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Name of Organisation	Barley Community Garden								
Organisation Type	Social and community gardening group								
Ward	Ermine								
Project Type	Tools, compost and standing veg trugs								
Green option considered?	N/A								
NHC Councillor involvement that may constitute a conflict of interest	None known								
Previous financial support within six years	NA								
Documentation reviewed and	Safeguarding		Yes	Accounts		Yes			
approved*	Demonstrates clear governance		Yes						
Total applied for	£1,0	£1,043 To		tal project cost		£1,043			
Officer Summary									

Barley Community Garden (BCG) are a volunteer led community garden, running organised weekly sessions for local residents to garden together and enjoy a cup of tea and a biscuit. They also run village days which attract a wider group of people to help with projects such as planting the community orchard (Feb 2025) and building raised beds (June 2025). The garden is always open, so people can visit and enjoy the garden anytime. For more information www.barleycommunitygarden.co.uk.

BCG are requesting funding towards two standing raised beds (veg trugs), additional tools and compost. Currently, the gardening activities are mainly at floor level which is not accessible for all, particularly those with joint or mobility issues. This has already been an issue raised at the community gardening sessions - e.g. one lady has Scoliosis and can't garden bending over, and an elderly gentleman can only do standing activities such as edging beds with long handled shears. Accessible standing raised beds would allow activities for those who are not able to be on the floor, enabling the group to reach a wider part of the community. The group are also asking for funds towards tools and compost, which will help them with their aim to expand going forwards.

The organisation host fundraising events and receive donations from local residents that cover their regular costs, but do not have the capacity at present to do further events so are applying for a community grant.

^{*}Funding will only be released on receipt and approval of all supporting documentation