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**Mayor's Age-Friendly Challenge**

**Phase one: Communities and Neighbourhoods**

**Application Form**

Thank you for your interest in applying to become an age-friendly community or neighbourhood.

Through the mayor’s age-friendly challenge, we’ll find practical examples of what age-friendly really means and share best practice across the city region.

Successful schemes will be awarded with accreditation – official recognition from the Mayor and Combined Authority that your community or neighbourhood is age-friendly. The award will stand until 2020 and categories are as follows:

Age-Friendly 2020: Achievement Award with Merit – an age-friendly place

Age-Friendly 2020: Achievement Award – a place that is making excellent progress towards becoming age-friendly.

Accredited schemes will be promoted by Ambition for Ageing as examples of best practice, including to external funders.

You’ll also be given development support to:

• Improve – could it be made better?

• Grow – could it be made bigger?

• Share – could others learn from what you’re doing?

*Please complete the application to apply for this accreditation.*

If you cannot answer any of the questions within this application form, don’t worry! Just complete what you can and we’ll contact you if we need any clarification or more information.

Before you complete this form, we recommend that you read through the questions by downloading the *Information you need to hand* document on the Challenge webpage as **once you have started this form, you will be unable to save and come back to it**.

For support with the application process to help you make the most of your potential get in touch by emailing ambition@gmcvo.org.uk or calling 0161 277 1001.

1. Are you applying as a project or as a neighbourhood/community area:

*(Please note: if you apply as a single project, we will work with you to identify other age-friendly projects in your area to achieve the age-friendly community status)*

Project 🞏 Area 🞏 Not sure 🞏

**PAGE 2 - ABOUT YOUR AGE-FRIENDLY COMMUNITY/NEIGHBOURHOOD**

1. Title of your scheme (can be left blank if no title):

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1. Name of lead partner organisation:

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1. List the partners involved:

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1. Community/neighbourhood the scheme covers:

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| Local Authority Area: |  | Ward/Neighbourhood: |  |

1. Please describe the scheme in a sentence:

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1. Tell us more about your scheme (eg what projects were involved, how did it look in practice)?

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**PAGE 3 - IDENTIFYING NEED**

1. What is the aim of your scheme (eg. your strategic vision, why was the scheme needed):

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1. How have you involved older people’s voices throughout the development of your age-friendly neighbourhood/community?

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1. How do you ensure that your age-friendly neighbourhood / community is accessible to a range of older people? (consider ethnicity, gender, sexuality, class etc)

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**PAGE 4 - RESOURCES & PROMOTION**

1. What resources were needed to make your neighbourhood / community age-friendly?

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1. How do you promote your age-friendly neighbourhood / community within the community? How do people in your neighbourhood / community know it is age-friendly?

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**PAGE 5 - THE FUTURE**

1. What impact has the scheme had on your community / neighbourhood?

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1. What plans have been put in place around sustainability for this piece of work?

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*We understand new approaches bring with them new challenges and it is an important part of learning from good practice to be able to identify what challenges had to be overcome, as well as what went well.*

1. What challenges did you have developing your age-friendly neighbourhood / community and how did you overcome them?

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**PAGE 6 - YOUR CONTACT DETAILS**

1. Please provide your contact details below so that we can get in touch with you about your application.

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1. Do you have any additional comments relating to your application:

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