



Information & Application Pack



About the SDC Community Fund

Our Mission:

“The SDC Community fund is a way for SDC to take an active role in the communities in which it operates. Driven by the desire to improve the wellbeing of the local population, the fund provides donations of money, time and man-power to charities and other worthwhile causes in the hope of creating a sense of place.”

What does the Fund do?

The SDC Fund was established to provide a mechanism for supporting the areas in which SDC Builders operate as a thank you to the communities that have supported us and allowed the company to grow over the years. The Fund supports causes close to the hearts of staff, clients, and the areas in which we work. We believe in leaving a positive legacy for future generations.

The Community Fund allows SDC to direct a set amount of its profits towards good causes each year, this can be one off donations or longer term sponsorships of clubs, charities or events. However we understand that it is not always money that is needed, and in our capacity as a building contractor we have the ability to offer the skills expertise and most importantly manpower to fulfill the needs of charitable causes and social value projects.

Who can apply?

Anyone can apply for funding as long as they have proof that they are working on behalf of a charity, club or worthwhile cause. So far we have supported charities, sponsored local adult and children's sports clubs, renovation projects, scout groups, schools and much more. Our aim is to provide significant help to many projects as possible.

What can the money be used for?

SDC likes to fund projects and charities in the local area to give back to the community, if you are applying for help from the fund the application is more likely to succeed if the money is used towards a specific project, item or event that the charity is involved in rather than a general donation of money.

An example of things we have supported includes; kits and sponsorships local sports teams, floor replacements at scout huts, and donations towards educational projects.

As the Community Fund only has a certain allowance to spend each year and we would like to make sure that as many groups benefit from significant donations as possible, so we do ask that when applying you only ask for what is needed.



Case Study:

Chariots of Fire

On Sunday 18th September a team from SDC took on the Chariots of Fire relay race, each member of the 6 man team (consisting of Adam Duffett, Shane Hampson, Paul Fake, Marc Huggins, Steve Johnson and Yen Tan) had to complete a 1.7 mile run on the historic course around King's College grounds in Cambridge. The team raised a total of £870 for the Papworth Hospital Charity.



Case Study:

Charity: Shakespears' Birth Trust

In June 2015, SDC and Jaguar Land Rover joined forces to build a 6m x 4m log cabin for the Shakespeare Birthplace Trust in Stratford-upon-Avon.

The Shakespeare Birthplace Trust is an independent charity that cares for the world's greatest Shakespeare heritage sites, and promotes the enjoyment and understanding of Shakespeare's works, life and times all over the world. The new log cabin was to

be erected at Hall's Croft, the home of Shakespeare's daughter and granddaughter, as a facility for storing valuable equipment used to maintain the beautiful gardens around this Grade I listed house.

The SDC Community Fund along with JLR provided the financial support and manpower to make sure the cabin, which was needed urgently, was built in time.



Case Study:

Charity: Local Scout Groups

During 2016 SDC provided essential equipment such as toilets, fencing and signage for the annual St Georges Day parade and activity day which was held in Bedford on Sunday 24th April. Over 500 Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorers assembled in Harpur Square before marching down the Embankment in

the presence of the Bedford Mayor.

SDC, in conjunction with O'Brien Contractors also provided foundations, pavings and concrete slab for a new store container at Bromham camp site for Bromham Scout Group. The metal container replaced a wooden store hut which was no longer water tight.



SDC's support allows the leader teams within the Scout groups to deliver high quality Scouting and make a difference to the participants.

Application Form

Name:

Address of Charity (if applicable):

Name of Charity:

Charity Registration Number (if applicable):

Donation Request Amount:

Contact Telephone Number:

Date Donation is needed by (if applicable):

Contact E-mail:

Give a brief description about the Charity, Club, or Organisation

Briefly describe what the funding would be used for:

(please include whether you would also need resources, such as people, to help)

Please return to: SDC, Limegrove House, Caxton Road Bedford, MK41 0QQ or

Email: phil.janes@sdc.co.uk and sam.woolston@sdc.co.uk

SDC will try to respond to all applicants regardless of the success of the application, however this is not always possible due to the large amount of applications we receive.