



Worthing County Local Committee
Community Initiative Fund application



CLC Reference: 343/W

Local Councillor: Michael Cloake

Status: Preparation Stage (**Please note this application is in its preparation stage and the project cost is subject to change.**)

Overfunding enabled (refer to 'what we'll deliver' section)

Project Cost: £1,477.00 (as found under crowdfunding goal total)

Project Title: Drop-Ins

About:

Our office in Worthing needs some TLC to make sure it's safe and inviting so we can hold drop-ins for victims of domestic abuse to come and get legal advice.

Our office needs a waiting area (sofa and chairs), a lick of paint, a fire inspection and to get all of our lighting working. We want to make sure it as safe, comfortable, and inviting for victims of domestic abuse as it can be so our drop-in for people requiring legal advice will feel at ease.

Project Delivery Manager: The Daisy Chain Project

About me:

The Daisy Chain Project a new charity start-up aiming to help fight domestic violence by providing pro bono legal advice and educating people about what constitutes domestic abuse.

Our very own legal team consists of qualified and regulated barristers and solicitors who offer free legal support to men and women experiencing, or fleeing, domestic abuse. They can be reached via an e-mail inbox. Please be aware that a reply may take up to 48 hours due to the fact that the legal support is entirely voluntary, but we will definitely get back to you as quickly as we can and our advice and correspondence with you is entirely confidential; we will not share data with any other authority or service [i.e. police, social services] unless you request for us to do so on your behalf.

Our barristers and solicitors are regulated by the Bar Standards Board and Solicitors Regulation Authority respectively.

Website: <http://www.thedaisychainproject.com>

Why we're pitching for a pledge:

You should pledge to us because we want to help keep the local community safe from domestic abuse.

What we'll deliver:

- A comfortable, safe waiting area
- Compliance with all health and safety matters
- Working lighting

How any extra funds raised from overfunding will be spent:

- Towards courses relevant to the charity

Why it's a great idea:

This is a great idea because safety is everything, and as such getting our lights working and our fire extinguishers checked is very important. Also, people come to us for legal advice when they are very vulnerable and sometimes bring children with them and so we want to make the experience as comfortable as possible. We don't want to be clinical and scary.

Steps to get it done:

- Safety checks
- Decorate
- New furniture
- Open drop-in