

LIMPSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL Biodiversity Grant Application

Limpsfield Parish Council has established a fund to make small grants (up to £250) to local community groups and organisations wishing to improve biodiversity in accessible, public areas of the Parish. If you would like to apply for a grant complete the following details.

		Please use block capitals if completing by hand
	Name and address of the organisation, individual or group requesting a grant. Description of Governance Structure, (if applicable), and link to organisation's	Padbrook Residents Association ("PRA") The Secretary 50 Padbrook Limpsfield RH8 0DZ N/A
3.	accounts (or attach as separate document). Project Location. Please note: Must be within Limpsfield Parish. Written approval of the	
	Limpsfield Parish. Written approval of the landowner must be provided. Projects on private land without public access will only be considered if there is a significant public benefit.	permissions are required. Padbrook is an open access area linking Detillens Lane to Limpsfield High Street.
4.	Project Description and relationship to Limpsfield Parish Priorities and Criteria and **Tandridge Biodiversity Strategy and objectives (if available).	The PRA committee has considered the LPC Biodiversity Action Plan presented to the LPC AGM and plans to implement the following ideas to increase the biodiversity & sustainability of Padbrook's open spaces for the enjoyment of, not only the residents, but for the whole local community and all who pass through the estate on the public footpaths along the routes between Oxted, Limpsfield, the Chart and other NT areas: To continue to cut the large grass areas only on the highest mower settings, when essential for safety and to increase the benefits for all wildlife. To continue to create/enhance/extend the 'genuine wildlife corridor' between all the National Trust lands in the area for mammals, insects, birds, etc. To introduce NT & RSPB nesting boxes for birds which have been identified as resident to the area, such as numerous varieties of tits and finches.

To add a hedgehog house, in a discrete location, adjacent to the Bug Hotel and Insect Wood Pile built by residents in 2022.

To add bat boxes on a suitable tree on the estate. To create other small woodpiles/structures for specific insects for over-wintering, such as solitary bees.

To extend and enhance the acidic & heavy shade wildflower area planted by the PRA in October 2023.

To add more native, wildlife friendly, flowering shrubs and perennials to the long border to ensure a year-round supply of food, and shelter, for all manner of wildlife.

To protect and enhance the Padbrook pond edge with additional planting to help stabilize the banks and to encourage water-based insects, birds, etc. To create, in the Square, a native species copse by planting both a hazel & a Kent cob shrub, a crab apple and a damson tree.

To introduce more structured biodiversity children's activities to the Padbrook monthly gardening days, to include building the hedgehog house and bird boxes as well as identification projects, planting & fir cone gathering, etc.

To encourage the use of the Hazelwood School biodiversity children's corner activities sheet to all households with youngsters.

**The PRA is aware that there is not, at present, a TDC Biodiversity Strategy & Objectives document available.

5. Grant amount requested.

Please indicate estimated total cost of activities included within the project and whether project requires annual funding to be maintained.

Total Grant amount requested: £250.

Landlife Wildflower Seeds: 2 mixes, 50g for 15m2: LWRE Restore & enrich wildflower: £12.00. LW6P Wetland & Pond Edge Wildflower: £15.00.

Frank P Matthews (if not available locally):
Damson Tree (Farleigh) hardy self-fertile £30.00.
Hazel (Apollo) heavy cropper: £34.00.
Hazel (Kent Cob) partially self-fertile: £30.00.
Malus Crab Apple (Golden Hornet) small: £31.00.

Birds, Bats & Hedgehogs:

RSPB Robin Brushwood Nesting Box: £14.00.

		NT Birch Log Nest Box for Tits: £12.95. NT Vail Nest Box for Tits & Sparrows: £18.00. Ark Wildlife Bat Boxes Triple Pack £54.00. Hedgehog House: PRA plan to build this on-site with locally donated wood, etc. following British Wildlife Trust guidelines & plans. Other Bird Boxes to be build on-site with children.
su	ow will you show that your project is ccessful and how will you keep it going in e future?	Padbrook residents have been maintaining and enhancing the open areas regularly, every month with 'Gardening Sundays' for many years. The PRA is committed to the continued maintenance of all areas for years to come. There are long-term residents as well as newer families with younger children who are not only interested but active in maintaining the area for their own enjoyment as well as the wider local community. The PRA is a strong and long-established association with support from 95% of the residents and which organises several annual social events and has created a friendly and active organisation.
en Su Wa	etail any involvement and oversight of local tities with biodiversity experience. (e.g. arrey Hills Society, Surrey Wildlife Trust, coodland Trust, Surrey Nature Partnership, ational Trust, Parish Council)	N/A. But many Padbrook residents are involved with local entities with biodiversity experience, including the Limpsfield Parish Council, the National Trust, PlantLife International, Woodland Trust, Surrey Wildlife Trust, Britain in Bloom, Limpsfield Community Orchard, Hurst Green Gardening Club, The Allotments, Surrey Hills Society, Butterfly Conservation Monitoring Scheme, as well as local Scout Groups and the Woodhouse Centre.
	cal School Educational Value and volvement (if any).	None. But although the PRA is not directly linked to any school, there are children living in Padbrook, whose parents are part of the PRA, who attend Limpsfield Primary, St. Mary's Oxted, Hazelwood School, as well as Lingfield & Caterham schools. Also, there are younger children at nurseries and pre-schools in both Limpsfield & Oxted.

Please return this form via email to the Clerk, Limpsfield Parish Council – clerk@limpsfield.org. Financial Accounts may be requested for organisations, charities etc. Feel free to email with any questions.

Thank you.