<u>Freelance Fundraising Consultant</u> <u>Brief</u>

Introduction:

We are seeking an expression of interest for an experienced Freelance Fundraising Consultant to work with the Greater Brislington Neighbourhood Partnership, BCC Parks Team and local communities and stakeholders for parks, green spaces and play areas within the Brislington NP area to secure funding for the following local community projects:

- A- Eastwood Farm Play Area
- B- Arnos Vale Play Area
- C- Hungerford Road Play Area
- D- Identified improvements to increase accessibility to, through and along the parks, green spaces and play areas

Background:

Brislington East and West is to the south east of Bristol linking close to the Temple Meads train station with the main A4 Bath Road cutting through the two wards, being used as a key commuter route for travel in and out of the city.

The locality has a number of play or recreational facilities for residents of all ages in the area. The Neighbourhood Partnership is keen to see improvements both it terms of facilities and accessibility to the parks, green spaces and play areas in support of the requests from local communities.

Support is needed to complete funding applications to enable funds to be raised to faciliate the improvements that are needed within the green spaces in the area.

Aim & Objectives

The aim is to assist the Greater Brislington Neighbourhood Partnership to fundraise for the improvements identified.

- Fundraise for new Children Play Facility for Eastwood Farm Park
- Fundraise for improvements to Children Play Facility for Arnos Vale Park
- Fundraise for improvements to lighting to Children Play Facility and path way at Hungerford Road Play Area
- Fundraise for accessibility improvements to Green spaces as identified by the Neighbourhood Partnership.
- Write applications to relevant Trusts and Foundations, minimum of 8-10 applications to be completed including at least 4 major applications to the value of £50,000 or more.
- To provide a detailed progress update/handover report to the panel once the contract has come to an end. Including updated on Trusts and Foundations applied to, successful and unsuccessful applications.

Timescales:

- Deadline for submit expression of interest (insert date).
- Start date (insert date)

Key skills:

Required

- Ability to work under pressure
- Experience in partnership working.
- Proven fundraising experience with evidence of securing grants and donations.
- Proven experience of securing funds from both trusts and foundations and major donors.
- Time Management skills
- A background and a good understanding of the community/voluntary sector.
- Project Plan (Please bring with you draft project plan, indicating time lines and an estimate of how long it would take to prepare applications).

Behavioural Competencies

Required

- Strong organisational skills.
- Ability to prioritise effectively.
- Outgoing, friendly personality with excellent customer service and interpersonal skills.
- Committed team worker with the ability to engage with individuals at all levels.
- High levels of energy, self-motivation and personal initiative.
- Ability to work effectively in a mutually supportive, enabling and collaborative team environment.
- Flexible and committed approach to work.
- Excellent written communication with the ability to make the case effectively to a range of audiences.
- Excellent communicator, with good influencing, negotiation and presentation skills.
- Excellent problem-solving skills.

Desirable

Understanding of Neighbourhood Partnership.

Additional info:

- 1. Bristol parks and green space strategy
- 2. Background information that is available on request:
 - Contacts list for local organisations and groups
 - Greater Brislington Neighbourhood Partnership Plan.
 - Local deprivation & population statistics may be downloaded from: www.bristol.gov.uk/statistics
 - Details of other community facilities in Bristol can be found at: www.bristol.gov.uk/communityvenues

To apply:

Please submit your expression of interest to Ariaf Hussain at ariaf.hussain@bristol.gov.uk or send hardcopies to the address shown below. Please ensure you provide the following:

- CV with at least two referees.
- Portfolio of at least two or more similar projects, in particular partnership working.
- Hourly rate
- Any additional information you feel would support your expression of interest.

• Project Plan (Please bring with you draft project plan, indicating time lines and an estimate of how long it would take to prepare applications).

If you wish to discuss this specification and the commission in more detail, please contact:

Name: Ariaf Hussain

Role: Neighbourhood Partnership Coordinator

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