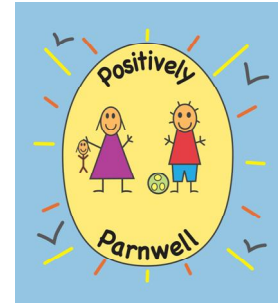




Lottery money where it's needed most



Media Release / Photo Call

Thursday 15 July

Family Celebration of five years of Fair Share Trust funds for Parnwell

Parnwell residents are celebrating five years of Fair Share Lottery Funding being spent in the community.

In 2003 the neighbourhood was identified as an area that had received less than its "fair share" of lottery funding, this led to The National Lottery's Fair Share Trust programme awarding Parnwell with funding to be spent on community projects over a 10 year period.

Working with the local community, priorities for funding were discussed and identified. Residents agreed they would like to see lottery funds spent on improving community safety, the local environment and community development.

Over the last five years a range of projects have been undertaken including

- Improved bus links and bus shelters from Parnwell to Peterborough city centre
- Installing play equipment for both younger and older children
- Establishing community green spaces
- New activities for young people and enhancements to a local club for older people
- A range of courses and events for all of the community

To celebrate all that has happened over the past five years, Fair Share Trust funding has provided the Parnwell Residents Association with some support to hold a Parnwell Fun Day on Saturday 25 July. This is a real community event – with activities and stalls and a car boot sale being organised by local people, local clubs and groups and local businesses.

The Fun Day, which starts at 10am, will showcase the range of activities and opportunities currently open to Parnwell residents which Fair Share funding has helped to establish. The day will also see the Parnwell in Bloom prize giving ceremony at 3.30pm. All Parnwell front gardens are entered into the annual competition. Cash prizes, funded by Fair Share Trust, are presented to those with the most well kept gardens.

Fair Share Trust will be giving away balloons and ice-creams to local children at the event. From 2pm there will be various dance displays, a fire service demonstration and the Police will be there to provide

crime prevention advice. Parnwell's Club Caliente will hold a barbecue of food from around the world in the evening.

Jane Darlington Chief Executive from Cambridgeshire Community Foundation, which administers the Fair Share fund in Parnwell said "The Fun Day on Saturday 25 July is an ideal time to celebrate all of the opportunities which Fair Share funding has been able to bring to Parnwell over the past 5 years; and to demonstrate the contribution the programme is making to the Parnwell community. We are really looking forward to seeing what the next 5 years of Fair Share Funding will bring to the area."

Parnwell residents are invited to become involved with how Fair Share money is spent in the neighbourhood. Please email Emily Barber, Parnwell's Community Development Co-ordinator for Parnwell on emily@positivelyparnwell.org.uk or speak to Emily on 01733 342184 to find out how to get involved or to pass on ideas and comments.

For more information about the Fun Day or Parnwell in Bloom, call Pamela Chelmiah on 01733 352573.

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Notes to Editors:

- The Fun Day is taking place on Saturday 25 July 2009, from 10am – 4pm in the area surrounding the Parnwell Community Centre. You are invited to send a photographer/ reporter to the event.
- A range of photographs from past National Lottery's Fair Share funded events are available.
- The National Lottery's Fair Share programme aims to distribute Lottery generated funds into communities that have received less than their fair share of Lottery funding through individual grants. In 2003, Peterborough was identified as one of over 70 areas in the UK to have received less than its "fair share" of Lottery funding. As a result, Parnwell was selected to be part of The National Lottery's Fair Share Trust programme awarding £800,000 of lottery funding to be spent on community projects over a 10 year period.
- The Parnwell Fair Share programme is managed by the Cambridgeshire Community Foundation who work with a panel of local people. The Parnwell panel is chaired by Shelagh Smith, managing director of Greenwoods Solicitors.

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