

Huntingdonshire District Council - Community Chest Awards - 15 October 2025 Grant Panel Applications

Project Name/Applicant	Priority Focus	Criteria Met	Project Description	Amount Requested
CCG/32/25-26 1st Somersham Scouts Scouts Air Rifle Coaching Starter Kit	- Encouraging physical activity: Provides structured sporting activity that promotes focus, discipline, and self-control. - Supporting social connections: Sessions encourage teamwork, confidence, and mutual respect across age groups and abilities. - Developing skills and aspirations: Participants will be able to complete the NSRA Youth Proficiency Scheme, which provides an accredited and nationally recognised pathway into club, county, and even Olympic-level competition. - Promoting equality and inclusion: Target shooting is one of the few mixed-gender sports competed on equal terms at all levels, including the Olympics. It is also highly accessible to participants with disabilities. - Local community benefit: The project provides a sustainable, no-cost opportunity for young people to experience a nationally recognised sport under qualified supervision. Equipment will remain a shared resource for ongoing delivery and inclusion.	Improving the quality of life and wellbeing	To purchase a complete air-rifle training kit to enable safe, regular, and structured shooting sessions for young people in the local community. The kit includes four .177 rifles, a back-stop curtain, pellet catchers, target stands, range mats, signage, and consumables such as pellets and paper targets.	£1,525.00
CCG/33/25-26 Spaldwick Community Allotment Association Community Allotment Compost Bins	Gives people the opportunity to recycle and gets people out of their homes to grow vegetables and fruit. Keeps people out of crisis by enabling them to go out and meet and work together. Lowers carbon emissions by recycling.	Improving the quality of life and wellbeing	We have 27 plots for the village giving over 60 people in Spaldwick access to an allotment. Funded by Spaldwick Parish Council 5 years ago. We now want to install a dozen large compost bins to help the plot holders deal with waste keeping the site green and helping to put back compost onto the land.	£1,000.00

CCG/34/25-26 All Inclusive Football Coaching CIC SEND Football	Our inclusive football sessions directly improve physical health, fitness, and emotional wellbeing for children with additional needs, while also reducing isolation for families. The sessions build confidence, social skills, and friendships, enhancing overall quality of life for participants and their carers. Keeping people out of crisis By providing regular structured activities, children and families have positive outlets that reduce stress, prevent social isolation, and promote mental resilience. Parents and carers report that access to inclusive sport helps reduce pressure on family life and lessens the risk of escalation into crisis. Helping people in crisis For some families, SEND challenges can cause significant strain. Our sessions provide a safe, supportive environment where parents, carers, and children can connect with others, share experiences, and access informal peer support, helping them cope better during difficult periods. Lowering carbon emissions (optional – if you want to include) - While not the primary aim of our project, we actively encourage shared transport, carpooling, and local participation to minimise travel. We also reuse equipment where possible and are exploring sustainable kit options for the future.	• Improving the quality of life and wellbeing • Keeping people out of crisis • Helping people in crisis • Lowering carbon emissions	All Inclusive Football Coaching CIC delivers weekly SEND football sessions in Huntingdonshire, giving children and young people with additional needs a safe, fun, and inclusive environment. The project removes barriers, improves health and wellbeing, builds confidence, and creates opportunities for families to connect through sport.	£3,000.00
CCG/35/25-26 Alconbury Recreation Field Charity Drilling to Reseed Football Pitches	The Alconbury Recreation Field Charity aims to improve the quality of life and wellbeing for all through a whole host of different activities and events. For our footballers regular outdoor training and matches promote both physical and emotional wellbeing for all players. In addition, families and friends of the teams plus other local people coming along to support also feel the benefit of exercise, fresh air and socialisation, which in turn helps to promote a sense of community and belonging which in turn enhance wellbeing.	• Improving the quality of life and wellbeing	Our five football pitches get heavy use with three adult teams and five junior teams training and playing matches on a weekly basis. With the weather having been so dry this spring and summer they have really suffered, despite us having restricted usage. We would like to be able to reseed them by having a specialist company drill the seed in enabling play to continue while the seed grows.	£1,000.00

Appendix 3 – Grant Applications Received

CCG/36/25-26 Hilton Community Garden Polytunnel Refurbishment	I can't tick more than one on the form, but improving life and wellbeing by being outside, showing people how to grow crops, enabling conversations and friendships and keeping people out of crisis by giving them a purpose and routine of coming to the garden which is always open.	• Improving quality of life and wellbeing • Lowering carbon emissions	We want to improve the floor, which is dangerous and uneven, and recover the polytunnel. We also want to improve the beds in the poly tunnel as they currently flap over spilling soil onto the paths and purchase a watering system for the beds.	£1,000.00
CCG/37/25-26 7th & 8th Cambridgeshire FSE Marine Scout Group Campsite Improvements	We continue to offer outdoor activities for the scout community not just locally but also nationally. it has helped us have a site that can be used by all scouts no matter what organisation they belong to as well as their families and the wider community.	• Improving the quality of life and wellbeing	We have a site down meadow lane in St. Ives and are working towards making this a place that the young people can use for longer periods of time and help to get them outdoors and loving the outside world.	£1,850.00