Huntingdonshire District Council - Community Chest Awards - 29 May 2024 Grant Panel Applications

Project Name/Applicant	Priority Focus	Criteria Met	Project Description	Amount Requested
Providing furniture and IT equipment (Love's Farm House) Love's Farm Community Centre CIO	LFH is looking to expand their office staff in order to keep the building open more often through the holidays if one member of staff is on leave. They wish to provide a more suitable working space for their staff which is what this application is asking for. Having the requested equipment will allow the charity to be better at tackling the themes requested in the criteria	 Improving the quality of life and wellbeing for local people Keeping people out of crisis Helping people in crisis 	Love's Farm House provides a safe, comfortable, welcoming and well-maintained environment for the local community. The building is used for a wide variety of activities ranging from exercise classes, baby and toddler groups, uniformed organisations and youth and teenage open sessions. Furthermore, the building is registered as a Community with Huntingdonshire District Council. The social value of this initiative cannot be overestimated. It provides places where people can go at set times to keep warm while saving money on their home heating bills. Having office staff consistently on site is a requirement to providing this service.	£1,860 • £150 – office desk • £500 – 2 office chairs • £600 – IT equipment • £205 – filing cabinets • £405 – lockable storage cupboard
CCG/04/24-25 Tandem Triple Purchase G-Whizz Inclusive Tandem Bike Rides	G Whizz offers physical activity and improves quality of life by allowing tandem bike rides for individuals who are unable to ride on their own	Improving the quality of life and wellbeing for local people	A triple tandem bike has been commissioned to allow one pilot to take two stokers on a bike. The aim is to allow more people to experience cycling, increase their exercise and enjoy the social interactions this will also bring.	Project total cost of the bike is £12,500
CCG/05/24-25	Many people who come along to the Church are from all walks of life within	Improving the	The Church offers a space for a wide array of activities for the local community. This	£500 – community space application

Little Paxton Church Community Space Project Little Paxton Parochial Church Council	the community of Little Paxton. They say their quality of life is much improved through attending a group, meeting new people and very much enjoy the company. Carers bring along elderly people or young children which has helped them all make friends and connections.	quality of life and wellbeing for local people • Keeping people out of crisis • Helping people in crisis	ranges from baby groups through to social lunches on Fridays providing hot soup and a chance to meet people and have a chat.	
CCG/06/24-25 Grow Your Own Diamond Hampers CIC	Overall, Diamond Hampers provides a source of food at a much lower income than supermarket cost. It provides food hampers to those who are unable to afford meals and help those who are really struggling. It also delivers emergency food parcels and supplies referrals to external organisations for residents should they need additional assistance.	 Improving the quality of life and wellbeing for local people Keeping people out of crisis Helping people in crisis Lowering carbon emissions 	Project aiming to propose a holistic approach to address several pressing issues: allotment demand, public health concerns, poverty alleviation and environmental sustainability. The aim is to encourage local people to create a more self-reliant and environmentally conscious community.	£2,500 although the total project cost is £5,500 which is broken down into: • £2,000 – seeds • £1,000 materials for building planters • £1,000 soil and compost • £1,000 supplies for maintaining e.g. tools • £500 – promotional materials

Godmanchester Community Plant Nursery (Green Weekend) Godmanchester Town Council	The Green Weekend will raise awareness about climate change and the importance of reducing carbon emissions, encouraging residents to adopt sustainable practices in to their daily lives	•	Lowering carbon emissions	Godmanchester Community Nursery is holding a 'Green Weekend' within 'Green Week.' This event aims to engage its local community by providing fun yet impactful activities to show the benefits of positive changes towards combatting climate change. This 2-day event will aim to raise awareness about environmental conservation and sustainable living practices within our community	£1,000, which will consist of: • £300 for materials • £400 for marketing • £400 for materials for educational workshops
CCG/08/24-25 Upgrade covers and practice cages Eaton Socon Cricket Club	Eaton Socon Cricket Club serves over 300 members covering senior teams, a wide variety of junior teams and a girls' team. They are the only cricket club in St Neots with a grass wicket and cages to allow practice.	•	Improving the quality of life and wellbeing for local people	ESCC would like to replace their covers and cages for batting practice. They are used by all club members.	£2,500 to replace covers and cages: • £2,000 to replace the covers • £1,500 to replace the cages
CCG/09/24-25 Time to View Disability Huntingdonshire	Disability Huntingdonshire supports residents with benefit support to allow them to achieve independence at home. The majority of their staff have a disability so truly understand the barriers people face on a daily basis. They offer support over the phone but are also the only local organisation to offer home visits. It recently came to light that there has been a higher uptake in people needing disability benefit support but are afraid to actually speak to an individual, which is where the information videos would help.	•	Improving the quality of life and wellbeing for local people Helping people in crisis	A project aiming to film information videos and provide online webinars to professionals and referrers how to make a referral to DISH and what to include in the referral.	£2,000 to cover: • £1,500 video production (local company to be used) • £500 – information webinars