

FORM BEST PRACTICES CONTEST

Municipality Westerwolde (Bellingwedde) Country The Netherlands

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Name project

Wedde, dat 't lukt! (Bet it works)

Category Certification Criteria: mark the category of your project

- O Energy and environmental policies (politiche energetiche e ambientali);
- O Infrastructure policies (politiche infrastrutturali);
- O Quality of urban life policies (politiche per la qualita' urbana);
- O Agricultural, touristic and artisan policies (politiche agricole, turistiche, artigianali);
- O Policies for hospitality, awareness and training (politiche per l'ospitalita, la consapevolezza e la formazione);
- x Social cohesion (coesione sociale).

Summary project

Wedde dat 't lukt is an initiative of doctor Hans Berg, supported by the village community of Wedde. It is an independent organization in the small village of Wedde (ca. 1,200 inhabitants). Young people are leaving the village and older people are getting more lonely.

The concept is simple: a network in which residents (professionals and volunteers) are helping each other with things they can't do on their own anymore.

The project is managed by the village supporter. She is the link between the population and the formal care. She ensures that all informal requests for help are transformed into practical help, sometimes from the formal care institutes, but also from volunteers.

Goal project

To let people live independently as long as possible with help from their immediate surrounding.

Result project

The people in the small communities of Wedde and Wedderveer take care of each other. People are independent for longer. The population is starting to increase again.

Finance (costs and benefits)

Bellingwedde pays a annual fee of € 40.000,- to the project. (village supporter)

Staff (staff involved and use of time)

General practioner (doctor)
District nursing
Social psychological nurse
Villagesupporter

Additional information (if necessarily)



We send you (by we-transfer) a short film about the project (4 minutes).

Link website <u>www.weddelukt.nl</u>

(if available)

Once filled in this form please send it to: info@cittaslow.net

- Participation Deadline 15 May 2016 -

