



## **Cottsway Community Fund – Frequently Asked Questions**

**Q. I have an idea for a project but am not sure if it would work, what do I do?**

A. If you have an idea we'd like to hear it. We can offer you help in setting up a group which could make an application so please call the Communities Team on 01993 890000 for a chat or advice on getting started.

**Q. Do I have to be a Cottsway resident to apply?**

A. No, as long as the grant will be used to help, or your project will be accessible to Cottsway residents.

**Q. Do I have to be a part of a charity to apply?**

A. No, although we will fund charitable groups. We also welcome applications from groups of residents, as long as the project is for the benefit of a group of people.

**Q. Do I have to be part of a group to apply?**

A. No, you can apply as an individual.

**Q. Can I apply for something I need in my garden, like a shed or bench?**

A. No, the fund is set up for projects in the local community. You could apply if it were for benches in a communal garden shared by others.

**Q. We are not sure if Cottsway residents will use the service we are applying for a grant for. Can we still apply?**

A. Yes, you may still apply, but you must show that any service you are providing is accessible to Cottsway residents. It must also fit within our funding criteria.

Q. **Can the grant be paid into my personal bank account?**

A. No, we will not pay into a personal bank account. We can offer support to help you set up a group or charity account. If you are an individual applying, we will need to act as your accountable body.