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24 May 2023

Dear Teresa,

**Didcot Town Council Grant Aid Award 2022**

I am writing as requested with an update for the Town Council following the grant of £2,000 awarded to Home-Start Southern Oxfordshire.

Thanks to the funding we have been able to continue supporting families in Didcot who have young children and are struggling.

We have since been able to recruit and train 2 more volunteers in Didcot (though others recruited that don't live in Didcot may volunteer in Didcot too, we trained 11 in total). We have continued to support families in Didcot with home-visiting volunteers, at our First Babies drop-in group at Ladygrove Community Centre and at our Home-Start Parenting Group at our office in Didcot Library.

We have continued to receive referrals in from Didcot residents over the last six months (18 received) and have accepted 9. (There are 4 which are still awaiting decisions on whether we can support them and 2 which we accepted but have since closed).

Our baby groups have seen a wide variety of mums attend and there has been a focus on lots of different topics such as infant mental health, safety in the home and the importance of play and the children got involved with crafty activities surrounding occasions such as Mother's Day and most recently the King's Coronation.

We are very grateful for the Town Council's continued support, as without help from our local council we would not be able to continue supporting all the families that need it most.

Thank you once again and please pass on our thanks to all the councillors.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'FGKing'.

Faye Golding-King  
Development Manager  
Home-Start Southern Oxfordshire

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