

NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

AREA COMMITTEE DEVELOPMENT GRANT APPROVAL FORM

1. Committee: **Baldock & District Area Committee**2. Date: **05/03/2017**3. Summary of application: **Funding support to assist with maintenance & additional Christmas lighting**Name of organisation: **Rotary Club of Baldock**Sum requested: **£2000**Total project cost: **£4300**

Brief details:

Rotary Club of Baldock are seeking financial support to assist with the annual maintenance of and purchase of additional Christmas lights for Baldock.

Matched / linked funding: **£2300**Funder: **Club funds**Matched /linked funding: **£0**
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Comments from Development Officer:

Rotary Club of Baldock has been operating since 1953. The group plays an important role in Baldock, providing practical and financial help to the local community through charitable grants, supporting projects and human resources.

Since 1978 the Rotary Club of Baldock has been providing and installing Christmas lighting displays for the town. Over the years, there has been wear & tear on these units / lights and the group has purchased additional lights and in now looking to increase light coverage in 2017 to include the upper High Street area.

The requested funding will be used for safety checking of electrical service points and for new lighting panels to extend existing coverage. The amount requested is within the limit of the new funding criteria which states that up to 70% of overall project cost can be allocated by the committee.

There is sufficient funding available within the Baldock Town and Baldock East base budgets for this project. It should be noted that the group has received £17,940 in funding since 2002 via Area Committee funds. Also whilst the support that the group gives to local groups /charities

The application is criteria compliant

This organisation receives no Rate Support or other formal benefits from NHDC.