



**Application for Funding from Hampshire Action Teams**

**Organisation Details**

<b>Name of Organisation</b>	Wickham Parish Council
<b>Type of Organisation</b> (Please tick or double click to check the appropriate box)	Community/Voluntary Group <input type="checkbox"/> Company limited by guarantee <input type="checkbox"/> District/Borough Council <input type="checkbox"/> Parish/Town Council <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Registered Charity <input type="checkbox"/> School/College <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please describe below):
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**Funding Details**

<b>Which HAT are you requesting funding from</b>	Winchester
<b>Amount of Funding Requested</b> (Please state if all or part of the funding will be spent on staffing costs)	£12,500 (does not include funding for staff costs)
<b>Joint Funding</b> (Please list any other funding secured for the project from other organisations)	The Parish Council provided £5,000 to pay for the site to be cleared and will fund on going maintenance of the village green.

**Details of the Bid / Project**

The project is to develop a village green at the Bridge Street / School Road junction, a key gateway into the village. The Parish Council has funded the clearing of the land in preparation for the development.

The proposal is to create an open space with access onto the very well used Meon Valley Trail. The open space will provide a landscaped foreground to the ancient church and help link the church to the village which is separated by the busy A32.

The open space will include paths, new user friendly steps onto the Meon Valley Trail (wheelchair access is available at the nearby Station Close car park) and seating to allow residents and the

many users of the Meon Valley Trail to view the church from the top and bottom of the embankment. Residents of all ages enjoy watching wedding processions from the existing bench on the site, New seating will also provide a welcome rest area for older residents walking to and from The Square.

Since the area has been cleared it has become a popular place for art groups and visiting schools to view the church so some formal and informal seating will be welcomed by a varied number of people of all ages.

Wickham's draft Parish Plan and Village Design Statement seek to improve links between the village and church and to enhance open spaces which are greatly valued by the community.

<b>Title of Bid/ Project</b>	Bridge Street Village Green
<b>Summary of Bid/ Project</b>	A new village green for Wickham with seating and user friendly steps onto the Meon Valley Trail (wheel chair access is available nearby)

<p><b>How does the Bid meet the HATs Term of Reference?</b></p> <p>1) To tackle economic, social and health inequalities in the local area</p> <p>2) To support the delivery of Hampshire's improvement priorities within the Hampshire Local Area Agreement*</p> <p>3) To support local highways and transport priorities**</p>	<p>The village green will enhance an important gateway into the village and provide a new seating area with views of the church together with access onto the Meon Valley Trail.</p> <p>Local people meet at the junction to watch wedding processions and other formal events at the church, the proposal will enable people to sit and socialise away from the busy road. The green will also create an attractive rest point for older people walking to and from The Square.</p> <p>Improving access onto the Meon Valley Trail will encourage residents and visitors to enjoy walking on this important right of way.</p> <p>It is hoped that residents will take ownership of the village green and volunteer to assist with additional planting and maintenance in due course. The Youth Club has already expressed an interest in taking part.</p>
<p><b>Timescale</b> (What is the anticipated period over which the money will be spent?)</p>	<p><b>Commencement Date:</b> January 2011</p> <p><b>Completion Date:</b> March 2011</p>
<p><b>Intended Outcomes</b> (How will the success of the bid/project be measured?)</p>	<p>The environment of the junction and church will be enhanced and enjoyed by more residents and visitors.</p>

<p><b>Future Funding Arrangements</b> (If the project is to last more than a year how will it be funded in subsequent years? How will any outcomes achieved by the project be sustained in the longer term? If it is a capital scheme how will the equipment be maintained?)</p>	<p>The Parish Council will fund the ongoing maintenance of the village green.</p> <p>Residents will be consulted on whether further improvements should be made and encouraged to assist with maintenance through working parties etc.</p>
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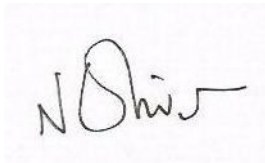
\* Further information on the LAA can be found at the following website - <http://www3.hants.gov.uk/localareaagreement.htm>

\*\* Any approved bids for highways/transport projects will require liaison with the Executive Member for Environment.

**Declaration**

**I declare that the information supplied in this application is true and that any funding received from Hampshire County Council will be used for the purposes described in this form. The Council reserves the right to reclaim any funding not used for the purposes stated on this form.**

**I agree to provide a report detailing the outcomes of this bid/project (a form will be sent out for completion at the relevant time).**



**Signed**

**Date 27<sup>th</sup> October 2010**

**Position in organisation** Parish Clerk

**Please return your completed form to:** The HAT Team, Room 105, Elizabeth II Court, Winchester, S023 8UJ, or email: [members.services@hants.gov.uk](mailto:members.services@hants.gov.uk)

Jane Biscombe

## Wickham Parish Council proposal for Bridge Street Village Green

### Cost estimate November 2010

1	Temporary site fencing, remove existing disintegrating steps, excavation and preparation for new paths	£1,400
2	Lay hogging paths and raised area	£3,000
3	Reinstate around new paths with topsoil and turf, plant native hedge screening	£1,600
4	Install new oak sleeper steps	£2,000
5	Install 3 No 'rustic' seats to top of embankment	£3,000
6	Install 3 No contemporary seats to raised area of green (community to choose design)	£3,000
		<u>£14,000</u>

Figures exclude VAT, PC can reclaim

HCC Drawings refer: Layout and Illustrations

Work to be carried out by Jardin, The Square, Wickham PO17 5JT

Additional planting and maintenance to be carried out by volunteers and the Parish Council