

Parishes Together Fund Evaluation Form

This form must be completed by the lead parish or town council for the project and must be submitted by the deadline stated.

Section A: The basics

1. Name of the lead town or parish council:

Gittisham Parish Council

2. Please list all of the town and parish councils involved:

Gittisham Parish Council, Honiton Town Council

3. What was your project in brief:

Purchase and install defibrillator in Gittisham Vale

Section B: Finance

4. What was the total cost of your project?

£2135.00

5. How much of the money came from the Parishes Together Fund?

£1586.50

6. Has all the funding from the Parishes Together Fund been spent on your project?

- Yes
- No - If no, please get in touch as any unspent funding needs to be returned to us.

7. If the Parishes Together Fund did not pay for the whole project, where did you get the rest of the money to pay for it?

Give details of the amounts of funding and where it came from.

Plant sale £270, community donations £220, first aid awareness £25, Beaumont charity donation £250

8. Were there any in-kind contributions to the project? If so, please give details below:

For example non-monetary contributions such as volunteering time, lending equipment.

5 volunteers for the plant sale (6 hours duration including set up and packing away). Time spent by Gittisham Vale councillors in organising the plant sale and the purchase and installation of the defibrillator.

Section C: The results

9. Do you have any photographs of the project?

Before, during and after the project is carried out.

- Yes - please send accompanying photographs to jbuckley@eastdevon.gov.uk
- No - we do ask that photographs are sent of each project. If you applied for and are receiving Communities Together Fund monies in 2019, please make sure you take photos.

10. Do you have any other documents or evidence of success?

- Yes - please send accompanying documents and evidence to jbuckley@eastdevon.gov.uk
- No

11. How has the community benefitted, or how will the community benefit from your completed project?

Please give as much detail as possible, as this in particular provides the evidence we need to keep the funding going for you.

Health benefit for having quick access to a defibrillator on the Heathfield housing estate in Honiton & Gittisham Vale. The defibrillator has already been accessed for emergency use but fortunately paramedics arrived before it was necessary to put it into use.

12. Was your project:

- Working alone on a drainage and ditches project - please move onto question 14
- Working together with other town and parish councils

13. How has the project involved town and parish councils working together?

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Honiton Town Council were already in the process of installing a network of defibrillators around the town. The one installed in Gittisham Vale adds to that network and the Town Council were happy to act as a partner to the project.

14. Did you face any obstacles to completing your project?

- Yes
- No - please move onto question 16

15. Please tell us about the obstacles that you faced:

Raising additional funds is always a challenge but fortunately on this occasion we received some very generous donations from the local community, in addition to the proceeds from the plant sale.

16. What is the future of the project or work? (if relevant)

For example how will it be funded in the future if it's an ongoing project.

Whilst the project has been completed, any additional maintenance costs will be met from Parish Council funds.

17. Please give details of any media interviews, press reports, newsletter articles etc about your project:

Please note as you agreed in the grant offer letter, all publicity about the project should credit funding from Parishes Together Fund and support from Devon County Council and East Devon District Council.

Article published in The Paper for Honiton and the Gittisham Gazette (local monthly newsletter) - details to be sent to Jamie Buckley with photograph.

Thank you for taking the time to complete this form.

Please click on the 'submit' button below to send your answers to us.

NEW DEFIBRILLATOR IN GITTISHAM

Gittisham Parish Council has arranged for a second defibrillator to be commissioned in the parish, this one is located on Old Elm Road within Gittisham Vale.

Much of the funding towards the cost of the defibrillator and its installation was provided by the East Devon District Council and Devon County Councils "Parishes Together" fund, to which Honiton Town Council were an application partner with Gittisham Parish Council.

Parish Councillor Richard Pratt stated "In addition to the Parishes Together funding donations were received from the Beaumont Charity and a number of generous contributions from local residents and businesses including Bartlett's Farm Shop who also hosted a fund raising plant sale in their car park."

The defibrillator is registered with the emergency services who will provide the access code to anyone dialling 999 to report a relevant incident. Councillor Andy Wilkins explained that the emergency services operator will give guidance to the caller whilst an ambulance is dispatched. The defibrillator has simple audio and video instructions for the user to follow.

This new defibrillator complements the first in the parish which is located within Gittisham village.

The British Heart Foundation reports that defibrillators are easy to use, compact, portable and very effective. They are designed to be used by lay persons; the machines guide the operator through the process by verbal instructions and visual prompts. They are safe and will not allow a shock to be given unless the heart's rhythm requires it.

Many cardiac arrest victims can be saved if persons nearby recognise what has happened, summon the ambulance service with the minimum of delay, perform basic cardiopulmonary resuscitation (particularly chest compressions) and use a defibrillator to provide a high energy electric shock to restore the heart's normal rhythm. Each of these stages is a link in a chain of events that provide the best chance of success, but the critical factor is the speed with which the shock is given.

FOR THE GAZETTE

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