

## **NEWBURY IN BLOOM BAGS £2,000 FROM CARRIER BAG CHARGE FUND**

Newbury in Bloom is delighted to announce it has bagged £2,000 from a Tesco funding scheme.

Tesco teamed up with Groundwork to launch its Bags of Help funding initiative, which sees grants of up to £5,000, £2,000 and £1,000 – all raised from the 5p bag levy – being awarded to thousands of local community projects every year.

Millions of shoppers for many projects voted in stores up and down the country and work will now begin on bringing the project to life.

Cllr Sarah Greenall, Chairperson of the Newbury in Bloom Working Group, said, “This year’s Newbury in Bloom campaign has a new category, Community Projects. These funds will be used to help individuals, groups of people or organisations who want to get involved in such projects, for the benefit of their community. Projects could include cleaning up some neglected areas, planting trees in open spaces, making flowerbeds, painting, cleaning a wall or a building that needs some TLC. In fact, anything that helps to improve the appearance or the environment in your community. So, if you have a suitable project in your area, please contact us as soon as possible. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Tesco Bags of Help for their support”

Application forms and details are available from the Town Council (call 01635 35486) or on <http://www.newbury.gov.uk/newbury-in-bloom.php>

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Lindsey Crompton, Tesco's Head of Community, said, "Bags of Help has been a fantastic success. We've been overwhelmed by the response from our customers. The great thing about Bags of Help is that local people are invited to decide how the money will be spent in their community. We can't wait to see the projects come to life."

Since launching in 2015, Bags of Help has awarded more than £27 million across more than 3,500 local projects.

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