

NHB Community Grants Scheme 2015/6**APPLICATION SUMMARY – Grants £4,999 and under**

PROJECT NAME:	Hopwood Community Centre Improvements
Organisation:	Alvechurch Parish Council
Amount of Funding Requested:	£2,500
Total Cost of Project:	£2,923
Location of Project:	Hopwood Village
Aim of Project:	Enhanced facilities for those with disabilities, improved security and safety facilities and post improvement internal decoration.

Category	Comments
1. Evidence that growth has occurred in the area?	Detailed evidence was provided on the applications form in respect of housing developments in the last 5 years.
2. Which Council Strategic Purpose does it meet?	No details of the exact Council strategic purposes covered by the project were included within the application.
3. Aims and objectives of the project?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To provide compliance with the Disability Discrimination Act. • Improved redecoration will reduce the level of future maintenance costs to the Parish Council. • Improved building security and external lighting will reduce risk of damage and burglary and make visiting during the evening safer. • The enhanced facility will improve experience for visitors and hopefully increase usage.
4. Evidence Project meets local need and has local support?	There are a number of local groups currently using the building and it is anticipated that this will increase following the improvements. It is also use for family parties etc and the improvements will also help to increase this usage and income stream.

5. Evidence that the Project is sustainable and has other funding streams?	The need for on going maintenance will be reduced, but will be funded by Alvechurch Parish Council, as owners of the building.
6. Details of any Additional Information Provided	A detailed business proposed was attached providing information on current usage and conditions and anticipated benefits the improvements would bring. The form also detailed significant balances, half of which was detailed as ring fenced capital.