

THE APPLICATION FORM

<p>Name of Group Applying</p>	<p>Green Futures Newton Abbot</p>
<p>Are you a registered charity? If so, please give your number</p>	<p>No</p>
<p>Please give estimated dates for</p> <p>Project start?</p> <p>Project end?</p>	<p>June 2024</p> <p>May 2025</p>
<p>How much will the project cost?</p> <p>How much is your grant request?</p> <p>How will you raise the rest?</p> <p>Will the project receive match funding – please provide details</p> <p>What other grants have been given or refused for the same project?</p>	<p>£ 8550</p> <p>£ 850</p> <p>From the Devon Environment Foundation and Asda</p> <p>We have received a grant of £7500 from the Devon Environment Foundation and are awaiting the results of a £200 grant application to the Asda Foundation.</p>

Tell us about your group, what does it do?

We are community-based organization which aims to improve the natural environment of the Newton Abbot area and help local people to engage practically with this process, learn new skills and enhance their wellbeing.

Our core area of operation at present is within the Ward of Bradley where we have developed a number of initiatives including :

- The Bradley Bug Recovery Network
- The Green Futures Allotment Plot
- Bradley Barton Primary School Wildflower Meadow (see attached graphic)
- Bradley Barton Community Orchard
- Bradley Manor Estate Habitat Management
- Community Bug Safaris and Moth Meets

We work closely with the following organizations :

- Newton Abbot Town Council
- Bradley Barton Primary School
- Newton Abbot District Co-operative Allotment Association
- The National Trust
- Teignbridge District Council
- Devon County Council
- Devon Biodiversity Records Centre

And with Councillors and local residents across the Bradley Ward area.

Between June 2024 – May 2025 we will be implementing the Pesticide-Free Bradley initiative. This is a partnership project to encourage and enable 7800 local residents across Bradley ward to go “pesticide-free” in their gardens and houses. In late 2023 we worked closely with Newton Abbot Town Councillors and Officers to support the Council’s Declaration to go “pesticide-free”, which was voted for unanimously in November 2023.

We then helped Officers bring together the Council’s Biodiversity Policy, which was adopted by the Council on the 24th of January of this year, along with the declaration of a Biodiversity Emergency – one of only a few Council’s across the U.K. to have done this. The Council’s Biodiversity Policy really sets the backdrop for all future work across Newton Abbot to restore our biodiversity and make our local environment more resilient for future generations and the Pesticide-Free Bradley Initiative is recognized within the Policy as a key part of this work.

Since January, Green Futures has been developing the infrastructure of this initiative and we now have a core project partnership with Officers from NATC, Teignbridge District Council and Suez Recycling and Reclamation who are all contributing their organisations resources to offer

the first kerbside collection service for unwanted household pesticides in the U.K.

Recently we have also now begun to work closely with the Co-director of the European Centre for Environment and Human Health, which is part of Exeter University. They are very interested in the scope of this initiative and the potential for replicating and expanding it across the other wards of Newton Abbot and in other locations across the South West.

We have also begun to engage with local farmers and with the Co-op Food store at Hele Park to help promote the planned Pesticide Amnesty's in October 2024 and April 2025.

Does your project/organisation have a social media/website presence?

We have a website www.greenfutures-newtonabbot.co.uk and a Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100079711193592>

How will you publicise the Newton Abbot Town Council grant?

The Pesticide Free Bradley Initiative will be widely publicized across the ward in a number of different ways including flyers given to local residents during our Household Survey work, posters placed on local noticeboards, banners advertising the Pesticide Amnesty's and on social media.

We will be giving talks to local groups and organizations and Newton Abbot Town Council's support will be acknowledged as part of this activity.

We will also be producing a "Gardens for Life" guide to help people go pesticide-free and this will acknowledge the support of Newton Abbot Town Council.

We regularly have articles about our projects printed in the Mid-Devon Advertiser and the support from Newton Abbot Town Council is always acknowledged.

Newton Abbot Town Council is acknowledged as supporting us on the Home page of our website.

(Please note it is mandatory as part of the grant award conditions, to supply all press releases concerning the grant to Newton Abbot Town Council for us to share on our social media platforms)

How will the funds be spent? How will it benefit the people of Newton Abbot?

The funds will support the core operations of Green Futures including helping to pay for :

- Public Liability Insurance package - £350
- Website contract - £ 180
- Annual Accounts – £ 220

The funds will also support the creation of the residents Pesticide-Free Garden Packs :

- Wildflower Seed - £100

The support of the Town Council will enable Green Futures to :

- Carry out a Household Pesticide Survey across the whole of Bradley ward, engaging with as many of the 3200 households as we can. The survey and our method of sampling is being developed with the help of Exeter University so that it will yield results that will be statistically accurate.
- Publicise the Bradley Pesticide Amnesty's through talks to local groups and with advertising, social media presence and publicity in the wider media.
- Deliver the two Pesticide Amnesty's in October 2024 and April 2025 to collect unwanted household pesticides to reduce the risk of damage to our wider environment and to human health.
- Produce the "Gardens For Life" pesticide – free gardening guide to show local residents how they can go pesticide-free.
- Create a Pesticide-Free Garden pack for local residents which will include a Pesticide-Free Garden Sign and a free wildflower seed pack.
- Convene a Pesticide-Free Networking event for project partners and other groups and organisations within Devon and the South West, to present our results and explore developing this initiative.

The Pesticide – Free Bradley initiative will benefit the people of Newton Abbot by showing how it is possible to engage directly with a defined neighbourhood to reduce, and hopefully stop, the use of chemical treatments that cause the loss of pollinators, damage the wider environment and potentially affect the health of people, particularly children over the short, medium and longer term.

(You can continue on an extra sheet if you wish to)

Sustainability Plan

Tell us how the project will continue once the grant has been spent.

We have had clear interest in our neighbourhood – based approach to tackling household pesticide use. Exeter University are looking at potential funding opportunities to expand and replicate this work and the Pesticide Action Network, a UK-wide campaigning organisation are also interested in publicising the initiative.

We feel that there is a definite opportunity for our close working relationship with NATC to become a key feature of future work both across the rest of Newton Abbot and further a field, and this could potentially help us sustain the costs of this work through offering a joint training package to other Town / Parish Councils and to larger local government organisations.

Safeguarding

Where appropriate please provide us with a copy of the project/organisation’s safeguarding policy with reference to children and vulnerable adults.

Contact name	
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Contact address	
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Contact telephone and email address	
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Bank Account Details

Sort Code

Account Number

Bank Address – Nat West Bank, 15 Victoria Street, Paignton, Devon, TQ45DE

If you do not have a Bank Account for your group, the Council will arrange to hold any grant awarded for you for up to 12 months and will reimburse against receipts.

<p>Does your group meet all legal requirements for this project (e.g., Public Liability, insurance, protection of children and vulnerable adults etc.)</p>	<p>YES</p> <p>It is YOUR responsibility to check</p>
	<p>Signed</p>  <p>Print Name</p> <p>Date</p> <p>02.06.2024</p>
<p>Declaration.</p> <p>I confirm that to the best of my knowledge and belief, the information in this application form is true and correct. I understand that a request may be made for additional information at any stage of the application process. By completing this form, the signatories hereto agree to this information being retained in accordance with the provisions of the Data Protection Act and for that information to be printed in official council publications and forwarded to other agencies as necessary to facilitate this application for grant aid but for no other purpose.</p>	



Signed

Date 02.06.2024

Please include your constitution and most recent set of accounts if you have these, but it is not essential to receive a grant.

If you need any help in completing this form, please telephone the
Deputy Town Clerk on 01626 201120

