



NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

AREA COMMITTEE DEVELOPMENT GRANT APPROVAL FORM

1. Committee: **Southern Rural Committee**

2. Date: **28 Nov 2013**

3. Summary of application: **Provision of two Bus Stop Shelters in Little Wymondley**

Name of organisation: **Wymondley Parish Council**

Sum requested: **£1,500**

Total project cost: **£15,000**

Brief details:

Local services and facilities in the village are limited resulting in many non-driving residents living along Grimstone Road and Siccut Road having to catch the bus to Stevenage or Hitchin in order access many basic services. It is widely recognised that many of the residents in question are most often elderly, or are mothers with young children.

The Parish Council has received a number of suggestions based around the fact that there are a lack of Bus Shelters on this well used route / service. During the winter, many residents are often seen waiting at unsheltered bus stops, at the mercy of the weather and It is the Parish Council's intention to provide two bus shelters one on Grimstone Road, at the top of the housing estate and the other on Stevenage Road, at the foot of the housing estate.

Matched / linked funding: **£11,900**

Funders: **See Below**

Matched /linked funding : **£0**
or DRR

Funder:

Comments from Development Officer:

The bus shelters are being provided by Herts County Council, via Daniel Tancock, Passenger Transport Infrastructure Manager, who provided the estimated cost of £7,500 per shelter. If possible, the shelters will be 'recycled', moved from other locations where they are no longer needed. Herts County Council has pledged to provide one of the two shelters and also bear any maintenance costs.

County Councillor Richard Thake has been involved in this project from the start. He has provided £1,000 from his Ward Member's Locality Budget. A £300 contribution has also been received form Cllr Sal Jarvis's Ward Member Budget 2012/13and Wymondley Parish Council has been able to contribute £3,100 towards the cost of the second shelter.

The Parish Council is asking Members of the Area Committee to consider a grant award of £3,100 to match its financial commitment and help meet the total amount of funds required to implement this project with Herts Highways.

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: