

**Area Committee Well-being Fund – Project Proposal**  
**Outer West Area Committee**

**Project Name:** Travellers Funhouse

**Lead Organisation:** Children's Project

**Project Delivery - How will the project be delivered? (list any partners involved in the project):**

The Children's project will be working with Gypsy and Travellers Exchange (GATE) and Barca Play is sorted to provide two weekly sessions for Traveller and Gypsy children from Cottingley Springs site and from roadside. The project will work in partnership with GATE every Monday and Barca Play is Sorted every Thursday. The Monday session will run from 3.30pm – 5.30pm and the Thursday session from 5.30pm – 7.30pm. The Children's project will provide 2 qualified play workers and share resource and transport costs with the afore-mentioned organisations. Both Bramley & Rodley Community Action (BARCA) and GATE will also provide 2 workers for the sessions.

**Project Summary (include a brief description of the main activities, why the project is needed and links to key priorities):**

The new project will enable more children to access the provision each week as a new venue will be used which will be based in Cottingley which is approximately 2 miles away. The venue chosen is Cottingley Community centre and has a large hall, kitchen facilities and a small grassed area outside that is fenced off. The provision would run twice a week for two hours each session. Children aged 5 – 8 years and children aged 9 – 13 years will be able to access the centre from Cottingley Springs site and from roadside on alternate days. This will enable up to 25 children to join in each session in total.

Due to the size of the venue we will be able to provide a wider range of activities for the children to take part in such as parachute games, indoor sports, team games, cooking and gardening in the outdoor area.

The funding would pay for the venue, resources, 2 sessional play workers and transport to and from the Cottingley Centre. The transport is an integral part of this project as without it the children and young people would be unable to access the centre. This is due to a high percentage of the traveller parents on site being unable to drive. Also Cottingley Traveller site in a very isolated location and there are no direct public transport links to Cottingley Community centre. There is a definite need for this type of provision as there is nowhere safe for the Traveller and Gypsy children to play on site as it is full of debris and glass. Also the roadside families have no safe areas to play out.

**Outcomes (summarise the main outcome/output/benefit the project will achieve):**

The project would improve the confidence and self esteem of the children and young people by:  
 Offering a more varied menu of activities  
 Enabling them to interact in a bigger group and make new friends

The experience of attending an after school club that is off site.

The cooking aspect of the sessions will enable the children and young people to learn about healthy eating and enable them to sample a range of healthy snacks.

The sports and team games will improve the fitness and well being of the children and young people and teach them about sportsmanship.

The gardening aspect of the project will enable the children and young people to make a positive contribution to their community which in turn will build confidence and self esteem.

**Project Cost. Please indicate****How much the project will cost? (List all partners and their contributions)**

7 hours \* 2 sessions @ £10 per hr \* 40 wks = £5600

Venue \* 2 sessions per week @£160 per qtr = £1280

Transport @ £38 p/session \* 40wks = £3040

Resources @ £40 p/wk = £1600

Total: £11520

Barca will contribute £760 transport and £400 towards resources

GATE will contribute £760 transport and £400 for resources.

Both organisations will also pay for additional staff separately. (not included in project costs above)

The Children's Project have applied to Community Chest for £2000 and have secured £1000 from the Big Lottery.

Therefore a total of £6,200 is requested from the Outer West Area Committee.

**Identify which geographic areas will benefit:**

Cottingley Springs, Gelderd Road (Farnley & Wortley ward)