



## NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

## AREA COMMITTEE DEVELOPMENT GRANT APPROVAL FORM

1. Committee: **Southern Rural Area Committee**2. Date: **19 June 2014**3. Summary of application: **Funding support for First Aid Training Course Fees & Operating Costs**Name of organisation: **Knebworth Day Centre**Sum requested: **£1,000**Total project cost: **£1,400+**

## Brief details:

The Day Centre is a voluntary run not for profit operation, which provides activities for the frail and elderly of Knebworth. Sessions run every Monday (except Bank Holidays) between 10.00am & 3.00pm at the Deanscroft Centre on Lytton Fields, Knebworth.

The sessions currently attract 15 members, each contributing £5 per week, many of whom are well into their nineties. All activities are staffed by 10 volunteers, many of whom are elderly themselves, 80yrs plus.

The Centre's County Council grant from Adult Care Services was renounced in 2010 and since then the centre and volunteers have strived to continue the weekly sessions without any real core funding. North Herts Homes owns the premises and let's the organisers use the facilities at an extremely subsidise rate (£10pw) as their contribution to the service.

The centre has recently sought support from Age UK, and though sympathetic to their needs, is unfortunately unable to offer assistance of a monetary nature.

Matched / linked funding:

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## Comments from Development Officer:

The organisers are seeking funding support to get two volunteers trained in basic First Aid (2 x £200) and two other volunteer helpers trained to level 2 in Food, Health & Hygiene (2 x£20).

The centre has annual operational costs which it is also seeking funding support:-  
2 course meal £45 per week (if it were possible to recruit a cook, this cost could be reduced)

Premises Rental £480

Insurance £130 (charity rate)

Transport Costs £200 (40p per mile petrol subsidy paid to 5 volunteer drivers)

Entertainment (£150)

The Centre will be have operated for 25 years on June 24<sup>th</sup> this year and the organisers wish to continue to offer valuable and vital social activities for those that are reaching a time of their lives where they become vulnerable in many ways and at risk of being excluded from society.

**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: **£1,000**

## 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: