

Appendix 6. Whitethorn Bowls Club

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Version	Issue Date	Changes
1.0	NA	First Draft (BE)

Reference	CG-410			
Name of Organisation	Whitethorn Bowls Club			
Organisation Type	Club			
Ward	Letchworth South East			
Project Type	Facilities improvement			
Green option considered?	N/A			
NHC Councillor involvement that may constitute a conflict of interest	None known			
Previous financial support within six years	None			
Documentation reviewed and approved*	Safeguarding	Yes	Accounts	Yes
	Demonstrates clear governance	Yes		
Total applied for	£1,500	Total project cost	£2,000	
Officer Summary				
Whitethorn Bowls Club is a long-established, volunteer-run, not-for-profit community sports club based in Letchworth Garden City. The club provides accessible flat-green bowling for local residents of all ages, abilities, and backgrounds, promoting physical activity, social connection, and wellbeing. The club also offers coaching and participates in local leagues. The club is seeking funding towards installing a 1.8m green-coated metal mesh perimeter fence around the bowling green. The fencing will cover along the section most affected by fox intrusion. The need for the project has been identified through ongoing and repeated fox damage, with foxes regularly entering the site and digging up sections of the green. This has created unsafe playing conditions, resulted in rink closures, requiring volunteers to carry out frequent repairs that are both time-consuming and costly. Installing a secure perimeter fence is the only effective long-term solution to protect the bowling green from ongoing fox damage. Delivered with significant volunteer involvement, the project will benefit more than 60 members, visiting teams, and local residents by ensuring the facility remains safe, welcoming, and available for use. The total project cost is £2,000, covering fencing materials, installation supplies, protective equipment, skip hire, and the hire of ground-drilling equipment. Whitethorn Bowls Club are contributing £500 and are requesting £1,500 from the Letchworth Community Forum towards the project.				

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