



# Cabinet Sub - Committee Grants

To All Members of the Cabinet Sub-Committee (Grants) on Monday, 16 June 2025

Date of meeting: Tuesday, 24 June 2025

Time: 18:30

Venue: Harborough Innovation Centre  
Harborough Innovation Centre, Wellington Way, Airfield  
Business Park, Market Harborough, LE16 7WB

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To be decided by the Chairman.

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**And all other Councillors for information**

*Any exempt items included on this agenda will be heard in private. They have been included on the agenda as no representations against hearing the items in private were received.*

## Minutes of the Cabinet Meeting

**Location:** The Council Chamber, The Symington Building,  
Adam & Eve Street, Market Harborough LE16 7AG



**Date:** 18<sup>th</sup> March 2025 commencing at 6.30pm

### Present:

Councillors: Knowles – Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Strategy

Galton – Portfolio Holder for Planning

Woodiwiss – Portfolio Holder for Environmental and Climate Change

Officers: B. Nixon – Community Engagement Team Leader

C. Betts – Grants Officer

S. Morris – Grants Officer

E. Newman – Interim Senior Democratic Services Officer and Team Leader

### 1. Apologies for Absence and Notification of Substitutions

There were none.

### 2. Declarations of Member's Interests

There were none.

### 3. £1M Community Grant Applications

The Community Engagement Team Leader introduced the report. The Community Grant Fund is a £1 million capital grant scheme for Town and Parish Councils/Meetings and community organisations in the Harborough District that was approved as part of the 2024/25 budget. Each Town and

Parish has been allocated a specific amount of money; which was agreed by the Cabinet on 15 July 2024. There are four rounds over the period 2024 – 2025, the second round closed on 9 February, and round three is 24 March to 19 May 2025. There are 19 projects which have applied for funding from the Community Grant Fund in round 2.

Nineteen applications were considered as followed:

**a. 7074536 – Bitteswell Village Hall**

The Grants Officer set out the application from Bitteswell Village Hall for £5,000 as a contribution to a large project to improve the Village Hall.

The sub-committee heard from a representative of the applicant.

Following discussion, it was proposed by Councillor Woodiwiss and seconded by Councillor Galton, and therefore it was:

**RESOLVED** that full funding of £5,000 be granted.

**b. 7086988 – Kibworth Harcourt Parish Council**

The Grants Officer set out the application from Kibworth Harcourt Parish Council for £9,995.40 for the replacement of fences and gates at Polwell Road Playground.

The sub-committee heard from a representative of the applicant.

Following discussion, it was proposed by Councillor Knowles and seconded by Councillor Woodiwiss, and therefore it was:

**RESOLVED** that full funding of £9,995.40 be granted.

**c. 7097238 – Kibworth Beauchamp Parish Council**

The Grants Officer set out the application from Kibworth Beauchamp Parish Council for £26,678.04 for the replacement and extension of a deteriorated access footpath at Smeeton Road Recreation Ground.

The sub-committee heard from a representative of the applicant.

Following discussion, it was proposed by Councillor Galton and seconded by Councillor Woodiwiss, and therefore it was:

**RESOLVED** that full funding of £26,678.04 be granted.

**d. 7100184 – The Well, Kibworth**

The Grants Officer set out the application from The Well, Kibworth for £7,359 for the upgrade of Café Kitchen.

The sub-committee heard from a representative of the applicant.

Following discussion, it was proposed by Councillor Woodiwiss and seconded by Councillor Galton, and therefore it was:

**RESOLVED** that full funding of £7,359 be granted.

**e. 7088745 – 1<sup>st</sup> Lutterworth Scout Group**

The Grants Officer set out the application from 1<sup>st</sup> Lutterworth Scout Group for £50,529 for the replacement of a leaking Scout Hut roof.

The sub-committee heard from a representative of the applicant, and the Ward Member, Councillor Sarfas.

Following discussion, it was proposed by Councillor Galton and seconded by Councillor Woodiwiss, and therefore it was:

**RESOLVED** that full funding of £50,529 be granted.

**f. 7093455 – Lutterworth Town Council**

The Grants Officer set out the application from Lutterworth Town Council for £60,000 for the replacement of play equipment at Crescent Road recreation ground.

The sub-committee heard from a representative of the applicant, as well as the Ward Member, Councillor Sarfas.

Following discussion, it was proposed by Councillor Galton and seconded by Councillor Woodiwiss, and therefore it was:

**RESOLVED** that full funding of £60,000 be granted.

**g. 7100606 – Lutterworth Town Council**

The Grants Officer set out the second application from Lutterworth Town Council for £39,471 for the transformation of Pavilion community space.

The sub-committee heard from a representative of the applicant, and the Ward Member Councillor Sarfas.

Following discussion, it was proposed that Councillor Galton and seconded by Councillor Woodiwiss and therefore it was:

**RESOLVED** that full funding of £39,471 be granted, with the condition that the Magna Park grant being awarded and the project being fully funded.

**h. 7096149 – St Nicholas Church Parochial Church Council, Fleckney**

The Grants Officer set out the application from St Nicholas Church Parochial Church Council, Fleckney for £15,300 for the replacement of the roof of the Church Hall.

The sub-committee heard from a representative of the applicant.

Following discussion, it was proposed that Councillor Woodiwiss and seconded by Councillor Galton and therefore it was:

**RESOLVED** that full funding of £15,300 be granted.

**i. 7099860 – 1<sup>st</sup> Fleckney Scouts Group**

The Grants Officer set out the application from 1<sup>st</sup> Fleckney Scouts Group for £8,328 for the construction of a storage area and purchase of equipment.

The sub-committee heard from a representative of the applicant.

Following a discussion, it was proposed by Councillor Woodiwiss and seconded by Councillor Galton, and therefore it was:

**RESOLVED** that full funding of £8,328 be granted with the special condition that evidence of ownership is supplied.

**j. 7090365 - Tilton & District Sports Club**

The Grants Officer set out the application from Tilton & District Sports Club for £4,800 for the replacement of defective halogen floodlights with modern LED lights.

The sub-committee heard from a representative of the applicant.

Following discussion, it was proposed by Councillor Galton and seconded by Councillor Woodiwiss, and therefore it was:

**RESOLVED** that full funding of £4,800 be granted.

**k. 7093079 - Tilton & Halstead Parish Council**

The Grants Officer set out the application from Tilton & Halstead Parish Council for £5,200 for the installation of a MVAS/Speed Indicator sign on Oakham Road, Halstead.

The sub-committee heard from a representative of the applicant.

Following discussion, it was proposed by Councillor Woodiwiss and seconded by Councillor Galton, and therefore it was:

**RESOLVED** that the full funding of £5,200 be granted.

**I. 7098757 - Dunton Bassett Village Hall**

The Grants Officer set out the application from Dunton Bassett Village Hall for £3,500 for the improvement and updating of the men's toilets at Dunton Bassett Village Hall.

Following discussion, it was proposed by Councillor Galton and seconded by Councillor Woodiwiss, and therefore it was:

**RESOLVED** that full funding of £3,500 be granted.

**m. 7097627 – Medbourne Educational Foundation**

The Grants Officer set out the application from Medbourne Educational Foundation for £6,816 for the replacement of playground equipment on the village playing fields.

The sub-committee heard from a representative of the applicant.

Following discussion, it was proposed by Councillor Galton and seconded by Councillor Woodiwiss, and therefore it was:

**RESOLVED** that the full funding of £6,816 be granted.

**n. 7089302 - Medbourne Parish Council**

The Grants Officer set out the application from Medbourne Parish Council for £3,184 for the replacement of 19 streetlights with new energy efficient LED lanterns and part-night timers.

The sub-committee heard from a representative of the applicant.

Following discussion, it was proposed by Councillor Woodiwiss and seconded by Councillor Galton, and therefore it was:

**RESOLVED** that the full funding of £3,184 be granted.

**o. 7097396 – Husbands Bosworth Parish Council**

The Grants Officer set out the application from Husbands Bosworth Parish Council for £2,800 for the installation of a Local History Art Frieze in the newly developed Millenium Pavilion.

The sub-committee heard from a representative of the applicant.

Following discussion, it was proposed by Councillor Woodiwiss and seconded by Councillor Galton, and therefore it was:

**RESOLVED** that the full funding of £2,800 be granted.

**p. 7096536 – Foxton Parish Council**

The Grants Officer set out the application from Foxton Parish Council for £10,000 for the purchase of an artificial grass surface for overlay onto two existing asphalt tennis courts.

The sub-committee heard from a representative of the applicant.

Following discussions, it was proposed by Councillor Galton and seconded by Councillor Knowles, and therefore it was:

**RESOLVED** that the full funding of £10,000 be granted.

**q. 7088653 – Houghton Field Association**

The Grants Officer set out the application from Houghton Field Association for £8,176 for the extension of the footpath linking the carpark to the existing Jubilee walkway on Houghton Field Recreation Ground.

Following discussions, it was proposed by Councillor Galton and seconded by Councillor Woodiwiss, and therefore it was:

**RESOLVED** that the full funding of £8,176 be granted.

**r. 7101288 - Scraptoft Parish Council**

The Grants Officer set out the application from Scraptoft Parish Council for £9,436.97 for the installation of a green security mesh fence around Mount Woodland.

The sub-committee heard from a representative of the applicant.

Following discussions, it was proposed by Councillor Galton and seconded by Councillor Woodiwiss, and therefore it was:

**RESOLVED** that the full funding of £9,436.97.

**s. 7097396 - Little Bowden Bowling Club**

The Grants Officer set out the application from Little Bowden Bowling Club for the replacement of old light fitting to enable the use of sustainable LED light bulbs.

Following discussions, it was proposed by Councillor Woodiwiss and seconded by Councillor Galton, and therefore it was:

**RESOLVED** that full funding of £2,978.40 be granted.

**4. Any Urgent Business**

There was none.

The meeting ended at 20.00



**REPORT TO THE CABINET SUB-COMMITTEE GRANTS**

**24<sup>th</sup> June 2025**

<b>Title:</b>	Section 106 Grants Applications
<b>Status:</b>	Public
<b>Key Decision:</b>	No
<b>Report Author:</b>	Steve Taylor – Health & Wellbeing Manager
<b>Portfolio Holder:</b>	Cllr Asher - Culture, Leisure, Economy and Tourism
<b>Appendices:</b>	Appendix A: Summary of information Sheet and Officer Recommendations for S106

**Summary**

- i. Funding, known as Section 106 money (S106), is used to develop or improve community facilities and various open spaces.
- ii. This funding is secured through a planning obligation request which is a deed of agreement attached to the land that is the subject of a planning permission. Contributions secured through planning obligations are used to mitigate or compensate for the negative planning impacts of a development.
- iii. Since 1st August 2021, the Council’s adopted Section 106 process provides for applications for funding of under £25,000 to be determined by the Section 106 Senior Grants Officer in consultation with Senior officers, without a meeting of the Cabinet Sub-committee Grants.
- iv. Applications for funding over £25,000 are determined by Cabinet Sub Committee Grants.
- v. One Section 106 Grant Application has been submitted and assessed which is the subject of this report.
- vi. The Section 106 Senior Grants Officer and Officers from the authority have considered project application **01** as set out in Appendix A to recommend for funding in line with Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Regulations compliance criteria, and the criteria set out in the Section 106 grant guidance notes.

**Recommendations**

**1. The Cabinet Sub Committee Grants consider the following grant application and approve for *either* full, part, or no funding:**

01 S106 R2 25/26 – Claybrooke Primary School – Daily Mile Track

**Reasons for Recommendations**

- The recommendations put forward to the Cabinet Sub-Committee Grants have been assessed against the requirements for funding which are based on projects fulfilling the key Section 106 criteria, being CIL Regulation compliant and demonstrating project evidence of need.

**1. Purpose of the Report**

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to submit the recommendation on funding allocations for Section 106 grants to the Cabinet Sub-Committee Grants.
- 1.2 The Cabinet Sub-Committee Grants is asked to approve the recommendations for the allocations of grants as outlined in Appendix A.

**2. Background**

- 2.1 Under Section 106 of the Town and County Planning Act 1990 (as amended), contributions can be sought from developers towards the costs of providing community and social infrastructure to fill the gap in need which has arisen because of a new development taking place.
- 2.2 The level of funding contributions is negotiated between developers and the Development Management Service, during the planning application process. Developer contributions are paid to Harborough District Council when the development work begins, or when certain trigger points are met such as pre-commencement of works or the development reaching a certain occupancy. This money is then allocated to projects in local Parishes delivering the development through a grant funding allocation process outlined below.
- 2.3 The Section 106 Senior Grants Officer in consultation with senior officers make recommendations to the Cabinet Sub Committee Grants based on scrutiny of each individual application. The decision to allocate funding is then made by the Members of the Cabinet Sub-Committee Grants.
- 2.4 The recommendation put forward to the Cabinet Sub-Committee Grants is based on projects fulfilling the key section 106 criteria, being CIL Regulation compliant and demonstrating project evidence of need. The Section 106 Senior Grants Officer can confirm that any application which is recommended for funding aligns with the three CIL

Regulations compliance tests (known as Regulation 122 under the Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations 2010) as follows:

- 2.4.1 It is necessary to make development acceptable in planning terms;
  - 2.4.2 It is directly related to the development;
  - 2.4.3 It is fairly and reasonably related in scale and kind to the development.
- 2.5 Other processes in place to ensure the Section 106 grants are allocated to the right projects and organisations are as follows:
- 2.5.1 The Section 106 Senior Grants Officer will continue dialogue with each of the Parishes who hold Section 106 funding to ensure they meet deadlines;
  - 2.5.2 Parishes are encouraged to adopt a more strategic/joined up approach when looking at future projects in their community;
  - 2.5.3 The Section 106 Infrastructure Group, which is a group, attended by officers from Legal, Strategic Planning, and Community Partnerships have continued discussions about how to encourage Parishes to be more prepared for Section 106 negotiations at the planning application stage;
  - 2.5.4 Community Engagement Officer and Health and Wellbeing Officers are employed by the Council and provide a strong link to our communities and parishes within the district.

### **3. Priorities**

- 3.1 Projects must meet at least one of Harborough District Council's Corporate Priorities set out in the Harborough DC Corporate Plan 2022-2031.
- Community leadership to create a sense of pride in our place;
  - Promoting health and wellbeing and encouraging healthy life choices;
  - Creating a sustainable environment to protect future generations;
  - Supporting businesses and residents to deliver a prosperous local economy.

### **4. Implications of Decisions**

#### **Financial**

- 4.1 Grants are drawn from income generated from Section 106 Developer Contributions, some projects have been identified in Section 106 Agreements or Council Strategy. The following Section 106 agreements are included as sources of funding to deliver on the considered projects
- 17/00593/FUL – Outdoor Sports Facilities

There is £35,310.57 funding available which meets the needs of the application.

## **Legal**

- 4.2 Section 1 of The Localism Act 2011 gives the Council a General Power of Competency to do anything an individual can do provided it is not prohibited by law. This means the Council has broad powers to exercise a range of options to promotion the needs and overall well-being of the community within Council's area. This General Power of Competency also extends to Parish Councils and in the circumstances, it appears that the S106 funding can be applied as proposed in the context of this report.
- 4.2.1 A section 106 Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) agreement is a legally binding document between Council and the developer in which the developer agrees to provide a S06 contribution to the Council to mitigate the impacts of their new development.
- 4.2.2 The agreement sets out the amount of the contribution that the developer must make and the purpose for which it must be used (e.g. Community Facilities or Offsite Recreation). It may also contain specific conditions on where it can be spent; often this is within the local area but in some cases may be restricted, for example, to a particular park, building or area of open space. The agreement will contain trigger points at which the developer must make payments and will usually also stipulate an expiration date from the final payment date by which the contributions must be used or spent. Following the expiration of the spend date, the developer may be able to claim back any unspent money plus interest.
- 4.2.3 If this funding is being paid in respect of a particular site, it is important that notice of the s106 agreement is registered as a local land charge to ensure that any party with an interest is aware of the matters affecting the site to which the S106 contribution relates.
- 4.2.4 In the allocation of the funding, a full audit trail of how the funding has been used is to be kept because the Council is subject to the strict terms of the relevant section 106 Agreement. The step of properly documenting the use of the funding will assist in mitigating any issues around transparency and minimise any potential reputational harm to the Council.

## **Policy**

- 4.3 All successful applications have been assessed as compliant with the Council's agreed Strategies and Policies, as set out in the guidelines and criteria.

## **Risk Management**

- 4.4 All successful applications will be bound by terms and conditions that aim to minimise risk and promote best value. In addition, applicants must demonstrate as part of their application that their organisation has the appropriate governance arrangements and skill sets to carry out the successful project.

4.5 Some spend dates included are at risk, as indicated in Appendix A

**Equalities Impact**

4.6 The published grant criteria and terms and conditions consider issues of equality and diversity. Equality is addressed within the application criteria, terms and conditions.

4.7 The application form and guidance notes have been designed to be user friendly and the Council's Equalities Officer has been consulted in relation to this process.

**Data Protection**

4.8 The Council has restricted the application process to community organisations seeking capital contributions and therefore no personal data is recorded in relation to this process.

**5. Summary of Consultation and Outcome**

5.1 Applicants are required to demonstrate that projects have been identified in a district, town or parish plan or strategy in consultation with their local community and that the community are supportive of their proposals.

5.2 Evidence of need to support a funding request needs to be robust and tangible to align with CIL Regulation compliance test 2 (under Regulation 122).

**Background papers:**

Section 106 Grant Applications and Supporting Documents

**Previous report(s):**

**Ward Members Notified: Yes**



Section 106 Grants – Summary of Information Round 2 25/26

Community Grant Ref No	Organisation	Project Details	Total Project Cost	Amount Requested from S106	All Documents Included?	Other Funding Info	Relevant Scheme	Amount Available	Spend by Date	Which Development with Spending Criteria as per S106 Agreement
01 S106 R2 25/26	Claybrooke Primary School	Daily Mile Track	£35,525.00	<b>£35,310.57</b>	<b>Included Docs :</b> Application form Governance documents Quotes	£214.43 from school funds	Outdoor Sports Facilities	£35,310.07	15.11.2025	17/00593/FUL  Land West of Main Street  For improvement of outdoor sports facilities within a 4km radius of the Development to include Claybrooke Parva school playing fields and Ullesthorpe School fields and Ullesthorpe recreation ground and playing fields
<b>Project Outline</b>						<b>Officer Recommendation</b>				
A daily mile track is a purpose-built route that provides a durable route for people to complete a mile of accessible activity year round. The specific project that Claybrooke Primary School would like to achieve is to create a daily mile track with additional equipment on the route to inspire a variety of physical activity. Equipment would include balance beams, tightrope bridge, stepping logs and a horizontal climbing wall to the edge of the track.						Recommend				
						<b>Reason for Recommendation</b>				
						<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Meets criteria for spending within the agreement</li> <li>- The track and equipment will inspire physical activity in the community</li> </ul>				
						<b>Special Terms and Conditions if grant awarded</b>				
						<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Community Use Agreement</li> </ul>				
<b>Officer Comments</b>										
The project needs to be completed over a school holiday for minimal disruption to students, with a spend by date for the monies available from S106 of 15th November 2025										





**REPORT TO THE CABINET SUB-COMMITTEE GRANTS**

**24 June 2025**

<b>Title:</b>	£1M Community Grant Applications
<b>Status:</b>	Public
<b>Key Decision:</b>	Yes
<b>Report Author:</b>	Becky Nixon – Community Engagement Officer
<b>Portfolio Holder:</b>	Portfolio: Culture, Leisure, Economy and Tourism, Cllr Asher
<b>Appendices:</b>	Appendix A: List of Applications for the £1m Community Grant Fund. Appendix B: Summary of information sheet and officer recommendations for the £1m Community Grant Fund.

**Summary**

- i. The Community Grant Fund is a Council run £1 million capital grant scheme for Town and Parish Councils/Meetings and community organisations in the Harborough District that was first agreed by Council as part of the 2024/25 budget.
- ii. Each Town and Parish has been allocated a specific amount of money, which was agreed by the Cabinet on 15 July 2024. There are four rounds over the period 2024 – 2025, the third round closed on 19 May 2025, and round four, the final round, is 30 June to 18 August 2025. The allocation has not been divided further for each round.
- iii. The purpose of this report is to present 29 projects which have applied for funding from the Community Grant Fund in round three. These have been reviewed by the Grants Officers in line with the criteria set out in the £1m Community Grant Fund guidance notes.
- iv. Thirteen of the applications are from the smaller parishes which have a remaining pot of £32,538 to be shared across all the smaller parishes, with a maximum permitted of £5,000 per Parish. The total value of these applications is £42,867. If all the applications are awarded in full, this smaller parishes pot would be overspent by £10,329.

**Recommendations**

**1.The Cabinet Sub Committee consider the grant applications listed in Appendix A either for full, part or no funding and make the appropriate decisions.**

All the applications have the support of the relevant Parish Council/Meeting and include the views of a Ward Councillor.

*The parish/town remaining allocations detailed in the appendix are current, before any grants are awarded in this round.*

### **Reasons for Recommendations**

- The recommendations put forward to the Cabinet Sub-Committee Grants have been assessed against the requirements for funding which are based on projects fulfilling the key criteria for the £1m Community Grant Fund. This includes letters of support from the relevant parish council/meeting and include the views of a ward councillor.
- Overall, there are 29 applications to be decided upon.
- Thirteen of the applications are from the smaller parishes which have a remaining pot of £32,538 to be shared across all the smaller parishes, with a maximum permitted of £5,000 per Parish. The total value of these applications is £42,867. If all the applications are awarded in full, this smaller parishes pot would be overspent by £10,329.

## **1. Purpose of the Report**

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to submit the recommendation on funding allocations for grants from the £1m Community Grant Fund to the Cabinet Sub-Committee Grants.
- 1.2 The Cabinet Sub-Committee Grants is asked to review and consider the applications for grants as outlined in appendices A and B and to make the appropriate decisions.

## **2. Background**

- 2.1 The Community Grant Fund is a £1 million capital grant scheme allocated to town and parish councils/meetings and community organisations in the Harborough district which was approved by Cabinet at their meeting 15 July 2024. The fund is allocated between towns, large villages, medium villages, villages close to urban settlements and small/smaller villages across the Harborough district; the allocation process was reviewed by Communities Overview & Scrutiny Panel in June 2024.
- 2.2 The Community Grant Fund will strengthen working relationships between the council and its parishes, towns and communities, enabling delivery of projects and initiatives at a local level across the district.
- 2.3 All completed applications will be presented to the Cabinet Sub Committee Grants for consideration and decision. Applicants will need to demonstrate how their project meets or aligns to at least one of the Council's priorities set out in the Harborough District Council Corporate Plan 2022-2031:
  - Community leadership to create a sense of pride in our place
  - Promoting health and wellbeing and encouraging healthy life choices
  - Creating a sustainable environment to protect future generations
  - Supporting businesses and residents to deliver a prosperous local economy

### **3. Detail**

- 3.1 Applications for capital funding will only be accepted from town councils, parish councils/meetings and constituted community groups/organisations who meet the grant criteria.
- 3.2 All applicants must include the views of their district ward councillor. In addition, community organisations need to submit a letter of support from their town council/parish council or parish meeting. For organisations based in Market Harborough, the support of the Market Harborough Special Expenses Advisory Panel must be obtained.
- 3.3 Grant applications can be used to support other grant opportunities such as S106, as a 'top-up'.
- 3.4 Grants must generally be spent within one year of receipt, unless agreement is given by the council to extend the spend-period. Any non-spent money must be returned to the council.
- 3.5 The Grants Officers in consultation with senior officers make recommendations to the Cabinet Sub-Committee Grants based on scrutiny of each individual application. The decision to allocate funding is then made by the members of the Cabinet Sub-Committee Grants.

### **4. Implications of Decisions**

#### **Financial**

- 4.1 Grants are drawn from the £1m Community Grant Fund (CGF) as agreed by Cabinet on 15 July 2024. To date, in rounds 1 and 2, grants totalling £376,406.88 have been awarded, leaving a balance of £623,593.12 to be allocated. The breakdown of allocation left in a specific parish is detailed in the relevant application in appendix B. If the total allocation is not spent after several grant rounds, the Cabinet Grants Sub-Committee will consider and agree how any non-spent money will be allocated. It is noted that the current small parish allocation may be exceeded by £10k but this does not, at this point in time, mean that the entire CGF will be exceeded. With a further round to follow it just means that that round will have to be actively managed.
- 4.2 Although the community grant scheme is known as a capital grant scheme, it should be noted that the scheme is financed from general fund revenue resources. The 2024/25 grant scheme was an allocation within Reserves (Council, February 2024, para 1.7.1 iv). Further, at the time the scheme was devised, there was no intention of applying capital receipts or applying the principles of "minimum revenue provision" (i.e. spreading any grant allocation over the life of the asset).
- 4.3 The Council's policy in respect of "capital recognition" is that for something to be capital it has to have a value of at least £5k; however, there are several applications listed

earlier in this report that have a value less than £5k. This must not be seen as a barrier to awarding such grants. The Council will account for them as revenue grants, but, to receive the grant, the “grant conditions” require that any funding is used to finance items that have a life of more than one year (i.e. not day-to-day/revenue expenditure).

## **Legal**

- 4.4 The Community Grant Fund is a £1 million capital grant scheme for parish and town councils and parish meetings in the Harborough district. Every contract entered into by the Council will comply with the Finance, Procurement and Contract Rules set out in Part 4 of HDC’s Constitution and is subject UK subsidy control rules established under the Subsidy Control Act 2022.
- 4.5 All successful applications will be bound by terms and conditions that aim to minimise risk and promote best value. In addition, applicants must demonstrate as part of their application that their organisation has the appropriate governance arrangements and skill sets to carry out the named project.

## **Policy**

- 4.6 All successful applications have been assessed as compliant with the council’s agreed strategies and policies, as set out in the guidelines and criteria.

## **Risk Management**

- 4.7 All successful applications will be bound by terms and conditions that aim to minimise risk and promote best value. In addition, applicants must demonstrate as part of their application that their organisation has the appropriate governance arrangements and skill sets to carry out the successful project.

## **Equalities Impact**

- 4.8 The published grant criteria and terms and conditions consider issues of equality and diversity. Equality is addressed within the application criteria, terms and conditions.
- 4.9 The application form and guidance notes have been designed to be user friendly, and the Council’s Equalities Officer has been consulted in relation to this process.

## **Data Protection**

- 4.10 The Council has restricted the application process to community organisations seeking capital contributions and therefore no personal data is recorded in relation to this report.

## **Background papers:**

Cabinet meeting 15 July 2024

## Appendix A – List of Round 3 Applications

*The Parish/Town remaining allocations detailed below are current, before any grants are awarded in this Round.*

1. Great Glen Village Hall (ref 7087884 & 7087883) – 2 applications - £10,844.40 & £2,158.80 (Great Glen Parish allocation is £70,000) *Ward Councillor views received from: Cllr Mahal*
2. Great Glen Parish Council (ref 7060408) – requested amount £49,064.13 (Great Glen Parish allocation is £70,000). *Ward Councillor views received from: Cllr Mahal*
3. Great Glen Community Library (ref 7101587) – requested amount £5,388 (Great Glen Parish allocation is £70,000) *Ward Councillor views received from: Cllr Mahal*
4. Great Bowden Village Hall (ref 7114552) - requested amount £7,188 (remaining Great Bowden Parish allocation is £13,952) *Ward Councillor views received from: Cllrs Knowles & Anderson*
5. South Kilworth Parish Council (ref 7086080) - requested amount £6,500 (remaining South Kilworth allocation is £10,000) *Ward Councillor views received from Cllr Nunn*
6. 1<sup>st</sup> Broughton Astley Scout Group (ref 7114868) - requested amount £69,356 (remaining Broughton Astley allocation is £70,000) *Ward Councillor views received from Cllrs Worrell & Grafton Reed*
7. Bitteswell Cricket Club (ref 7114862) requested amount £4,825 (remaining Bitteswell Parish allocation is £5,000) *Ward Councillor views received from Cllr Page*
8. Claybrooke Magna Parish Council (ref 7112514) requested amount £5,870 (remaining Claybrooke Magna Parish allocation £10,000) *Ward Councillor views received from Cllr Page*
9. Claybrooke Magna Parish Council (ref 7112798) requested amount £3,850 (remaining Claybrooke Magna Parish allocation £10,000) *Ward Councillor views received from Cllr Page*
10. Fleckney Silver Band (ref 7112114) requested amount £5,000 (remaining Fleckney Parish allocation £46,372.00) *Ward Councillor views received from Cllr Bilbie*
11. Great Easton Parish Council (ref 7114025) requested amount £5,499 (remaining Great Easton Parish allocation £10,000) *Ward Councillor views received from Cllr Rickman*
12. Houghton Bowls Club (ref 7115065) requested amount £4,312 (remaining Houghton on the Hill Parish allocation £11,824) *Ward Councillor views received from Cllr. Galton*
13. 89th Leicester 1st Houghton Scouts Group (ref 7097017) - requested amount £5,230 (remaining Houghton on the Hill Parish allocation £11,824) *Ward councillor views received from Cllr. Galton*
14. Husbands Bosworth Parish Council (ref 7118991) requested amount £3,950 (remaining Husbands Bosworth amount £17,200) *Ward councillor views received from Cllr Nunn*

15. Tugby and Keythorpe Parish Council (ref 7120034) requested amount £9,947 (remaining Tugby and Keythorpe Parish allocation £10,000) *Ward Councillor views received from Cllr Modha*
16. Swinford Parish Council (ref 7119596) requested amount £9,572 (remaining Swinford Parish allocation £10,000) *Ward Councillor views received from Cllr Bateman*

### **Smaller Parishes (sharing remaining Smaller Parishes pot of £32,538)**

17. The Reading Room, Wistow Newton Harcourt (ref 7093165) – requested amount £4,996.33 (Wistow & Newton Harcourt Parish allocation is £5,000) *Ward Councillor views received from: Cllr Scott.*
18. Ashby Magna Village Hall (ref 7117827) requested amount £2,807 (remaining small Parishes allocation is £32,538) *Ward Councillor views received from Cllr Bannister*
19. Bruntingthorpe Parish Council (ref 7112162) requested amount £3,483 (remaining small Parishes allocation is £32,538) *Ward Councillor Views received from Cllr Bannister*
20. Cotesbach Parish Council (ref 7113589) requested amount £4,854 (remaining small Parishes allocation is £32,538) *Ward councillor views received from Cllr Bateman*
21. Bringhurst Drayton and Nevil Holt Parish Meeting (ref 7116104) requested amount £3,500 (remaining small Parishes allocation is £32,538) *Ward Councillor Views received from Cllr Rickman*
22. Bringhurst Drayton and Nevil Holt Parish Meeting (ref 7116746) requested amount £1,500 (remaining small Parishes allocation is £32,538) *Ward Councillor Views received from Cllr Rickman*
23. Willoughby Waterleys Parish Council (ref 7110516) requested amount £3,000 (remaining small Parishes allocation is £32,538) *Ward Councillor Views received from Cllr Bannister*
24. Illston on the Hill Village Hall (ref 7114777) - requested amount of £2,274 (remaining small Parishes allocation is £32,538). *Ward Councillor views received from Cllr Scott*
25. Hungarton Village Hall (ref 7118008) - requested amount of £4,992 (remaining small Parishes allocation is £32,538). *Ward Councillor views received from Cllr Galton*
26. Peatling Parva Village Hall (ref 7093315) - requested amount of £4,400 (remaining small Parishes allocation is £32,538). *Ward Councillor views received from Cllr Bannister*
27. Saddington Parish Meeting (ref 7113773) - requested amount of £1,560 (remaining small Parishes allocation is £32,538). *Ward Councillor views received from Cllr Bilbie*
28. Burton Overy Parish Council (ref 7113870) - requested amount of £5,000 (remaining small Parishes allocation is £32,538). *Ward Councillor views received from Cllrs Scott & Mahal*
29. Tur Langton Village Hall (ref 7120038) - requested amount of £499 (remaining small Parishes allocation is £32,538). *Ward Councillor views received from Cllr King.*

Organisation Name	Project Details	Amount Requested	Ward Councillor views from:-	Parish/Town Allocation Remaining (before any R3 decisions)	Which of the 4 Council values does it meet?
Great Glen Village Hall	1.Purchase of equipment to establish a Community Arts and Film Club within the Village Hall.  2.Purchase of commercial floor cleaner/dryer	1. £10,844.40 2. £2,158.80	Cllr Mahal	£70,000	<b>Film Club - Health &amp; Well-being:</b> - by providing a regular social gathering, the Film Club and other cultural activities provided by Live and Local actively combats social isolation, a significant contributor to poor mental health; provision of relaxing, enjoyable environment where residents can unwind and escape from daily pressures - community spirit strengthened by bringing residents together, building social connections, and creating a shared sense of purpose.
Reference Number 7087884 & 7087883		<b>Total Project Cost</b> 1. £10,844.40 2. £2,158.80	<b>Other Funding info</b> n/a	<b>Initial Allocation</b> £70,000	<b>Floor Cleaner - Health &amp; Well-being:</b> - significant reduction of slip and fall hazards, improving hygiene, and creating a cleaner, safer environment. The Hall hosts various community events, including those focused on health and well-being, such as exercise classes, support groups, and children's parties.
<p><b>Project Outline</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Purchase of Film Club Equipment:</b> - High-quality <b>laser projector</b> capable of displaying high-definition images; Large, high-contrast <b>screen</b> suitable for the Hall's dimensions; powerful <b>sound system</b> with surround sound capabilities for an immersive cinematic experience; <b>Microphone set</b> to support physical activity classes as well as live performances from Comedy Nights to the Open Mic nights, with opportunity for visiting productions to deliver a wider range of activities; High-definition <b>Blu-ray player</b> for optimal playback quality; <b>Laptop/Computer</b> for film playback and presentations; comprehensive set of cables and connectors for connecting all equipment.</li> <li>- <b>Purchase of commercial Floor Cleaner/dryer</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Evidence of Need</b> <b>Community Arts &amp; Film Club:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Social Isolation is a growing concern among some residents, particularly older adults. There's a need for affordable options; commercial theatres/cinemas a</li> </ul>					<p><b>Recommendation:</b> Eligible project recommended for consideration.</p> <p><b>Officer Comments:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The projects have clear benefits to a wide community, with need demonstrated from consultations.</li> <li>- The 2 projects total £13,003.20 from a Parish allocation of £70k.</li> <li>- There are 2 other applications from this Parish in this Round: Great Glen Community Library (£5,388) and Great Glen Parish Council (£49,064.13), giving a total of £67,455.33, leaving £2,544.67 if all projects are awarded.</li> </ul>

<p>distance away and can be expensive, making them inaccessible to many residents; Generates revenue for the Village Hall, contributing to its ongoing maintenance and improvement.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Feedback at Village Hall Open Days: Residents overwhelmingly said there was a desire to have Film Nights revived. Results indicated strong support for the project, with many respondents expressing interest in attending screenings; • U3A: Currently running a small film group, they have expressed their support for this much wider scheme • 2 open public meetings were held to discuss the Village Hall proposal with residents and input taken from local groups such as the WI and Guides.</li></ul> <p><b>Floor Cleaner:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- To preserve funds, we have used mop and bucket method, but this is proving to be a) time consuming b) inefficient because floors are slow to dry c) a demanding physical activity for volunteers d) not providing the highest level of hygiene.</li><li>- Following trial clean with a commercial floor scrubber/dryer, it was evident this was the solution we sought for all our users, giving improved appearance, increased usage of the Hall due to quicker turn-around, better hygiene, cost savings, enhanced safety, and increased efficiency.</li></ul> <p><b>Who will Benefit</b></p> <p>All the local community plus potential to attract visitors from neighbouring areas too. With the Film Club, while inclusive, diverse films will be shown, there will be a particular focus on needs/interests of older people as the largest group in the village – project will assist with combatting social isolation and providing engaging social activities.</p> <p><b>Timescales:</b> Purchases of film equipment and the cleaner can be carried out straightaway.</p>	
<p><b>Special Terms &amp; Conditions if grant awarded:</b> n/a</p>	

<b>Organisation Name</b>  <b>Great Glen Parish Council</b>	<b>Project Details</b>  Upgrade of Mound Slide and Upgrade of Seesaw to be inclusive – in the playpark	<b>Amount Requested</b>  <b>£49,064.13</b>	<b>Ward Councillor views from:-</b>  Cllr Mahal	<b>Parish/Town Allocation Remaining (before any R3 decisions)</b>  £70,000	<b>Which of the 4 Council values does it meet?</b>  <b>Improving the health and wellbeing:</b> -by encouraging and facilitating outdoor exercise and healthier living -by reducing social exclusion and isolation by providing a space accessible to everyone.-encouraging social, educational and leisure pursuits, thus in turn benefitting and improving mental as well as physical health.  <b>Supporting businesses/residents to deliver prosperous local economy:</b> - Improves social capital in the village and allow development of personal connections.
<b>Reference Number</b>  7060408		<b>Total Project Cost</b>  <b>£49,064.13</b>	<b>Other Funding info</b>  n/a	<b>Initial Allocation</b>  £70,000	<b>Community leadership:</b> - Reduces anti-social behaviour by increasing engagement in productive recreational activities. -Attract users from surrounding areas potentially boosting the village economy.
<b>Project Outline:</b> -Remodelling of the “mound slide” area with an accessible slide and several means of accessing the summit (stepping logs, post and rope guides, wide safe steps)  - New accessible, inclusive seesaw  <b>Evidence of Need</b> - Recent RoSPA report identified some equipment as being dated and in need of attention due to age and wear; Scope survey,2022: One in seven families could not enjoy a playground as a group because siblings were unable to play together: Statistics from ‘inclusive play’ seminar - Park is used daily by a large number of visitors  <b>Who will Benefit</b>					<b>Recommendation:</b> Eligible project recommended for consideration.  <b>Officer Comments:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– The project has clear benefits to the community</li> <li>– Great Glen PC submitted an application in Round 1 which was deferred; this was for all 4 stages of their playground project</li> <li>– The PC have since updated their application to be for Phase 1 &amp; 2 of the 4-Phase planned project to enhance the playground</li> <li>– The PC have also liaised with other organisations in the community to discuss projects they wish to be supported</li> <li>– The request is for £49,064.13 out of a parish allocation of £70,000</li> <li>– There are 2 other applications from this Parish in this Round: Great Glen Village Hall (£10,844.40, £2,158.80) and Great Glen Community Library</li> </ul>

<p>- Comments and feedback show visitors are both village residents and those from wider afield; Enables children with mixed abilities to integrate.</p> <p><b>Timescales</b> 3 weeks, with a lead-in time of 6-8 weeks, dependent upon availability and shipping. Secured Heras fencing will be in situ for safety and to avoid closure of the playpark which is always in daily use.</p>	<p>(£5,388), giving a total of £67,455.33, leaving £2,544.67 if all projects are awarded.</p>
<p><b>Special Terms &amp; Conditions if grant awarded:</b> n/a</p>	

<b>Organisation Name</b>	<b>Project Details</b>	<b>Amount Requested</b>	<b>Ward Councillor views from:-</b>	<b>Parish/Town Allocation Remaining (before any R3 decisions)</b>	<b>Which of the 4 Council values does it meet?</b>
<b>Great Glen Community Library</b>	Purchase of 4 computers and 1 copier/printer	<b>£5,388</b>	Cllr Mahal	<b>£70,000</b>	<p><b>Community Leadership/Health &amp; Wellbeing</b> - The library is a key local resource for Great Glen and participates in many community activities (e.g The Christmas Market, The Wheelbarrow Race, Summer Fete, Easter events and hosting talks by local and National authors, Lego club). Supporting business and residents - the library is open to all and is used by businesses and residents to advertise their services and events.</p>
<b>Reference Number</b> 7101587		<b>Total Project Cost</b> <b>£5,388</b>	<b>Other Funding info</b> n/a	<b>Initial Allocation</b> <b>£70,000</b>	
<p><b>Project Outline Summary:</b> Purchase of 4 computers and 1 copier/printer. Existing computers and photocopier are over 10 yrs old and are becoming unreliable and unable to update to the latest software requirements.</p>					<p><b>Recommendation:</b> Eligible project recommended for consideration.</p>
<p><b>Evidence of Need</b> The library is open 4 days pw for a total of 10 hours weekly and the customers have diverse needs, with strong demand for computer and photocopier usage. There are times when one or more of our computers has failed and we are unable to meet</p>					<p><b>Officer Comments:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The project has clear benefits to a wide community</li> <li>- The project is for £5,388 from a Parish allocation of £70k.</li> </ul>

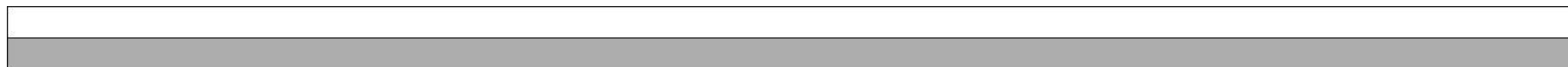
<p>demand. By replacing our aging equipment, we will be able to provide a more reliable service to the local community. Photocopier: will allow users to duplicate documents, facilitating the sharing and preservation of information. This service is especially valuable for those needing copies of legal documents, educational materials, personal records, CVs, cover letters and other professional documents, assisting in job applications and career advancement.</p> <p><b>Who will Benefit</b> All the local community and businesses. This is particularly beneficial for individuals without personal devices or reliable internet connections.</p> <p><b>Timescales</b> As soon as grant awarded.</p> <p><b>Special Terms &amp; Conditions if grant awarded:</b> n/a</p>	<p>– There are 2 other applications from this Parish in this Round: Great Glen Village Hall (£13,003.20) and Great Glen Parish Council (£49,064.13), giving a total of £67,455.33, leaving £2,544.67 if all projects are awarded.</p>

Organisation Name	Project Details	Amount Requested	Ward Councillor views from:-	Par-ish/Town Allocation Remaining (before any R3 decisions)	Which of the 4 Council values does it meet?
Great Bowden Village Hall	Purchase of 88 chairs	£7,188	Cllr Knowles, Cllr Anderson	£13,952	<p><b>Health and Wellbeing:</b> The hall provides an attractive, comfortable and well-maintained environment for a wide range of classes which help to promote health and wellbeing and encourage healthy life choices. The range of classes can be seen on our website and include Brownies, Flower Guild, Historical Society, Recital Class, WI, baby classes, sport training, Pilates, dancing, Tai Chi and quilting.</p>
Reference Number 7114552		<b>Total Project Cost</b> £7,188	<b>Other Funding info</b>	<b>Initial Allocation</b> £20,000	
<b>Project Outline Summary:</b>					<b>Recommendation:</b>

<p>Purchase of 88 chairs for the main hall/meeting room, compliant with current fire and safety regulations, in particular, EN-BS 1021 Fire Testing of Upholstered Furniture. We want to provide a modern, lightweight, comfortable chair for our users.</p> <p><b>Evidence of Need</b> Current chairs date from 2007; showing signs of wear and tear with staining, problems with the rubber feet coming out and the metal leg damaging our high-quality maple wood floor. Running repairs made on screws, feet and cleaning, but fabric worn and compressed. They do not comply with EN-BS1021 Fire Testing of Upholstered Furniture which is not ideal when letting to outside bodies. We have 88 chairs for the main hall and Meeting Room that fall into this situation.</p> <p><b>Who will Benefit</b> Safe and comfortable chairs are very important for users, as many of the groups have speakers who talk for 1 to 2 hours. Users come from Great Bowden, Market Harborough, surrounding villages and as far away as Oadby and Corby.</p> <p><b>Timescales</b> As soon as grant received.</p> <p><b>Special Terms &amp; Conditions if grant awarded:</b> n/a</p>	<p>Eligible project recommended for consideration.</p> <p><b>Officer Comments:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– The project has clear benefits to a wide community</li> <li>– The project is for £7,188 from a remaining Parish allocation of £13,952, leaving £6,764 if this project is awarded</li> <li>– There are no other applications from this Parish in this Round.</li> </ul>
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Organisation Name	Project Details	Amount Requested	Ward Councillor views from:-	Parish/Town Allocation Remaining (before any R3 decisions)	Which of the 4 Council values does it meet?
South Kilworth Parish Council	Floodlighting for new Multi-Use Games Area	£6,500	Cllr Nunn		<p><b>Health and Wellbeing/Community Leadership</b></p> <p>The project will be contributing to community leadership (group/team activities) and certainly promoting health and wellbeing for the whole community.</p>

				<b>£10,000</b>	It has been scientifically proven over past decades that exercise and activity, including team sport, can boost both physical and mental health, positivity, confidence and resilience, for all groups and abilities. It is hoped that the building, and accessibility of this project would, for many years to come, provide ongoing health benefits and contribute to continuing and increasing a spirit of community engagement.
<b>Reference Number</b>  7086080		<b>Total Project Cost</b> <b>£22,750</b>	<b>Other Funding info</b> £8,538.39 granted from S106; £4,712 from 8 Parishes CIC fund; Balance £2,999.61 from PC reserves	<b>Initial Allocation</b> <b>£10,000</b>	
<p><b>Project Outline Summary:</b> Work has just begun to build a MUGA within the village sports field. This will require floodlighting so it can be used at all times of day.</p> <p><b>Evidence of Need</b> Parish consultations revealed desire to focus on all-weather sports/activities for the whole community. The Football Club in particular would welcome the opportunity to play and train during the evening, as well as daytime.</p> <p><b>Who will Benefit</b> The MUGA would be available to the whole community free of charge. This project would provide the rapidly growing community with wider choices of local activities to participate in. The addition of flood lighting would mean those working irregular hours, night shift, varying shift patterns would be able to use the facility at a time that suits them. Both South and North Kilworth are fairly rurally isolated, being almost 5 miles away from the nearest town, Lutterworth, and therefore having access to this type of facility, within easy reach, would be invaluable.</p> <p><b>Timescales</b> Anticipated whole build to be completed in Autumn 2025.</p> <p><b>Special Terms &amp; Conditions if grant awarded:</b> n/a</p>					<p><b>Recommendation:</b> Eligible project recommended for consideration.</p> <p><b>Officer Comments:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– The project has clear benefits to a wide community</li> <li>– The project is for £6,500 from a Parish allocation of £10,000.</li> <li>– The PC advises they have supported South Kilworth Bowls Club to put forward an application for the remaining Parish allocation of £3,500.</li> </ul>



<b>Organisation Name</b>  1 <sup>st</sup> Broughton Astley Scout Group	<b>Project Details</b>  Purchase of 2 minibuses	<b>Amount Requested</b>  £69,356	<b>Ward Councillor views from:-</b>  Cllr Worrell	<b>Parish/Town Allocation Remaining (before any R3 decisions)</b>  £70,000	<b>Which of the 4 Council values does it meet?</b> <p><b>Community Leadership and Pride in Our Place:</b> Scouting plays key role in fostering leadership, citizenship, and a strong sense of local identity among young people. With improved transport options, we can expand participation in community projects such as litter picks, conservation days, local events, and volunteering initiatives that build pride in our shared spaces.</p> <p><b>Promoting Health and Wellbeing:</b> Scouting encourages physical activity, outdoor learning, and mental wellbeing through its programme of camps, hikes, adventure sports, and skill-building activities. However, access to many of these opportunities is currently limited by transport constraints. The minibuses will remove this barrier, enabling regular participation in physical activity across all age groups and backgrounds. This supports children and young people who may be inactive due to lack of access to green spaces, transport, or peer support.</p> <p><b>Creating a Sustainable Environment:</b> The use of lightweight minibuses significantly reduces need for multiple individual car journeys, helping to lower carbon emissions and traffic congestion around activity sites and rural roads.</p> <p><b>Supporting a Prosperous Local Economy:</b> When attending events, camps, and activities across the region, we support local businesses such as campsites, cafés, suppliers, and service providers. Where possible, we will prioritise local garages and suppliers for vehicle servicing and insurance, ensuring that ongoing operational spending benefits local businesses.</p>
<b>Reference Number</b>  7114868		<b>Total Project Cost</b>  £69,356	<b>Other Funding info</b>  n/a	<b>Initial Allocation</b>  £70,000	
<b>Project Outline Summary:</b> Purchase of two lightweight minibuses which will both support the needs of the Scout Group and be available for broader community use.					<b>Recommendation:</b> Eligible project recommended for consideration.
<b>Evidence of Need</b> There are 175 local young people in the Scouts fostering resilience, teamwork, and community service. Transport is currently a major limiting factor in the Group’s ability					<b>Officer Comments:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– The project has clear benefits to a wide community</li> <li>– The project is for £69,356 from a Parish allocation of £70,000.</li> </ul>

<p>to offer off-site activities (est. 114 extra journeys p.a.), camps (will be used at least 24 weekends p.a., community projects, and regional events. Reliance on private vehicles and inconsistent availability of hire vehicles adds cost, complexity, and risk.</p> <p>In addition, various local groups, inc. youth clubs, elderly activity groups and charitable organisations, struggle with affordable/accessible transport. Clear and growing demand for shared, community-led solutions to fill this gap, specifically Girl Guides, Hallbrook Primary, Cosby Primary, Thomas Estley College, Sea Cadets and Sth Leics. District Scouts.</p> <p><b>Who will Benefit</b></p> <p>The investment will enhance the Group’s ability to deliver engaging, accessible, and educational activities while strengthening community ties and increasing mobility options for local organisations and residents. Minibuses will have wheelchair accessibility; we currently have an increasing proportion of young people attending with additional needs and equality protected characteristics.</p> <p><b>Timescales</b></p> <p>Within 12 weeks of funding being secured.</p>	<p>– The Parish Council held a meeting to discuss and consider various projects and decided this was the priority project at this time, impacting the widest community. If the grant is awarded, this will leave a remaining allocation of £644.</p>
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**Special Terms & Conditions if grant awarded:** n/a

Organisation	Project Details	Amount Requested	Ward Councillor views from:-	Par-ish/Town Allocation Remaining (before any R3 decisions)	Which of the 4 Council values does it meet?
<b>Bitteswell Cricket Club</b>	Complete refurbishment of the home and away shower and toilet areas in the club pavilion.	£4,825.00	Cllr. Rosita Page	£5000.00	<b>Community leadership to create a sense of pride in our place; - Promoting health and wellbeing and encouraging healthy life choices</b> The purpose of the club is to provide recreational opportunities to local residents with the wellbeing benefits that exercise generates. We offer cricket from age 8 upwards, with a player pathway designed to keep our juniors participating all the way into senior adult cricket. There is no reason why refurbished showers couldn’t last for another 40+ years, providing a strong legacy for the next couple of generations. As well as our own club games, we also host Leicestershire Over 60 and 70 matches

<b>Reference Number</b> <b>7114862</b>		<b>Total Project Cost</b> £4,825.00	<b>Other Funding info</b>	<b>Initial Allocation</b> £10,000.00	and have also been approached about hosting county school matches, for which adequate showers would be a pre-requisite.
<p><b>Project Outline Summary:</b>                  Proposed work includes: boarding out 2 x cubicle walls and ceilings with waterproof panels Floor tiling 4 x electric shower units 2 x toilet pans &amp; cisterns 2 x hand wash sinks 2 x extractor fans with integral lights Install and make good general plumbing.</p> <p><b>Evidence of Need</b>                  In March 2025 the Leicestershire and Rutland Cricket League voted to implement a rule change whereby club facilities will be audited and factored into future promotion and relegation. Without adequate showers, we could not qualify for the B grade or above, needed to play in the upper tier of the revamped league structure as would aspire to.</p> <p><b>Who will Benefit</b>                  Most members live within a 3-mile radius of the ground. On an annual basis around 40 home matches are hosted, mainly against other clubs within Leicestershire but for Over 60 &amp; 70 matches, these can be from all over the country.                  The project is aimed at all members and visiting teams - male, female, adult and junior. The Club has achieved the gold standard ECB Clubmark and Safe Hands accreditation which means we have a Shower and Changing Policy in operation for teams of mixed age groups. Cricket is a sport with a vibrant seniors (50+) county circuit and we always host at least two midweek matches each season.</p> <p><b>Timescales</b> Work could commence as soon as the contractor has availability and would be expected to take four days. The target completion date is September 2025.</p>					<p><b>Recommendation:</b>                  Eligible project recommended for consideration.</p>
					<p><b>Officer Comments:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– This project has clear benefits to the community</li> <li>– This application is for £4825.00 from a remaining allocation of £5,000 and is supported by the Parish Council. If approved, this will leave £175.</li> <li>– There are no other applications from this Parish.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Special Terms &amp; Conditions if grant awarded:</b> n/a</p>					

<b>Organisation Name</b> Claybrooke Magna Parish Council	<b>Project Details</b> To provide Claybrooke Magna with a wooden sign depicting historical information about the village.	<b>Amount Requested</b> £5,870.00	<b>Ward Councillor views from:-</b> Cllr. Rosita Page	<b>Parish/Town Allocation Remaining (before any R3 decisions)</b> £10,000	<b>Which of the 4 Council values does it meet?</b> This aligns with the priority of <b>community leadership creating a sense of pride in our place</b> . It will enhance the character of the village and increase a sense of pride. It will illustrate historic features of the village as well as the village symbol- a red rose
<b>Reference Number</b> 7112514	<b>Total Project Cost</b> £5,870.00 + VAT	<b>Other Funding info</b> N/A	<b>Initial Allocation</b> £10,000		
<p><b>Project Outline Summary:</b>                  To provide a wooden sign depicting important historical carvings of the village to enhance its perception to both residents and the outside communities. The sign will be of water-resistant treated timber to ensure a long life</p> <p><b>Evidence of Need</b>                  The sign will add a sense of pride to the village being situated on the village green at its centre. The sign will be seen by all residents who walk past and by others who drive, as it is situated on the Main Road. The question of providing a village sign has been debated at the Parish Council meetings over the last year, to which residents are encouraged to attend, and it has been established as something that is wanted by the village.</p> <p><b>Who will Benefit</b> The whole, village will benefit as the sign will be situated on the village green in the centre. Non-residents will also see the sign when driving past. It will enhance the character of the village and increase a sense of pride.</p> <p><b>Timescales</b>                  The timeline will be by September 2025 depending on when the funding is provided. Once delivered the sign would be erected within 2 weeks.</p>					<p><b>Recommendation:</b>                  Eligible project recommended for consideration.</p> <p><b>Officer Comments:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– This project has clear benefits to the community</li> <li>– This application is for £5,870.00 from a remaining allocation of £10,000.00</li> <li>– There is another application from Claybrooke Magna Parish Council in this round for the amount of £3,850.00, leaving £280 if both projects are awarded.</li> <li>– Claybrooke Magna have asked residents via social media if any other project ideas were needed, but no others came forward.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Special Terms &amp; Conditions if grant awarded:</b> n/a</p>					

<b>Organisation Name</b> Claybrooke Magna Parish Council	<b>Project Details</b> Restoration of the left side wall of the Victorian Village Hall	<b>Amount Requested</b> £3850.00	<b>Ward Councillor views from:-</b> Cllr Rosita Page	<b>Parish/Town Allocation Remaining (before any R3 decisions)</b> £10,000	<b>Which of the 4 Council values does it meet?</b> This project meets with <b>community leadership to create a sense of pride in our place.</b> The project will enhance to look of the building and ensure that it can continue to be central to the this and the wider community's events and socialisation. The wall is of the same date as the Victorian village hall and forms the boundary. The restoration of it will enhance the building and ensure that is maintains its historical value for future years.
<b>Reference Number</b> 7112798	<b>Total Project Cost</b> £3850.00	<b>Other Funding info</b> N/A	<b>Initial Allocation</b> £10,000		
<b>Project Outline Summary:</b> To restore the top bricks to part of the wall and also the crumbling mortar to upgrade the property and enhance this historical asset. The restoration work will protect the wall in the long-term using the same materials originally used or as near as possible.					<b>Recommendation:</b> Eligible project recommended for consideration.
<b>Evidence of Need</b> The village hall is owned by the Parish Council and the restoration of which has been discussed at Parish Council meetings to which residents attend. It is needed to maintain the sense of pride in the village hall and also ensure it is safe to use the outside of the building for residents and children. Also, the adjoining neighbour could be at risk.					
<b>Who will Benefit</b> The Village Hall is a Victorian building of great historic value to the village and surrounding communities. It provides essential meeting space for residents of Claybrooke Magna and surrounding villages to hold events, sports classes, events and groups for all ages including children and older residents.					<b>Officer Comments:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- This project has clear benefits to the community</li> <li>- This application is for £3,850.00 from a remaining allocation of £10,000.00</li> <li>- There is another application from Claybrooke Magna Parish Council in this round for the amount of £5,870.00, leaving £280 if both projects are awarded.</li> <li>- Claybrooke Magna have asked residents via social media if any other project ideas were needed, but no others came forward.</li> </ul>

<b>Timescales</b> Soon after funding if granted. The Project will take 2 weeks to complete.	
<b>Special Terms &amp; Conditions if grant awarded:</b> n/a	

<b>Organisation Name</b> Fleckney Silver Band	<b>Project Details</b> To create a hardstanding car parking area at the Fleckney Silver Band Hall.	<b>Amount Requested</b> £5,000.00	<b>Ward Councillor views from:</b> Cllr. Stephen Bilbie	<b>Parish/Town Allocation Remaining (before any R3 decisions)</b> £46,372.00	<b>Which of the 4 Council values does it meet?</b> <b>Community leadership to create a sense of pride in our place. Promoting health and wellbeing and encouraging healthy life choices</b> The hall is widely used by a varied array of user groups, such as steady steps, chair-based exercises for people at risk of falling, the youth organisations of the village, beaver scouts, rainbow guides and the school holiday sports activities that use the hall. Hall users come from the village of Fleckney, but also the surrounding areas such as Saddington, Wistow and Kibworth. There is good mobility access to the hall and from the rear of the hall into the field so therefore the users' vehicles will require the ability to park as close to the hall as possible which this project allows for.
<b>Reference Number</b> 7112114		<b>Total Project Cost</b> £5,000.00	<b>Other Funding info</b> N/A	<b>Initial Allocation</b> £70,000.00	
<b>Project Outline Summary:</b> The project is to create a hardstanding car parking area in the band hall field to make it more sustainable and the hall usable all year round, not just in the summer months. The project involves digging out and removing the turf and soil to required depth. Replace with stone and roll to make good. Then finish the total area with planings for suitable surface finish. The planings will allow over time the grass to grow through.					<b>Recommendation:</b> Eligible project recommended for consideration.
<b>Evidence of Need</b> Due to the excessive amount of rain over the last two years the car park becomes waterlogged, and vehicles become stuck. Consequentially the field must be closed to vehicles for three to four months of the year.					<b>Officer Comments:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– This project has clear benefits to the community</li> <li>– This application is for £5,000.00 from a remaining allocation of £46,372.00 and is supported by the Parish Council. It leaves £41,372 of Fleckney's allocation.</li> <li>– There are no other applications from this Parish in this round. An application from the Village Hall for £25-30,000 is anticipated in the final round.</li> </ul>

<p><b>Who will Benefit</b> The project is aimed at all the community, including children from 4 - 11 years and young people 12 to 18 years, people with a disability, and older people.</p> <p><b>Timescales</b> The project will take no longer than two weeks and must be started and finished before September or October before the wet weather starts again.</p> <p><b>Special Terms &amp; Conditions if grant awarded:</b> n/a</p>	

<p><b>Organisation Name</b> Great Easton Parish Council</p>	<p><b>Project Details</b> Purchase and install two radar solar powered speed signs</p>	<p><b>Amount Requested</b> £5,499.00</p>	<p><b>Ward Councillor views from:-</b> Cllr. Michael Rickman</p>	<p><b>Parish/Town Allocation Remaining (before any R3 decisions)</b> £10,000.00</p>	<p><b>Which of the 4 Council values does it meet?</b> <b>Community leadership to create a sense of pride in our place, Promoting health and wellbeing and encouraging healthy life choices</b> The signs, once installed, would demonstrate community recognition of local concerns and positive action. residents are currently encouraged to walk their children to school, but the road has only one narrow footpath and speeding traffic. Any measures to slow down the passing traffic in the area of the primary school should be encouraged.</p>
		<p><b>Total Project Cost</b> £5,499.00</p>	<p><b>Other Funding info</b> N/A</p>	<p><b>Initial Allocation</b> £10,000.00</p>	
<p><b>Project Outline Summary:</b> Purchase and install two radar speed signs and two supporting poles</p>					<p><b>Recommendation:</b> Eligible project recommended for consideration.</p>
<p><b>Evidence of Need</b> The local Neighbourhood Plan identified perceived speeding vehicles as the primary concern of residents, in particular, past the local primary school. In response the Parish council purchased a mobile vehicle advisory sign (VAS) to collect data which was moved between the three roads into the village.</p>					<p><b>Officer Comments:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- This project has clear benefits to the community</li> <li>- This application is for £5,499.00 from a remaining allocation of £10,000.00, leaving £4,501 if this project is awarded. There are no other applications from this Parish in this round.</li> </ul>

<p>Statistical data has reinforced the local anecdotal view that speeding along the Bring-hurst road past the school has the highest speeding and has now identified a need for fixed VAS signs in each direction of the road.</p> <p><b>Who will Benefit</b> All of the community but primarily young children attending the local primary school for 4-11 years. Two permanent speed signs should provide an enhanced speeding deterrent. This has been evidenced nationally. The signs, once installed, will evidence the Parish Council's wish to be pro-active in recognising local concerns and responding positively when the evidence is so compelling.</p> <p><b>Timescales</b> Shortly after funding is received if granted.</p>	
<p><b>Special Terms &amp; Conditions if grant awarded:</b> Appropriate permission from LCC Highways</p>	

Organisation Name	Project Details	Amount Requested	Ward Councillor views from:-	Par-ish/Town Allocation Remaining (before any R3 decisions)	Which of the 4 Council values does it meet?
Houghton Bowls Club	Purchase of two new short mat bowls sets and two bowling arms.	£4,312.00	Cllr. Simon Galton	£11,824.00	<p>Our project aligns with the Council’s priority of <b>‘promoting health and wellbeing and encouraging healthy lifestyle choices.’</b> First and foremost, our mission is to continue to enhance the lives of those already involved in the club, and give the 30 members, most of whom are 60 years of age upwards, the facility to continue to play bowls and remain active.</p> <p>Enhancing community health and wellbeing through accessible exercise It gives access to all of the community and neighbouring villages to engage in exercise both outdoor in the fresh air on the green or indoors on the short mat bowls carpets. For some, it has the capacity to increase their mental wellbeing too, fostering social connection and inclusivity. The club gives the opportunity for people to meet with others of all ages, and with the inclusion of the bowling arms, enables players with hip back or knee issues that prevent bending or crouching, and wheelchair users to still enjoy playing bowls. As a result, such participants will be able to engage in club competitions on an equal level.</p> <p>We also want to use the short mat bowls carpets to encourage young children to get involved and excited by the game of bowls. This will be via planned and promoted</p>
Reference Number 7115065		<b>Total Project Cost</b> £4,312.00	<b>Other Fund- ing info</b>	<b>Initial Allocation</b> £20,000.00	

					<p>taster sessions and links with Houghton on the Hill Church of England Primary School initially, and two additional schools within a 3-mile radius of our club, which are St. Luke’s Church of England Primary School and Billesdon Church of England Primary School. We have a Safeguarding policy and officer, and the sessions will be led by members who have valid DBS checks.</p>
<p><b>Project Outline Summary:</b> Purchase of 2 x short mat bowls sets (fenders, centre block, jack, footmats and four bowls) and 2 x bowling arms.</p> <p><b>Evidence of Need</b> 2 new short mat bowls carpets will replace old, worn-out short mat bowls carpets which are 20 years old in poor condition and due to the wear and damage, no longer lay flat on the floor, presenting a trip hazard. The addition of 2 new bowling arms will aid current club members with mobility issues to continue playing and/or play without risk of injury and makes the bowling facility an option for disabled people too. The new equipment ensures provision is even more inclusive for people of all ages and abilities.</p> <p><b>Who will Benefit</b> Potential participants with certain physical limitations, such as hip, knee and back problems, and those with disabilities, currently face barriers to playing bowls. Therefore, by purchasing the bowling arms, these people can participate and enjoy the game of bowls with others. The bowling arm is a vital aid that is accepted for use by Bowls England and can be used all year round for those people who have hip, back or knee issues that prevent bending or crouching, and wheelchair users to still enjoy playing bowls.</p> <p>In October, when the winter draws in, the club moves indoors and hires the Village Hall (as we do not have our own clubhouse space) on a Monday and Thursday evening to play short mat bowls. This weatherproof approach is a great social and community experience throughout the dark winter nights.</p> <p><b>Timescales</b> Purchase will be soon after funds received if granted.</p>					<p><b>Recommendation:</b> Eligible project recommended for consideration.</p>
					<p><b>Officer Comments:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– This project has clear benefits to the community</li> <li>– This application is for £4,312.00 from a remaining allocation of £11,824.00</li> <li>– There is one other application from this Parish in this round (Scouts Group for £5,230), if both are awarded, this will leave £2,282.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Special Terms &amp; Conditions if grant awarded:</b></p>					

<b>Organisation Name</b> 89 <sup>th</sup> Leicester 1 <sup>st</sup> Houghton Scout Group	<b>Project Details</b> Construction of new storage facility	<b>Amount Requested</b> £5,230	<b>Ward Councillor views from:-</b> Cllr. Galton	<b>Par-ish/Town Allocation Remaining (before any R3 decisions)</b> £11,824.00	<b>Which of the 4 Council values does it meet?</b> <b>Health and Wellbeing</b> - Scouting inherently promotes both physical and mental wellbeing, with around 50% of our activities taking place outdoors. These hands-on experiences—ranging from camping and hiking to team-building games—encourage young people to stay active, develop healthy habits, and cultivate a positive mindset. By offering a supportive environment that emphasises personal growth and resilience, we also help promote good mental health and foster lifelong healthy choices.  <b>Community Leadership to Create a Sense of Pride in Our Place</b> - All of our volunteers live within the local community, dedicating their time and effort to provide meaningful opportunities for young people. By driving the construction of a new storage building and supporting the wider scouting program, they are actively fostering community spirit and demonstrating leadership. This commitment not only strengthens connections among residents but also helps create a shared sense of pride in the place we call home.
<b>Reference Number</b> 7097017		<b>Total Project Cost</b> £5,230	<b>Other Funding info</b> n/a	<b>Initial Allocation</b> £20,000.00	
<b>Project Outline Summary:</b> Purchase and erect a modern, secure storage facility specifically designed for scouting use. It will safeguard equipment, reduce maintenance costs, and support the delivery of high-quality scouting activities. Planning permission in place and funds in place for groundwork/slab installation—this application is solely for remaining cost of shed itself.  <b>Evidence of Need</b> Current storage structure is 20+ yrs old, not built for its current function. Multiple patch repairs have failed to prevent leaks or structural deterioration. Unable to protect essential equipment, which impacts the quality and safety of our programmes. Insurance does not cover these defects, and further investment in the existing structure is not cost-effective. Survey of members/families - unanimously agreed the project is necessary and beneficial.  <b>Who will Benefit</b>					<b>Recommendation:</b> Eligible project recommended for consideration.  <b>Officer Comments:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– This project has clear benefits to the community</li> <li>– This application is for £5,230.00 from a remaining allocation of £11,824.00. There is one other application from this Parish in this round (Bowls Club for £4,312), if both are awarded, this will leave £2,282.</li> </ul>

<p>68 young people aged 6 to 18, including Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, and Explorers. Members come from Houghton and the surrounding areas, reflecting broad geographic reach. With more robust and reliable infrastructure, will be able to grow membership/accommodate more participants from across the parish and beyond.</p> <p><b>Timescales</b> Estimated 3-6 months</p>	
<p><b>Special Terms &amp; Conditions if grant awarded:</b> n/a</p>	

Organisation Name	Project Details	Amount Requested	Ward Councillor views from:	Parish/Town Allocation Remaining (before any R3 decisions)	Which of the 4 Council values does it meet?
Husbands Bosworth	Installation of a ceiling projector and integrated sound system into Husbands Bosworth's Millenium Pavilion.	£3,950.00	Cllr. Amanda Nunn	£17,200.00	This project aligns with the District Council's priority of <b>Community leadership to create a sense of pride in our place</b> . This Project if approved will make a notable improvement to this facility and expand the usage opportunities going forward. This meeting room, since it's expansion in 2023, has become an important and well used facility in the parish. The installation of this equipment will increase the flexibility of what activities can be undertaken and therefore should broaden the range of people using this facility. The Millennium Pavilion is available to hire, at preferential rates, for any member of our parish so the benefit of this installation and the added flexibility this equipment will give can be considered a genuine community benefit. The pavilion is also available to hire for those who live beyond our parish. It should also be pointed out that the Millennium Pavilion through previous planning and external work, is fully accessible to all including those who may have a disability. Designated disabled parking is available onsite, with a flat transition pathway from the tarmac car park to the building entrance.

<b>Reference Number</b> 7118991		<b>Total Project Cost</b> £3,950,00	<b>Other Funding info</b> N/A	<b>Initial Allocation</b> £20,000.00	
<b>Project Outline Summary:</b> To install a ceiling projector and integrated sound system into Husbands Bosworth’s Millennium Pavilion. The equipment will be purchased from and installed by an expert contractor.				<b>Recommendation:</b> Eligible project recommended for consideration.	
<p><b>Evidence of Need</b></p> <p>The Millennium Pavilion meeting / function room is a modern and versatile space that since the completion of this facility has attracted many varied groups and organisations to use it. A number of these groups regularly use a laptop and a standalone projector and stand we have available, which is the property of the Historical Society and lent on a goodwill basis. This equipment is dated and temperamental! When required, floor standing speakers can be utilised to enhance the sound, but these are large and intrusive. To set this up takes time and requires cables to be run across the floor to the power points, which is not ideal from a safety viewpoint. This format also means the projector must be set up in the middle of the room to align with the pull-down screen, again, not ideal. If you are setting up the room in an auditorium style for an event, the projector must be in the middle of the seating, so just seems to get in the way! During informal discussions with user groups, the technology we currently have available is recognised as dated with limited functionality. We are also being asked, when booking enquiries are made about the electronic / technology capabilities of the facility. This has shown us that there is a need for an equipment upgrade.</p> <p><b>Who will Benefit</b></p> <p>The Whole Community: Existing users of the meeting room who currently use a projector, as it will significantly improve the visual and sound quality from what is currently available.</p> <p>The installation of this equipment will increase the flexibility of what activities can be undertaken and therefore should broaden the range of people using this facility.</p>				<p><b>Officer Comments:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– This project has clear benefits to the community</li> <li>– This application is for £3,950.00 from a remaining allocation of £17,200.00, leaving £13,250 if it is awarded. There are no other applications from this Parish in this round.</li> <li>– The Parish Council have made good efforts to spread the word of the community grant and consult the community.</li> </ul>	

<b>Timescales</b> 6-8 weeks with the project ideally completed by the end of August 2025
<b>Special Terms &amp; Conditions if grant awarded:</b> N/A

<b>Organisation Name</b> Tugby & Keythorpe Parish Council	<b>Project Details</b> Installation of solar panels on the village hall roof.	<b>Amount Requested</b> £9,947.00	<b>Ward Councillor views from:-</b> Cllr. Sindy Modha	<b>Parish/Town Allocation Remaining (before any R3 decisions)</b> £10,000.00	<b>Which of the 4 Council values does it meet?</b> <b>Creating a sustainable environment to protect future generations</b> This project would be highly visible and we plan to actively engage with the community to educate the wider community on the benefits of PV. An enhancement to our facilities also most certainly demonstrates <b>pride in the community</b> . We also plan to divert any financial savings into community-based projects. By leading the way in our community on carbon reduction (having recently installed electric vehicle charging) we are showing the community better ways to utilise energy and reduce their carbon footprint. We have close links with the school, and this project will help inspire another generation to show them what is possible at the local level.
<b>Reference Number</b> 7120034		<b>Total Project Cost</b> £9,947.00	<b>Other Funding info</b> N/A	<b>Initial Allocation</b> £10,000.00	
<b>Project Outline Summary:</b> Proposal to install solar photovoltaic (PV) panels on the roof of the village hall. Aims: Reduce energy costs, lower carbon footprint, and promote sustainability. Expected outcomes: Long-term cost savings, energy independence, and community engagement.					<b>Recommendation:</b> Eligible project recommended for consideration.
<b>Evidence of Need</b> Due to the fluctuation and instability of utility costs over the last few years, and the ever-increasing demands on local government budgets it is believed this will go a long way to providing long-term financial assurance for the parish council. Utilities (and electric) being our highest regular bill.					
<b>Who will Benefit</b> The whole community. Lower operating costs could free up funds for other community services. The Parish Council has a focus on bringing best value to the community by investing in community infrastructure.					
					<b>Officer Comments:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– This project has clear benefits to the community</li> <li>– This application is for £9,947.00 from a remaining allocation of £10,000.00</li> <li>– There are no other applications from this Parish in this round</li> </ul>

<b>Timescales-</b> 6-8 weeks from order confirmation. Order placed soon after grant received.
<b>Special Terms &amp; Conditions if grant awarded:</b>

Organisation Name	Project Details	Amount Requested	Ward Councillor views from:-	Parish/Town Allocation Remaining (before any R3 decisions)	Which of the 4 Council values does it meet?
<b>Swinford Parish Council</b>	Purchase and installation of new play/leisure equipment at the park and playing fields. New benches at the park and village green.	£9,572.00	<b>Cllr Bateman</b>	£10,000.00	<p><b>Community Leadership and Creating a Sense of Pride in Our Place</b> This project reflects strong <b>community leadership</b> and proactive investment in the local environment. By improving the park, playing field, and village green, we are taking meaningful steps to show residents that their surroundings matter. The project has been shaped by informal local feedback and prioritised by the Parish Council to reflect community needs and aspirations. Replacing old, worn benches and play equipment with new, high-quality installations shows pride in our shared spaces. It also demonstrates responsiveness to residents and a commitment to continual improvement, both key elements of community leadership.</p> <p><b>Promoting Health and Wellbeing and Encouraging Healthy Life Choices</b> The addition of football goals, safer swings, and improved surfacing all promote more active lifestyles for children, young people, and adults. These spaces provide the foundation for outdoor exercise, unstructured play, and social interaction—essential elements of both physical and mental wellbeing. In particular: The football goals will encourage team activity, exercise, and engagement among youth. The cradle and flat swings promote healthy play for all age groups of children. The seating areas provide safe and comfortable spots for social interaction and rest, particularly for older residents or those with mobility challenges. By making our public spaces safer and more appealing, we are encouraging people to spend more time outdoors, stay active, and connect with others—helping to reduce isolation and build resilience</p> <p><b>Creating a Sustainable Environment to Protect Future Generations</b> The project includes the installation of five recycled plastic benches, chosen specifically for their durability, low maintenance requirements, and sustainability. These benches are an eco-conscious choice, reflecting our commitment to responsible procurement and long-term value.</p>
<b>Reference Number</b> 7119596		<b>Total Project Cost</b> £9,572.00	<b>Other Funding info</b>	<b>Initial Allocation</b> £10,000.00	

<p><b>Project Outline Summary:</b> Two Full-Size Football Goals To be installed on the village playing field. One Smaller Goal for the Playground Designed for younger children. Woodchip Surfacing for the Playground area, Five Recycled Plastic Benches. Two Cradle Swings and Two Flat Swings.</p> <p><b>Evidence of Need</b> The need for this project has been identified through ongoing observations by Swinford Parish Council, direct feedback from residents, and informal consultations with families who regularly use the park, playground, and village green.</p> <p><b>Who will Benefit</b> The primary beneficiaries will be the residents of Swinford village. Children and families who use the park and playing field daily; Older residents who use the green and park benches as a meeting place or resting point; Young people seeking safe and healthy recreation space; Caregivers, parents, and grandparents supervising play. The park and green are also popular with residents of nearby villages and visitors passing through or staying with family. Swinford is well connected to surrounding communities, and its central facilities are regularly accessed by people from the wider area including those attending football games, dog walking, or simply enjoying a quiet green space.</p> <p><b>Timescales</b> Project completion expected September 2025</p>	<p><b>Recommendation:</b> Eligible project recommended for consideration.</p> <hr/> <p><b>Officer Comments:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– This project has clear benefits to the community</li> <li>– This application is for £9,572.00 from a remaining allocation of £10,000.00</li> <li>– There are no other applications from this Parish in this round</li> </ul>
<p><b>Special Terms &amp; Conditions if grant awarded:</b></p>	

<b>Organisation Name</b> Newton Harcourt Reading Room	<b>Project Details</b> Purchase of projection and activities equipment	<b>Amount Requested</b> £4,996.33	<b>Ward Councillor views from:-</b> Cllr Scott	<b>Small Parishes Allocation Remaining (before any R3 decisions):</b> £32,538 (up to £5k per parish)	<b>Which of the 4 Council values does it meet?</b> <b>Community Leadership</b> - By enhancing recreational and social facilities, we are fostering a sense of ownership and pride among residents. The new equipment and activities will provide spaces for people to come together, celebrate their community, and create lasting memories. <b>Health and Wellbeing</b> - When community members feel supported, understood, and connected, they are more likely to experience positive mental health. Community initiatives play a crucial role in fostering a sense of belonging and reducing the stigma surrounding mental health issues. Engaging in recreational activities has a profoundly positive impact on mental health, offering individuals an outlet for relaxation, enjoyment, and social connection. By offering a greater range of activities and events, we hope to alleviate some of the stresses encountered by residents in recent times.
<b>Reference Number</b> 7093165		<b>Total Project Cost</b> £4,996.33	<b>Other Funding info</b> n/a	<b>Initial Allocation</b> £40,000 across all small parishes	<b>Supporting Businesses and Residents to Deliver a Prosperous Local Economy</b> Enhanced recreational facilities may attract visitors from neighbouring villages and towns. Events like quiz nights and cinema screenings can generate revenue for the Reading Room and create opportunities for small businesses to cater to these gatherings.
<b>Project Outline Summary:</b> To install an electric wall-mounted projector screen, a ceiling-mounted projector, surround sound speakers; purchase of a pool table, shuffleboard and table football.  <b>Evidence of Need</b> Response sheets completed at social functions, inviting ideas for improving social and recreational activities. 3 most common responses were to have a greater variety of pub games on offer, more quiz nights and a cinema club. Consultation meeting held with residents to create social group within the Reading Room Committee, to actively promote social and recreational events on a more regular basis. Feedback highlighted strong desire for more recreational and social facilities, including inclusivity of younger people and families.  <b>Who will Benefit</b>					<b>Recommendation:</b> Eligible project recommended for consideration.  <b>Officer Comments:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Clear benefits for a wide community</li> <li>- This application is for £4,996.33 from the small villages original shared allocation of £40,000 (a share of max. £5,000) of which £32,538.00 remains There are 13 applications in Round 3 for this allocation totalling £42,867.00, which is £10,329 more than the allocation.</li> </ul>

<p>All ages, individuals and families in parish - only facility is the Reading Room. No public house, playing fields, recreation areas or children’s playground or direct bus route through Newton Harcourt.</p> <p><b>Timescales</b> 6 weeks once funding is received.</p>	
<p><b>Special Terms &amp; Conditions if grant awarded:</b> n/a</p>	

<b>Organisation Name:</b> Ashby Magna Village Hall	<b>Project Details</b> Replacement of tables for outside events and functions.	<b>Amount Requested</b> £2,807.00	<b>Ward Councillor views from:-</b> Cllr Neil Bannister	<b>Par-ish/Town Allocation Remaining (before any R3 decisions)</b> £5000.00	<b>Which of the 4 Council values does it meet?</b> <b>Community leadership to create a sense of pride in our place; - Promoting health and wellbeing and encouraging healthy life choices</b> The tables will help us present a better image of Ashby Magna and as they are designed predominantly for external use, will promote outside activity and wellbeing. The tables will be safely stored when not in use so should be available for a significant number of years as further generations require their use. With regards to the Equality Act, we wish to encourage and make it easier for parish residents of all ages to organise outside events
<b>Reference Number:</b> 7117827		<b>Total Project Cost</b> £2,807.00	<b>Other Funding info</b> N/A	<b>Initial Allocation</b> £5000.00	
<b>Project Outline Summary:</b> Purchase of 30 new tables. This is part of a larger project to improve the facilities and ambience of the village hall and to improve the presentation and support of interior functions and outside events.					<b>Recommendation:</b> Eligible project recommended for consideration.
<b>Evidence of Need:</b> Ashby Magna village has been mounting outside events for over 40 years and for at least the last 30 years the village has had the use of wooden tables mounted on trestles. The tables are now showing signs of significant wear and tear,					<b>Officer Comments:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- This project has clear benefits to the community</li> <li>- This application is for £2,807.00 from the small villages shared allocation of £40,000 (a share of max. 5,000) of which £32,538.00 remains There are 13</li> </ul>

<p>some are cracked in places which can be rough to the hands and is likely to cause splinters. The old tables are heavy and are becoming difficult to handle by older volunteers. New tables needed to support community events such as the annual Street Fair, Pimms in the Parish and other commemorative events. We also have our Open Space where event ideas have been considered but the feasibility of moving the heavy tables between their storage in the village hall shed and the Open Space has made these ideas prohibitive.</p> <p><b>Who will Benefit:</b> All of the immediate community, young people who will find them much easier to make use of. People with disability or restricted strength, movement or stability. Older people, the tables are safe and secure when erected and can support up to 125 Kg each so can be used for a wide variety events including exhibitions and sales.</p> <p><b>Timescales</b> Purchase soon after grant is received if awarded</p>	<p>applications in Round 3 for this allocation totalling £42,867.00, which is £10,329 more than the allocation.</p>
<p><b>Special Terms &amp; Conditions if grant awarded:</b></p>	

<b>Organisation Name:</b> <b>Bruntingthorpe Parish Council</b>	<b>Project Details</b> Purchase of Radar Speed Awareness Signage	<b>Amount Requested</b> £3,483.00	<b>Ward Councillor views from:</b> - Cllr Neil Banister	<b>Par-ish/Town Allocation Remaining (before any R3 decisions)</b> £5000.00	<b>Which of the 4 Council values does it meet?</b> <b>Community leadership to create a sense of pride in our place</b>  This project aligns to H.D.C priority of <b>Community leadership</b> as the Parish Council has been requested to act by the local residents via Council meetings and requests to local MP's. Further the wellbeing of both existing and future local residents and visitors to the village will be enhanced. Environmental considerations have been taken with request for Solar Powered signage.

<b>Reference Number</b> 7112162		<b>Total Project Cost</b> £3,483.00	<b>Other Funding info</b> N/A	<b>Initial Allocation</b> £5000.00	
<p><b>Project Outline Summary:</b> Provision of Radar Speed Awareness Signage to improve the safety and wellbeing of young, elderly and vulnerable pedestrians within the village.</p> <p><b>Evidence of Need</b>                  The concern over perceived speeding through the village of Bruntingthorpe has been raised at Bruntingthorpe Parish Council meeting. Letters of concern have been sent to the local MP. This is exacerbated due to the growing levels of traffic due to expansion of local industrial estates. 3x school buses pick up and drop off in the village therefore speed awareness will help to protect the safety of the young, similarly the safety of the increasing number of elderly residents will be enhanced.</p> <p><b>Who will Benefit</b>                  The project will enhance not only the safety of the residents including the young (school children) elderly and vulnerable but those who use the village to access local footpaths including the Leicestershire Round. The project further raises the awareness of road users including the many L.G.V's accessing local industrial areas of the need for speed awareness to enhance the safety of all.</p> <p><b>Timescales</b>                  Project expected to be completed by November 2025</p>					<p><b>Recommendation:</b>                  Eligible project recommended for consideration.</p>
					<p><b>Officer Comments:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- This project has clear benefits to the community</li> <li>- This application is for £3,483.00 from the small villages shared allocation of £40,000 (a share of max. £5,000) of which £32,538.00 remains There are 13 applications in Round 3 for this allocation totalling £42,867.00, which is £10,329 more than the allocation.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Special Terms &amp; Conditions if grant awarded:</b> Subject to appropriate permission from LCC Highways</p>					

<b>Organisation Name</b> Cotesbach Parish Council	<b>Project Details</b> To provide the village with a new notice board.	<b>Amount Requested</b> £4,854.00	<b>Ward Councillor views from:-</b> Cllr Jonathon Bateman	<b>Parish/Town Allocation Remaining (before any R3 decisions)</b> £5,000.00	<b>Which of the 4 Council values does it meet?</b> <b>Community leadership to create a sense of pride in our place</b> This meets the priority of community leadership to create a sense of pride in our place. The current notice board is damaged and water stained and so does not enhance the village. A new one will be coated steel with gold finials so looking much nicer and giving a sense of pride to the residents.
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<b>Reference Number</b> <b>7113589</b>		<b>Total Project Cost</b> £4,854.00	<b>Other Fund- ing info</b> N/A	<b>Initial Allocation</b> £5,000.00	
<p><b>Project Outline Summary:</b> To replace the old rotting wooden notice board with a longer lasting metal one with protective waterproof paint.</p> <p><b>Evidence of Need</b>                  The need for a replacement notice board was noted on the annual village inspection by the Parish Council. This need was further discussed and agreed at the Parish Council meeting with residents attending.</p> <p><b>Who will Benefit</b>                  All of the community. The notice board provides essential communication to the residents of the rural village telling them of events, meetings, village news etc. Some older residents do not have computers and so is necessary for them to know what is happening in the community. It also ensures those outside the community have this information, e.g. detailing village events which bring in necessary income to provide for amenities within the village.</p> <p><b>Timescales</b> The delivery is 2-4 weeks after funding received and will be erected once received.</p> <p><b>Special Terms &amp; Conditions if grant awarded:</b></p>					<p><b>Recommendation:</b>                  Eligible project recommended for consideration.</p> <p><b>Officer Comments:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– This project has clear benefits to the community</li> <li>– This application is for £4,854.00 from the small villages shared allocation of £40,000 (a share of max. £5,000) of which £32,538.00 remains There are 13 applications in Round 3 for this allocation totalling £42,867.00, which is £10,329 more than the allocation.</li> </ul>

<b>Organisation Name</b>	<b>Project Details</b> Purchase of Speed limit reminder.	<b>Amount Requested</b> £3,500.00	<b>Ward Councillor views from:-</b>	<b>Par- ish/Town Allocation</b>	<b>Which of the 4 Council values does it meet?</b> Community leadership to create a sense of pride in our place; - Promoting health and wellbeing and encouraging healthy life choices
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<b>Bringhurst Drayton &amp; Nevil Holt Parish Meeting</b>			Cllr Michael Rickman	<b>Remaining (before any R3 decisions)</b> £5000.00	<p>This project will help to keep road users, pedestrians and Drayton homeowners safer.</p> <p>For many years Drayton has suffered significantly from vehicles exceeding the speed limit. There have been several accidents, with one incident resulting in at least three cars being written off. This was due to excessive speed coming into Drayton from the Medbourne direction. A dog walker narrowly avoided being hit by one of the shunted There was also an accident coming into Drayton from the Great Easton direction where the vehicle travelled a considerable distance into the village and coming to rest just beyond Manor Farm Lane and within the 30 mph limit</p>
<b>Reference Number</b> 7116104		<b>Total Project Cost</b> £3,500.00	<b>Other Funding info</b> N/A	<b>Initial Allocation</b> £5000.00	
<p><b>Project Outline Summary:</b> To erect a speed limit reminder that can be located in various parts of Drayton village.</p> <p><b>Evidence of Need</b> There is a need for the project because prior to the reduced speed limit there have been several accidents due to excessive speed. However, very few drivers are adhering to this. Speeds have not reduced and so the Parish Meeting believes additional traffic calming measures are required urgently. This undertaking is for the equal benefit of all road users, pedestrians and homeowners in Drayton village. A recent Parish meeting was held and all were in favour of a speed limit reminder machine.</p> <p><b>Who will Benefit</b> The whole village will benefit from the installation of the portable Speed limit reminder.</p> <p><b>Timescales</b> Soon after funding if granted</p>					<p><b>Recommendation:</b> Eligible project recommended for consideration.</p> <p><b>Officer Comments:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– This project has clear benefits to the community</li> <li>– This application is for £3500.00 from the small villages shared allocation of £40,000 (a share of max. £5,000) of which £32,538.00 remains There are 13 applications in Round 3 for this allocation totalling £42,867.00, which is £10,329 more than the allocation.</li> <li>– There is another application from this Parish for £1500.00 in this round</li> </ul>
<p><b>Special Terms &amp; Conditions if grant awarded:</b> Subject to appropriate permission from LCC Highways</p>					

Organisation Name	Project Details	Amount Requested	Ward Councillor views from:-	Parish/Town Allocation	Which of the 4 Council values does it meet?
	The replacement of two defibrillators	£1500.00			Promoting health and wellbeing and encouraging healthy life choices;

<p><b>Bringhurst Drayton &amp; Nevil Holt Parish Meeting</b></p>			<p>Cllr Michael Rickman</p>	<p><b>Remaining (before any R3 decisions)</b> £5000.00</p>	<p>Promoting health and wellbeing and encouraging healthy lives and also protecting future generations by providing defibrillator machines for whoever may require medical assistance. The Parish also arranges training on the machines on a regular basis.</p>
<p><b>Reference Number</b> 7116746</p>		<p><b>Total Project Cost</b> £1584.00, Parish Meeting to cover £84.00</p>	<p><b>Other Funding info</b> N/A</p>	<p><b>Initial Allocation</b> £5000.00</p>	
<p><b>Project Outline Summary:</b> Purchase of two iPAD NFK200 defibrillators, designed for use by people with minimal training in the event of a cardiac arrest. Easy to use with built-in adult/child button</p>					<p><b>Recommendation:</b> Eligible project recommended for consideration.</p>
<p><b>Evidence of Need</b> We have two 'phone boxes that have been de-commissioned and for the last 7 years we have had defibrillators in them. The machines will soon become obsolete and the replacement pads that are required are no longer readily available. Replacing these is a priority and is beneficial for all who live in the Parish and for others who may be passing through</p> <p><b>Who will Benefit</b> By purchasing two replacement defibrillators the whole community will benefit in case of a cardiac arrest occurring, along with surrounding villages and others who may be travelling through</p> <p><b>Timescales</b> Purchase to be Soon after funding received if granted</p>					<p><b>Officer Comments:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– This project has clear benefits to the community</li> <li>– This application is for £1,500.00 from the small villages shared allocation of £40,000 (a share of max. £5,000) of which £32,538.00 remains There are 13 applications in Round 3 for this allocation totalling £42,867.00, which is £10,329 more than the allocation.</li> <li>– There is another application from this Parish for £3500.00 in this round</li> </ul>
<p><b>Special Terms &amp; Conditions if grant awarded:</b></p>					

<b>Organisation Name</b> Willoughby Waterleys Parish Council	<b>Project Details</b> Purchase of Radar Speed Sign	<b>Amount Requested</b> £3,000.00	<b>Ward Councillor views from:-</b> Cllr. Neil Banister	<b>Parish/Town Allocation Remaining (before any R3 decisions)</b> £5000.00	<b>Which of the 4 Council values does it meet?</b> <b>Promoting health and wellbeing and encouraging healthy life choices</b> This project undoubtedly promotes <b>health and wellbeing and encouraging healthy life choices</b> . The increase in motor vehicles in general means that more effort needs to be acquired in reducing speeding motorists. When cameras are seeing speeds of 60 mph which we have it shows the risk that pedestrians are subjected to. All manner of vehicles speed and in some instances, residents have complained about school bus speeds on village approach roads
<b>Reference Number</b> 7110516	<b>Total Project Cost</b> £3,000.00	<b>Other Funding info</b>	<b>Initial Allocation</b> £5000.00		
<p><b>Project Outline Summary:</b>                  Additional Speed check camera needed to enhance traffic safety. Speed Display: 38cm high (green/amber/red) with "Warning Triangle" (anti-racing function) - Dynamic Message Display: for alert in case of excessive speed.</p> <p><b>Evidence of Need</b>                  Data from the existing camera has highlighted 1000 cars a day pass through the village at varying speeds. Having a single camera necessitated the need to move the camera through rotation of three locations. Traffic data has highlighted the need to monitor dual directional traffic with visible speeds indicated to motorists. Being a one road village for through traffic and having a children's nursery at its centre highlighted the risk to both village pedestrians and children who from the nursery frequently cross the road. A pony a trap charity also function in the village for disabled people so that they may engage in a community-based function. Data from the existing camera was made available to residents to demonstrate the need for an additional camera. An article asking for residents' responses was also placed in the village magazine. All responding residents saw the need for an additional camera.</p> <p><b>Who will Benefit</b>                  All of the community</p>					<p><b>Recommendation:</b>                  Eligible project recommended for consideration.</p> <p><b>Officer Comments:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- This project has clear benefits to the community</li> <li>- This application is for £3000.00 from the small villages original shared allocation of £40,000 (a share of max. £5,000) of which £32,538.00 remains                      There are 13 applications in Round 3 for this allocation totalling £42,867.00</li> </ul>

<b>Timescales</b> Once purchased and delivered camera will be operational immediately as infrastructure already in place	
<b>Special Terms &amp; Conditions if grant awarded:</b> Subject to appropriate permission from LCC Highways	

Organisation Name	Project Details	Amount Requested	Ward Councillor views from:-	Small Parishes Allocation Remaining (before any R3 decisions):	Which of the 4 Council values does it meet?
Illston on the Hill Village Hall	Install new air-sourced heat pump	£2,274	Cllr Scott	£32,538 (up to £5k per parish)	<p><b>Health and Wellbeing</b> The Hall is a natural focus for many recreational and social events in our village. We host regular men’s and women’s keep fit sessions to promote good health. We also organise dancing for the elderly which is an excellent form of aerobic exercise. The Hall has been used by many local businesses for one off meetings.</p> <p><b>Sustainable environment</b> The use of Heat Pumps to heat our Village Hall has massively reduced our carbon footprint. It has become a paradigm for Energy Conservation for other buildings in the Parish and for other Village Halls throughout Leicestershire.</p>
<b>Reference Number</b> 7114777		<b>Total Project Cost</b> £2,274	<b>Other Funding info</b> n/a	<b>Initial Allocation</b> £40,000 across all small parishes	
<b>Project Outline Summary:</b> Installation of new Air Sourced Heat pump unit to Committee Room					<b>Recommendation:</b> Eligible project recommended for consideration.

<p><b>Evidence of Need</b> Hall used extensively by many local organisations (and as Polling station), as the only public building in the Parish. For the comfort and safety of users of the village hall, it needs to be adequately heated. In line with our energy conservation objectives, we have terminated use of an oil-fired boiler in favour of air sourced heat pumps. Users have complained that the Committee room is always cold, as original air sourced heat pump no longer works. The cost of installing a new one is only £100 more than a repair and a new one comes with a 5-year warranty and expected life of 10+ years.</p> <p><b>Who will Benefit</b> Without adequate heating, it would not be possible to hold any form of meeting or election polling during Winter months. The Hall is open to users from all the surrounding Parishes. As it has such excellent facilities, it is widely used by many groups and individuals.</p> <p><b>Timescales</b> Work will take 1 day once funding is received.</p>	<p><b>Officer Comments:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Clear benefits for a wide community</li> <li>– This application is for £2,274 from the small villages original shared allocation of £40,000 (a share of max. £5,000) of which £32,538.00 remains There are 13 applications in Round 3 for this allocation totalling £42,867.00, which is £10,329 more than the allocation.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Special Terms &amp; Conditions if grant awarded:</b> n/a</p>	

Organisation Name	Project Details	Amount Requested	Ward Councillor views from:-	Par-ish/Town Allocation Remaining (before any R3 decisions)	Which of the 4 Council values does it meet?
Hungarton Village Hall	Purchase of 80 replacement chairs	£4,992	Cllr Galton	£32,538 (up to £5k per parish)	<b>Health &amp; Wellbeing/Pride in community</b> The Hall is central to the wellbeing of the parish as a community. It is the place where the community come together for celebrations, functions and the events which are traditional in the marking of the year. The hall provides the facility for neighbours to meet socially, to develop new relationships as the community changes and develops, to conduct the formal business of the parish. That the hall is well maintained and well equipped increases the sense of pride in the place where we live and with which we engage. Used as venue for physical wellbeing through the exercise, yoga and other activities and also the social interactions fostering general wellbeing of the community.

<b>Reference Number</b> 7118008		<b>Total Project Cost</b> £4,992	<b>Other Funding info</b>	<b>Initial Allocation</b> £40,000 across all small parishes	<b>Prosperous local Businesses</b> - we have a number of businesses in the village which operate from within the community. The improvements to the hall/ installation of new facilities will provide opportunities to further develop these. Potential business use of the space was a major element in the response received through the consultation process and making the hall appropriate in this context is very much part of the trustees' agenda.
<p><b>Project Outline Summary:</b>                  Purchase of 80 chairs to replace current shabby/damaged ones, which are 35 years old.</p> <p><b>Evidence of Need</b>                  Old and visibly worn. Specific requests from the community as part of consultation exercise regarding maximising use of the community space included furnishing and decoration. Need to make the hall a more attractive, flexible and usable space to meet the changing needs of the community.</p> <p><b>Who will Benefit</b>                  New chairs must be seen in the context of the wider refurbishment and sustainability of the hall. Chairs will be more comfortable and usable with wider benefit of making hall more flexible and attractive space - widens potential range of opportunities to bring people together to the general well-being of the community. Hall is available to all comers but is principally used by residents of the parish.</p> <p><b>Timescales</b>                  As soon as grant received.</p> <p><b>Special Terms &amp; Conditions if grant awarded:</b> n/a</p>					<p><b>Recommendation:</b>                  Eligible project recommended for consideration.</p> <p><b>Officer Comments:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Clear benefits for a wide community</li> <li>- This application is for £4,992 from the small villages original shared allocation of £40,000 (a share of max. £5,000) of which £32,538.00 remains There are 13 applications in Round 3 for this allocation totalling £42,867.00, which is £10,329 more than the allocation.</li> </ul>

<b>Organisation Name</b>  <b>Peatling Parva Village Hall</b>	<b>Project Details</b>  Installation of solar panels	<b>Amount Requested</b> <b>£4,400</b>	<b>Ward Councillor views from:-</b>  Cllr Bannister	<b>Parish/Town Allocation Remaining (before any R3 decisions)</b> <b>£32,538 (up to £5k per parish)</b>	<b>Which of the 4 Council values does it meet?</b>  <b>Pride in our place</b> - Our project will enhance the already strong sense of pride in our village in that we could operate our village hall in a sustainable manner using green energy sources and by being able to welcome residents of other local villages to a warm friendly venue.  <b>Creating a sustainable environment to protect future generations</b> - This is at the heart of our project with it being built on a sustainable source of heat and lighting, reducing the village hall carbon footprint towards a zero-carbon facility.  <b>Promoting Health &amp; Wellbeing</b> - Hall is well used for fitness and wellbeing, with good participation for dance and Pilates groups with some participants using the session to aid post operative recovery. The hall is also used by the Women’s Institute, a whist club, walking groups, running clubs, sheep breeders’ workshop, church events including the harvest festival auction and supper, Christmas lights on event and supper and also a monthly pop up pub, which from a well-being point of view allows those in the village and the rural farming community in the surrounding area a rare opportunity to meet up.
<b>Reference Number</b>  <b>7093315</b>		<b>Total Project Cost</b> <b>£16,000</b>	<b>Other Funding info:</b>  £10,000 requested from Environmental Grant; £1,500 secured from Cox Automotive	<b>Initial Allocation</b> <b>£40k across all small parishes</b>	
<b>Project Outline Summary:</b> Installation of solar panels on rear roof and a battery to allow 24/7 supply of green energy, providing lighting and heating to the hall.  <b>Evidence of Need</b> Hall has responsibility to ensure running costs covered and to maintain a fund for repair/maintenance. Need to charge a fee to current users to do this, denying chance to offer free access to the facilities for benefit of wider local community. By far the biggest expenditure is heating/lighting - annual bill now over £1,200. This project to make hall energy self-sufficient would enable more free access to be possible and move hall towards a zero-carbon footprint.					<b>Recommendation:</b> Eligible project recommended for consideration.  <b>Officer Comments:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Clear benefits for a wide community</li> <li>– This application is for £4,400 from the small villages original shared allocation of £40,000 (a share of max. £5,000) of which £32,538.00 remains There are 13 applications in Round 3 for this allocation totalling £42,867.00, which is £10,329 more than the allocation.</li> </ul>

<p><b>Who will Benefit</b>                  The wider village/surrounding villages by increasing demographic diversity of those using the village hall through community events (e.g. tea/coffee mornings, children’s and youth clubs, warm space for elderly residents and/or those struggling to pay heating bills etc.) which appeal to all age groups, rather than narrow demographic focus of the existing bookings for the hall. Additionally, making these new community events mainly free (or at very small nominal charge) for all individuals would encourage greater social engagement within the parish/nearby villages.</p>					
<p><b>Timescales</b>                  Completed October 2025</p>					
<p><b>Special Terms &amp; Conditions if grant awarded:</b> Subject to project being fully-funded i.e. if Environmental Grant is also approved.</p>					
<p><b>Organisation Name</b>                   Saddington Parish Meeting</p>	<p><b>Project Details</b>                   20mph road markings in the village</p>	<p><b>Amount Requested</b>                   £1,560</p>	<p><b>Ward Councillor views from:-</b>                   Cllr Bilbie</p>	<p><b>Parish/Town Allocation Remaining (before any R3 decisions)</b>                   £32,538 (up to £5k per parish)</p>	<p><b>Which of the 4 Council values does it meet?</b>   <b>Health &amp; Safety</b>                  Reducing the speed of traffic creates a safer and calmer environment for residents and visitors. A village wide 20mph zone has been implemented, and is observed by most drivers, but there is a minority of through traffic motorists driving at higher speeds, which may be due to failing to recognise the 20mph zone, as these are not that common.   <b>Creating a sustainable environment to protect future generations</b>                  Ensuring that traffic through the village conforms to the 20mph speed limit reduces fuel consumption and vehicle emissions. Hybrid vehicles will use electric power at 20mphs speeds which improves the local environment.</p>
<p><b>Reference Number</b>                  7113773</p>		<p><b>Total Project Cost</b>                  £1,560</p>	<p><b>Other Funding info</b></p>	<p><b>Initial Allocation</b>                  £40k across all small parishes</p>	
<p><b>Project Outline Summary:</b></p>					<p><b>Recommendation:</b></p>

<p>Installation of 7 road markings to improve awareness of vehicle drivers to the 20-mph speed limit through the village. Markings at the following locations: Smeeton Road – 1x 20mph roundel adjacent to 20mph terminal sign and a pair of 20mph roundels in direction of travel, adjacent to 20mph repeater sign (3 roundels in total). Main Street – a pair of 20mph roundels in the direction of travel adjacent to the 20mph repeater sign (2 roundels in total). Weir Road – a pair of 20mph roundels in the direction of travel adjacent to the 20mph repeater sign (2 roundels in total).</p> <p><b>Evidence of Need</b> Volume and speed of traffic passing through Saddington increases every year, above the 20mph limit. Rural village, many concealed entrances to homes and farms which are difficult to exit by the residents, particularly when traffic is moving quickly, or when visibility is poor. Two stables, and livery yards, with many horses exercising on the roads. Horse-riding lessons take place, where toddlers and children are seen riding on the roads, many cyclists, runners, dog walkers and ramblers use the village to exercise. We are lucky to be home to parts of the Leicestershire round and cycle routes. Parts of Saddington have no pavements/very narrow pavements, narrow pinch points and bends where vehicles travel in both directions, but do not slow down to allow room for each other to pass.</p> <p><b>Who will Benefit</b> The whole community. There have been accidents involving cars, property and near misses.</p> <p><b>Timescales</b> LCC have agreed to this. Timing depends on them, but estimated no more than 6 mths from grant receipt.</p>	<p>Eligible project recommended for consideration.</p> <p><b>Officer Comments:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Clear benefits for a wide community</li> <li>– This application is for £1,560 from the small villages original shared allocation of £40,000 (a share of max. £5,000) of which £32,538.00 remains. There are 13 applications in Round 3 for this allocation totalling £42,867.00, which is £10,329 more than the allocation.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Special Terms &amp; Conditions if grant awarded:</b> n/a</p>	

<b>Organisation Name</b>  <b>Burton Overy Parish Council</b>	<b>Project Details</b>  Provision of a mains electricity supply to Banks Field	<b>Amount Requested</b> <b>£5,000</b>	<b>Ward Councillor views from:-</b>  Cllrs Scott & Mahal	<b>Parish/Town Allocation Remaining (before any R3 decisions)</b>  £32,538 (up to £5k per parish)	<b>Which of the 4 Council values does it meet?</b>  <b>Community Leadership</b> - The facility will help maintain Burton Overy as a vibrant, cohesive community. It will immediately lend support to the Village Christmas Tree Festival - a key event in the calendar of the village. In the longer term the organising, promoting and managing of whole-village events will provide opportunities for villagers to develop their leadership skills and/or to become active in volunteering, supporting and staffing such events. This will build bonds and relationships, help build community cohesion and resilience and assist in combating isolation and loneliness.  The enhanced sense of community that the facility can foster will contribute greatly to promoting <b>health and well-being</b> . The future potential uses (e.g. summer fete, flower and produce show, hog-roast) will also provide economic opportunities for both established and start-up business ventures to help deliver a prosperous local economy.
<b>Reference Number</b> <b>7113870</b>		<b>Total Project Cost</b> <b>£5,814</b>	<b>Other Funding info</b>  PC reserves £814	<b>Initial Allocation</b> <b>£40k across all small Parishes</b>	
<b>Project Outline Summary:</b> Provision of mains electricity supply to Banks Field, a fenced open green space occupying a central location in the village of Burton Overy.					<b>Recommendation:</b> Eligible project recommended for consideration.
<b>Evidence of Need</b> Annual Xmas Tree Festival is major event in village calendar, involving participation of many villagers, local households and numerous visitors. Centred on the Church and Village Hall; to reach these, visitors need to pass by Banks Field which has a Xmas Tree greatly appreciated by all, as it adds significantly to the general festive ambiance of the village. In recent newsletter, the P.C. explained desirability of mains electricity supply near Banks Field to greatly enhance illumination of the tree, given that battery-powered lighting has obvious limitations and has been the butt of light-hearted but regular criticism. Informal poll of village opinion, with 43 and 95% in favour of the power sup-					<b>Officer Comments:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Clear benefits for a wide community</li> <li>- This application is for £5,000 from the small villages original shared allocation of £40,000 (a share of max. £5,000) of which £32,538.00 remains There are 13 applications in Round 3 for this allocation totalling £42,867.00, which is £10,329 more than the allocation.</li> </ul>

<p>ply initiative. Longer term, power supply will facilitate range of community events, particularly those associated with occasions of national celebration and/or commemoration e.g. village fete, hog roasts, barbeques, flower and produce shows and even open-air concerts.</p> <p><b>Who will Benefit</b> Village residents/people from surrounding villages. It will also enable additional seasonal/topical events, open to all- currently the village does not have the capacity to stage such events on a "whole-village" basis.</p> <p><b>Timescales</b> By October 2025</p> <p><b>Special Terms &amp; Conditions if grant awarded:</b> n/a</p>					
<b>Organisation Name</b>	<b>Project Details</b>	<b>Amount Requested</b>	<b>Ward Councillor views from:-</b>	<b>Par-ish/Town Allocation Remaining (before any R3 decisions)</b>	<b>Which of the 4 Council values does it meet?</b>
Tur Langton Village Hall	Purchase of wheeled, foldable table tennis table	£499	Cllr King	£32,538	<b>Health and Wellbeing</b>  The group initially was set up as a social event and to give villagers exercise during the dark winter months. This year, the members are keen to play all year round. It has been a great way for newcomers to the village to become part of the community and for people who live on their own in the village to get together with other people locally.
<b>Reference Number</b>		<b>Total Project Cost</b>	<b>Other Funding info</b>	<b>Initial Allocation</b>	
7120038		£499	n/a	£40k across all small Parishes	
<b>Project Outline Summary:</b>					<b>Recommendation:</b> Eligible project recommended for consideration.

<p>Purchase of wheeled, foldable table tennis table for local table tennis group who meet once a week/fortnightly in the Tur Langton Village Hall.</p> <p><b>Evidence of Need</b> A group of villagers have been running a table tennis drop-in session in the Village Hall since January 2022, when a table tennis table was donated. The intention of the group was to create a regular, fortnightly social event for villagers to do something healthy during the dark winter evenings. Participants range from age 10 – 70+. To allow for more players, the group collectively bought a 2nd hand table. The original donated table has now fallen apart. The group is now back to just one table. As the group expanded from 6 to 12 regular attendees, purchasing this further table will allow more people to play. The group have also decided this year to continue throughout the summer period and make it an all-year round year club.</p> <p><b>Who will Benefit</b> Additional table will allow further 4 people to play simultaneously. It will allow for wider range in abilities to be able to play, with children and less mobile players also having an opportunity to join in. Easier for those less able to move heavy things as it is a more mobile table with better wheels, allowing for easier movement in and out of storage cupboard.</p> <p><b>Timescales</b> As soon as grant money awarded.</p> <p><b>Special Terms &amp; Conditions if grant awarded:</b> n/a</p>	<p><b>Officer Comments:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Clear benefits for a wide community</li> <li>– This application is for £499 from the small villages original shared allocation of £40,000 (a share of max. £5,000) of which £32,538.00 remains</li> <li>– There are 13 applications in Round 3 for this allocation totalling £42,867.00, which is £10,329 more than the allocation.</li> </ul>

Organisation Name	Project Details	Amount Requested	Ward Councillor views from:-	Town Allocation Remaining (before any R3 decisions):	Which of the 4 Council values does it meet?
Harborough Town Community Trust	New, enhanced PA system  Electric Scoreboard	AV system - £7,929  Scoreboard - £14,640	CLlr Knowles	£133,224	Health and wellbeing - Provision of football facilities across ages from 4 – 80 years old promotes both physical health and mental wellbeing, providing fun exercise and

<b>(Football Club)</b>					camaraderie through building friendships within our teams. We welcome local charities to our facility, and provide room hire to local charities free of charge.
<b>Reference Number</b>		<b>Total Project Cost</b> AV system - £7,929	<b>Other Funding info</b> n/a	<b>Initial Allocation:</b> £150,000	<b>Supporting businesses to deliver a prosperous local economy:</b> A commitment of our trustees is always to try to use local businesses when enhancing our facility or completing repairs and maintenance. Additionally, we partner with local businesses with our Coaches benefit Package, where we encourage all our volunteer coaches to use local businesses, and the local business in return provide them with small discounts as a way of thanking volunteers.
7117841		Scoreboard - £14,640			<b>Pride in our community:</b> – With better PA system/scoreboard, having risen to step 3 of the football pyramid, the highest level of football ever achieved in Market Harborough, we would love to provide a fantastic match day experience for all teams that use the facility, putting Market Harborough firmly on the map.
<b>Project Outline Summary:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Installation of new, enhanced PA system better suited for the large crowds who now attend</li> <li>2. Electronic scoreboard</li> </ol>					<b>Recommendation:</b> Eligible project recommended for consideration.
<b>Evidence of Need</b> <u>PA System</u> - current system very old, often cuts out and can be crackly, preventing supporters from being able to understand information about the game, and understand safety instructions. The PA system is used for all first team matches, matches played on the main pitch by the local community who hire the pitch, and for local charity organisers who hire the pitch for tournament finals etc. Complaints from away teams and all supporters about the quality of current system. Main concern is around safety which, while relevant to all, can be even more relevant to disabled supporters. Communication with crowds would also be needed to ensure we comply with Martyn’s Law [implementation of counter-terrorism measures] in due course.  <u>Electronic Score board</u> - Comments from supporters asking if this is something the club can provide, as they have noticed these at the away grounds of the teams within our league. For the most part this is an event experience enhancement, encouraging supporters from the local community to attend and have a great day. It does also help those who are hard of hearing, deaf or those with learning difficulties, as they will be					<b>Officer Comments:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– The project has clear benefits to the community.</li> <li>– The request is for £22,569 out of a remaining allocation of £133,224</li> <li>– The 4 applications being presented for R3 total £56,301, leaving £77,066 if all are awarded.</li> </ul>

<p>able to see the score easily to keep up with the game. Score board can also be used to advertise or inform supporters of other matters, including safety.</p> <p><b>Who will Benefit</b>                  All users of the facilities. Alone, our first team supporters have grown to an average of 550 per match (three seasons ago it was an average of 220), with peaks of 1800! This is something that we feel needs to be replaced urgently. Additionally, we have noted that competing at this level, other teams have a much better media offering, i.e. with a media pack in the media area of their stands. We would love to be able the replicate this offering to all our visiting teams alongside our own media team. We do want to show Harborough Town as a professional / serious team at this level of football.</p> <p><b>Timescales</b>                  Quick installation not taking more than one week.</p> <p><b>Special Terms &amp; Conditions if grant awarded:</b> n/a</p>	

Organisation Name	Project Details	Amount Requested	Ward Councillor views from:-	Town Allocation Remaining (before any R3 decisions)	Which of the 4 Council values does it meet?
<p><b>Market Harborough Drama Society (Theatre)</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- LED windows</li> <li>- Window decals/signs</li> <li>- Store room floor</li> <li>- Digital window screen</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- LED windows - £2,550</li> <li>Window decals/signs – £1,754</li> <li>- Storeroom floor - £2,933</li> <li>- Digital window screen - £3,593</li> </ul>	<p>Cllr Anderson</p>	<p>£133,224</p>	<p><b>Health &amp; Well-being/Pride in our area:</b>                  The Council has invested in the Cultural Quarter to bring a sense of pride to the town and as an important part of this quarter, we believe our project will positively support the ambitions of HDC.</p> <p>We believe the arts and culture can significantly contribute to health and wellbeing, for both audiences watching productions and volunteers benefitting from social interaction whilst contributing to the community. The storeroom works will improve the safety of our many volunteers, and visitors to the theatre on open days when the public are allowed access to all areas.</p>

Reference Number		Total Project Cost	Other Fund- ing info	Initial Allocation	
7119395					
7119323		£10,830		£150,000	
7118523			n/a		
7118505					
<b>Project Outline Summary:</b>					<b>Recommendation:</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Purchase/installation of LED lit window displays (similar to those used by many estate agents in the town).</li> <li>- New decals to the public-facing windows and doors and also decals in the up-stairs public facing windows.</li> <li>- Improvement to the safety and accessibility of the sound and lighting store room.</li> <li>- Purchase and fixing of a 43" ultra-bright digital screen in the outward-facing window of the theatre.</li> </ul>					Eligible project recommended for consideration.
<b>Evidence of Need</b>					<b>Officer Comments:</b>
<p>The Theatre is a pivotal part of the cultural quarter, so there is a need for a professional, outward-facing window to make an impact in the town. The static displays will allow more people to see what the theatre/cinema offer. The digital display will allow theatre to promote a wider range of activities happening within the area efficiently and could potentially be used by other users of the theatre and the Cultural Quarter in general.</p> <p>Need identified through feedback given by patrons/visitors commenting that the window displays and building signage do not accurately reflect the professionalism of our productions.</p> <p>The new decals will be more eye-catching and could reach more audience members and potential volunteers which are essential to the running of the theatre.</p> <p>Having purchased new lighting in 2024 to enhance the production of our plays and reduce our energy consumption, the storage facility is now essential. The need for the work to the floor was highlighted in our latest Health and Safety review.</p>					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The project has clear benefits to the community</li> <li>- The request is for £10,830 out of a remaining allocation of £133,224</li> <li>- The 4 applications being presented for R3 total £56,301</li> </ul>

<p><b>Who will Benefit</b></p> <p>The new window displays and signs will be more eye catching and could reach more audience members and potential volunteers which are essential to the running of the theatre. This has the potential to benefit all Harborough residents and visitors to the Cultural Quarter.</p> <p>Storeroom floor - will improve safety of the many volunteers and visitors to the theatre on open days, when the public are allowed access to all areas</p> <p><b>Timescales</b> All elements can be completed by end August 2025.</p>	
<p><b>Special Terms &amp; Conditions if grant awarded:</b> n/a</p>	

Organisation Name	Project Details	Amount Requested	Ward Councillor views from:-	Town Allocation Remaining (before any R3 decisions)	Which of the 4 Council values does it meet?
Voluntary Action South Leicestershire (VASL)	Purchase of partitioning, chairs and table for new premises	£10,212	Cllr Woodiwiss	£133,224	<b>Promote health &amp; well-being:</b> Will create flexible spaces for confidential conversations, crucial for advice and signposting services. • Provide dedicated areas for volunteer support, training and social connection, helping build a strong, well-supported volunteer network. • Enable members of the community to drop in, meet staff and project managers and explore the support available through VASL.
Reference Number 7120067		<b>Total Project Cost</b> £10,212		<b>Other Funding info</b>  n/a	<b>Initial Allocation</b> £150,000
<b>Project Outline Summary:</b> About to move to High St location. Partitioning to create community hub with private areas, 4 chairs and coffee table for use by volunteers/visitors					<b>Recommendation:</b> Eligible project recommended for consideration.
					<b>Officer Comments:</b>

<p><b>Evidence of Need</b>                  • Need to create flexible spaces for confidential conversations, crucial for advice and signposting services. • Provide dedicated areas for volunteer support, training and social connection, helping build a strong, well-supported volunteer network. • Enable members of the community to drop in, meet staff and project managers and explore the support available through VASL. • Host small meetings and informal chats in a welcoming and professional environment. • Maintain a sense of openness while ensuring that personal and sensitive topics can be discussed in private.</p> <p><b>Who will Benefit</b>                  Volunteers, staff, and any Harborough District resident over the age of 18 who requires the help of our services or information of other services available</p> <p><b>Timescales</b>                  As soon as funding received.</p> <p><b>Special Terms &amp; Conditions if grant awarded:</b> n/a</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– The project has clear benefits to the community</li> <li>– The request is for £10,212 out of a remaining allocation of £133,224</li> <li>– The 4 applications being presented for R3 total £56,301</li> </ul>

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Home-Start South Leicestershire	Replacement desktop and laptop Computers. Purchase and installation of one infrared ceiling mounted heater and three instant water heaters.	£12,690.00	Cllr Woodiwiss	£133,224	<p><b>Our projects are all about promoting health and wellbeing and encouraging healthy life choices.</b> The support that Home-Start provides Helps parents to build a healthier and happier lifestyle for all the family - building confidence, skills and resilience, and giving children an equal as opportunity as their more advantaged peers to thrive. We do this through three projects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Family Know-How Project – supporting families to maintain healthy lifestyles and reduce family stress resulting from a range of circumstances including physical and mental ill health, disability, lack of parenting skills and confidence, poverty and inadequate housing.</li> <li>- Family Post Natal Illness Project – Offering family support to those affected by post-natal illness, where one or more parents are experiencing symptoms, or have a diagnosis of, Post Natal Illness.</li> </ul>
Reference Number 7114251		<b>Total Project Cost</b> £12,690.00	<b>Other Funding info</b> N/A	<b>Initial Allocation</b> £150,000	

					<p>- The Playful Families Project – Providing therapeutic support through play to families with children who have experienced trauma or difficult circumstances in their life.</p> <p>The funding for the purchase and installation of the heaters will help us move closer towards the completion of our Environmental strategy with the aim of reducing our carbon footprint and helping to create a sustainable environment to protect future generations.</p>
<p><b>Project Outline Summary:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Replacement desktop and laptop computers as current equipment is not compatible with the latest version of Windows and have age related problems with performance. This comprises five laptops, and eight desktop computers.</li> <li>- Purchase and installation of one infrared ceiling mounted heater in our family annexe and three instant water heaters for the kitchen and the two WC areas in the building.</li> </ul>					<p><b>Recommendation:</b></p> <p>Eligible project recommended for consideration.</p>
<p><b>Evidence of Need</b></p> <p>The computers are essential in the day to day running of the charity and its projects. They are used by all members of staff to complete tasks such as maintaining and updating the client database with information about family needs and the support that they are receiving, monitoring and evaluating family outcomes, volunteer recruitment and training, writing reports for funders, meeting safeguarding requirements, completing fundraising applications, producing newsletters, updating social media, producing publicity materials, bookkeeping and accounting tasks, and day to day administration and communication. Aligns with Environmental policy aims of being a 'paperless' organisation wherever possible.</p> <p><b>Who will Benefit</b></p> <p>The project will make a difference to the community of Market Harborough and the wider area of the Harborough district. On average 150 families each year are supported, through three projects, which aim to strengthen the family unit by focusing on different areas of need.</p> <p><b>Timescales</b> Within 6 months of grant if awarded.</p>					<p><b>Officer Comments:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- This project has clear benefits to the community</li> <li>- Uses the services of district-based businesses to support our local economy.</li> <li>- This application is for £12,690.00 from the Harborough Town remaining allocation of £133,224.</li> <li>- The 4 applications being presented for R3 total £56,301</li> </ul>

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