

	REQUEST FOR FUNDING FOR SPECIFIC PROJECT
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FINANCIAL YEAR 2024 -2025 DATE:16th January 2025.....

TO: KENILWORTH TOWN COUNCIL / FINANCE & GENERAL SERVICES

COMMITTEE. Please read the Project Support Grant Criteria before completing this form

NAME / GROUP & MAIN CONTACT	Abandofbrothers Contact = Craig Rollason
PROJECT TITLE	Residential weekend support for mentees. After 12 weekend of mentoring by local men, the young men are invited to a 3 day residential weekend which includes further group work, mentoring and working through specific topics such as grief, relationships, anger. This is the highest cost of the local charity and has the most impact on young men.
TOTAL SUM REQUESTED	£1000
COSTING OF PROJECT WITH FULL DETAILED BREAKDOWN	£3600 broken down as follows: Venue Hire £500 Food costs £1200 Staff Costs £1485 Equipment and Materials £220 Van hire £75 Other expenses £120 Please note - these are the costs to the leamington community only. The overall costs are shared with other communities that attend such as Oxford or Manchester.

**DETAILS OF OTHER
SOURCES OF FUNDING
APPLIED FOR AND NAMES OF
PARTNER
ORGANISATIONS IF PROJECT
IS JOINT/ MULTI GROUPS AND
DETAILS OF FUNDING
SUPPORT REQUESTS MADE
BY THEM**

Confirmed Funding:

Leamington Round Table (multiple funding of 2k p.a. in 2024/5, 2025/6, 2026/7) - towards overall running costs of £27k p.a. For the leamington community of the charity supporting Coventry and Warwickshire.

To be approached in 2025 (* indicates they have previously funded in 2023/24):

29th May 1961 Trust

Alan Higgs*

Barratt and David Wilson Homes*

CB and HH Taylor 1984

Coventry Jubilee

Coventry Leofric Lions

Coventry Lions Club

Coventry Phoenix

Coventry Rotary Club

Coventry Round Table

Coventry Town Council

Cubbington Village Hall*

Dumbreck Charity*

Elizabeth Jackson Charitable Trust

General Charities of Coventry

Grantham Yorke*

Kenilworth Lions Club

Kenilworth Rotary Club

Kenilworth Round Table*

Leamington Rotary Club*

Leamington Town Council Community grants*

Michael Marsh

Misses Barrie Charitable Trust

Noel Buxton

Noel Sweeney

Regency Run*

Serven Trent

Truemark Trust*

Unknown

Warwick County Council District Grant

Warwickshire Crimebeat*

Warwickshire Police and Crime Commissioner

Westham house fund

PLEASE CONFIRM THAT YOU HAVE ENCLOSED YOUR MOST RECENT AUDITED BALANCE SHEET OR EQUIVALENT.	2023/24 annual charity return attached. Leamington is a regional branch (one of 11) that supports coventry and warwickshire.
TIMESCALE / DATE OF EVENT	3 day event in October 2025
NUMBER OF KENILWORTH RESIDENTS TO BENEFIT	All residents in kenilworth have a vested interest in the rehabilitation of young men living in their area. In 2025, 3 kenilworth men are active mentors of young men and one young man from kenilworth has been a mentee. We have seen some remarkable results. Our evaluation shows that we have substantially reduced offending behaviour in around 80% of participants and increased engagement in work, education or training in around 70% of participants. Anecdotally we hear from the participants that this work can be so powerful it literally can save lives. In 2023 we commissioned a social impact report (available on request) which showed for every £1 invested in ABOB generates £6.40 of social value representing good value for money of which the three biggest areas of impact being reduced crime, improved economic situation, and reduced self harm. To show how your funding will make a different, we would welcome the opportunity to talk to trustees with one of the young men being mentored or alternatively representatives of Kenilworth Town Council can join the annual “homecoming” event held in January each year where all the mentees and mentors share the result in front of friends, family, donors and local dignitaries.
OTHER INFORMATION IN SUPPORT OF THE APPLICATION	
Abandofbrothers is a national charity established in 2008 with 11 regional community groups. abandofbrother’s vision is for a world where every man fulfils their potential and lives a life full of meaning, connection, and purpose. The young men we work with are involved in the criminal justice system – often having been to prison. We have found that dangerous men often start out as desperate young men. Time and time again we see the terrible circumstances in which these young men have grown up. Such young men may have been adversely affected by trauma, often have a lack of emotional maturity, and feel a strong sense of disaffection - challenges often seen as a 'problem' by institutions, statutory services, and wider society. By working with these men when they are still young, and providing them with a positive community experience, we can help them change the direction of their lives – enable them to flourish and begin to support others. We bring these young men together with older men in a structured way which creates an environment of personal growth for the benefit of the community - this may well be the first time they’ve experienced a positive community. We break down barriers of fear and lack of opportunity. We do this by building a safe environment to establish trust and provide opportunities for men to play a useful role. Bringing men together, training and supporting them to create new, personal	

narratives and trusting relationships, they in turn will be able to play an active role in creating a strong and healthy society for all.

We grew a community in Leamington Spa in 2018 because we identified a clear need for this work indicated by the following local statistics:

- Integrated Offender Management (a multi-agency approach to tackling persistent offenders who commit a lot of crime, causing damage and nuisance to communities) in Warwickshire was working with 183 reoffenders of which 97% are male and 32% are aged 18-24 (57 local young men who could benefit from the work of ABOB).
- There were 48 young men exiting the local care system (this cohort accounts for a large proportion of the young men we have worked with nationally in the past).
- There are a high number of young people using food banks and night shelters.

What we do

We have a 13 community of mentoring men in Coventry and Warwickshire. These men have all stepped up to support and mentor younger men on a voluntary basis. We run an intense three-month Quest for Community (QfC) programme and subsequent ongoing weekly meetings (recognising the need for support and development beyond the initial QfC). The Quest starts with a 3-day residential where a mixed group of participants (old and young men) participate in, possibly the most intense, transformational weekend of their lives. The Quest is made possible by local trained ABOB community men who volunteered to support the programme.

We will hold our next Quest programme in Autumn this year for 8-10 young men and we are looking forward to supporting many more young men in this way. Our view is that the need for this work has increased following the pandemic as maintaining a state of positive mental health has become more challenging.

This application requests £1k contribution towards the 3600k costs of residential Quest weekend. The overall running costs for the Leamington branch is £27k p.a.

Data Protection Statement

The information which you give when completing your application form will be used in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998 and for the following purposes: to enable the organisation to create an electronic and paper record of your application; to enable the application to be processed; to enable the organisation to compile statistics, or to assist other organisations to do so, provided that no statistical information that would identify you as an individual will be published. The information will be kept securely, and will be kept no longer than necessary.

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**THE TOWN CLERK
KENILWORTH TOWN COUNCIL
VIA EMAIL TO kentc@kenilworth.org**

On your covering email – please confirm the following

Name and contact email and daytime telephone number.

Bank details – name and address of payee, bank sort code and account number

