

Huntingdonshire District Council - Community Chest Awards - 19 June 2024 Grant Panel Applications

Project Name/Applicant	Priority Focus	Criteria Met	Project Description	Amount Requested
CCG/10/24-25 St Neots Creative Social Club Neotists CIC	<p>Using art as a vector to assist in improving mental health and wellbeing. There are many studies about the relationship between creativity and art making not only helps us make sense of living but also makes living healthier and more comforting. St Neots is in danger of becoming a dormitory town with many new residents having few opportunities to become involved in local activities and make new friends. We have already seen that this sort of activity has a very positive impact.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improving the quality of life and wellbeing for local people • Keeping people out of crisis • Helping people in crisis • Lowering carbon emissions 	<p>The project aims to promote community engagement through creative drawing and artistic expressions taking place in the town. This aims to foster an atmosphere of inclusivity and collaboration, a chance for people to make new friends and combat isolation. It will provide a fun, safe space to create art that can be shared, bringing a sense of fun and joy to others</p>	<p>£2,500</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marketing materials: £350 • Event registration costs: £50 • Photography and documentation: £350 • Public relations and press coverage: £500 • Supplies and materials: £400
CCG/11/24-25 Hedgehog Hospital Renovation Hartford Hedgehog Rescue	<p>Hartford Hedgehog Rescue began 7 years ago, taking in injured and orphaned hedgehogs. Approximately 150 hedgehogs per year are rehabilitated through the charity and this is run voluntarily.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improving the quality of life and wellbeing for local people 	<p>The hedgehog hospital needs some vital repairs including the inside to be cladded with 'wipe clean' hygiene board to make the internal space more hygienic and sterile. The hospital's ceiling also needs to be plastered and painted.</p>	<p>£1,000 to go towards:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • £14 sheets of UPVC cladding, 6 sheets of plasterboard and 12 lengths of UPVC angle trim. The total project cost is £3,700

<p>CCG/12/24-25</p> <p>Shuttle Speed</p> <p>Another Helping Hand</p>	<p>Shuttlespeed is a badminton group, bringing people together to socialise whilst practicing a physically demanding sport that promotes cardiovascular fitness, agility and strength.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improving the quality of life and wellbeing for local people • Keeping people out of crisis • Helping people in crisis 	<p>The primary goal of Shuttlespeed is to establish a long-term social badminton club in St Ives and Huntingdon, retaining and attracting further members, creating a sustainable platform for ongoing play and enjoyment</p>	<p>£1,382 broken down as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • £90 – Badminton England membership • £192 – full year website subscription 1 year • 12 shuttlecocks per session – 22x52 (£1,100)
<p>CCG/13/24-25</p> <p>Huntingdon Carnival Weekend</p> <p>Huntingdon Carnival CIC</p>	<p>The carnival is a 2-day free event, which helps to bring all nationalities together helping community inclusion. People will be able to come along to the carnival and not have to spend money due to lots of attractions. The event will take place over the 10th and 11th August.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improving the quality of life and wellbeing for local people 	<p>The carnival was reintroduced 6 years ago after a 13-year gap. The carnival has grown in size so further funds are being sought after to try and fund items that are needed for the carnival.</p>	<p>£1,000 to put towards:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • £880 for toilets • £2,750 for security • £4,600 for the stage • £750 for insurance • £250 for rubbish collections • £450 disabled park bays in car park • £400 – traffic management for carnival parade

<p>CCG/14/24-25</p> <p>New Chairs for Gym Room</p> <p>Huntingdon Neurotherapy Centre</p>	<p>30 people use the MS therapy centre each week for classes including Tai Chi and Pilates. There are also meetings to help anyone with neurological issues</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improving the quality of life and wellbeing for local people 	<p>This application is to request funding for new chairs for the HNC gym room. These will benefit clients to use for their physio exercises. The chairs they have currently are uncomfortable and in poor condition so need replacing.</p>	<p>£1,422 for 25 Trexus ISO Stacking Chairs (link to product provided, retailing at £56.88 each)</p>
<p>CCG/15/24-25</p> <p>Replacement White Goods</p> <p>St Ives Day Centre</p>	<p>The Day Centre supports 25 elderly people each day, allowing their families and carers a couple of hours of respite each day. This is the only day service for local elderly people in the area which is open 5 days per week for full days offering a hot, cooked lunch, transport and entertainment</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improving the quality of life and wellbeing for local people Keeping people out of crisis Lowering carbon emissions 	<p>A 2-course hot lunch is provided every day for 25 people. The freezer used to store food is more than 10 years old – it is no longer functioning well and needs replacing.</p>	<p>£469 broken down as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> £399 – cost of freezer £45 – cost of delivery £25 – removal/disposal of old appliance

<p>CCG/16/24-25</p> <p>King's Ripton Community Lunches</p>	<p>The village hall is a warm, welcoming environment allowing people who otherwise would not have an opportunity to meet and socialise whilst enjoying a nutritious hot meal. There is a special focus on those who need extra support and for those who are recently bereaved and live alone.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improving the quality of life and wellbeing for local people • Keeping people out of crisis • Helping people in crisis • Lowering carbon emissions 	<p>In response to the 'warm hub' initiative back in 2022, these biweekly lunch meetings were formed in the local village hall to provide lunch for local people. Guests from Broughton, Abbots Ripton and Kings Ripton all come along.</p>	<p>£250 – community space application</p>
<p>CCG/17/24-25</p> <p>Hilton Community Hub</p>	<p>This is a community hub that has been running since Spring 2023 and subsequently again in Spring 2024. It has proved so popular and beneficial to the residents of Hilton and its surrounding villages that it has been extended to run for 12-week periods throughout the year</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improving the quality of life and wellbeing for local people • Keeping people out of crisis • Helping people in crisis • Lowering carbon emissions 	<p>These meeting groups are for everyone to come along, socialise, have a cup of coffee, play games and take part in a weekly quiz. Hot drinks and refreshments are provided and games are played. The community is also fundraising by making a crochet throw to raffle off at Christmas as well as other community activities.</p>	<p>£500 – community space application</p>