

Agenda 6a

Mrs Joy Norris
Council Offices
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17-01-19

Dear Mrs Norris

Ilminster Town Council

I am writing to you as one of the Joint Managers here at Yeovil Shopmobility and on behalf of the Trustees.

In the past we have been very fortunate to receive support from the Parish Councils across Somerset and although both the South Somerset District Council and Yeovil Town Council support our scheme they are not able at this present time to offer us a grant.

If your Council would consider us for a small grant towards our costs to help us continue this very valued service it would help us enormously. We fully understand that finances are difficult at this time but we would be grateful for any donation however small.

As a local charity, we are dependent on grants and donations to enable us to continue with this vital work. We offer more than just a shopping scheme; in fact, our long-term hire service for people who need equipment in their homes, particularly for those people recovering from illness or accident is much in demand, and is a major part of the service we provide. This demand has increased with the closure of the Red Cross hire service in Yeovil.

Our scheme started in June 2006 and to date we have over 1000 members. After nearly 12 years of operation our ever-increasing daily usage figures demonstrate that there is clearly a need for this service.

I enclose one of our publicity leaflets and poster to possibly be displayed on your notice board as there may be people within your parish that may benefit from our service. We also have a website and a facebook page where more information is available.

We hope that your Parish Council will consider this letter favourably and if there is any additional information required, please let me know.

Yours Sincerely

Julia Sothcott
Joint Manager