Blooming Milford, which has been registered with Belper Town Council as a community group, I would like to formally request for a grant of **£122** to cover the cost of purchase of 6 fruit trees as part of the Community Orchard Scheme, on behalf of the Milford School Green Space project. Details of this project can be seen [here](#) in a recent update in the Milford & Makeney website, and in the attached update by Kate Tuck, the Green Space project co-ordinator. The Green Space project volunteers have been consulted and would prefer cordon/espalier fruit trees, to be placed against the large brick wall at the back of the Green Space area, so they can be trained to cover it. The wall faces west so it is an excellent warm position for the trees to thrive. They have requested two plum trees, two apples and two pears. From trusted suppliers these 6 would cost £122 in total. In the first year watering would be required in dry spells and could be done as part of the school projects or by the volunteers. Once established after the first year, the trees should not need watering. Blooming Milford will provide compost and organic fertiliser to give the trees a good start on planting and then provide ongoing feeding and organic pest control such as codling moth and plum moth traps. This maintenance could also be built into school projects. Access to the area would be to all Milford residents, with the school pupils and their parents expected to be the main users. Physical access is currently being improved as part of the Green Space project, as can be seen in the website article and attachment.

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9. When will the project start: Month November Year 2020

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10. When will the project finish: We plan to use the BTC grant to buy the trees then plant them in November. Blooming Milford will then continue to upkeep the trees (providing fertilizer, organic pest control, pruning etc) on an ongoing basis.

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11. Where will your project take place – address and postcode, if different from the contact address given: The Green Space for Milford School, the allotments above Holy Trinity Church off Church Steps, DE56 0RA.

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12. How will you advertise the project and encourage involvement?

This will be done through the Green Space for Milford School project (see part 8, [link](#) and attachment). This will encourage the involvement of the pupils of Milford Primary School, their parents, and other Milford residents.

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13. Do you work with any other groups or agencies? If so, please outline how you work together:

Blooming Milford works closely with Amber Valley Borough Council and Belper Town Council. See [link](#) for examples.

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14. How do you know that the project is needed? The Green Space for Milford School volunteers were looking for projects that would be good for the school children and benefit the village. I suggested planting fruit trees and they were unanimous in their approval.

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15. How many people will benefit from the project/grant? The 91 pupils of the school, their parents/guardians and the 880 residents of Milford (some of the pupils are from Belper and not Milford)

16. Who will benefit from the project/grant in Belper Parish? See above.

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17. How will they benefit from the project/grant? The school pupils will benefit by incorporating the growing of fruit and the upkeep of fruit trees as part of their studies and to be able to study live fruit trees and watch them grow. The residents of Milford will benefit from the fruit.

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18. How will you show that your project/grant has made a difference?

20. How much will your project cost in total? : £122 for the trees then £10 per year for feeding and pest control for the lifetime of the trees (could be 40 - 50 years.)

21. How much do you require from Belper Town Council? : £122

22. Where will the rest of your funding come from – if applicable? £10 per year for feeding and pest control (organic) will come from Blooming Milford's funds.

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Please provide breakdown of items required:

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3. Organisations applying should attach to the application form a copy of their latest balance sheet and profit and loss together with a copy of their constitution.

4. **Completed application forms should be returned to the Town Clerk, Belper Town Council, The Butts, Belper, Derbyshire DE56 1HX and emailed to [clerk@belpertowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@belpertowncouncil.gov.uk).**

5. The Council's Clerk has delegated power to review applications, request further information, give advice and refuse applications that do not meet the Grant Aid criteria. The Clerk will refer applications to the Council's Full Council meetings on a monthly basis for decision. Applicants will be notified of the date and time of the meeting and be given an opportunity to address the meeting on the application. The decision will normally be made known to the Applicant in writing within seven days.

6. Grants will only be considered for projects and proposals which will enhance the quality of life of the people served by the Town Council. Applications from bodies outside the town boundaries may be granted where the proposals show a distinct benefit to the residents of the town.

7. Grants will normally only be considered for new / start up organisations and/or projects and/or one off events that meet one or more of the following criteria: The organisation/project or event

- goes some way to filling in gaps in existing provision
- is innovative and exciting
- considers the needs of disadvantaged individuals and groups
- takes positive steps to promote a healthy environment
- promotes equality of opportunity and access for all

8. Grants will be considered for organisations/projects and events that can either show match funding is available, either through own resources or other grants and that the organisation/project/event is viable without further recourse to Council funding.

9. Please complete the SLA grant form if your application is for one of the below:

- fund general running costs of organisations
- support applications from organisations which then go on to make donations to other charities and groups
- give more than one grant in any one year to the same organisation
- give a grant to an organisation that receives an annual grant (SLA) from the Council

10. **All successful projects MUST recognise Belper Town Council's funding in their literature and publicity and should also keep the Council informed of the development of the project funded by the Council.**