



COMMA

The Community Aggregates Fund 2010 to 2011

Action in rural Sussex is once again working with Action with Communities in Rural England (ACRE) to deliver COMMA Communities Aggregates Fund, to benefit communities affected by quarrying. Communities across East and West Sussex can apply for grants of between £3,000 and £20,000 to support community projects and amenities. AirS and ACRE are delivering this grant on behalf of Defra, funded by the aggregates levy on quarries.

How to apply

Applications must be submitted using a COMMA application form, which can be downloaded from http://www.acre.org.uk/sustainabledevelopment_comma.html and submitted to Action in rural Sussex.

Who can apply?

- The community where the project is based is/has been affected by aggregates extraction.
- The proposed project is within 10 kilometres of an aggregates extraction site, either in current use or disused.
- The proposed project will produce a community benefit
- The applicant must be a community organisation, charity or a parish/town council.
- The project must be capable of completion by the end of 31 March 2011.

Time Scales

Open to application Monday 1 March 2010
Deadline for completed applications 14 May 2010
ACRE Approved applications informed 12 July 2010
Projects must be completed by 31 March 2011

Previous awards:

Between 2008/2010 the COMMA grants programme awarded grants totalling £915,550, to 102 organisations across England of which 5 were in Sussex totaling £40,400.

Northchapel Village Hall Trust, for flooring improvements
Hampers Green Community Centre, for replacement heating system
Westfield Community Drop-In, to develop community drop in centre
Newick Village Hall, for replacement doors, windows and flooring.
Cocking Parish Council, funding towards a new village hall.

For further information please contact:

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