

Huntingdonshire District Council - Community Chest Awards - 17th December 2025 Grant Panel Applications

Project Name/Applicant	Priority Focus	Criteria Met	Project Description	Amount Requested
CCG/42/25-26 (SDFCCWC) St Ives Free Church, Cambridgeshire Replacement Chairs for the Community Area within the Church	The building is open every day of the week. There is a café open Monday Friday. A list of activities also occur on a weekly basis: This huge range of activities provides a social environment for community use and we wish to provide a comfortable, welcoming and safe environment for everyone. The Free Church is unique in providing a space for a huge range of activities catering for all ages. We need the space to be suitable for this diverse range of groups and by purchasing new lightweight chairs, which are easily stackable, we will be increasing the versatility of the space.	Improving the quality of life and well-being for everyone	The present chairs are dilapidated and uncomfortable and have been in use for 45 years. The backs of the chairs fall off and are dangerous. The fabric is worn and shabby. We have embarked on a project to replace all 150 chairs.	£2,250
CCG/49/25-26 (FMBDZVFT) Little Miracles Charity, St Ives Inclusive Activity Sessions for Disabled Children	Families raising children with complex needs face significant barriers to inclusion. Many mainstream activities are inaccessible due to specialist requirements, high costs, or the absence of nonjudgemental spaces. As a result, children miss out on opportunities to play and develop, while parents and siblings often experience isolation. Our project directly addresses these challenges by offering monthly adapted sessions in St Ives. These affordable, inclusive sessions allow children with complex needs and their siblings to participate together.	Improving the quality of life and well-being for everyone	Our project provides 12 monthly inclusive activity sessions for disabled children, their siblings, and families in St Ives. Activities such as swimming, bowling, roller skating, and bouncy castle play reduce isolation, improve wellbeing, and foster social connections for families who otherwise lack local, accessible support.	£1,350

CCG/50/25-26 (WJBHCHSP) 3rd St Neots (Wintringham) Scout Group New Group Start Up	Scouting plays an important role in improving quality of life and well-being for people of all ages and backgrounds. It provides a safe, inclusive environment where both young people and volunteers can develop practical skills, resilience, and confidence. It encourages young people to lead active lifestyles, build friendships, and gain a sense of purpose, while also fostering values such as respect, responsibility, and kindness. By equipping individuals with life skills and creating opportunities for personal growth, Scouting can contribute to stronger communities and a healthier, happier society.		We are seeking funding support the establishment of a new Scout Group in Wintringham, St Neots. 3rd St Neots (Wintringham) Scout Group aims to provide young people with opportunities to develop skills for life through fun, adventure, and community involvement. As part of The Scout Association, we aim to support young people aged 4 to 14 in developing confidence, resilience, leadership, and teamwork, regardless of background or ability.	£3,000
CCG/51/25-26 (BXWVMXJX) Houghton and Wyton Timebank Wyton Village Defibrillator	The defibrillator will provide a vital lifeline for Wyton Village residents. Many elderly or vulnerable residents live in the surrounding properties. This defibrillator would also service the village pub which is a short distance away from the Pumping Station, and families who live in the surrounding area. The local Timebank will be arranging free CPR and Defibrillator training for residents once the new defibrillator is in place.	Improving the quality of life and well-being for everyone	There is currently no defibrillator in this part of the village - the nearest one is in Houghton at the Sports Pavilion. This defibrillator would provide a vital lifeline to Wyton residents, particular those who are elderly.	£1,200
CCG/52/25-26 (BHHKCZMZ) Southoe Village Hall Village Hall Storage	The village hall is the only usable building in the village hence the reason for our commitment to move forward with as many improvements as Possible to benefit people locally.	Improving the quality of life and well-being for everyone	The hall is now user freindly,and offers somewhere all age groups can meet, we are encouraging more people to use the hall, therefore storage for their equipment is important. This would be a Keter shed which is maintenance free and is lockable and secure.	£1,000