



Supporting Our Community

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GODALMING TOWN COUNCIL GRANTS BENEFITTING THE LOCAL COMMUNITY

Godalming Town Council offers differing levels of grant funding that local organisations can apply for. A General Grants Fund, a Community Grants Fund, a Carbon Reduction & Biodiversity Fund as well as Service Level Agreements.

In the latest round of grant funding Godalming Town Council Members agreed a Service Level Agreement grant of £3,500 to The Wharf Nursery School to run two weekly free “Stay and Play” groups during term time to enjoy “messy play” in a specially provided room and to be able to access free weekly “Rhyme Time” sessions at Godalming Library. A weekly “Stay and Play” group will restart at Broadwater Lodge Care Home to encourage interaction between the elderly and very young children and is beneficial to both “Oldies and Tots”. The groups are inclusive to all families with young children in the Godalming area.

From the General Grants Fund a grant of £3,000 was awarded to Farncombe Community Garden whose aim is to establish a new working community garden within Farncombe with benefits to residents. The Community Garden aims to aid recovery from those with a physical or mental health problem whether it is through taking up gardening for the first time, volunteering or sharing gardening knowledge.

Councillors awarded a grant £2,500, from the General Grants Fund to Sport in Mind, a charity formed in 2010 with the aim of delivering sport and physical activity programmes in a safe and supportive environment to help improve the health and wellbeing of adults suffering mental illness. Sport in Mind will offer sport and physical sessions to anyone 17+ experiencing mental health issues and will be free to all.

Councillors also awarded £500 from the Council Community Fund to The Brigitte Trust for the Godalming Community. The charity aims to provide free emotional support and practical help at home to people in Surrey facing a life-threatening illness. The Trust provides a home-visiting volunteer to offer a listening ear, practical help, much-needed respite for carers and to help alleviate isolation and loneliness due to illness.

For further details on these grants and other local groups and organisations who have benefitted from a Godalming Town Council grant, grant criteria or how to apply for a Godalming Town Council grant, please visit <http://godalming-tc.gov.uk/grants/>

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Notes to Editors:

For more information on the beneficiaries of Godalming Town Council grants, please visit the links below:

<https://www.sportinmind.org>

<https://www.brigitte-trust.org>

<https://www.binscombe.net/farncombecommunitygarden>

<https://www.wharf.surrey.sch.uk>

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