



NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

AREA COMMITTEE DEVELOPMENT GRANT APPROVAL FORM

1. Committee: **Letchworth Area Committee**

2. Date: **10 Jun 2015**

3. Summary of application: **Operational Costs**

Name of organisation: **Howard Gardens Social and Daycare Centre** Sum requested: **£5,000**

Total project cost: **£65,000**

Brief details:

**Following the presentation given at the meeting on 11th March the Committee were informed of the necessity and importance of the services provided to older people in Letchworth at the Centre. They have approximately 200 members regularly using the centre which operates a range of activities aimed to encourage health, wellbeing and combat loneliness and social isolation. Operational costs equate to £65,000 per year, most of which is covered by County Council contracts, income from hall hire and other fundraising activities.**

Matched / linked funding: **£0**

Funder:

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or DRR  
Funding in place:

Funder:

Comments from Development Officer:

**The Centre's original MoU agreement provided them with £6000 per year towards running costs but this amount has been decreasing year on year. They are requesting £5000 grant funding for the 2015/16 financial year**

**This organisation receives Mandatory Rate Relief of £2,726.40 and a further Top Up Rate Relief of £681.60**

**The Community Development Officer has examined this application against the Authority's Area Grants Policy, the organisation's accounts and grant history, and considers it an eligible application to put before the Committee.**

Amount recommended: **£1,500**

4. Comments from Ward Members:

I support / do not support this application

Name: .....

Signed:

Date:

I support / do not support this application

Name: .....

Signed:

Date: