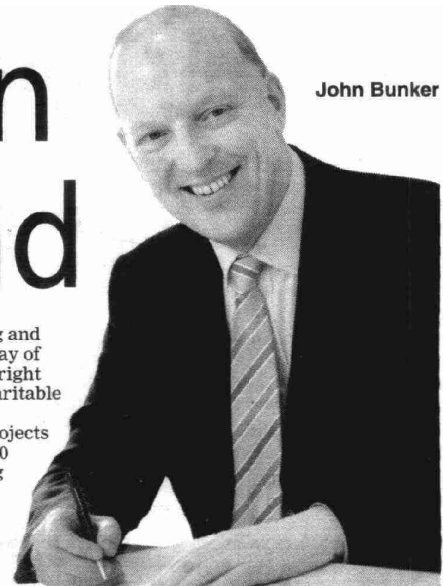


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How having fun will aid the fund



John Bunker

The new Chamber-backed community fund for Worthing and Adur is moving up a gear with several fund-raising events being planned, including an ever-popular Chamber Quiz Night in June, a Charity Golf Day and the Worthing & Adur Beer Festival in September – something for everyone!

The Worthing & Adur Fund will, as it grows, provide grants from the income it earns for local charities and community groups for years to come.

We have an initial target to raise £100,000, which will be doubled thanks to government match funding to £200,000.

In addition to the events we are still seeking Founder Members, local companies or individuals, who are prepared to donate at least £1,000, which will be doubled by the Grassroots Endowment Challenge programme or even more if gift aided.

Founder members include:

Thomas Eggar LLP, which is a recognised leading law firm in the south, offering both commercial and private client services.

Both their private client and commercial practices can work in conjunction with their associated financial services company,



Robert Grigson with Tina Tilley

Thesis Asset Management plc, the largest lawyer-owned independent financial services company to offer a combined legal and financial planning solution.

John Bunker, from Thomas Eggar, said: "Our partners and staff have been actively involved in supporting local charities for many years, since we started as solicitors in Worthing in 1875."



Chay Took

"We see the Worthing and Adur Fund as a great way of helping people find the right local cause for their charitable giving, particularly encouraging smaller projects where a donation of £500 or £1,000 can make a big difference to valuable work in the local community."

Spofforths are one of the largest firms of chartered accountants and professional advisers in Sussex and continually look to develop their exciting portfolio of accountancy and advisory services.

Spofforths Worthing partners are client-focused and provide individuals and businesses with advice to see them through the ever-changing economic climate.

Chay Took, Worthing partner of Spofforths accountants, commented: "The charitable Fund is fantastic as it will benefit so many different community groups and volunteers."

"We decided to make a donation and become Founder Members as we feel passionately about supporting good causes locally."

"We are keen to help further grow the Fund and are generating some fund-raising ideas".

Paine Manwaring provides a full range of services in plumbing, heating and electrical and is dedicated to excel in the service they provide to all their customers,

whether they are domestic or commercial.

They offer a full range of services including fireplaces and stoves, boiler and system installation and maintenance, solar/renewable energy and have a comprehensive display at their showroom in Broadwater, Worthing.

Robert Grigson of Paine Manwaring said: "The government match funding provides an excellent opportunity for establishing a local community fund that can assist smaller good causes that can sometimes find it difficult to raise their own funds."

"As long and well-established Worthing based company we were more than happy to be a founder member."

More information is available by clicking on the 'Worthing & Adur Fund' link on the Chamber website, or by contacting Janet Ormerod of Sussex Community Foundation on 01273 409440 or janet.ormerod@sussexgiving.org.uk