

Bags of Help

Garforth Neighbourhood Planning Forum bags £1,620 from Tesco's community grant scheme

Garforth Neighbourhood Planning Forum is delighted to announce it has bagged £1,620 from Tesco's Bags of Help community grant scheme. Thank you for your support and votes.

Bags of Help is run in partnership with environmental charity Groundwork, and sees grants awarded to thousands of local community projects every year. Since launching in 2015, it's provided more than £67 million to over 21,000 local community projects.

Millions of shoppers have voted in Tesco stores up and down the country and it can now be revealed Garforth Neighbourhood Planning Forum has been awarded £1,620.

Garforth Neighbourhood Planning Forum was established to produce a Neighbourhood Plan for the town. Given the substantial developments scheduled to take place in Garforth, now and in the years ahead, the Plan aims to safeguard the future of our town. Our intention is to make sure appropriate infrastructure is in place and also to preserve and enhance the distinctive nature of our town which, makes it a great place to live.

Look out for Events throughout 2019 & 2020 where you can discuss our progress and see the Neighbourhood Plan policies. We'll also be looking for you to give honest feedback on our Plan and inviting you to take part in a community wide consultation.

For further information please visit: www.garforthplan.co.uk.

We'll also have a new Facebook page coming soon.

Voting ran in stores throughout November and December 2018 with customers choosing which local project they would like to get the top award using a token given to them at the checkout.

Tesco customers get the chance to vote for three different groups each time they shop. Every other month, when votes are collected, three groups in each of Tesco's regions are awarded funding.

Alec Brown, Tesco's Head of Community, said: "Bags of Help contributes funds to community projects up and down the country and we've been overwhelmed by the response from customers voting in their local stores. We're looking forward to seeing more projects brought to life."



Groundwork's National Chief Executive, Graham Duxbury, said: "Bags of Help continues to enable local communities up and down Britain to improve the local spaces and places that matter to them. The diversity of projects that are being funded shows that local communities have a passion to create something great in their area. We are pleased to be able to be a part of the journey and provide support and encouragement to help local communities thrive."

In addition, to mark Tesco's 100th year, they have announced two special voting rounds, Tesco Bags of Help Centenary Grants, in summer and winter 2019 with larger grant amounts available over wider geographic regions. Please look online for more information on if they can support your group either through the normal Bags of Help vote or Tesco Bags of Help Centenary Grants.

Funding is available to community groups and charities looking to fund local projects that bring benefits to communities. Anyone can nominate a project and organisations can apply online. To find out more visit www.tesco.com/bagsofhelp.

