

The Dementia Friendly Tring Small Grants Scheme

Dementia Friendly Tring was established by Tring Town Council to co-ordinate the bodies concerned with dementia in Tring in order to achieve and maintain Tring's official status as a Dementia Friendly Community. Dementia Friendly Tring's aim is to help those with dementia in Tring live a happy life. It does this by promoting awareness of dementia, signposting sources of information to help those with dementia in Tring, and supporting individuals and bodies working to assist those with dementia in Tring.

Details can be found at www.dementiafriendlytring.org.uk

Dementia Friendly Tring is pleased to administer a small grants fund that will make life better for those living with dementia in Tring and the surrounding villages as part of the Hertfordshire Healthy Homes 2015/16 Local Initiative. The fund is £10,000.

The Scheme is open to applications with a closing date of 30th November 2015. Application forms can be obtained from the Information Centre, 99 Akeman Street, Tring HP23 6AA between 9:30 am and 3:00 pm Monday to Friday and between 10:00 am and 1:00 pm on Saturday. They are also available on the Tring Town Council website <http://www.tring.gov.uk/>.

Applications are sought from organisations, including clubs and societies, which will assist projects to help those living with dementia in Tring, sufferers or carers. Unfortunately grants cannot be made to individuals.

Assessors for allocation of a grant will look for evidence to show:

- The benefits that will be delivered to residents of Tring or the surrounding villages. It is expected that the majority of beneficiaries will be local residents.
- The project seeking funds is meeting an established need. If a project is for a service already provided within the area by another organisation, it must be shown that the project is meeting an unfilled demand and is not a duplication of effort
- The project will generate proven benefits and the amount of the grant is proportionate to the level of benefit to be delivered
- There is a need for outside financial assistance for the project to proceed. Match funding or self-help will be looked upon favourably
- The applying organisation has a track record and is financially solvent. New initiatives have to be able to demonstrate that a project will be brought to fruition
- Applicants have considered the necessary publicity for the project and have ensured its sustainability.

Please note:

- There is no upper or lower figure set for the amount of any grant made, but as the total funding available is £10,000 preference will be given to smaller sums subject to the likely benefit derived
- Applications should not be for retrospective funding
- The grants are one-off. Consequently awards will generally be given to support purchases of equipment. Awards to cover annual running costs will not generally be supported unless there are exceptional circumstances.

Applications should be submitted to the Town Clerk, Tring Town Council, Market House, 61 High Street, Tring, Herts HP23 4AB or by email: clerk@tring.gov.uk. Applications must be received by 6:00 pm Monday 30th November 2015.

Applications will be considered at a meeting of Dementia Friendly Tring on Tuesday 8th December.

If funds are available there will be a further opportunity to bid in the New Year.