The next round of the Selly Oak Neighbourhood Network Scheme small community grants programme for neighbourhood and community organisations.

**Neighbourhood Network Schemes (NNS)** are about intervention and prevention activities and programmes enabling older citizens (50yrs plus) to lead healthy, happy, independent lives within their own homes and neighbourhoods as part of the Adult Social Care and Health Prevention First Vision.  The grant scheme is generally  to increase the number of older people who are participating in community activities in their neighbourhood and in doing so either prevent or reduce social isolation and loneliness – more specifically there are key priorities for Selly Oak Constituency  which are outlined below.

It covers the following wards – **Bournbrook and Selly Park, Stirchley, Bournville and Cotteridge, Billesley, Highters Heath, Druids Heath and Moneyhull, Brandwood and Kings Heath and parts of Weoley and Selly Oak.**

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| **Key Outcomes and Priorities for Funding – General NNS** | **Selly Oak Constituency – Gap Analysis Priorities** |
| Increased Social Participation **(only priority areas)** | Activities for older men |
| Healthier lifestyles **(only priority areas)** | Financial and Digital Inclusion |
| Maximised income | Capacity building and infrastructure support to community groups |
| Housing which supports independence | Volunteering and participation in local neighbourhood |
| Carers feel more supported (as people and as carers) | **Priority areas – Billesley, Brandwood and Masefield** |
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**General Good Practice principles for proposals – should show evidence of:-**

* Co-produced with the beneficiaries – ie older people, community groups, networks etc.
* Collaboration and partnerships with other stakeholders
* A lasting legacy, impact or sustainability
* Promoting making safeguarding personal and risk enablement

**How much can You apply for?**

* **Investment in new community activity** – up to £10,000 for a period of up to 12 months . However it is more likely that Selly Oak NNS will be awarding most grants between £2000-£5000
* **Increasing or improving the accessibility of existing community activities** – again up to £10,000 for a period of up to 12 months. However it is more likely that Selly Oak NNS will be awarding most grants between £2000-£5000
* **Investment in capacity building and infrastructure support** – up to a maximum of £5000 for activity up to 3 months / 1 grant per recipient per 12months

**Submissions to be made by**

* **Friday 13th March**

Proposal Forms returned to [Karen.Cheney@birmingham.gov.uk](mailto:Karen.Cheney@birmingham.gov.uk)

**Additional Conditions of Grant**

All activity which is funded must be consistent with the terms and conditions of the City Council’s Conditions of Grant Aid ( as attached)

In addition Selly Oak NNS have added two other conditions that successful recipients will be required to :-

* Use the Selly Oak NNS  Impact App. to record activity outcomes – don’t worry training will be provided
* Use the Selly Oak NNS Publicity – you will be provided with logos and footers – **“Selly Oak NNS – Live, Laugh , Love”**

So if you have a great idea please apply. If you would like to talk through your idea first please  don’t hesitate to contact me [Karen.Cheney@birmingham.gov.uk](mailto:Karen.Cheney@birmingham.gov.uk)  or Ian Ellis [Ian.Ellis@birmingham.gov.uk](mailto:Ian.Ellis@birmingham.gov.uk)  Tel 0121 464 9072

Please feel free to pass on the information and proposal forms to anyone else you think might be interested.