



# HPC Community Fund Small Grants Programme

Application form

## Section 1 - About your organisation

### Organisation Name and Contact Details

Name of your organisation

Holford Parish Council

Address of your organisation

Street

Coach House 1, Alfoxton Park, Holford

Town/City

Bridgwater

County

Somerset

Postcode

TA5 1SG

Telephone

07818 015956

Website

<https://holford-pc.gov.uk/>

Facebook

Twitter

### Organisation Start Date

Month

01

Year

1970

### Main Contact Person

These are the details that will be used for correspondence purposes.

Title Forename(s)  
Mrs. Hema  
Surname  
Stanley

Job title or position  
Clerk

Daytime telephone number  
07818015956

Evening telephone number

Mobile telephone number  
07818015956

Email  
clerk@holford-pc.gov.uk

☒ Use organisation's address for correspondence

Have you contacted a member of the Hinkley Point C Community Fund team to discuss your application to the Fund?

☒ Yes

### What type of organisation are you?

Select as many as appropriate

☐ A registered charity

☐ Company limited by guarantees

☐ Unincorporated club or association

☐ Community interest company

☒ Other

Parish Council

### Are you part of a larger regional or national organisation?

☐ Yes

### Staffing and volunteers

How many of each of the following are involved in the organisation?

Full time staff / workers	1	Trustees
Members (excluding management committee)	7	Part time staff / workers
Volunteers (excluding management committee)		Management committee

## Aims and main activities

Describe the overall aims and objectives of your organisation and the activities or services your organisation provides

Parish Council duties - village maintenance, voice for the residents on local matters, village hall funding, village representation

## Income

Your income in the last accounting year  
7929

Is this your first grant (any funder?)

☐ Yes

Has your group received grant funding before from Somerset Community Foundation before?

☐ Yes

## Referee details

(For new applicants only)

Referee title

Mr

Referee forename

Hugh

Referee surname

Davies

Referee position

County Councillor

Referee street

Referee town

Referee County

Somerset

Referee postcode

Referee email

hdavies@somerset.gov.uk

Referee phone

Relationship of Referee to organisation

County Council representative

## Section 2 - Project

### Project Details

#### About your grant application

Project name

Speed Indicator Devices installation

Do you have or are you seeking match funding for this project? (Please give details)

We are applying to the Police Road Safety Fund to purchase the two SIDS required. Our Community Speed Watch team volunteers will operate the system when installed and the Parish Council will cover insurance and long term operating costs.

Project / funding start date    Project / funding end date

01/12/2021

01/04/2022

Which local authority district will the activity take place in?

West Somerset

Which area (estate, town, village borough) do most of the people who benefit come from?

Holford Parish

Describe the impact(s) on your community of the Hinkley Point C development and/or its associated projects

There has been a considerable impact on the local community since the commencement of the Hinkley Point C development. The most relevant to our project has been the increase in traffic consisting of cars, coaches, buses and contractors which have been added to the normal tourist and business traffic. Accommodation at Moorhouse farm for Hinkley workers has increased local traffic as well as numbers of pedestrians crossing the A39 in the centre of the village to walk or visit The Plough.

Describe the need(s) that there are in your community as a result of the impact(s) you have identified above

Our village is split by the A39 and, unlike other villages, the road through the centre of the village is relatively wide and straight. Traffic approaches the village from a 50mph zone and, although there will always be drivers who ignore a speed limit, many enter or leave the restricted zone at well over 30mph. One fatal accident this year occurred just outside our 30mph restricted zone. The speed of traffic makes crossing the road difficult at all times of the year especially at night as we do not have street lighting.

Our Community Speed Watch (CSW) team of 12 volunteers, with three more awaiting training, which has been operating for over two years, confirms that some vehicles regularly exceed the speed limit with a maximum speed of 60mph recorded.

When on duty, in high visibility jackets, the CSW team has the very visible effect of slowing traffic down but measurements of traffic speed taken by the team when 'not on duty' show that traffic speed is then much higher. On 17/09/2021 a Speedwatch session recorded 364 vehicles travelling North with 5 exceeding 36mph and in the following hour, with no CSW team 'on duty', there were 364 vehicles with 62 exceeding 33mph. Data reports for Holford CSW for the year to date can be obtained and verified by CSW. Contact Katie Robinson, Katie.Robinson@avonandsomerset.police.uk

We have a variety of non-motorised traffic regularly crossing the A39. This includes local residents, campers, walkers and DoE expeditions, mountain bikers, dog walkers, children catching school buses, horse riders and school parties from the region who regularly visit Holford on an annual environmental survey and users of the busy village hall. We have no pedestrian crossing point on the A39.

A traffic survey in a village lane connecting to the A39 over six days in June this year showed that there were 496 motorised and 726 non-motorised movements.

Describe your project or activity, tell us who will deliver it and explain how it meets the community need you have identified.

The installation of two Speed Indicator Devices (SIDs) with large bright displays on the A39 in locations in the village approved by Somerset County Council (SCC) Highways department, Kathryn Tyson, [TrafficManagement@somerset.gov.uk](mailto:TrafficManagement@somerset.gov.uk), who have also approved the type of SIDs we propose to purchase. The installation of SIDs was originally financed by SCC, <https://www.trafficchoices.co.uk/somerset/traffic-schemes/speed-indicator-devices.shtml> but funding is no longer available hence our match funded application. This can be compared to Dorset where SIDs are recognised as being an important tool in reducing vehicle speeds. <https://news.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/2018/07/09/cutting-speeds/>

We are seeking support for the capital expenditure incurred in purchasing the necessary poles to support the SIDs and the associated solar panels, the installation of these poles at the roadside, installation of the SIDs by specialist contractors and the purchase of a licence from Somerset County Council to enable the contractor to carry out the work.

Data from both SIDs will be downloaded fortnightly by the CSW teams, analysed and published. Using the SIDs in monitoring but with only a 30mph display will enable us to measure their long term performance. The data will also identify times when there are particular problems and this can then be discussed by the CSW team and passed on to local police speed enforcement for additional support.

A SID will display the underlying vehicle speed, in red if significantly over the target speed and green when less than the set speed limit, and will be visible to northbound traffic entering the 30mph zone. For southbound traffic the sign will be visible as traffic rounds the bend before the T junction to Portway.

Explain how you know that the people in your community want this project or activity.

Our CSW team have observed the problems first hand spending over 80 hours this year monitoring traffic speeds. This activity continues throughout the year except during rain. Apart from recording vehicle speeds the teams have reported the problems that pedestrians, horses and children, dropped from school buses, have had crossing the road as well any incidents of abuse from drivers. A number of residents have also approached them while on duty to ask what else is happening to slow traffic down especially during the early mornings and evenings. Residents who live adjacent to the agreed position of the SIDs are agreeable to their positioning.

The Parish Council are mandated to improve road safety on the A39 and this application is fully supported by them.

This installation is supported by Somerset County Council who are providing new bolder village signs on the A39 at each end of the village complete with a camera icon.

The installation is also supported by the local police team, Sgt Abdelrahim, 1650, West Somerset Neighbourhood Team – Minehead, Williton & Exmoor, Avon and Somerset Police, West Somerset House, Killick Way, Williton, TA4 4QA and by our PCSO's who regularly stop and join the CSW teams when they are passing through. The local traffic police have also supported the CSW teams by carrying out radar speed checks in Holford.

## Section 3 - The Difference your Project will make

Please describe the expected outcomes of your project and explain how it will improve your community's well-being and quality of life.

A safer and better environment for 392 residents and everyone visiting the the village.  
 A calmer and more pleasant environment for the garden of The Plough, adjacent to the A39, our recently renovated and rejuvenated local inn.  
 Less pollution and noise. (Currently early morning speeding traffic on the A39 wakes residents)  
 A reduction in risk for everyone crossing or joining the A39 in Holford  
 The provision of speed guidance to drivers who may inadvertently be exceeding the speed limit having been driving in a 50mph zone after leaving Nether Stowey or Kilve.  
 Encouragement to our local community to show by working together we can create a better living and working environment.

#### How will you measure and evaluate these outcomes?

Our CSW teams have demonstrated their effectiveness in encouraging regular drivers on the A39 to drive responsibly through the village as many drivers have indicated their approval.

The CSW sessions will continue but with the use of the much more accurate speed detection device, 1% accuracy over 300 yards. The data from these sessions can be compared to historical data.

However, as vehicle speeds will be recorded and summarised in 15 minute blocks, 24 hours a day, we will have a complete picture of Holford motorised traffic.

The CSW team will report to the Parish Council (PC) the results of both CSW sessions and SID data and this will also be published on the PC web site and in Holford News and Views - our Parish magazine. It is expected that the SID data will also be of use in determining and justifying any further action that may need to be taken in the future in co-operation with SCC and the police road traffic team.

## Beneficiaries

How many people will benefit from this funding?

392

No. of volunteers benefiting

Primary Beneficiary - Select a single option to represent the primary beneficiary group for this grant

Local residents

Please list any other beneficiary groups who will benefit from your grant

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Black, Asian and minority ethnic                | <input type="checkbox"/> Carers   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Children and young people            | <input type="checkbox"/> Ex-offenders/offenders/At risk of offending        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Families/Parents/Lone parents                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Homeless people                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgendered groups | <input type="checkbox"/> Long-term unemployed                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Men   | <input type="checkbox"/> Not in education, employment and training (NEET 16 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Older people                         | <input type="checkbox"/> People in care or suffering serious illness        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> People living in poverty                        | <input type="checkbox"/> People with alcohol/drug addictions                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> People with learning difficulties               | <input type="checkbox"/> People with low skill levels                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> People with mental health issues                | <input type="checkbox"/> People with multiple disabilities                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> People with physical difficulties               | <input type="checkbox"/> Refugees/asylum seekers /immigrants                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Victims of crime/violence/abuse                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Women  |

## Age Groups

Please indicate the primary age group that will benefit from this grant.

All ages

Please list any other applicable age groups for your grant.

☐ Adults (26-65)

☐ Children (5-12)

☐ Early years (0-4)

☐ Seniors (65+)

☐ Young adults (19-25)

☐ Young people (13-18)

Other groups or parts of the community who will specifically benefit from your project

## Section 4 - Project Budget

### Project Budget

How much money are you applying to us for?

2969.91

What is the total cost of the project?

7823.91

Total raised so far

0

### Staff Costs

Requested amount

Breakdown

Total cost

### Office, overhead, premises costs

Requested amount

Breakdown

Total cost

### Operational/activity costs

Requested amount

Breakdown

Total cost

### Capital costs (Equipment)

Requested amount

2969.91

Total cost

8023.74

Breakdown

Holford Parish Council

Costing for the installation of two SIDS

1. Sign Trade Supplies Ltd

a. Purchases of two support posts – 114mm round powder coated cut to 4500mm with base plates and caps £335.91 inc VAT

2. Somerset County Council

a. Section 171 licence – needed for contractor installation. 30 day validity £232.00

3. K&amp;M Groundworks

a. Installation of 2 x 4.6 metre posts, excavate and fill £840.00 inc VAT

4. Alan Manchip

a. Fixing of 2 x SIDs and associated solar panels on the A39 Holford £228 inc VAT

5. Yale locks

a. 4 x Yale Y227B/55/126/1 - Weatherproof Protector Padlock (55 mm) £42 inc VAT

6. Tablet for data download and display

a. Purchase of tablet for data download Microsoft Surface Go2 £742.00 inc VAT

7. 16 x Stainless steel clips for fixing £50.00 inc VAT

8. Contingency £500.00

Other costs

Requested amount

Total cost

Breakdown

### Supporting Documents and Consent

Please click on 'Add Documents' below to upload your supporting documents. You will need to upload:

A copy of your governing document (e.g. constitution, memorandum & articles or set of rules).

A copy of your most recent annual accounts or a spending plan and a recent bank statement if you are a new group

A photocopy of a bank statement no more than 3 months old

Copies of your safeguarding (if you will be working with children or vulnerable adults) and equal opportunities policies and any other policies you feel are relevant to your project or activity

A list of the names and addresses of your Trustees or management committee members, with cheque signatories identified.

Any supporting letters from your local authority, parish or town councils, groups or organisations you will be working with

If for any reason you are not able to provide one of the required documents please upload a document explaining why you do not have it. Please clearly label each document with a name and a short description of what it is.

Our preference is to receive electronic copies of the documents; alternatively, you can tick the box below to let us know that you will be sending hard copies of the documents in the post.

Documents to follow in post

☐ Yes



[Add document](#)

## Bank details

Details of the account you would like any grant to be paid to

Bank name

HSBC

Bank address

Name of account holder

Holford Parish Council

Bank sort code

401325

Bank account number

71538209

## Declaration

Terms and conditions

You confirm that the information given on the application form is true and your group has formally agreed that you can act on their behalf. You confirm that you have attached or will send by post all necessary supporting documents.

SCF is committed to ensuring that your privacy is protected. The information that you provide in this application will be processed and stored in accordance with our Data Protection Policy. For more information about how we gather and store data, please read our [Privacy Statement](#).

Please note that the information you provide on this form will be shared with the members of the HPC Community Fund Awards Panel and other partner representatives. For information about who sits on the Awards Panel, please visit <https://www.hpcfunds.co.uk/frequently-asked-questions/>

☒ Yes

Declaration name

Hema Stanley

Declaration position

Clerk