



NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

AREA COMMITTEE DEVELOPMENT GRANT APPROVAL FORM

1. Committee: Royston Area Committee	2. Date: 17 Mar 2010
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3. Summary of application: **Subsidised free parking in Royston Town Centre**

Name of organisation: **NHDC Internal Budgetary Support** Sum requested: **£1,500**

Total project cost: **£4,500**

Brief details:

Members will be aware of their wish to make some provision for subsidised free parking in Royston. This application is at the Chairman's suggestion, to combine equal contributions from the Royston County Councillors' Locality budgets and a further equal contribution from the Area Committee. This would fund free car parking in the Town Centre after 3.30pm.

Matched / linked funding: **£0** Funder:

Discretionary rate relief: **£0** Funder:

Comments from Development Officer:

Given the concerns about levels of footfall in the town centre, any increase in free parking is likely to improve footfall. The proposal is also in line with the NHDC priorities of Town Centres and Sustainability.

Members should also be aware that the Town Manager, the Council's Car Parking Manager and Transport Officers have already met to discuss how a contribution from Royston First might enable a further rollback of the time-band for free parking to perhaps 3pm.

Amount recommended: **£1,500**

4. Comments from Ward Members:

I support / do not support this application

Name: Signed: Date:

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5. For officer use:

Amount awarded from Area Budget: **£0**

Amount awarded from Dev't Budget: **£0**

Signed off by Head of Service Signed: Date: