

**Huntingdonshire District Council - Community Chest Awards - 20 August 2025 Grant Panel Applications**

<b>Project Name/Applicant</b>	<b>Priority Focus</b>	<b>Criteria Met</b>	<b>Project Description</b>	<b>Amount Requested</b>
<b>CCG/21/25-26</b>  <b>Godmanchester Town Show</b>  <b>2025 Event</b>	<p>The show is an ideal opportunity for people to come together and create social connections which improve their well-being. We aim to be environmentally friendly in terms of materials we use. Preparing entries for the show provides physical and mental health benefits to entrants in terms of being out in the fresh air growing fruit and veg or flowers. Art, handicraft and photography promote quality of life and well-being. On the day of the show – enjoying a day out with entertainment, refreshments, company of friends and neighbours is beneficial to people’s well-being and provides opportunities to strengthen social connections within the community. Holding the event at the Community Nursery allows visitors to enjoy an afternoon in beautiful surroundings, with opportunities to enjoy the natural environment, meet local people and catch up with friends.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Improving the quality of life and wellbeing</li> </ul>	<p>This annual event is an opportunity for all Godmanchester residents, young to old, to connect and showcase their skills and talents. Classes include fruit, vegetable and flower growing, art and craft, cookery and photography, with several categories for children. On the day we have entertainment, stalls to browse and refreshments.</p>	<b>£468.00</b>
<b>CCG/22/25-26</b>  <b>Somersham Parish Council's - Changing Lives</b>  <b>Caring for Carers</b>	<p>Improving the quality of life for both the carer &amp; cared for with: - Providing a safe space to reduce the effects of social isolation, where carers &amp; cared for can mix with likeminded peers. Keeping people out of crisis and helping people in crisis: - Access to information for both financial &amp; practical support such as Adult social care, grants, benefits overview, what if plan, SUN Network, People Plus, Police Pegasus Scheme &amp; Age UK etc. - Offering Workshops &amp; wellbeing sessions such as First Aid &amp; will writing, Mindfulness, Art, Sound Therapy, mini massage &amp; pamper sessions etc.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Improving the quality of life and wellbeing</li> </ul>	<p>A free to attend community space support group for carers (especially unpaid) and their cared for to socialise with others in similar situations. The group will offer talks, workshops &amp; activities providing practical information &amp; support with both mental &amp; physical wellbeing.</p>	<b>£1,000.00</b>

<b>CCG/23/25-26</b>  <b>The Hobby Hub</b> <b>Yaxley CIC</b>  <b>Self-Help Skills</b> <b>and Support Hub</b>	<p>The Self-Help, Skills &amp; Support Hub wants to help in improving the quality of life and wellbeing for all members of the community by providing a welcoming and supportive environment where people can build confidence and practical skills across a wide range of everyday challenges. We think by offering access to self-help resources on topics such as DIY repairs, sewing, budgeting, parenting, mental wellbeing, and much more, we can help people to take control of their lives and find solutions in a calm, inclusive space. As we are offering this within a space which has some of the tools to help with particularly the DIY and sewing skills, we feel that the project helps reduce feelings of isolation by encouraging connections through shared learning and informal peer support at our men shed and hobby hub. We want the environment provided to ensure that people of all abilities and backgrounds feel comfortable accessing the support and information they need, without pressure or judgment. We feel that by equipping people with the knowledge and confidence to manage small household repairs, personal challenges, and practical tasks independently, the hub contributes to preventing difficulties from escalating into crises. This early intervention holistic approach supports wellbeing on a wider scale.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Improving the quality of life and wellbeing</li> </ul>	<p>We want to create a calm, inclusive Self-Help Skills &amp; Support Space offering self-guided resources, a self-help library, digital access, and sensory-friendly seating. The space will help build confidence in practical life skills and support everyday challenges, including parenting, budgeting, and caring for your wellbeing.</p>	<b>£2,800.00</b>
<b>CCG/24/25-26</b>  <b>Woodhurst</b> <b>Village Hall</b>  <b>Village Hall Refit</b>	<p>Improving quality of life - We hope to significantly increase the number of social interactions and draw in more isolated members of the community by providing more opportunities for interactions with opportunities for lunches, themed food related evenings and regular social events that require useable facilities. By improving levels of engagement, we hope to reach more of the isolated individuals in our rural community. Updated facilities will be able to improve our aim to provide a winter warm hub more regularly.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Improving quality of life and wellbeing</li> </ul>	<p>Our current kitchen is unsuitable for food preparation and poses a health and safety issue with appliances and electrics that are 30+ years old. We want to increase community engagement by providing more events to cover providing food and a more useable space</p>	<b>£3,000.00</b>

<b>CCG/25/25-26</b>  <b>Refuge</b>  <b>Wellbeing Support Fund</b>	<p>This project directly improves the quality of life and wellbeing of women and children living in our refuge, many of whom have experienced significant trauma due to domestic abuse. Victim/survivors often arrive in refuge experiencing high levels of stress, anxiety, and social isolation, having fled unsafe environments and left behind support networks, homes, and possessions.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Helping people in crisis</li> </ul>	<p>This project will provide a flexible wellbeing fund for women and children victim/survivors of domestic abuse (DA) living in refuge in Huntingdonshire. It offers access to uplifting, resident-led activities such as cultural trips and self-care treatments to support recovery by improving mental wellbeing, reducing isolation, and helping rebuild positive, connected families.</p>	<b>£3,000.00</b>
<b>CCG/26/25-26</b>  <b>Citizen Hub St Neots CIC</b>  <b>Courtyard Activation: Green Space for Wellbeing</b>	<p>Improving the quality of life and well-being for everyone. The courtyard will become a welcoming greenspace for all ages — ideal for reflection, social connection, or participation in informal learning.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Improving quality of life and wellbeing</li> </ul>	<p>We'd like to transform our overlooked courtyard at the Citizen Hub into a vibrant, welcoming outdoor space that promotes mental wellbeing, supports people in crisis, and offers informal opportunities for skill-building and connection. This small but powerful project will introduce raised planters for accessible gardening and calming decorative elements. It will create a therapeutic space for young people, isolated adults, and those in crisis to decompress, connect, and take part in low-pressure green activities.</p>	<b>£3,000.00</b>