



NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

AREA COMMITTEE DEVELOPMENT GRANT APPROVAL FORM

1. Committee: **Royston Area Committee**

2. Date: **22 Jun 2011**

3. Summary of application: **Barkway Speedwatch project**

Name of organisation: **Barkway Parish Council**

Sum requested: **£2,000**

Total project cost: **£2,500**

Brief details:

Barkway has set up a Speedwatch Group. This is made up of 15 volunteers who have been vetted by the Police to monitor speeding through the village - a serious problem in Barkway. They had hoped to buy the equipment needed by using money from a grant application to Herts in Trust. Unfortunately this has been turned down. They will now have to use equipment borrowed from the Police at Royston - not ideal as it has to be collected and returned each time.

Matched / linked funding: **£0**

Funder:

Discretionary rate relief: **£0**

Funder:

Comments from Development Officer:

The Speedwatch Group is regularly conducting speed monitoring in Barkway up to 3 times a week. They are constrained as to how often they can get out to monitor car speeds as they must collect the equipment from Royston Police, requiring a trip into Royston each time to collect the equipment, and then after monitoring to return it. This reduces the amount of time and frequency that they can operate. Additionally, on several occasions they have discovered the batteries not to be fully charged, so have been unable to work a full shift. The Police confirm this - it's a charging-time issue. Results indicate there is significant speeding Barkway: the average speed noted was 42mph in a 30mph zone. Barley is also ready to start sharing the same equipment - by the date of this meeting it may already have started. The recommendation is the maximum sum under the Agreed Criteria for community equipment.

Amount recommended: **£250**

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:

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: