



Housing association funds the community

Gainsborough based housing association Acis Group are looking to give a helping hand to the local community through the Acis Community Fund scheme.

As part of their ten year anniversary, Acis are launching new changes to their community funding. Acis are giving charitable organisations and groups the opportunity to apply for a small grant for use in the local community. Applications for up to £2,000 are being invited for projects or initiatives.

Rachel Wood, Community Cohesion Manager for Acis who is heading up the project, said:

“The Acis Community Fund provides charitable organisations and groups with a great opportunity to apply for funding which can often be very difficult to obtain, especially in the current economic climate. It is also a fantastic way for us to get involved with the local community.”

As well as helping to celebrate their ten years of operation in October, the community fund also ties in to the Acis Group corporate strategy in terms of putting people first and creating better places to live. Rachel added:

“As an indication of the type of bids that would be eligible for consideration, we have suggested things such as activities which encourage people to participate in and make a positive contribution to life in their community, support for community resources and centres for disadvantaged people, support for people experiencing social exclusion, support for lifelong learning activity, activities tackling worklessness and activities promoting healthy lifestyles. While this list is not exhaustive, it gives an idea of what will be looked for in the applications.”

Applications will be accepted from 1 October 2009 with the closing date for applications on 22 October 2009. Successful applicants will be notified within 14 days of application closure date. Acis will be inviting applications again in April and October 2010.

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