RURAL/URBAN CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT GRANTS - APPLICATION FOR OCTOBER 2011 EXECUTIVE

Applicant: St Mary's Allotment Association

Description of scheme: Supply and erection of security fencing and automated gate to vulnerable edges of the

allotment site.

Evidence of need: The current gate is insecure as is the fencing that backs onto the Radford Road car

> park and members have been demoralised over the past 18 months with the number of break-ins to sheds and vandalism to the allotments, hence the need for a secure

perimeter fence and gate.

3 years accounts

received?

Yes

Financial Performance (

minus figure = deficit)

Year ended Year ended Year ended 24/09/10 25/09/09 26/09/08 £930 £3,291 £2,846

Available Funds (cash

and reserves)

Details of usage:

Year ended Year ended Year ended 24/09/10 25/09/09 26/09/08 £26,060 £22,921 £19,670

Details of membership,

fees etc:

Membership fees =£5 per person Annual fees=£30 per 200 sq yd plot per annum

This is an allotment site with 400 plots gardened by 310 members with a waiting list

currently of 90 people.

Details of Organisations

equalities policies:

St Marys Allotment Association's commitment to equal opportunities and diversity is based on promoting equality, challenging discrimination and providing accessible

services.

Evidence

3 quotes provided for schemes in excess of

£10,000:

Yes

Contribution to

Sustainable Community

Strategy

Reducing Anti-social

behaviour

Effective security of which this is part will enable the Association to diminish the crime levels that are being experienced. The allotment itself is a calming and pro-social

The site has inspired many art and poetry projects and at present one member is

Reducing Obesity, particularly in children

Promotion of Cultural

Allotment work is hard and very physical and many members bring their children along to help with the care of the plots.

Activities

Total cost of scheme (

inc. VAT where appropriate)

preparing a social history photographic journal of all 310 members.

£17,846

Funded by: **Status**

Town Council £0 Letter of support - awaiting funding

Own Funds £8,923 Approved

External Funding

Total Rural Initiatives

£8,923 **Scheme** 50% equates to