



Natural Kirklees Small Grant Scheme 2023

Application Form

Name of Group	Honley Village Community Trust CIO
Location of Green Space	Magdale Fields and Dam
Contact Name	Steve Hemming
Contact Phone	[REDACTED]
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Project Title	Providing a Bee Habitat
Project Description Max 100 words	In April 2022 we planted Honley Community Orchard with 25 different varieties of apple tree in one of the fields at Magdale. This year we added to the orchard with pear and crab apple trees. To assist in pollination we wish to construct a bee bank near to the orchard, and have based this on similar projects by The Friends of Rawcliffe Meadows in York and Paghams Harbour nature reserve. We will construct two open fronted 'boxes' with a sand/cement mixture, creating banks suitable for solitary bees to inhabit. The structure will be shaped and topped with grass and wildflowers.
<u>Grant Value £</u>	£588

<p><u>Costings</u> <u>(please provide full cost analysis and /or estimates</u></p> <p>Provide a separate email if insufficient space</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12 Railway sleepers - £264 • 3 bulk bags of sand - £132 • 1 bulk bag of ballast - £46 • 12 bags of cement - £82 • 1 x 5m roll of roofing felt - £54 • Delivery of above - £10
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<u>Kirklees Volunteer Coordinator</u>	Andy Wickham
<u>Project End Date</u>	October 2023
<u>No of Volunteers involved</u>	Approx 10-20
<u>Anticipated Volunteers Hours</u>	Approx 50 - 70

Please detail the benefits as appropriate

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<p><u>What benefit will the project bring to the park or green space?</u></p>	<p>The project will bring the following benefits:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provision of a habitat for bees. • Opportunities for pollination of the fruit trees in Honley Community Orchard • Opportunities for learning - we involved the local primary school in the establishment of the orchard and this will provide another opportunity for learning about the importance of bees for the environment • Another step in our mission to improve the biodiversity of Magdale Fields.
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What, if any, benefit will the project bring in terms of addressing Climate Change

Bees are important for the pollination of fruit trees. They also play a key role in helping flowering plants reproduce. So while bees can be affected by climate change they are also important in mitigating the impact of climate change in our local environment. This is why we need to provide them with suitable habitats.

Please print your name and date on the understanding you are signing the form

Stephen Hemming
12 March 2023