



# Ward Improvement Initiative Scheme (WIIS)



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Each councillor has £500 which they can allocate to local organisations for worthwhile projects that support our corporate goals:

- Supporting our communities, i.e. to support residents to be healthier and live longer, fulfilling lives.
- Planning for the future, i.e. protect and enhance the natural environment.
- Being an enterprising council, i.e. optimise our assets and deliver services in innovative ways.

WIIS cannot be used to fund projects in any single ward which require further capital or revenue expenditure or create any form of on-going year-on-year financial commitment by us.

## What can be funded through the scheme?

Some typical improvement projects which would be eligible for consideration under WIIS are:

- Improvements to public areas, such as chairs, benches, children's play equipment, adult outdoor fitness equipment and improved signage.
- New or replacement equipment for either a community hall or meeting place which promotes greater levels of use by the local community.
- New or replacement equipment for a not-for-profit organisation whose activities support our corporate goal(s).
- Local events which promote our corporate goal(s) such as organised sport, physical activity, heritage or cultural life.

Other improvement ideas not covered here may also be eligible for consideration under WIIS if they are consistent with our current corporate goals. Please note, this list is not exhaustive.



### For further information

For further guidance or information about WIIS, please contact:

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## How do I apply for funding?


You should discuss your proposal with your [local councillor](#) before completing the on-line [application form](#). Once submitted, your application will be reviewed by the councillor who will then decide whether or not to support it. The application will then be assessed by senior officers within the council. You will be notified by letter or email whether or not your application has been successful and, if applicable, the process to follow to claim the funding.


## Who can receive funding?

Any properly constituted group, club or organisation, which is based in, or operates for the benefit of the residents of Hertsmere and has its own bank account.

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My project is already running, can I request funding? 

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