



REQUEST FOR FUNDING SUPPORT BY CALNE-WITHOUT PARISH COUNCIL FOR THE DERRY HILL & STUDLEY HEARTBEAT COMMUNITY FACILITY OF DEFIBRILLATORS, 2022.

Background: The community volunteer group of *Derry Hill & Studley HEARTBEAT (DH&SH)* has, since 2014, bought, installed and maintained life-saving defibrillators for the Derry Hill & Studley Community. There are currently 5 units in operation located to minimise the access distance for residents should they be required. The coverage would be improved further by the installation of a sixth unit located to the east end of Old Road/A4.

Money for these installations has been achieved by *DH&SH* by fundraising events and seeking donations from local businesses, developers, residents and the Parish Council (£350.00 per annum).

Proposal: Funding is requested again for 2022 but for a greater sum of **£750.00**.

Reason: During the COVID pandemic, events to raise funds were severely limited and 2022 has been a large drain on the funds of DH&SH.

To date, as predicted, £824.00 has been spent on replacement batteries and pad systems and during the remainder of the year a further 3 pad sets and at least one battery at a cost of circa £424.00 are required as the components reach their expiry date. (pads are date-stamped and have to be replaced after deployment and batteries lose their charge).

The last three years have not allowed the current funds to have gained sufficiently to purchase the 6th unit for the east end of the Derry Hill and Studley area (Old Road/A4), hence the increased request of £750.00.

Summary: With the need to maintain the existing units, establish funds for the 6th unit, (circa £3,000.00) and provide for the eventual replacement of the current 5 units (life estimate of unit and cabinet 10-12 years) requires a stream of funds to ensure the continued provision of this facility.

(Attachments: DH&SH Audited Accounts-2021), DH&SH Latest Cash Status)

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