

**BELLERBY PARISH COUNCIL**

21st August 2017

Dear

**Partnering Project**

As a Parish Council we’re finding it increasingly difficult to procure trades to complete relatively low value pieces of work, while complying with financial regulations for 3 tenders. Quite simply it’s costly for a small firm to visit site, and submit estimates and tenders for relatively small pieces of work. We have also been told that a further 2 charitable trusts in our village are experiencing the same problem.

We have had a suggestion that we could band together to procure these services and tender a minimum fixed amount of value of work per year (or a potentially longer period). This could have an additional benefit of supporting a local small business with a guaranteed minimum income per year, or help a start-up business in the local area.

In short, the question is would your Parish Council be interested?

If so, I’m prepared to take this forward as a project to develop further, ideally with the support of Richmondshire District Council, and apply for a small amount of funding to get the project off the ground.

If you would be so kind as to raise this at your next Parish Council or Parish Meeting, and respond accordingly, we can develop the principle further and take it to the Area Partnership Forum for further discussion.

Kind Regards

John Hutchinson

(Chair – Bellerby Parish Council)

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