Huntingdonshire District Council - Community Chest Awards - 8 May 2024 Grant Panel Applications

Project Name/Applicant	Priority Focus	Criteria Met	Project Description	Amount Requested
CCG/01/24-25 Once Upon a Time Day BID Huntingdon	The idea of the event is to attract people into the town and to make Huntingdon somewhere where happy memories are made for the younger generation to give a feel-good factor when thinking about their hometown. This improves everyone's attitude towards the town, making it a more attractive place to work, shop and live.	Improving the quality of life and well-being for local people	A family entertainment day on Saturday 6 th July 2024 with free activities throughout the town centre based on the theme of 'Once Upon a Time'	£1,000 for a community event – this will go towards: • £7,106 – Big Foot events • £1,650 – props and set • £300 – actors • £250 – balloon man • £138.98 – make a crown • £89.99 – Lego Castle £300 – cheeky moo face painting

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CCG/02/24-25 The Arts Café	The Commemoration Hall offers its foyer space over 7 days a week as an Arts Cafe, run by one paid member of staff and	 Improving the quality of life and 	Our Cafe offers a space for people to come and relax and has become a central point for the elderly to meet new friends. We have many	£2,500: • £2,000 for a new
The Commemoration Hall Charity	supported by over 42 hours of volunteers time over that week. We currently also now employee two young persons for weekend work to engage with the younger community of the town. The arts cafe has become a focal point in the town for the older age group as we offer best value and a personal approach on the high street.	well-being for local people	notes and feedback quotes from our community about what the space means to them and how it enables them to leave the house and enter a safe environment. Our volunteers are our ambassadors - they welcome our guests and take the time to talk to them. This has greatly benefitted a number of key vulnerable groups who come in alone as they like the atmosphere and it is now part of their daily routine. We offer some weekday groups such as knit and natter, French reading, art classes and poetry days to encourage them to engage with others and share life experiences in our safe space.	dishwasher • £1,000 for a new catering fridge