

Combined Member Grants 2022-23

Overall Summary

537 grants were awarded in 2022/23, the total amount of funding awarded was £711,711.25

Excluding Highways Grants, during this period 206 grants were awarded to previous recipients of a Combined Member Grant and 292 new recipients were reached:

- Charities – 166
- Church / Faith Groups – 33
- Community Groups – 70
- KCC Services - 5
- Kent Highways – 39
- Not for Profit – 39
- District, Parish and Town Councils – 97
- Schools – 56
- Sports Organisations – 32



A range of projects and initiatives were funded and are categorised as follows:

- adult social care initiatives - £3,800
- assistive equipment and technology projects - £724
- business support services - £4,020
- community development projects - £181,922.09
- community safety initiatives - £7,500
- culture and heritage initiatives - £146,290.19
- early years projects - £2,873.97
- environmental, highway and routine maintenance initiatives - £9,300
- family support services projects - £5,020.28
- mental health support projects - £1,729
- open spaces projects - £75,820.49
- primary school projects – £39,002.82
- public health initiatives - £22,170.08
- public transport operator initiatives - £2,500
- secondary school projects - £2,270
- sport and recreation projects - £118,543.39
- streetlighting projects - £8,095.08
- traffic management and road safety projects - £77,508.58
- winter services preparations - £2,621.28

## Ashford – Member Grant Funding Breakdown of Spend

In total 54 grants were awarded for the 2022/23 period by Ashford Members. Of which:

- 13 grants were awarded to charities
- 3 grants were awarded to church / faith groups
- 7 grants were awarded to community groups
- 3 grants were awarded to not-for-profit organisations
- 19 grants were awarded to District, Parish or Town Councils
- 3 grants were awarded to schools
- 3 grants were awarded to sports organisations
- 3 grants were awarded to Kent Highways

With the exclusion of Kent Highways, 19 Grants were awarded to organisations that had been supported in the past 3 years, with the remaining 32 organisations new recipients of a Combined Member Grant.

Ashford Member's Annual Member Grant Spend and roll forward figure for 2023/24 period:

- **Paul Bartlett – Ashford Central**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £10,000 with a £0 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Clair Bell – Ashford Rural East**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £16,233 with a £1,317 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Steve Campkin – Ashford East**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £11,780 with a £8,220 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Mike Hill, OBE – Tenterden**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £12,967 with a £719.50 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **David Robey – Ashford Rural South**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £7,249.73 with a £2,750.27 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Dirk Ross – Ashford South**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £0 with a £20,000 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Charlie Simkins – Ashford Rural West**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £12,274.20 with a £4,725.80 roll forward figure for 2023/24*

Total Ashford Member Spend for 2022/23 - £70,503.93

- £14,272 for community development initiatives
- £18,595 for culture & heritage initiatives
- £10,100 for open spaces projects
- £1,701 for primary school projects
- £2,774.20 for public health initiatives
- £4,718 for sport and recreation projects
- £18,004.73 for traffic management and road safety projects
- £339 for winter services preparations

## COMMUNITY MEMBER GRANTS

Clair Bell

### **Molash Village Hall (22-AS-2)**

#### **Ceiling Repair**

**£2000**

The village hall, built in 1932, provides a safe, warm space for residents to gather for social occasions and provides an after-school club that offers structured play, warm food and a safe place to be. The grant was used to contribute toward the costs of supplying and fitting ceiling boards in the main hall including associated timberwork.

### **Mersham Parish Council (22-AS-8)**

#### **Mersham Jubilee Celebration**

**£305**

The project provided a celebration of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee in the village of Mersham, which has a strong sense of identity and pride in its community, along with a strong tradition of village events which encourage participation and strengthen the community. The grant was used to purchase materials for the celebration, including bunting, banners and flags.

### **Chilham Parish Council (22-AS-9)**

#### **Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebration**

**£2000**

The project provided a celebration of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee with a street party for the parish, which consists of the villages of Chilham, Old Wives Lees and Shottenden. The event provided an opportunity to bring the three villages together and build community. The grant was used for an interactive theatre, stage, lighting/sound rental and hiring of live bands.

### **Mersham Parish Council (22-AS-11)**

#### **Highways Improvements**

**£2000**

This project provided the residents of Mersham with a 30mph sign which extends to the built-up areas of the parish. The project also provided safer access to the Sports Ground and to Church Road/Bower Road. The grant contributed towards the costs of the 30mph extension, gateway, signage and lining.

### **Godmersham & Crundale Village Hall (22-AS-15)**

#### **Jubilee Celebration BBQ & Film Night**

**£450**

The project provided a celebration of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee with a Jubilee film night and BBQ, offering a community event where villagers could come together, enjoy each other's company and celebrate this historic event. The grant was used to hire a mobile cinema company and to contribute to the provision of refreshments at the event.

### **Crundale Parish Council (22-AS-18)**

#### **Jubilee and Fair**

**£400**

The project provided a parish celebration and fair for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, helping to mark a once in a lifetime event. The grant was used to contribute towards the costs of a children's entertainer and magician, thirty jubilee mugs for children under 18 years of age and for Ashford Youth Band to perform at the event.

**Brabourne Parish Council (22-AS-22)**

**Allotment Track Improvements**

**£2000**

The project provided funding to improve access to the community allotment. The allotments provide an opportunity for residents to safely undertake gardening and experience the wellbeing that kitchen gardening is understood to provide.

**LED by the Wild CIC (22-AS-26)**

**Showing the Way: Our Woodlands Walk Signage Project**

**£1500**

The grant was used to contribute to the costs of interactive signs to describe the flora and fauna for visitors to enjoy and engage with, as well as to show the way. An example of the signage included a sign in the bee garden to help identify the bees and show how to protect and support them.

**Brook Parish Council (22-AS-29)**

**Defibrillator**

**£1000**

The grant provided a contribution towards a defibrillator and cabinet for the benefit of the community and anyone visiting the area.

**Dads Unlimited (22-AS-36) Multi-District Award**

**Promotional Materials**

**£1000 (£3,050 total)**

Dads Unlimited is a charity supporting male victims of domestic abuse, males at risk of harm or with poor mental health. They support separated fathers, males experiencing family breakdown or males unable to gain meaningful contact with their children. The grant was used to contribute to production costs for promotional materials to raise awareness of their services and to help reach more people in need.

**Step Out Community Outdoor Learning, Training & Therapy CIC (22-AS-37)**

**Funded Holiday Club Positions for disadvantaged children**

**£400**

This organisation offers holiday clubs, focusing on the Forest School ethos during term breaks for primary aged children. The grant provided funded places to disadvantaged children in the area, who would not have been able to attend otherwise.

**Brook Community Primary School (22-AS-38)**

**The Police Community Clubs of Great Britain – Barney & Echo, Caught in the Web Project**

**£390**

This project is aimed at children transitioning to secondary school and aims to promote discussion between children, their peers, teachers, parents and the wider community, on internet safety. It includes a look at the possible dangers of using the internet, including online bullying, time spent online, gaming and social media. The grant assisted with the costs of providing books and resources.

**Aldington & Bonnington Parish Council (22-AS-50)**

**Aldington Meadows Refurbishment**

**£1000**

Aldington Meadows was built approximately eleven years ago and has a small play area for under eights. A need was identified for a multi-use games area to be open and free for all to use and the grant contributed towards the costs of cables for a new zip wire in the area.

**Chilham Parish Council (22-AS-52)**  
**King Charles III Coronation Celebration**  
**£1000**

The parish council applied for funds for a street party for the villages of Chilham, Old Wives Lees and Shottenden to offer residents the opportunity to celebrate the Coronation of King Charles as a community. The grant contributed towards the costs of an interactive theatre, stage, lighting/sound rental and hiring of live bands.

**Aldington Tennis Club (22-AS-53)**  
**Junior Training Pilot**  
**£788**

The pilot programme focussed on improving the opportunities for local children by helping to develop an interest in tennis and develop their skills in the sport. The grant contributed towards the costs of coaching and the hire of the hall for the project.

Steve Campkin

**Willesborough Baptist Church (22-AS-20)**  
**Community Hub Renovation**  
**£500**

Willesborough Baptist Church wished to renovate and develop an old hall to provide a community facility for a range of activities, including a parents and toddler group, a youth group and a winter night shelter. The project included the installation of a false ceiling to improve insulation and lighting, and a new floor to replace the old dirty and worn-out carpet, along with new bifold doors to allow the room to be partitioned. The grant contributed to the costs of the new flooring.

**Ashford Invicta Singers (22-AS-25)**  
**The Singers Forward Project**  
**£500**

This project is to support the future of the choir, who are self-funded and perform concerts solely to raise funds for charities. Over its 25-year history, the choir has donated over £100,000 to charity. The grant contributed towards the costs of new sheet music to allow the choir to continue to perform charity concerts in the Ashford area.

**South Willesborough & Newton Community Council (22-AS-31)**  
**Gas House Fields Allotments – Disabled Access**  
**£1600**

The project at Gas House Fields is a living workshop allotment, teaching skills and providing produce for the local foodbank. It is a community allotment with a shed and tools so all can access and benefit from working with others. The grant contributed towards providing all-weather, year-round, disabled access pathways and disabled access parking.

**Willesborough Baptist Church (22-AS-34)**  
**Community Fridge**  
**£1000**

The Community Fridge is a partnership project working with people and communities to stay connected, share food and reduce food waste. It aims to provide a warm and inviting space, free food and Wi-Fi for those who need it and links with other food banks in the area. The grant contributed to the set-up costs of the project, including the purchase of a fridge.

### **East Stour Primary School (22-AS-39)**

#### **The Police Community Clubs of Great Britain – Barney & Echo, Caught in the Web Project**

**£780**

This project is aimed at children transitioning to secondary school and promotes discussion between children, their peers, teachers and parents on internet safety. It looks at the possible dangers of the internet, including online bullying and social media. The grant assisted with the costs of providing books and resources.

### **Ashford United Football Club U11 Disability Team (22-AS-41)**

#### **Knockhatch Adventure**

**£1000**

The U11 Disability Team provided a trip for team members to visit Knockhatch Adventure Park as an additional opportunity to socialise with the other members and to access the activities. The trip included carer support and transport for members of the team. The grant contributed towards the cost of entry to the adventure park and coach hire.

### **Willesborough WI Hall Trustees (22-AS-44)**

#### **Disabled Access**

**£2000**

The hall is used by many community groups that deliver services to the local community, including older and vulnerable residents and households in financial crisis or in food and fuel poverty. The hall has no car park or street parking, and the project created two disabled car parking spaces. The grant contributed to the costs of permeable hard landscaping and soft landscaping of the parking area.

### **Indians in Ashford (22-AS-48)**

#### **Holi '2023**

**£2550**

Holi is an ancient Hindu festival which has been celebrated for over 3000 years. The festival teaches that everyone is equal, and it is an opportunity for whole communities to come together and celebrate. The grant contributed to the costs of venue hire, provision of a DJ, decoration, marketing and colour powder packets.

### **Willesborough Meeting Point (22-AS-49)**

#### **Coronation Lunch**

**£350**

Willesborough Meeting Point is a weekly meeting group for retired members of the community, offering a warm meeting place to enjoy the company of others, a cup of coffee or tea and biscuits. Activities include bingo, quizzes and a raffle. The project was to organise a lunch to celebrate the Coronation of the King and mark this historic occasion. The grant contributed to the costs of refreshments for the lunch.

### **Biddenden Strummers Ukulele Group (22-AS-51)**

#### **Amplification**

**£500**

The Group offers residents the opportunity to get together to sing and learn to play the ukulele. The club also perform in care homes, for dementia groups, over 60s clubs and at other local events, providing song sheets for the audience and basic percussion instruments. The project provided the amplification equipment needed to be able to perform outside or in large venues. The grant contributed towards the cost of purchasing equipment, including amplifiers and microphones.

### **Ashford Salvation Army (22-AS-54)**

#### **Community Relief**

**£1000**

This established food bank has seen a marked increase in demand from the community and has also faced increased costs for stocking the foodbank and providing refreshments. The project was to seek additional funds to allow the foodbank to continue to operate. The grant contributed to restocking the foodbank and providing a hot lunch for struggling residents.

Mike Hill, OBE



### **Tenterden Town Council (22-AS-3)**

#### **The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations**

**£1000**

Tenterden Town Council staged a celebration of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee over four days by providing a series of events which were open to the public and free to attend. The events included the lighting of the town's beacon, a market showcasing local businesses and producers and a Big Jubilee Lunch with music. The grant contributed to the costs of materials for the events.

### **Smallhythe Parochial Church Council (22-AS-5)**

#### **2022 Flower Festival**

**£200**

St John's Church is the only public building in the village and serves as the centre of the community. The project hosted the biannual flower festival to highlight the work of the church and bring the community together, as well as to celebrate the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the rebuilding of the church after a fire. The grant contributed towards the costs of flowers and other materials for the festival. The amount authorised fell below the grant minimum threshold level but was approved by the Cabinet Member.

### **Tenterden Folk Day Trust/Tenterden Folk Festival (22-AS-7)**

#### **The Wilson Family at Tenterden Folk Festival 2022**

**£1300**

Tenterden Folk Festival is the only music and arts festival in Tenterden and one of the longest running and most popular in Ashford. The audience includes people of all ages and backgrounds and is a mix of local people and visitors, with the music reflecting this. The grant supported the hiring of The Wilson Family, a folk music group singing and performing a cappella folk songs.

### **Tenterden Schools Trust (22-AS-13)**

#### **First Aid Training for Children**

**£531**

The project provided first aid training for all primary schools within the trust to enable children to support their families, their school and their local communities, as well as strengthen their self-confidence and resilience. The grant contributed to the costs of CPR courses and defibrillator use.

### **St Michael's Community Group (22-AS-14)**

#### **Tributes in the Park**

**£500**

The project supported the 'Tributes in the Park' festival, which is a free event that has been running for several years and enables the community to come together and enjoy music from professional tribute acts with family and friends. The grant contributed towards the cost of staging and lighting/sound equipment.

**Tenterden Social Hub (Formerly Tenterden & District Day Centre) (22-AS-19)**  
**Essential Repairs to the Day Centre Building**  
**£3168**

The Social Hub supports older, disabled and vulnerable adults to lead independent lives and avoid isolation. The project repaired the roof of the building, which had been damaged in Storm Eunice. The grant contributed towards the costs of removing the existing damaged roof and installing a new DPM rubber roof covering.

**Wealden Festival Foundation (22-AS-21)**  
**Wealden Literary Festival**  
**£500 (Sharing with David Robey - £500)**

Wealden Literary Festival delivers a wide variety of talks, debates, creative workshops and hands-on outdoor events. It offers residencies for several local artists and writers, and helps develop creative skills and improve literacy, as well as promoting learning and outdoor play. The grant contributed towards the costs of equipment hire for the festival.

**Spirit of Tenterden CIC (22-AS-28)**  
**Spirit of Tenterden 2022 Festival**  
**£2000**

The festival supports and promotes businesses and community organisations in Tenterden as well as providing an enjoyable entertainment for the residents. The grant contributed towards the costs of security for the 3000 people who were expected to attend the event.

**Caring Altogether on Romney Marsh (22-AS-35)**  
**Meeting Points (Tenterden Area)**  
**£500**

This project, already in existence, addresses the needs of older people by providing accessible services in the community to improve health and wellbeing and supporting them in remaining independent. The grant contributed to the costs of running the meeting points and arranging trips and events.

**Kenardington Parish Council (22-AS-42)**  
**VH Refurbishment – Phase 2**  
**£1459**

This project refurbished the Village Hall to improve facilities, accessibility and increase usage. The Village Hall has already benefitted from an extension to the kitchen and floor levelling throughout. The grant contributed to the costs of removing and updating the heating system.

**Stone Community Recreation Group (22-AS-45)**  
**Play and Wildlife Fields**  
**£430**

The project updated the community field to create a place for people of all ages to come together. The project saw the play equipment renewed, the creation of an all-weather path, the building of bug hotels and hosting community days. The grant contributed to the costs of wheel kits for heavy sports equipment.



### **Tenterden & District Museum (22-AS-47)**

#### **The Wild Escape**

**£1040**

This project was designed to connect schools to their local museums and art galleries. It uses the museum's resources to explore the connections between wildlife and the challenges faced in finding the ideal environment for a species to survive. The grant contributed to the costs of the storytelling and arts sessions, including provision of materials for participants.

David Robey

### **Woodchurch Carnival Group (22-AS-1)**

#### **Platinum Jubilee & Village Carnival**

**£1500**

The project staged a fully inclusive carnival to bring the village together. The carnival is planned to take place on a biannual basis, the first taking place in 2022 with future events being self-funded. Equipment purchased for the carnival would be deemed village assets and available for hire by the community to help generate revenue. The grant contributed to the costs of the funfair and children's attractions.

### **Shadoxhurst Speedwatch/Shadoxhurst Parish Council (22-AS-16)**

#### **Speedwatch**

**£1385**

The project is a joint police/resident scheme to help reduce the speed of vehicles using the roads. There was an existing device to record speed, but a new device was needed to be able to read speeds further away, therefore making it safer for the operators. The grant contributed to the costs of the new device.

### **Wealden Festival Foundation (22-AS-21)**

#### **Wealden Literary Festival**

**£500 (Sharing with Mike Hill, OBE - £500)**

Wealden Literary Festival delivers a wide variety of talks, debates, creative workshops and hands-on outdoor events. It offers residencies for several local artists and writers, and helps develop creative skills and improve literacy, as well as promoting learning and outdoor play. The grant contributed towards the costs of equipment hire for the festival.

### **Woodchurch Driving Group (22-AS-23)**

#### **Upgrading equipment in line with group development and meeting increased needs of the disabled drivers**

**£745**

Woodchurch Driving Group provides a carriage driving experience and therapy for disabled adults with a range of physical and learning disabilities. They required additional equipment to support the growth of the group and to help with the smooth running of the weekly driving sessions. The grant provided a range of additional equipment including reins, trickle hay nets and lead ropes.

### **Hamstreet Victory Hall Funds (22-AS-30)**

#### **Patio**

**£1000**

The project improved facilities at the Hamstreet Victory Hall. The grant contributed towards the costs of providing a patio to allow for outdoor seating for the benefit of the community as well as those hiring the hall.

**Ruckinge Parish Council (22-AS-32)**  
**Carter's Field Play Area Refurbishment**  
**£1000**

The project revitalised a neglected play area for the benefit of local families. The local community volunteered to cutback overgrown hedges and cut the grass to make the area more useable. The grant contributed to the costs of purchasing additional play equipment.

**Dads Unlimited (22-AS-36) Multi-District Award**  
**Promotional Materials**  
**£500 (£3,050 Total)**

Dads Unlimited is a charity supporting male victims of domestic abuse, males at risk of harm or with poor mental health. They support separated fathers, males experiencing family breakdown or males unable to gain meaningful contact with their children. The grant was used to contribute to production costs for promotional materials to raise awareness of their services and to help reach more people in need.

**Ruckinge Parish Council (22-AS-43)**  
**Village Hall Refurbishment**  
**£500**

The project refreshed the village hall décor to boost bookings, as well as encourage use by groups and the wider community. The grant contributed to the costs of new blinds, paint and materials to refresh the hall.

Charlie Simkins

**Egerton Parish Council (22-AS-4)**  
**Music Festival**  
**£500**

The festival is held every three years and involves many in the community as performers, volunteers or as attendees. It aims to encourage young people to learn about different kinds of music. The grant contributed to the costs of promoting the festival, including the re-design and development of the festival website.

**Bethersden Cricket Club (22-AS-12)**  
**Grant for a Defibrillator AED**  
**£1774.20**

The project provided a defibrillator for the benefit of the community and anyone visiting the area. The grant was used to contribute towards the costs of purchasing a defibrillator and cabinet, as well as installation costs.

**Pluckley Parish Council (22-AS-17)**  
**Pluckley Tennis Court Resurfacing**  
**£2500**

The project refurbished the tennis court, which had started to break down after more than 20 years of use, leaving loose gravel on the surface of the court, making the courts slippery and unsafe to use. The grant contributed to the costs of resurfacing the court.

**Great Chart with Singleton Parish Council (22-AS-24)****Allotment Security Improvements****£1000**

The project created a more secure site for allotment holders and to ensure only authorised people were able to enter the site. The grant was used to purchase fencing materials and contributed to the cost of installing the fence.

**Little Chart Parish Council (22-AS-27)****20mph in The Street/Highways Improvement****£2000**

The project supported the implementation of a 20-mph zone in The Street to benefit residents and more vulnerable road users. Speed Sensor Data had been obtained and agreement reached for a phased implementation of a '20mph for the Street' improvement scheme. The grant contributed to the costs of a design assessment.

**Egerton Parish Council (22-AS-33)****Extension of Children's Play Area****£2000**

The project improved the facilities at a local play area due to the existing play area being too small and unable to accommodate the number of children using the site during busy times. There is a long-term plan in place to improve the area and the grant contributed towards the initial phase which included the purchase and installation of a new stand-up seesaw.

**Westwell Parish Council (22-AS-40)****Westwell HIP (Highway Improvement Plan) Works****£2500**

This project was to deliver the works stage of a parish highways improvement plan (HIP), after the drawings and consultations were completed. The grant contributed to the costs of these works, which consisted of installing a gateway sign entrance on the most used entrance to the village, new road markings and repeater signs along the 30mph section of Sandyhurst Lane.

## Highways Member Grants

Paul Bartlett

### **Highways (22-KHS-AS-10)**

#### **Bybrook Road 20mph Scheme – Part 2**

**£10,000**

Contribution to scheme construction costs for a 20mph zone scheme with associated signing and roundels for Bybrook Road, The Pasture and adjoining roads. The scheme included a raised table at the site of the existing zebra crossing, and an advisory cycle lane.

Mike Hill, OBE

### **Highways (22-KHS-AS-55)**

#### **St Michael's Salt Bin**

**£339**

The grant provided a salt bin near St Michael and All Angels Church for use by the community during the winter maintenance period.



David Robey

### **Highways (22-KHS-AS-46)**

#### **Magpie Hall Road**

**£119.73**

The grant provided funding to install a new village sign to enhance the entrance to the village and reinforce the change in environment.

## Canterbury – Member Grant Funding Breakdown of Spend

In total 52 grants were awarded for the 2022/23 period by Canterbury Members. Of which:

- 12 grants were awarded to charities
- 3 grants were awarded to church/faith groups
- 4 grants were awarded to community groups
- 6 grants was awarded to not-for-profit organisations
- 10 grants were awarded to District, Parish or Town Councils
- 6 grants were awarded to schools
- 6 grants were awarded to sports organisations
- 5 grants were awarded to Kent Highways

With the exclusion of Kent Highways, 15 Grants were awarded to organisations that had been supported in the past 3 years, with the remaining 32 organisations new recipients of a Combined Member Grant.

Canterbury Member's Annual Member Grant Spend and roll forward figure for 2023/24 period:

- **Neil Baker – Whitstable East & Herne Bay West**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £6,475 with a £13,525 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Alister Brady – Canterbury City North**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £6,910.77 with a £9,089.23 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Mark Dance – Whitstable West**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £0 with a £19,000 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Mel Dawkins – Canterbury City South**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £11,794.88 with a £6,955.12 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Alan Marsh – Herne Village & Sturry**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £11,780 with a £6,570 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Mike Sole – Canterbury South**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £10,803.09 with a £6,002.91 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Robert Thomas – Canterbury North**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £8,580.59 with a £11,419.41 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Dan Watkins – Herne Bay East**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £2,000 with a £16,750 roll forward figure for 2023/24*

Total Canterbury Member Spend for 2022/23 - £58,344.33

- £1,000 for adult social care initiatives
- £9,744.88 for community development projects
- £1,000 for community safety initiatives
- £11,621 for culture & heritage initiatives
- £4,300 for open spaces projects
- £3,319.77 for primary school projects
- £3,000 for public health initiatives
- £2,500 for public transport initiatives
- £11,355.59 for sport and recreation projects
- £10,503.09 for traffic management and road safety projects

## COMMUNITY MEMBER GRANTS

Neil Baker

### **Riverside Church (22-CA-4)**

#### **Hearing Packs (Sharing with Rob Thomas - £475)**

**£475**

The project replaced hearing packs to enable hearing impaired users to fully participate and benefit from the support and services provided at Riverside Church and partner organisations. The grant was used to purchase five hearing packs.

### **Kent Enterprise Trust (22-CA-12)**

#### **IT Equipment for Job Club**

**£3500**

Kent Enterprise Trust provided an Open Access Job Club based at the Neptune Co-Working Hub in Herne Bay to support local unemployed people. The grant contributed to the cost of purchasing laptops and their associated hardware and software.

Alister Brady

### **The Canterbury Society (22-CA-14)**

#### **Bison Mural**

**£450 (Sharing with Rob Thomas - £450)**

The project commissioned a mural on a prominent wall next to the Gulbenkian Arts Centre at the University of Kent by artist Mark Anthony to highlight the biodiversity crisis, along with an information panel to explain its link with the Wilder Blean project. The grant contributed to the artist fees.

### **Royal British Legion (22-CA-21)**

#### **Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebration Concert**

**£300 (Sharing with Rob Thomas - £700)**

The project staged a concert to bring the community and veterans together to celebrate the Jubilee with The Salvation Army Band. The grant contributed to the cost of venue hire, ticket and flyer printing, a donation to The Salvation Army Band and St John Ambulance for first aid cover.

### **312 (City of Canterbury) Squadron Air Cadets (22-CA-23)**

#### **Duke of Edinburgh's Award – Equipment for Skills Attainment**

**£500 (Sharing with Mel Dawkins - £500)**

The project supported the provision of the Duke of Edinburgh Award scheme by providing equipment to offer cadets valuable training for their skills section. The grant contributed to the cost of first aid training materials and archery equipment.

### **Friends of Beverley Meadow (22-CA-24)**

#### **Planting for Biodiversity**

**£500**

Friends of Beverley Meadow wished to protect and enhance Beverley Meadow for the use and benefit of the community both now and in the future. The grant contributed to the costs of secure tool storage and bulbs and plants for the meadow.

**The Canterbury Academy (22-CA-26)**  
**The Canterbury Bike Project Bikeability**  
**£1250**

The project trained two volunteers at the Academy to become qualified cycle instructors to reach more children and offer free classes at weekends for those that wouldn't otherwise be able to learn. The grant contributed to the costs of cycle instructor training and first aid training for the volunteers.

**St Stephens Community Centre (22-CA-27)**  
**Defibrillator**  
**£1000**

St Stephens Community Centre provided a defibrillator for the benefit of the community and anyone visiting the area. The grant was used to contribute towards the costs of purchasing a defibrillator and training for staff.

**St John's Church of England Primary School (22-CA-31)**  
**Nursery Outside Area Development**  
**£514.27**

Funding was sought to improve the outside area and provide defined spaces for learning and play, including enhancing opportunities for outdoor learning, as well as developing a more natural feel to the current area. The grant contributed to the costs of a children's outdoor wooden play den and rustic-style fencing.

**Canterbury Festival and Theatre Trust (22-CA-32)**  
**Beautiful Noise Community Day**  
**£591**

Canterbury Festival and Theatre Trust offered a programme of performances to engage local communities with amateur choirs, youth groups, schools and musicians in venues and outdoor spaces in the city throughout the day. Performances spotlight local performers, community groups and school participants. The grant funded the hire of three venues for the community day.

**Parkside Community Primary School (22-CA-35)**  
**Police Community Clubs – Caught in the Web Project**  
**£305.50**

This project is aimed at children transitioning to secondary school to promote discussion between children, their peers, teachers, parents and the wider community, on internet safety. It includes a look at the possible dangers of using the internet, including online bullying, time spent online, gaming and social media. The grant assisted with the costs of providing participant packs for the children.

**The University of Kent (22-CA-42)**  
**Parkinsons Centre for Integrated Therapy**  
**£1000**

The Parkinson's Centre for Integrated Therapy brings together those living with Parkinson's in Kent and provides a social hub for them and their families to connect. The grant provided mental health therapies.

**St Dunstan's Residents Association (22-CA-46)**  
**Allotment Gardens Project ("The Green")**  
**Purchase & Secure Installation of a Coronation Bench**  
**£500**

The project enhanced and preserved a green space located between Rheims Way and Queens Avenue, by purchasing a three-seat commemorative Coronation Bench to add to the social value of the green. The grant contributed to the purchase and installation of the bench.

Mel Dawkins

**Pilgrims' Way School (22-CA-5)**  
**Whole School Recycling Project**  
**£2000**

The school conducted an in-depth recycling review by the staff steering group and pupil Eco group, and started a project to look at what happens to waste when it leaves the school. The project also helped identify areas for improvement, including the sorting of waste before collection. The grant provided recycling bins.

**The Canterbury Society (22-CA-6)**  
**Bison Mural**  
**£750**

The project commissioned a mural on a prominent wall next to the Gulbenkian Arts Centre at the University of Kent by artist Mark Anthony to highlight endangered species, along with an information panel to explain its link with the Wilder Blean project. The grant contributed to the artist fees.

**Canterbury Baptist Church (22-CA-9)**  
**Community Fridge**  
**£2000**

The Community Fridge service was developed in direct response to increasing food poverty in the area and was offered alongside The Hub Café, which provides a safe, friendly space with access to a range of support services such as mental health, financial help and practical support for the increasing number suffering food poverty. The grant assisted with the purchase of food from Fareshare Kent.

**Canterbury Rugby Football Club (22-CA-10)**  
**Development of the Outdoor Gym**  
**£1950**

Canterbury Rugby Football Club wished to expand their gym provision to include an outdoor gym for additional training space to allow the whole team to train together. The grant funded the installation of new concrete pads and steel framework for climbing ropes and barbell holders.

**Musical Walkabout CIC (22-CA-18)**  
**Music Helps – Canterbury**  
**£494.88**

This was a short run, accessible project piloting an in-person version of Musical Walkabout's Inclusive music, dementia and wellbeing staff training model in the busy Acute Geriatric and Harbledown Wards at Kent and Canterbury Hospital. The grant helped cover the costs of three sessions that looked at the practical benefits of music for wellbeing, explored the challenges, possibilities and resources of a ward environment and designed bespoke music and wellbeing plans with participants.



**312 (City of Canterbury) Squadron Air Cadets (22-CA-23)**

**Duke of Edinburgh's Award – Equipment for skills attainment**

**£500 (Sharing with Alistair Brady - £500)**

The project supported the provision of the Duke of Edinburgh Award scheme by providing equipment to offer cadets valuable training for their skills section. The grant contributed to the cost of first aid training materials and archery equipment.

**Projekt Europa (22-CA-28)**

**Projekt Encounter**

**£1000**

Delivered in partnership with The Marlowe Theatre the grant provided transport, marketing, food and sundries for a 15-week community engagement programme aimed at first generation migrants, refugees and asylum seekers with little or no previous experience of theatre. Grant funding assisted with transport costs and promotional materials.

**Kent & Medway NHS Social Care Partnership Trust Charitable Fund (22-CA-30)**

**Restoration of Webb's Garden, St Martin's Hospital, Canterbury**

**£1000**

This project restored the patio and pagoda area for service users and their families, as well as staff. The grant contributed to the costs of labour, equipment and materials.

**Christopher Marlowe Statue Committee (22-CA-41)**

**Christopher Marlowe Statue**

**£600**

The project arose from a request by the Marlowe Society to erect a statue of Christopher Marlowe, who was born in Canterbury. It would also form part of the intended Blitz Garden, which was part of the City's 'Levelling Up' application. The grant provided print marketing material and the production of updated displays on the sculptor's progress with the statue.

**Canterbury City Council, Spring Lane Neighbourhood Centre (22-CA-44)**

**Community Warm Space**

**£500**

The grant contributed to the costs of refreshments and arts and crafts materials for the centre. This provided a place where the community could come to feel safe and supported, enjoy company with a warm drink and food and take part in activities that create a sense of belonging and promote positive mental wellbeing.

**Canterbury District Watch Limited (22-CA-51)**

**Digital Radio Project**

**£1000**

The grant contributed to the cost of digital radios needed for the Watch. Operated in partnership with Kent Police and Canterbury City Council to provide a safe and non-threatening environment by reducing crime and disorder, the opportunity for crime, and the fear of crime within town and city centres and the surrounding communities.

Alan Marsh

**Holy Cross Church, Hoath (22-CA-3)**

**Replacement of heaters in the nave**

**£800**

The old heaters needed to be replaced as they had reached the end of their life. The grant part funded the purchase of four new heaters for the benefit of the many groups that use the Church, as well as those attending weekly worship.

**Sturry Youth FC (22-CA-7)**

**Funding for new sports shirts/kits**

**£500**

The club provides a sporting, team based, family environment for the young people of the area but the fees currently charged only cover match and official fees. The grant was used to purchase new football kits for the young players.

**Hoath Parish Council (22-CA-15)**

**Platinum Jubilee Celebration**

**£800**

The project staged an inclusive celebration of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, involving several events over the course of the weekend. The grant helped with the costs of hiring facilities, including marquees, along with the provision of refreshments and entertainment.

**Deal Memorial Bandstand Trust (22-CA-16) Multi-District Award**

**Royal Marines Band Concert on Walmer Green**

**£1000 (£2,200 Total)**

The Royal Marines Band performed on the Bandstand Green to an audience of circa 8,000. The grant was used to subsidise the hire of video cameras and camera operatives to enhance the viewing for the large audience attending by projecting the event onto hired screens.

**Westbere Parish Council (22-CA-17)**

**Queen's Platinum Jubilee Event**

**£800**

The project hosted a community event and street party to bring residents together. The event included community stalls, bunting, decorations and singers, as well as old fashioned games and a life-sized cut out of The Queen for 'selfies'. The grant contributed to the cost of the hire of giant games, promotional material, decorations, confectionary and strawberries and cream for all attending.

**Sturry Football Club (22-CA-19)**

**Football Kit Renewal**

**£500**

The club's kit and equipment had become worn and beyond repair and, as a small team, they were unable to cover the costs of replacements. The grant was used to purchase new football kits for the players.

**Hersden Neighbourhood Centre Association (22-CA-22)**

**Backup Supply Generator**

**£1000**

The centre is an emergency rest centre for the Canterbury district and was set up in response to a recent crisis, where the power to the village was lost over 3 days and there were no facilities for cooking, lighting or heating during that time. The grant was used to purchase a portable but powerful

generator for use in emergencies.

**Thanet Community Transport Association (22-CA-33)**

**Hoath/Broadoak Dial a Ride**

**£2500**

This project provided a door-to-door shopping and medical appointment transport service for elderly and disabled people in Hoath, Broadoak, Reculver and Chislet. The grant contributed to the cost of leasing a vehicle, providing insurance and fuel.

**The Sarah Thorne Theatre CIC (22-CA-36)**

**Filling Empty Seats**

**£2180**

This scheme offered reduced-price seats to school groups, the elderly, disabled and those on low incomes to the annual pantomime. Tickets were made available for four school performances and four public performances. The grant contributed to the cost of offering the reduced-price tickets.

**Herne CE Junior School (22-CA-37)**

**Pantomime Trip**

**£500**

The trip offered children, who may not normally have the opportunity to visit a theatre or see a pantomime to be part of the Christmas festivities. The extracurricular trip was attended by all Year 3 and pupil premium pupils. The grant helped cover the cost of transport to the pantomime.

**Hoath Parish Council (22-CA-48)**

**Purchase of Defibrillator**

**£700**

The project provided a defibrillator for the benefit of the community and anyone visiting the area. The grant contributed towards the costs of purchasing a defibrillator.

**Fordwich Town Council (22-CA-53)**

**Coronation Celebrations**

**£500**

The project staged a celebration of the King's Coronation for the community. The grant was used to purchase refreshments, plates and cutlery and for the hire of gazebos for the celebrations.

Mike Sole

**Lower Hardres and Nackington Parish Council (22-CA-11)**

**Speedwatch Equipment**

**£800**

The grant purchased a speedwatch gun, which is approved by the police, to replace the old speedwatch equipment to monitor the main road to Hythe from Canterbury

**Thanington Resource Centre (22-CA-13)**

**Thanington Youth Club – New Chairs**

**£1000**

Thanington Resource Centre is a small resident-led charity that offers youth work sessions and a summer programme to provide opportunities for study, experiences and activities that would otherwise be inaccessible to the local young people. The grant was used to purchase new chairs for the youth club.

**The Frank Montgomery Playing Field Trust (22-CA-20)**

**Inclusive Roundabout**

**£1000**

The play equipment at the Frank Montgomery Playing Field is used by local children, families in neighbouring parishes and children at the local primary school. The grant contributed to the cost of purchasing an inclusive roundabout.

**Barham Bowls Club (22-CA-38)**

**New Short Mat Carpet**

**£500**

The existing indoor short mat bowls carpet had reached the end of its life; it was nearly unplayable and was in danger of being a trip hazard. The grant was used to purchase a new replacement carpet.

**Littlebourne Parish Council (22-CA-45)**

**Village Living Room**

**£300**

In response to the cold weather and rising energy costs, Littlebourne Parish Council offered morning and afternoon sessions in the lounge at Littlebourne War Memorial Hall for residents to have a place to meet, be warm and have a hot drink and chat. The grant contributed to the cost of the hire of the hall.

Robert Thomas

**Chartham Parish Council (22-CA-1)**

**The Purchase of a New Community Defibrillator**

**£500**

Chartham Parish Council wished to ensure that residents had access to a defibrillator in the event of an emergency. The grant was used to contribute towards the costs of purchasing a defibrillator, lockable cabinet and a Licence Agreement.

**Riverside Church (22-CA-4)**

**Hearing Packs**

**£475 (Sharing with Neil Baker - £475)**

The project replaced hearing packs to enable hearing impaired users to fully participate and benefit from the support and services provided at Riverside Church and partner organisations. The grant was used to purchase five hearing packs.

**The Canterbury Society (22-CA-14)**

**Bison Mural**

**£450 (Sharing with Alistair Brady - £450)**

The project commissioned a mural on a prominent wall next to the Gulbenkian Arts Centre at the University of Kent by artist Mark Anthony to highlight the biodiversity crisis, along with an information panel to explain its link with the Wilder Blean project. The grant contributed to the artist fees.

**Royal British Legion (22-CA-21)**

**Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebration Concert**

**£700 (Sharing with Alistair Brady - £300)**

The project staged a concert to bring the community and veterans together to celebrate the Jubilee with The Salvation Army Band. The grant contributed to the cost of venue hire, ticket and flyer printing, a donation to The Salvation Army Band and to St John Ambulance for first aid cover.

**Tyler Hill Youth Football Club (22-CA-25)**  
**Coaching Equipment and Coach Courses**  
**£2855.59**

The club had lost sponsors due to the pandemic and the rise in the cost of living and sought support with training and equipment costs. The grant was used to purchase new equipment and for seven parent volunteers to undertake the FA Level 1 coaching course.

**East Kent Model Railway Society (22-CA-34)**  
**Clubhouse Improvement Project**  
**£1500**

The society moved premises in October 2019 and priority was given to the model railway layout. The society was looking to improve the environment, storage and safety of the unit. The grant contributed to the costs of providing seating and storage and servicing the air conditioning system, upgrading the security alarm and providing fire extinguishers and stands.

**Hackington Parish Council (22-CA-43)**  
**Tyler Hill Meadow Maintenance**  
**£300**

Tyler Hill Meadow has been enjoyed by the local community for over 20 years as a place for walking and enjoying wildlife. Whilst the Stour Valley Group carry out regular maintenance, such as grass cutting, the site needed larger repairs. The grant was used to repaint and revarnish the large wooden gates and to remove three fallen trees.

**Chestfield Cricket Club (22-CA-49)**  
**Female Changing Facilities**  
**£1800**

The Club was planning a project to make better use of the pavilion space in line with their ECB Clubmark development plan to improve compliance with safeguarding. This included creating a ladies' changing room for the 26 ladies' softball playing members and the 17 girls playing in the mixed junior hard ball teams. The grant was used to part fund the cost of new flooring across the whole building.

Dan Watkins

**Bayguide CIC (22-CA-29)**  
**Herne Bay Cartoon Festival 2022**  
**£500**

The festival is open to everyone, accessible and free, with workshops to engage residents and visitors and to encourage them to develop new skills. The event includes a comic strip exhibition at the Seaside Museum that explores this art form from its origins to the present day. The grant contributed to the costs of the festival.

**Happy Here CIC (22-CA-50)**  
**Social Prescribing**  
**£500**

Happy Here Centres are centred around an accessible café, with low-cost food and drinks, which allow people to drop in and share their concerns about mental wellbeing, and the many issues that impact on it, with supportive staff. Creative activities are also offered along with links to other services. The grant contributed to the costs of purchasing recycled furniture, promotional materials, refreshments and creative activity supplies.

**Herne Bay Historical Records Society (22-CA-52)**

**The Setterfield War Diaries**

**£1000**

The project was to digitise The Setterfield War diaries, reports made by Police Inspector Setterfield in Herne Bay during WW2 and make them a searchable resource. The diaries contain details of enemy activity over Herne Bay and surrounding areas and are an invaluable source of information for future generations. The grant part-funded the cost of the digital archiving of the diaries.

## HIGHWAYS MEMBER GRANTS

Neil Baker

### **Highways (22-KHS-CA-47)**

**Traffic Regulation Order – Tankerton Road, Whitstable**

**£2500**

Contribution towards the costs of a Traffic Regulation Order and associated formal consultation for a speed limit reduction to 20mph on Tankerton Road.

Mike Sole

### **Highways (22-KHS-CA-2)**

**Speed Reduction from 50mph to 40mph B2068 Stone Street, Petham**

**£1000**

Part funding of a Traffic Regulation Order for the speed reduction from 50mph to 40mph on the B2068 Stone Street in Petham.

### **Highways (22-KHS-CA-8)**

**Woolage Village ATC Surveys**

**£523**

Part funding of the costs of five Automated Traffic Counts held in various locations in Woolage Village.

### **Highways (22-KHS-CA-39)**

**Stone Street Petham – Speed Limit Reduction to 40mph**

**£3000**

The grant contributed to the costs of a speed limit reduction to 40mph in Stone Street, Petham.

### **Highways (22-KHS-CA-40)**

**Woolage Village – 30mph Speed Limit Reduction**

**£2680.09**

The grant contributed to the costs of a speed limit reduction to 30mph in Woolage Village, Womenswold

## Dartford – Member Grant Funding Breakdown of Spend

In total 36 grants were awarded for the 2022/23 period by Dartford Members. Of which:

- 12 grants were awarded to charities
- 2 grants were awarded to church or faith groups
- 2 grants were awarded to community groups
- 3 grants were awarded to a not-for-profit organisation
- 6 grants were awarded to a District, Parish or Town Council
- 7 grants were awarded to schools
- 3 grants were awarded to sports organisations
- 1 grant was awarded to Kent Highways

With the exclusion of Kent Highways, 18 grants were awarded to organisations that had been supported in the past 3 years, with the remaining 17 organisations new recipients of a Combined Member Grant.

Dartford Member's Annual Member Grant Spend and roll forward figure for 2023/24 period:

- **Penny Cole – Dartford East**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £13,733.03 with a £6,266.97 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Kelly Grehan – Dartford North East**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £13,158.55 with a £4,291.45 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Peter Harman – Swanscombe and Greenhithe**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £5,624.25 with a £8,484.95 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Jeremy Kite, MBE – Dartford Rural**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £8,000 with a £5,275 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Jan Ozog – Dartford West**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £0 with a £20,000 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Avtar Sandhu, MBE – Wilmington**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £3,250 with a £14,305 roll forward figure for 2023/24*

Total Dartford Member Spend for 2022/23 - £43,765.83

- £2,270 for business support services
- £12,960 for community development projects
- £3,999.99 for culture & heritage initiatives
- £1,000 for family support services projects
- £3,000 for open spaces projects
- £3,323.55 for primary school projects
- £2,070 for public health initiatives
- £1,000 for secondary school projects
- £13,374.25 for sport and recreation projects
- £768.04 for winter services preparations



## COMMUNITY MEMBER GRANTS

Penny Cole

### **NW Kent Citizens Advice (22-DA-1) Multi-District Award**

**IT Package**

**£1135 (£4,520 Total)**

There had been a recent drive to make better use of technology and advice services more efficient in order to help more people, including training volunteer advisers remotely. The grant was used to purchase equipment packages consisting of laptops, headsets and phones for new volunteer advisers.

### **Stone Parish Council (22-DA-4)**

**Three Year Plan – Community Orchard at Cotton Lane**

**£2500**

Stone Parish Council has joined over 230 councils in calling a climate emergency and pledged to be carbon neutral by 2030. It has set a target of planting 3000 trees in three years as one way to tackle air pollution. The grant funded the purchase of fifty trees, fertiliser and soil conditioner.

### **Dartford Science and Technology College (22-DA-6A)**

**Community Day 2022**

**£500 (Sharing with Avtar Sandhu - £500 and Kelly Grehan - £500)**

Each year students in Years Seven to Ten (around 700 young people) spend a day in the community and undertake volunteering at approximately fifty placements for a wide range of charities. The grant contributed to the costs of t-shirts for the students to wear during their volunteering day.

### **Hi Kent (22-DA-11)**

**Hearing Aid Support Outreach Clinics at St Edmunds Church, Living Well Centre and Fleetdown Library in Dartford**

**£480 (Sharing with Kelly Grehan - £480)**

Hi Kent offers monthly Hearing Aid Support outreach clinics in Dartford that are free of charge to residents. The grant supported the clinics by supplying maintenance kits, volunteer training and promotional materials to enable volunteers to provide a full cleaning and re-tubing service as well as batteries for NHS aids to ensure they are fully functioning.

### **Stone (Dartford) Scout Group (22-DA-13)**

**Tent Replacement**

**£3500**

The Scout Group needed to replace a selection of tents that were showing signs of wear and were no longer fit for purpose. The grant provided new tents that were appropriate for the multi-aged and mixed gender sections of the group.

### **Slide Away (22-DA-14) Multi-District Award**

**Website Redesign**

**£1000 (£3,850 Total)**



Slide Away offers bereavement support for children following the death of a relative or friend. A new website was needed to be the primary source of information for parents, young people and professionals. The grant contributed to the costs of a bespoke website design and build, including an online shop and secure resource area.

### **Kent Farmers Market Association (22-DA-15) Multi District Award**

#### **'Eat Kent'**

**£300 (£3,950 Total)**

The 'Eat Kent' project is an initiative to promote and support the county's local food chain. The project provides information on the benefits of local produce, when it is available, where it is grown/bred with links to recipes, as well as nutrition/allergy information in both digital and hard copy. Grant funding contributed towards print costs for promotional material.

### **Dartford Science & Technology College (22-DA-17)**

#### **Senior Citizens Afternoon Tea**

**£500 (Sharing with Kelly Grehan - £500)**

The project hosted an afternoon tea to bring together multi-generations in a safe and fun setting. The grant contributed to the costs of refreshments, raffle prizes and gifts for attendees.

### **Dads Unlimited (22-DA-18) Multi-District Award**

#### **Promotional Materials**

**£550 (£3,050 Total)**

Dads Unlimited is a charity supporting male victims of domestic abuse, males at risk of harm or with poor mental health. They support separated fathers, males experiencing family breakdown or males unable to gain meaningful contact with their children. The grant was used to contribute to production costs for promotional materials to raise awareness of their services and to help reach more people in need.

### **Dartford Primary Academy (22-DA-19)**

#### **Portable Sensory Space**

**£1000 (Sharing with Kelly Grehan - £1375)**

Due to a dramatic rise in pupils demonstrating more challenging behaviours in school because of the pandemic, a portable sensory space was required to provide a place for children to have a moment of comfort and calm to regulate themselves again and then return to learning. The grant was used to purchase sensory equipment for the space.

### **Healthy Living Centre Dartford (22-DA-29)**

#### **The Celebration of Volunteers**

**£500 (Sharing with Avtar Sandhu, MBE - £500)**

A 'thank you' ceremony was held for Healthy Living Centre volunteers for all their work at the two centres in Temple Hill and Tree Estate which offer activities such as IT sessions, cooking lessons and exercise lessons. The grant provided refreshments and certificates for the volunteers.

### **Fleetdown Community Centre (22-DA-33)**

#### **Stage Stairs**

**£499.99 (Sharing with Avtar Sandhu, MBE - £500)**

Fleetdown Community Centre has staging which stands 1.3m above the floor and requires stairs to access. The two existing sets of stairs were no longer fit for purpose and required replacing to allow safer and greater accessibility for regular users and one-off hirers. The grant contributed to the costs of replacement stairs.

### **Safer Communities Alliance (22-DA-38)**

#### **Ukrainian Community Project**

**£500 (Sharing with Avtar Sandhu, MBE - £500)**

The Safer Communities Alliance held a monthly club over a six-month period to enable the Ukrainian community in Dartford to come together to develop their skills, get support with budgeting, English

lessons and take part in sporting activities. The grant was used to provide refreshments and the cost of venue hire.

Kelly Grehan

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#### **Dartford Bridge Community Primary School (22-DA-5)**

##### **Defibrillator**

**£900**

Funding was requested to install a defibrillator on site to improve the safety of all who access the school and to be available for use by the wider community. The grant was used to purchase the defibrillator.

#### **The Leigh UTC (22-DA-2)**

##### **Defibrillator Fund**

**£1170**

The grant was used to purchase a defibrillator, which was required for the safety of students and staff, as well as benefit the wider community that lease and use the site.

#### **The Leigh UTC (22-DA-3)**

##### **The Leigh UTC Community Fund**

**£1000**

The school is establishing a community foodbank to support students and their families as the school is in a deprived area of Dartford. The grant contributed to the purchase of food, uniform and toiletries for the foodbank.

#### **Dartford Science and Technology College (22-DA-6A)**

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### **St Albans & St Edmunds (East Dartford Benefice) (22-DA-20)**

#### **Public Living Rooms**

**£2000**

A space was required to address social isolation, fuel poverty, hunger and to provide a chance to build friendships and networks. A space was created in both churches to reach as many people as possible in a very deprived area. The grant contributed to energy costs as well as refreshments and furnishings.

### **All Directions Kent (22-DA-24)**

#### **Christmas Celebrations**

**£400**

The Christmas Project gives All Direction's learners, friends, volunteers and people in the community a chance to come together and celebrate Christmas with Christmas dinner and a party. Some of those attending would usually be alone over Christmas. The grant was used to hire a hall, band and to buy gifts for the students and volunteers to thank them for their help all year.

### **Oasis Domestic Abuse Service (22-DA-25)**

#### **Communal and Therapeutic Space**

**£2000**

A space was needed for young single women within the accommodation project to socialise, make friends and reduce isolation. The space would also provide access to counselling sessions, parenting workshops, debt advice services and first aid courses. The grant provided furniture and furnishings for the communal space.

### **Temple Hill Primary Academy (22-DA-26)**

#### **Wild Flower School Boundary**

**£948.55**

The bank along the front of the school had become a magnet for rubbish and leaves. The school wished to renovate the area and plant wild flowers to attract pollinators, change the visual effect and link with the science and environment curriculum. The grant provided seeds and gardening equipment for the project.

### **Temple Hill Youth Club (22-DA-30)**

#### **Improve Security CCTV**

**£750**

A need for CCTV was identified after the youth club lost a large amount of equipment and maintenance tools during a break-in. Replacing this equipment used up spare funds so support was needed to help improve security to deter thieves and make the site safer. The grant contributed to the costs of the

new security system.

Peter Harman

**Dartford Cambria Sea Scout Group (22-DA-7)**

**Sailing and Kayaking Helmets**

**£524.25**

The grant was used to purchase fifteen water sports helmets to allow the Sea Scouts to run kayaking sessions on the Bridge Lake, as helmets are a mandatory requirement and without them the sessions cannot take place.

**Swanscombe & Greenhithe Town Council (22-DA-8)**

**Children's Summer Entertainment 2022**

**£500**

The grant contributed to the costs of a programme of entertainment and events during the summer holidays. These events were designed to entertain children in a safe, healthy environment and to provide some additional support to parents.

**Swanscombe & Greenhithe Town Council (22-DA-9)**

**A Right Royal Celebration (Platinum Jubilee)**

**£500**

The project was to stage an event to celebrate the Platinum Jubilee. The event would showcase the best local talent, groups and small businesses, and bring the community together and give access to advice and the community groups attending. The grant was used to help with the costs of entertainment activities.

**Swanscombe Senior Lunch Club (22-DA-12)**

**Coach Trip**

**£600**

The grant was used to assist with coach hire and refreshments for the club to take a group of seniors, with volunteers to support them, on a trip out of area so that the group could socialise and reduce isolation.

**South Eastern Baptist Association (22-DA-21)**

**Pop Up Carol Services for Ebbsfleet & Swanscombe**

**£500**

The project was to hire a van with dual LED screens and a PA system to host several pop-up carol services in the Swanscombe and Ebbsfleet area. The van would park in an open space where people could safely gather and hold a twenty-minute carol service, and then play carols whilst moving between places. The grant assisted with the costs of hiring the van.

**Swanscombe Tigers (22-DA-22)**

**Replacement Goals**

**£500**

Funding was sought to replace old plastic goals used by the club with metal ones. The new goals would last longer for the various teams who use them, including teams for children aged six to thirteen and a girls' team.

**Swanscombe & Greenhithe Town Council (22-DA-23)**

**Christmas Lights**

**£500**

The grant contributed to the costs of the festive lights project, which was designed to enhance enjoyment and encourage the use of the two high streets and their commercial facilities

**We Are Beams (22-DA-31)**

**Family Advice Service**

**£500**

After seeing a significant increase in the amount of calls on education support, the charity wanted to bring parents together to help build relationships and offer support to each other with their disabled child and siblings. The grant provided packs for parents which included course notes.

**Swanscombe & Greenhithe Town Council (22-DA-35)**

**In Bloom/Hanging Baskets 2023**

**£500**

The Town Council hoped to enhance the spring and summer seasons on both High Streets. The grant was used for the costs associated with purchasing and maintaining the hanging baskets.

**Swanscombe & Greenhithe Town Council (22-DA-36)**

**Children's Entertainment 2023**

**£500**

During the six-week summer holiday, young people in Swanscombe and Greenhithe (and their parents) need activities to keep them active and entertained. As an area identified as deprived, many families struggle to find activities for the children and the grant was used to provide a programme of events and activities for young people.

**Broadness Cruising Club (22-DA-37)**

**Mooring Buoys Provision**

**£500**

The club wanted to improve facilities for members and the public, as well as provide opportunities for other boating clubs to utilise the facilities by installing two buoys to make access to the creek easier. The grant was used to install the mooring buoys.

Jeremy Kite, MBE

**YMCA Thames Gateway (22-DA-10)**

**Fun Day – Summer 2022**

**£6000**

The grant helped to fund a 'Teddy Bears Picnic' fun day for local children and families in the school holidays, which introduced learning through fun activities, including learning about nature, how to grow herbs and art projects. Venue hire, teddy bears, various activities and promotional material were funded by the grant.

**1<sup>st</sup> New Barn Scouts (22-DA-16)**

**Community Hall Roof/Ceiling/Windows Refurbishment**

**£2000**

The hall was built in 1949 and the roof, ceiling and windows were original but in a poor state of repair. The grant was used to help with costs of internal decoration of a new ceiling, which provided an improved and safer environment for users of the hall.

Avtar Sandhu, MBE

**Dartford Science and Technology College (22-DA-6A)**

**Community Day 2022**

**£500 (Sharing with Penny Cole - £500 and Kelly Grehan - £500)**

Each year students in Years Seven to Ten (around 700 young people) spend a day in the community and undertake volunteering at approximately fifty placements for a wide range of charities. The grant contributed to the costs of t-shirts for the students to wear during their volunteering day.

**Girlguiding – 19<sup>th</sup> Dartford Guides (22-DA-27)**

**New Unit Start Up**

**£500**

There is a need for a new unit in Dartford as both local units are at full capacity with waiting lists. The grant contributed to the costs associated with starting up the new unit, including badges and equipment for activities such as cooking and outdoor games.

**Healthy Living Centre (22-DA-29)**

**The Celebration of Volunteers**

**£500 (Sharing with Penny Cole - £500)**

A 'thank you' ceremony was held for Healthy Living Centre volunteers for all their work at the two centres in Temple Hill and Tree Estate which offer activities such as IT sessions, cooking lessons and exercise lessons. The grant provided refreshments and certificates for the volunteers.

**Fleetdown Community Centre (22-DA-33)**

**Stage Stairs**

**£500 (Sharing with Penny Cole - £499.99)**

Fleetdown Community Centre has staging which stands 1.3m above the floor and requires stairs to access. The two existing sets of stairs were no longer fit for purpose and required replacing to allow safer and greater accessibility for regular users and one-off hirers. The grant contributed to the costs of replacement stairs.

**Leyton Cross Social Club (22-DA-34)**

**Sound System**

**£750**

The grant provided a new sound system as the existing sound system was thirty-five years old and no longer fit for purpose. The sound system is used for monthly social events, concerts and is available for use by other groups and clubs that use the hall.

**Safer Communities Alliance (22-DA-38)**

**Ukrainian Community Project**

**£500 (Sharing with Penny Cole - £500)**

The project was to hold a monthly club over a six-month period to enable the Ukrainian community in Dartford to come together to develop their skill sets, get support with budgeting and English lessons and take part in sporting activities. The grant was used to provide refreshments and to cover the cost of venue hire.

## HIGHWAYS MEMBER GRANTS

Penny Cole

**Highways (22-KHS-DA-28)**

**Salt Bins, Charles Street**

**£768.04**

Funding was provided for two salt bins and six refills to be placed in Charles Street, Stone and Cowley Avenue, Stone.



## Dover – Member Grant Funding Breakdown of Spend

In total 67 grants were awarded for the 2022/23 period by Dover Members. Of which:

- 27 grants were awarded to charities
- 6 grants were awarded to church/faith groups
- 14 grants were awarded to a community organisation
- 1 grants were awarded to not-for-profit organisations
- 13 grants were awarded to District, Parish or Town Councils
- 3 grants were awarded to schools
- 3 grants were awarded to sports organisations

27 grants were awarded to organisations that had been supported in the past 3 years, with the remaining 40 organisations new recipients of a Combined Member Grant.

Dover Member's Annual Member Grant Spend and roll forward figure for 2023/24 period:

- **David Beaney – Dover West**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £10,464.92 with a £9,535.08 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Trevor Bond – Deal & Walmer (2 Member Division)**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £9,697.32 with a £10,002.68 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Sue Chandler - Sandwich**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £12,267.36 with a £3,332.64 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Nigel Collor – Dover Town (2 Member Division)**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £10,900 with a £8,100 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Steve Manion – Dover North**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £12,439.36 with a £224.64 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Derek Murphy – Deal & Walmer (2 Member Division)**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £9,244 with a £9,956 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Oliver Richardson – Dover Town (2 Member Division)**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £5,078.67 with a £14,921.33 roll forward figure for 2023/24*

Total Dover Member Spend for 2022/23 - £70,091.63

- £22,314.09 for community development projects
- £23,010.36 for culture & heritage initiatives
- £400 for early years projects
- £2,300 for environmental, highway and routine maintenance initiatives
- £550 for family support services projects
- £5,972.88 for open spaces projects
- £299 for primary school projects
- £5,560.44 for public health initiatives
- £7,047.50 for sport and recreation projects
- £2,637.36 for traffic management and road safety projects

## **COMMUNITY MEMBER GRANTS**

David Beaney

### **1st Whitfield Brownies (22-DO-7)**

**Replacement of old and heavy tables and chairs and replacement of boundary fence**

**£1264.92**

The grant contributed to the cost of replacing the old fence to provide a safe and secure area for play, allow for more effective use of the outside space and protect the property. The grant also purchased lighter tables and chairs to allow for safer use of the equipment.

### **Denton Village Hall (22-DO-8)**

**Play Park and Picnic Area**

**£1000**

Situated next to the Village Hall, an outdoor space was created for the whole village to enjoy, with plenty of parking, near footpaths and accessible to all. The grant contributed towards a play tower for the children allowing families to enjoy the space.

### **Wootton Singers (22-DO-14)**

**Queen's Platinum Jubilee Performance**

**£500**

Wootton Singers is a community group of around fifteen members and has been operating for over ten years, providing an opportunity for residents to meet up, chat and participate in a group activity. The grant contributed to the costs of new music as well as pianist and Music Director fees for a performance at the Platinum Jubilee Celebrations in the village.

### **Elvington and Eythorne Heritage Group CIC (22-DO-15)**

**Jubilee Family Fun Day**

**£500**

The project staged a free Family Fun Day, tied into celebrating the Queen's Jubilee. Elvington is a socially deprived area and unemployment is high, funding contributed to a free BBQ and entertainment.

### **Shepherdswell Village Green Association (22-DO-19)**

**Platinum Jubilee Celebrations**

**£300**

The grant contributed towards artist and musician fees, as well as bunting to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee and re-establish the previously strong community spirit and infrastructure within the village as it emerged from the pandemic. The programme included a choir concert, fun run, art exhibition and competition, quiz, classic car show, live music and memorabilia displays.

### **Elvington Village Hall (22-DO-30)**

**'Let's Eat'**

**£300**

Elvington is one of the most deprived communities in Dover District and this project aims to provide hot meals for all residents in a safe and welcoming space. The social atmosphere of sharing a meal provides a focus for people who are often isolated and unable to meet people in their daily life. The grant was put toward the cost of providing meals.

**Eythorne Parish Council (22-DO-31)**  
**20mph Highway Improvement Project**  
**£800**

Eythorne and Elvington had concerns about speeding in the area including Adelaide Road, where the local Primary School is located. A lower speed limit of 20mph was identified, the grant contributed to the costs of the installation of signage and lining.

**Alkham Parish Council (22-DO-32)**  
**Village Jubilee**  
**£300**

The project staged an event on the village green to mark the Platinum Jubilee. The celebration was available to the whole community and the grant provided bunting, hats and tableware for the attendees.



**Alkham Parish Council (22-DO-33)**  
**Footpath Repairs**  
**£1500**

The parish council wished to repair a widely used footpath between the village and Newlyn's Meadow to encourage more residents to access the open spaces and improve access to the village hall. The grant contributed to the costs of materials and labour for the repairs.

**Capel-Le-Ferne Parish Council (22-DO-38)**  
**Speed Watch Equipment**  
**£1200**

Protection of volunteers against abuse is of increasing concern and Kent Police Speed Watch now approve electronic recording of sessions with body worn and equipment cameras including signage that informs the driver that recordings are taking place. The grant was used to supply the cameras and accessories.

**18<sup>th</sup> Dover (Shepherdswell) Scouts Group (22-DO-42)**  
**Queen's Jubilee Party**  
**£300**

The project staged an outside event for children and their families to get together and celebrate the Jubilee in a safe and welcoming environment. The grant was used to cover the costs of the refreshments and entertainment.

**1<sup>st</sup> Shepherdswell Brownies (22-DO-49)**  
**New Speaker and Solar Array**  
**£500**

The grant contributed to the costs of a solar array, a bluetooth speaker and blankets required to deliver activities more successfully such as first aid training being accompanied by a video from the British Heart Foundation showing how to use a defibrillator and the use of solar array when away from the unit meeting place on activity days or on camp.

**Lydden Parish Council (22-DO-50)**  
**Boundary Fencing**  
**£1000**

The grant contributed to the costs of a project to improve the amenities offered to residents of Lydden by upgrading the car park outside the village hall. Many residents use the village hall for meetings, clubs and parties and the upgrades would provide a more safe and secure facility.

**Denton Village Hall (22-DO-60)**  
**Play and Picnic Area, Denton Village Hall**  
**£1000**

This project improved the outside space for the community by providing play equipment along with the picnic tables. The grant assisted with the costs of landscaping the area with new fences, planters, seating benches and the costs of labour.

Trevor Bond

**2235 (Deal) RAF Air Cadets (22-DO-4)**  
**Computers for Cadets**  
**£600 (Sharing with Derek Murphy - £300)**

The grant contributed to the costs of replacing the squadron's computers, which were old and not capable of running any of the modern training applications needed to teach the cadets. The new computers provide the opportunity for cadets to gain training and qualifications such as BTECs and are also capable of running a modern flight simulator.

**Walmer Parish Churches (22-DO-9)**  
**Resurfacing of St Saviour's Church Path**  
**£1000 (Sharing with Derek Murphy - £1000)**

The path through the churchyard of St Saviour's Church, Walmer connects The Strand and York Road and is used as a 'cut-through.' The path is used to access the church building, which provides a variety of community activities, but the condition of the path had deteriorated over time and was a health and safety hazard. The grant contributed towards the cost of replacing the path.

**Kent Coast Volunteering (22-DO-13)**  
**Xmas Thank You Event**  
**£275 (Sharing with Nigel Collor - £250 & Oliver Richardson - £278.67)**

The Good Neighbours Service for Dover began in March 2021 and the waiting list continues to grow. The service matches volunteers from all age groups and backgrounds with older people experiencing loneliness and/or social isolation. The grant provided a 'thank you' event for volunteers and contributed towards venue hire, food and drink costs.

**Walmer Town Council (22-DO-24)**  
**Childrens Festival**  
**£500**

The Childrens Festival with Kites on the Beach is a free, family event on Walmer Green and each year free kites are given away. There are also displays of giant static kites and local arts and crafts groups provide materials for younger children to take part in creative activities. There are also Circus Skills Workshops and a Junk Orchestra which the grant contributed funding towards.

**Deal Memorial Bandstand Trust (22-DO-27) Multi-District Award**  
**Royal Marines Band Concert on Walmer Green**  
**£600 (£2,200 Total)**

The Royal Marines Band performed on the Bandstand Green to an audience of circa 8,000. The grant was used to subsidise the hire of video cameras and camera operatives to enhance the viewing for the large audience attending by projecting the event onto hired screens.

**Talk It Out (22-DO-28)****Tackling Cost of Living Crisis****£500 (Sharing with Derek Murphy - £500)**

The grant enabled local volunteers to purchase and deliver approximately 120 essential food bundles to vulnerable people living in the Deal area. The bundles were delivered to people who have disabilities, learning difficulties or people struggling with mental health issues who may not be able to get to food banks.

**Deal Music and Arts Limited (22-DO-29)****Community and Fringe Events****£500 (Sharing with Derek Murphy - £500)**

Deal Music and Arts Limited serves the community by bringing high quality cultural events to the area, including a two-week music festival and a new Fringe Festival. These events encourage community engagement, and the new fringe festival encourages more family audiences. The grant contributed to costs of artist fees.

**Cinque Points F.C. (22-DO-39)****Ladies Team Kit and Equipment****£400 (Sharing with Derek Murphy - £400)**

The club was looking for support with the formation of new teams for ladies and young adults at the club, due to increase popularity. The grant assisted with the purchase of training kits and equipment for the new teams.

**Sholden C of E Primary School (22-DO-43)****The Police Community Clubs of Great Britain – Barney & Echo, Mindfulness Project****£299**

This project is aimed at children transitioning to secondary school and aims to promote discussion between children, their peers, teachers, parents and the wider community, to highlight the message that mental health is just as important as physical health. The project asks participants to discuss optimism, staying calm, supporting others and sharing emotions. The grant assisted with the costs of providing project packs for the children.

**Martha Trust (22-DO-44)****Person Centred Software Project****£842.50 (Sharing with Derek Murphy - £400)**

Martha Trust looks after young people and adults with profound and multiple learning disabilities, through the provision of lifetime residential care and respite care, as well as providing help and support for their families. The Trust uses Person Centred Software which has revolutionised care planning, recording all daily care, and enhanced communication methods. The grant was used to purchase replacement handsets and charging units.

**Deal Town Rangers FC (22-DO-45)****Community Events (Various)****£947.50 (Sharing with Derek Murphy - £500)**

The Club has seen a huge increase in the number of children wishing to join teams and become more active. The increase in numbers has seen a corresponding rise in the need for mental health support. The events planned helped celebrate the successes of the teams and provided opportunities for home and opposition teams to access mental health support from an FA accredited Mental Health Officer. The grant contributed to the costs of venue hire, referee fees, pitch marking and portable goals.

### **Walmer Town Council (22-DO-58)**

#### **Carols on the Green**

**£500**

Carols on the Green is a free event which is open to all and includes a Compere to tell the Christmas story, as well as inviting musicians to perform. The grant contributed to the increased cost of performer fees for the event.

### **Royal British Legion (Downs Branch) (22-DO-59)**

#### **Benches for Deal Cemetery**

**£272.88 (Sharing with Derek Murphy - £450)**

The original wooden benches situated at the War Memorial in Deal Cemetery had seen considerable wear and tear and latterly vandalism to such a degree that, due to their unsafe condition, they were removed. The grant was used to purchase two replacement benches.

### **Oasis Domestic Abuse Service (22-DO-61) Multi District Award**

#### **Security Packs**

**£560.44 (£1,120.88 Total)**

Oasis supports families affected by domestic abuse in Kent and Medway through a comprehensive range of services. The grant supported a project to provide security packs to high-risk victims living in Thanet and Dover. The packs, consisting of dash cams, CCTV units and Ring doorbells for home security, are loaned to clients following risk assessments and returned when the client is made safe, which can take several months.

### **Martha Trust (22-DO-62)**

#### **Digital Rainbow Table Appeal**

**£500 (Sharing with Derek Murphy - £500)**

The grant funded the purchase of two Digital Rainbow Tables, which are interactive touch screen multi-purpose tablets. The main benefit of the tables is their manoeuvrability, allowing them to be easily moved within homes, as well as the ability to tilt the interactive tabletop to different heights and angles, making them ideal for those with specially adapted wheelchairs.

### **Tiny Turtles Nursery (22-DO-63)**

#### **Shed Renewal**

**£400 (Sharing with Derek Murphy - £400)**

The grant contributed to the cost of a replacement shed, as the existing one was leaking and damaging equipment and toys. The new shed helps with the longevity of the toys and enables the nursery to store enough toys to rotate them, thereby keeping the children interested and providing new play and learning opportunities.

### **Deal, Walmer, Sandwich & District Scout Council (22-DO-71)**

#### **Betteshanger Campsite Compostable Toilet Installation**

**£1000 (Sharing with Derek Murphy - £1000)**

The project installed three compostable toilets and improved facilities at a campsite on the Northbourne Estate. This allows for longer stays at the site and makes the site more accessible for participants with additional needs.

Sue Chandler

**Sandwich Folk and Ale Festival (22-DO-12)**

**Sandwich Folk and Ale Festival 2022**

**£1000**

The festival, in its tenth year, has expanded over that time, increasing from its original two days to a seven-day festival. It aims to increase footfall in Sandwich by providing more entertainment for residents and visitors, which encourages sales for the local business community. The grant supported waste removal and bin hire and assisted with card machine purchases.

**Woodnesborough Parish Council (22-DO-17)**

**Queen's Platinum Jubilee Water Bottles**

**£300**

The grant contributed to the purchase of 250 Platinum Jubilee Commemorative water bottles for distribution to children at a Platinum Jubilee Fete. The fete brought the community together and the children are able to use the water bottles, reducing the use of single-use plastic and encouraging them to drink more water.

**Charity Mentors Kent & Medway (22-DO-46)**

**Mentoring Support for Local Charities**

**£3000**

The grant helped promote the Charity Mentors service by assisting with the costs of a Co-ordinator's time, which was spent developing a new website and other communication methods.

**Age Concern Sandwich (22-DO-53)**

**Making a Difference - Meet, Eat and Heat**

**£2000**

To support clients concerned about the cost of heating, Age Concern hoped to purchase hot water flasks and hot water bottles for use in the home. There had also been an increase in the Meals on Wheels service provided by the charity and replacement equipment was required. The grant contributed to the costs of the hot water bottles and flasks as well as thermo boxes, thermo heat pads, insulated pads, cool boxes and thermo mits.

**St Peter and St Paul's Church, Worth (22-DO-54)**

**Village Clock Regulation and Time Change System**

**£1000**

The church turret clock is a strong visual and aural presence in the village but in recent years had suffered reliability issues and no longer kept accurate time. The grant assisted with the supply and fit of an electronic pendulum regulator system to improve timekeeping and to enable the clock to remain a strong presence in the village.

**Dover District Council (22-DO-55)**

**Memorial Bench**

**£1500**

In Sandwich in 2019, a young local boy tragically lost his life after being swept away into the river. The grant contributed to the cost of providing a circular memorial bench, with a personalised engraving, made by a local craftsman to wrap around a willow tree that has become a focal point and place of solace for the family.

### **Goodnestone Village Hall (22-DO-57)**

#### **Wi-Fi Installation Project**

**£300**

The grant was used to provide internet access at the hall to make it a more attractive venue for those wishing to hire it for private functions. Access to the internet also helps residents who use the hall's "community hub" for IT training, internet supermarket shopping and to help elderly residents with accessing and using the internet.

### **Busy Bees Preschool (22-DO-67)**

#### **Commemorative T-shirts for the Coronation Celebration**

**£478**

Member Grant funding contributed to the costs of providing fifty-two commemorative t-shirts, printed with the King Charles monogram and the Coronation date for the children and families to keep as a long-loved memory of an occasion where the village came together as one to celebrate a historic occasion.

### **Stourmouth Parish Council (22-DO-69)**

#### **Further Improvements to Stourmouth Cemetery**

**£1000**

The Parish Council took over the cemetery to restore it to a respectful state, provide an area of contemplation and provide essential facilities. The grant assisted with the costs of providing shrubs and trees at the top of the cemetery to safely define the boundary and encourage wildlife. It also provided a wire fence to fill gaps in the side boundary and gates for the lychgate.

### **St Peter & St Paul's Parochial Church Council (22-DO-70)**

#### **A Coronation Mug for every child**

**£1689.36**

The Parish of Worth wanted to follow a tradition, first popularised in 1887 to celebrate the Golden Jubilee of Queen Victoria, to give children gifts to commemorate the Coronation of King Charles. The grant contributed to the purchase of commemorative mugs for the children.

Nigel Collor

### **Belgrave Youth Group (22-DO-2)**

#### **Creating a Wildlife Garden**

**£500**

The youth club in the Clarendon and Westbury Community Hall in Dover were offered the use of an allotment behind the hall. This provides the children with an opportunity to participate in building habitats for wildlife, as well as having a wildlife pond and a space to grow fruit and vegetables. Grant funding was used to buy equipment to create and maintain the wildlife garden and growing area.

### **Christians Together in Dover (22-DO-5)**

#### **Dover Money Course**

**£250 (Sharing with Oliver Richardson - £300)**

Christians Together in Dover partnered with Christians Against Poverty (CAP) to offer Money Courses, which were free and helped anyone who required budgeting support. The classes were delivered as a free, non-judgemental service to whomever needed it, regardless of faith. The grant contributed to the costs of venue hire, coaches and workbooks.



### **Kent Coast Volunteering (22-DO-13)**

#### **Xmas Thank You Event**

**£250 (Sharing with Trevor Bond - £275 & Oliver Richardson - £278.67)**

The Good Neighbours Service for Dover began in March 2021 and the waiting list continues to grow. The service matches volunteers from all age groups and backgrounds with older people experiencing loneliness and/or social isolation. The grant provided a 'thank you' event for volunteers and contributed towards venue hire, food and drink costs.

### **Dover Street Pastors (22-DO-16)**

#### **Dover Street Pastors**

**£1100 (Sharing with Oliver Richardson - £1100)**

Dover Street Pastors wished to raise its profile and link in with other agencies which required recruiting more Pastors. The grant was used to cover the costs of core training modules and additional uniforms.

### **RBL Dover White Cliffs (22-DO-26)**

#### **Armed Forces Weekend**

**£500 (Sharing with Steve Manion - £500 and Oliver Richardson - £500)**

The Armed Forces weekend is a free event for the public with veterans and ex service personnel in attendance. To ensure the event was well run, road management and security was provided by the grant.

### **Samphire (22-DO-34)**

#### **Dover Together – Multi-cultural Festival**

**£1000**

Dover Together is a free multi-cultural festival held in Pencester Gardens, Dover to build, promote and share Dover's diversity and history. Local businesses have food and other stalls, there are musicians and bands, a speakers tent and a mediation space. The festival included a Ukrainian film festival curated by local and Ukrainian filmmakers. The grant contributed to the cost of venue hire, promotional material, and entertainment.

### **Emmaus Dover (22-DO-37)**

#### **Companion Wellbeing Fund**

**£400 (Sharing with Derek Murphy - £400 and Oliver Richardson - £400)**

Emmaus Dover is a charity that provides accommodation, support and meaningful work opportunities for up to 27 men and women (known as Companions) that have previously experienced homelessness, social exclusion, poverty and a lack of opportunities. This grant helped with the setting up of a new Companion Wellbeing Fund to help improve their physical and mental health by accessing sport, leisure and personal care services over a period of 12 months.

### **Kent Farmers Market Association (22-DO-40) Multi-District Award**

#### **'Eat Kent'**

**£100 (£3,950 Total)**

Funding contributed to print costs for the 'Eat Kent' project, which is an initiative to promote and support the county's local food chain by providing information on the benefits of local produce, when it is available, where it is grown/bred and links to recipes as well as nutrition/allergy information in both digital and hard copy.

### **Rotary Club of Dover (22-DO-64)**

#### **100 Year 100 Children Project**

**£500 (Sharing with Oliver Richardson - £500)**

The Rotary Club of Dover was established in 1922 and in their 100<sup>th</sup> year they wanted to give 100 disadvantaged children a day to remember. The children included young carers from the Dover SmArt Project and a number of primary schools were invited on a coach trip to Chessington World of Adventure. The grant helped to fund ticket costs and coach hire.

### **Royal British Legion Dover White Cliffs Branch (22-DO-65)**

#### **Channel Dash Ceremony**

**£300**

Each year the Branch holds a service to remember those who were part of the Channel Dash. The service is attended by the local community and the grant provided refreshments for the reception after the ceremony and the printing of service books.

### **Parkrun UK (22-DO-66)**

#### **Dover Waterfront Parkrun**

**£2000**

Funding was used to set up a parkrun in Dover by providing safety equipment, course marking equipment and promotional materials, which eliminated the need for Dover residents to travel to another area to attend a parkrun. Parkrun is a free community event where people can walk, jog, run, volunteer or spectate which takes place every Saturday morning.

### **Defibs for Dover (22-DO-68)**

#### **Public Access Defibrillator Placement in Dover**

**£3000**

The project increased the number of defibrillators available for use in the Dover area, including portable defibrillators that could be loaned to community events for the wellbeing of all attending. The grant contributed to the purchase of five defibrillators and cabinets as well as two portable defibrillators.

### **St. Radigunds Community Centre Co. Ltd (22-DO-72)**

#### **Community Youth Outreach Sessions**

**£1000**

The project sought to engage more frequently with young people to try to reduce anti-social behaviour and vandalism by delivering a structured youth activity, as well as providing an opportunity to spend time fostering an interest in their community. The funding contributed to specialist delivery providers for activities and learning, including cooking, dance, employability skills, CV writing and interview skills.

Steve Manion

### **St Peters Church, Aylesham (22-DO-1)**

#### **Notice Boards**

**£1000**

Bad weather had damaged the existing notice boards and replacements were needed to promote all the activities offered to the wider community of Aylesham. The grant was used to purchase a new freestanding noticeboard, two wall-mounted notice boards and two indoor notice boards for use by the community.

**Sutton Parish Community Hall (22-DO-3)**  
**Community Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebration**  
**£670**

The Platinum Jubilee offered an opportunity for a day of fun and celebration for the whole community across all generations and was hosted by the Community Centre. The grant contributed to the costs of venue hire, publicity, refreshments and entertainment.

**Burgess Road Events (22-DO-10)**  
**Queen's Platinum Jubilee Street Party**  
**£2000**

A street party was held to mark the Platinum Jubilee and bring the residents together in celebration and harmony. The grant was used towards the costs of street decorations, presents for the children and entertainment, including music.

**The Parish of Upper Deal and Great Mongeham (22-DO-11)**  
**Community Outreach**  
**£589 (Sharing with Derek Murphy - £589)**

This grant was put towards the costs of setting up a website for the church for publicity purposes. The grant also helped to fund a Family Jubilee Tea with craft activity tables, a family music workshop and refreshments to bring the community together.

**Dover Branch of the Parachute Regiment Association (22-DO-21)**  
**Burgoyne Height Queen's Jubilee Celebration**  
**£2768**

The community of Burgoyne Heights comprises of private and military residents including Gurkha families.) The event was planned to celebrate the Jubilee, gain an understanding of Nepalese culture, as well as further developing a feeling of community. The celebration included a small military display and Nepali dancing. The grant helped to fund event safety equipment and entertainment for the event.

**Martha Trust (22-DO-22)**  
**Music on the Farm Community Festival**  
**£1582**

The festival has developed into a major promotional and fundraising event for Martha Trust and attracts a large audience. It is an inclusive event and creates and promotes disability awareness and inclusivity for all. The event offers opportunities for volunteering and engagement, and is a showcase for local musicians, traders and entertainers. The grant helped with marquee and portable toilet hire.

**Tilmanstone Parish Council (22-DO-23)**  
**Platinum Jubilee Celebrations**  
**£500**

The village hosted a Big Lunch Celebration event at the Cricket Ground for residents to mark the Platinum Jubilee and included the unveiling of a Jubilee bench. The grant helped with the costs of Jubilee signs for the village, the purchase of the Jubilee Bench, as well as napkins, tablecloths, cups and plates for the event.

**RBL Dover White Cliffs (22-DO-26)**  
**Armed Forces Weekend**  
**£500 (Sharing with Nigel Collor - £500 and Oliver Richardson - £500)**

The Armed Forces weekend is a free event for the public with veterans and ex service personnel in attendance. To ensure the event was well run, road management and security was provided by the grant.

### **Great Mongeham Parish Council (22-DO-35)**

#### **Flower Festival and Arts & Craft Show**

**£500**

The village flower festival and arts and craft show celebrated the Platinum Jubilee, bringing the community together and provided an opportunity for residents to learn a new craft and support local artists. The grant contributed to the costs of the flowers and refreshments.

### **Ripple Parish Council (22-DO-47)**

#### **Traffic Improvement**

**£1437.36**

Data collected over three years had shown a need for traffic calming measures in the village, including moving speed terminals further out, to warn drivers they are entering a 30mph zone before they are in the village, and for new stop signs at the Mongeham Road and Pommeus Lane junction. The grant was used to help with the costs of these measures.

### **Aylesham4Aylesham (22-DO-48)**

#### **Aylesham Christmas Lights Turn On**

**£893**

Aylesham4Aylesham hold events such as a Summer Fayre and a Jubilee Picnic to encourage the integration of both old and new residents. The grant provided installation costs for the Christmas lights.

Derek Murphy

### **2235 (Deal) RAF Air Cadets (22-DO-4)**

#### **Computers for Cadets**

**£300 (Sharing with Trevor Bond - £600)**

The grant contributed to the costs of replacing the squadron's computers, which were old and not capable of running any of the modern training applications needed to teach the cadets. The new computers provide the opportunity for cadets to gain training and qualifications such as BTECs and are also capable of running a modern flight simulator.



### **North Deal Community Company CIO (22-DO-6)**

#### **Play and Stay**

**£400**

The grant enabled a hall to be hired for a Play and Stay group for children under five. Local teachers reported a noticeable drop-off in children's social skills at the beginning of the academic year following lockdown and this group was set up to teach children how to play, socialise and share with others of the same age.

### **Walmer Parish Churches (22-DO-9)**

#### **Resurfacing of St Saviour's Church Path**

**£1000 (Sharing with Trevor Bond - £1000)**

The path through the churchyard of St Saviour's Church, Walmer connects The Strand and York Road and is used as a 'cut-through.' The path is used to access the church building, which provides a variety of community activities, but the condition of the path had deteriorated over time and was a health and safety hazard. The grant contributed towards the cost of replacing the path.

### **The Parish of Upper Deal and Great Mongeham (22-DO-11)**

#### **Community Outreach**

**£589 (Sharing with Steve Manion - £589)**

This grant was put towards the costs of setting up a website for the church for publicity purposes. The grant also helped to fund a Family Jubilee Tea with craft activity tables, a family music workshop and refreshments to bring the community together.

### **Carers' Support East Kent (22-DO-20)**

#### **Carers' Fete Deal**

**£300**

Taking place during Carers Week, this event brought together organisations who provide relevant support services for those who look after a friend or relative. The event includes stalls, information stands, refreshments and craft taster sessions. The grant assisted with venue hire, promotion and refreshments.

### **Deal Memorial Bandstand Trust (22-DO-27) Multi-District Award**

#### **Royal Marines Band Concert on Walmer Green**

**£600 (£2,200 Total)**

The Royal Marines Band performed on the Bandstand Green to an audience of circa 8,000, The grant was used to subsidise the hire of video cameras and camera operatives to enhance the viewing for the large audience attending by projecting the event onto hired screens.

### **Talk It Out (22-DO-28)**

#### **Tackling Cost of Living Crisis**

**£500 (Sharing with Trevor Bond - £500)**

The grant enabled local volunteers to purchase and deliver approximately 120 essential food bundles to vulnerable people living in the Deal area. The bundles were delivered to people who have disabilities, learning difficulties or people struggling with mental health issues who may not be able to get to food banks.

### **Deal Music and Arts Limited (22-DO-29)**

#### **Community and Fringe Events**

**£500 (Sharing with Trevor Bond - £500)**

Deal Music and Arts Limited serves the community by bringing high quality cultural events to the area, including a two-week music festival and a new Fringe Festival. These events encourage community engagement, and the new fringe festival encourages more family audiences. The grant contributed to costs of artist fees.

### **Emmaus Dover (22-DO-37)**

#### **Companion Wellbeing Fund**

**£400 (Sharing with Nigel Collor - £400 and Oliver Richardson - £400)**

Emmaus Dover is a charity that provides accommodation, support and meaningful work opportunities for up to 27 men and women (known as Companions) that have previously experienced homelessness, social exclusion, poverty and a lack of opportunities. This grant helped with the setting up of a new Companion Wellbeing Fund to help improve their physical and mental health by accessing sport, leisure and personal care services over a period of 12 months.

### **Cinque Points F.C. (22-DO-39)**

#### **Ladies Team Kit and Equipment**

**£400 (Sharing with Trevor Bond - £400)**

The club was looking for support with the formation of new teams for ladies and young adults at the

club, due to increase popularity. The grant assisted with the purchase of training kits and equipment for the new teams.

#### **Martha Trust (22-DO-44)**

##### **Person Centred Software Project**

**£400 (Sharing with Trevor Bond - £842.50)**

Martha Trust looks after young people and adults with profound and multiple learning disabilities, through the provision of lifetime residential care and respite care, as well as providing help and support for their families. The Trust uses Person Centred Software which has revolutionised care planning, recording all daily care, and enhanced communication methods. The grant was used to purchase replacement handsets and charging units.

#### **Deal Town Rangers FC (22-DO-45)**

##### **Community Events (Various)**

**£500 (Sharing with Trevor Bond - £947.50)**

The Club has seen a huge increase in the number of children wishing to join teams and become more active. The increase in numbers has seen a corresponding rise in the need for mental health support. The events planned helped celebrate the successes of the teams and provided opportunities for home and opposition teams to access mental health support from an FA accredited Mental Health Officer. The grant contributed to the costs of venue hire, referee fees, pitch marking and portable goals.

#### **Emmaus Dover (22-DO-51)**

##### **Tools for the Workshop**

**£505**

Emmaus Dover provides accommodation, support and meaningful work opportunities for adults (known as Companions) that have previously experienced homelessness, social exclusion, poverty, and a lack of opportunities. Following a successful fundraising appeal in 2021, a new workshop was built and opened to enable companions to repair, refurbish and upcycle furniture donations to be sold. The grant was used to fund new tools and machinery for the workshop.

#### **Walmer Parochial Church Council (22-DO-56)**

##### **Upgrade to Church Loudspeakers and Warm Bank in St Mary's Church**

**£500**

The existing loudspeakers were not adequate when the church was full, so an upgrade of the system was needed. The grant contributed to the cost of providing speakers in all parts of the church, an extra amplifier, and a hearing aid loop.

#### **Royal British Legion (Downs Branch) (22-DO-59)**

##### **Benches for Deal Cemetery**

**£450 (Sharing with Trevor Bond - £272.88)**

The original wooden benches situated at the War Memorial in Deal Cemetery had seen considerable wear and tear and latterly vandalism to such a degree that, due to their unsafe condition, they were removed. The grant was used to purchase two replacement benches.

#### **Martha Trust (22-DO-62)**

##### **Digital Rainbow Table Appeal**

**£500 (Sharing with Trevor Bond - £500)**

The grant funded the purchase of two Digital Rainbow Tables, which are interactive touch screen multi-purpose tablets. The main benefit of the tables is their manoeuvrability, allowing them to be easily moved within homes, as well as the ability to tilt the interactive tabletop to different heights and angles, making them ideal for those with specially adapted wheelchairs.

### **Tiny Turtles Nursery (22-DO-63)**

#### **Shed Renewal**

**£400 (Sharing with Trevor Bond - £400)**

The grant contributed to the cost of a replacement shed, as the existing one was leaking and damaging equipment and toys. The new shed helps with the longevity of the toys and enables the nursery to store enough toys to rotate them, thereby keeping the children interested and providing new play and learning opportunities.

### **Deal, Walmer, Sandwich & District Scout Council (22-DO-71)**

#### **Betteshanger Campsite Compostable Toilet Installation**

**£1000 (Sharing with Trevor Bond)**

The project installed three compostable toilets and improved facilities at a campsite on the Northbourne Estate. This allows for longer stays at the site and makes the site more accessible for participants with additional needs.

### Oliver Richardson

### **Christians Together in Dover (22-DO-5)**

#### **Dover Money Course**

**£300 (Sharing with Nigel Collor - £250)**

Christians Together in Dover partnered with Christians Against Poverty (CAP) to offer Money Courses, which were free and helped anyone who required budgeting support. The classes were delivered as a free, non-judgemental service to whomever needed it, regardless of faith. The grant contributed to the costs of venue hire, coaches and workbooks.

### **Kent Coast Volunteering (22-DO-13)**

#### **Xmas Thank You Event**

**£278.67 (Sharing with Trevor Bond - £275 & Nigel Collor - £250)**

The Good Neighbours Service for Dover began in March 2021 and the waiting list continues to grow. The service matches volunteers from all age groups and backgrounds with older people experiencing loneliness and/or social isolation. The grant provided a 'thank you' event for volunteers and contributed towards venue hire, food and drink costs.

### **Dover Street Pastors (22-DO-16)**

#### **Dover Street Pastors**

**£1100 (Sharing with Nigel Collor - £1100)**

Dover Street Pastors wished to raise its profile and link in with other agencies which required recruiting more Pastors. The grant was used to cover the costs of core training modules and additional uniforms.

### **The Band of His Majesty's 1<sup>st</sup> Foot Guards (1815) (22-DO-25)**

#### **Musical Training for Young Living Historians**

**£1000**

The band portrays the 1<sup>st</sup> Foot Guards, now called the Grenadier Guards from the Napoleonic era (1804-1815). Members pay an annual subscription and in return are loaned all the historically accurate clothing needed to perform their chosen roll. The band has seen an increase in interest and the grant contributed to the costs of uniforms and equipment to allow more people to join.

**RBL Dover White Cliffs (22-DO-26)**

**Armed Forces Weekend**

**£500 (Sharing with Nigel Collor - £500 & Steve Manion - £500)**

The Armed Forces weekend is a free event for the public with veterans and ex service personnel in attendance. To ensure the event was well run, road management and security was provided by the grant.

**Pegasus Playscheme (22-DO-36)**

**Summer of Fun**

**£1000**

The project delivered a scheme to bring able-bodied teenage volunteers and disabled or disadvantaged young people together to work and play, sharing experiences to the benefit of all. The grant assisted with the costs of activities for the scheme.

**Emmaus Dover (22-DO-37)**

**Companion Wellbeing Fund**

**£400 (Sharing with Nigel Collor - £400 and Derek Murphy - £400)**

Emmaus Dover is a charity that provides accommodation, support and meaningful work opportunities for up to 27 men and women (known as Companions) that have previously experienced homelessness, social exclusion, poverty and a lack of opportunities. This grant helped with the setting up of a new Companion Wellbeing Fund to help improve their physical and mental health by accessing sport, leisure and personal care services over a period of 12 months.

**Rotary Club of Dover (22-DO-64)**

**100 Year 100 Children Project**

**£500 (Sharing with Nigel Collor - £500)**

The Rotary Club of Dover was established in 1922 and in their 100<sup>th</sup> year they wanted to give 100 disadvantaged children a day to remember. The children included young carers from the Dover SmArt Project and a number of primary schools were invited on a coach trip to Chessington World of Adventure. The grant helped to fund ticket costs and coach hire.



## Folkestone & Hythe– Member Grant Funding Breakdown of Spend

In total 38 grants were awarded for the 2022/23 period by Folkestone & Hythe Members. Of which:

- 13 grants were awarded to charities
- 4 grants were awarded to a church/faith group
- 8 grants were awarded to a community organisation
- 2 grants were awarded to KCC services
- 3 grants were awarded to not-for-profit organisations
- 2 grants were awarded to a District, Parish or Town Council
- 3 grants were awarded to schools
- 3 grants were awarded to sports organisations

9 Grants were awarded to organisations that had been supported in the past 3 years, with the remaining 29 organisations new recipients of a Combined Member Grant.

Folkestone & Hythe Member's Annual Member Grant Spend and roll forward figure for 2023/24 period:

- **Susan Carey – Elham Valley**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £11,839.07 with a £6,060.93 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Tony Hills – Romney Marsh**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £11,748.15 with a £1,271.06 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Dylan Jeffrey – Folkestone West**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £11,575 with a £8,425 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Rory Love, OBE – Cheriton Sandgate & Hythe East**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £5,815 with a £6,613.30 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Jackie Meade – Folkestone East**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £6,743.70 with a £13,256.30 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Andy Weatherhead – Hythe West**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £6,410 with a £12,990 roll forward figure for 2023/24*

Total Folkestone & Hythe Member Spend for 2022/23 - £54,130.92

- £10,772.07 for community development projects
- £2,500 for community safety initiatives
- £11,427 for culture & heritage initiatives
- £2,000 for family support services projects
- £8,998.15 for open spaces projects
- £1,300 for adult social care initiatives
- £4,043.70 for primary school projects
- £13,090 for sport and recreation projects

## **COMMUNITY MEMBER GRANTS**

Susan Carey

### **Parents and Friends of Lyminge Primary School (22-FH-2)**

#### **Platinum Jubilee Storage Shed**

**£650**

Lyminge Primary School created a forest school, which included a pond area, mud kitchen and planting areas. These areas are used as an outside classroom and as part of the environmental and eco club for the children. The grant contributed to the purchase of a storage shed for equipment that would also be named and decorated to mark the Platinum Jubilee Celebrations.

### **Etchinghill Residents Association (22-FH-6)**

#### **Queen's Platinum Jubilee**

**£1000**

Etchinghill Residents Association hosted an event to commemorate the Platinum Jubilee which included lunch and games, to engender community spirit and wellbeing. The grant contributed to the costs of a commemorative bench, Jubilee coins, commemorative mugs and pens.

### **Folkestone Sports Centre Trust (22-FH-7)**

#### **Expanding the facilities within Hawkinge Community Centre**

**£3500**

The project increased the facilities and activities on offer within Hawkinge Community Centre to meet the high demand for additional space for sports, activities, clubs and classes as well as increase the health and fitness provision in the area. The funding supported the provision of sporting equipment for the Community Centre.

### **The Hawkinge Allotment Society (22-FH-28)**

#### **Entrance and Car Park Upgrade**

**£1000**

The grant contributed to the costs of building materials to make improvements to the entrance and car park area, to make it safer for pedestrians and other users of the area. The upgrade also made the entrance and car park more durable and less susceptible to wear and tear in the future.

### **Kent County Council (22-FH-31)**

#### **Kent Plan Bee wildflower seeds**

**£2500**

Kent's Plan Bee has a strong public engagement and outreach programme, delivered through social media and a monthly newsletter. It provides Kent's residents with advice on how they can help the declining pollinator population. One of the actions in the plan is to plant wildflowers to provide forage and food for pollinators and the grant assisted with the costs of purchasing and distributing seeds.



### **Hawking Cricket Club (22-FH-33)**

#### **Return to Cricket**

**£2000**

The scoreboard at the club no longer functioned properly despite attempts at fixing it, making it unsuitable to use in league matches. Additionally, the mobile practice net, which was used in coaching sessions for the U15 side at the club, had been damaged in a storm. The grant was provided to assist the Cricket Club in replacing both facilities.

### **St Marys Church, Sellindge (22-FH-35)**

#### **Safe Flooring**

**£692**

A section of the wooden flooring in the Church's community space had become unsafe and needed replacing. The grant was used to help with the costs of removing and replacing the damaged flooring and relaying the carpet after the works.

### **Kent County Council – Early Help (22-FH-36)**

#### **Youth Club**

**£497.07**

The project initially looked to engage with local young people and capture, in their own voices, what they would like to see from a youth service. This involved booking a space to provide hot drinks, sports equipment, music equipment and art supplies. The grant funding was awarded to provide games and activities for the project.

### Tony Hills

### **Romney Resource Centre (22-FH-1)**

#### **Small Counselling Room, Unit 4**

**£2000**

Funding was provided to convert an office and server room, to create therapy rooms. The new rooms provide good quality, safe, calm spaces where young people can access counselling and families can receive one to one support and advice.

### **New Romney in Bloom (22-FH-5)**

#### **Planters along the High Street**

**£500**

The project provided horticultural displays to make New Romney a more colourful and welcoming place for residents, businesses, and visitors. The grant assisted with the costs of planters for the project.

### **Lydd Town Council (22-FH-12)**

#### **The Banks Tennis Court Refurbishment**

**£5000**

The project to refurbish the tennis courts increased the range of sporting activity available created a genuine asset for the community by providing a clean, safe, and modern facility to inspire sporting participation. The grant contributed to the costs of refurbishing the site.

### **New Romney Counselling Services (22-FH-15)**

#### **Children's Room**

**£500**

Funding was provided for the refurbishment of the children's room at the premises, which had not been redecorated for several years. The grant also assisted with the provision of new furniture, sensory items, and toys to engage the children during counselling sessions, as many of the existing items were showing signs of wear and tear.

### **IMOS Foundation (22-FH-18)**

#### **Hope All Saints Memorial Garden**

**£3000**

The project further developed the Sculpture Park, Heritage Centre, and Memorial Garden at the site of

the ruined Church of Hope All Saints. During the Platinum Jubilee Year, it was proposed to add a memorial sculpture of the Queens of England to mark the occasion. The grant contributed to the artwork, materials, transport, and installation costs of the sculpture.

#### **Caring Altogether on Romney Marsh (CARM) (22-FH-24)**

##### **Generations Connect Community Allotment Project (New Romney)**

**£448.15**

A new allotment project had been set up and volunteers were in the early stages of working and preparing the area. A local gardening club confirmed their commitment to being involved in the project, with the aim of connecting young and older people together and the grant contributed to the costs of establishing the allotment spaces for the local community.

#### **Light Up New Romney (22-FH-25)**

##### **Light Up New Romney Community Lantern Parade and Late-Night Shopping 2022**

**£300**

Light Up New Romney is a free community lantern parade and late-night shopping event. The aim of the event is to promote community engagement and to support local businesses by encouraging the 'shop local' message. Member grant funding was awarded for lantern making materials.

Dylan Jeffrey

#### **Folkestone Festivals (22-FH-4)**

##### **Folkestone Bandstand Chairs**

**£500 (sharing with Jackie Meade - £500)**

Member Grant funding supported the purchase of new bandstand chairs for the community. The previous chairs were over 20 years old, and most were tattered, damaged or broken. The new chairs are available for use by the community and visitors at free entertainment activities and events.

#### **Parish of Our Lady and St Joseph, Folkestone, of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Southwark (22-FH-11)**

##### **Summer Holiday Children's Club**

**£1200 (sharing with Rory Love - £300)**

Member Grant funding provided entertainment, snacks and equipment for a summer holiday club. This included various themed days throughout the holiday club, such as gardening, cooking, music, singing, dancing, artwork, and craft.

#### **Folkestone & Hythe Orchestral Society (22-FH-20)**

##### **2022-2023 Season Concerts**

**£1475**

Member Grant funding assisted with costs of staging three main classical concerts during the 2022-2023 season. This included the purchase of two additional acoustic shields, which the orchestra required to protect members' hearing.

#### **Folkestone Area Partnership Against Crime (22-FH-26)**

##### **Essential Radio communications replacement and upgrade**

**£2500**

Member Grant funding supported a project for essential radio communications and upgrades to local shops, which aimed to deliver a safe and secure environment where local people, and visitors to the area, can work and socialise free from the fear of crime and disorder.

### **SVP Conference Folkestone & Cheriton (22-FH-27)**

#### **Phase One of the Winter Project**

**£600**

The project helped identify people in the community who were facing loneliness or who no longer had access to their social networks following the pandemic. Grant funding provided afternoon social events and a tea dance to help combat social isolation.

### **The Gurkha Memorial Fund (22-FH-29)**

#### **Events equipment**

**£650 (Sharing with Rory Love - £650 and Jackie Meade - £650)**

Funding was used to support the purchase of three new gazebos so that annual events can continue, and regular gatherings can take place outside, without having to be reliant on clear weather. The gazebos are used by local groups, including local Nepalese communities, Gurkhas, and residents.

### **Folkestone Town Team (22-FH-30)**

#### **Umbrella & Various Hangings Project - Guildhall Street**

**£2000**

The project provided an artistic and eye-catching display of umbrellas and other hanging objects, with the aim of adding vitality and vibrancy to the area to improve opportunities for all businesses to be more successful, improve the local economy and support job creation. The grant contributed to the costs of fixtures and fittings along Guildhall Street for the installation.

### **SVP Conference Folkestone & Cheriton (22-FH-37)**

#### **Winter Project Celebrations**

**£400**

The project helped identify people in the community who were facing loneliness or who no longer had access to their social networks following the pandemic. The grant was used to help with the costs of a Christmas Dinner and a celebration to mark a thirty-year anniversary, including food, decorations and tableware for both events.

### **Stella Maris Catholic Primary School (22-FH-39)**

#### **Parental Engagement – Stella Maris Catholic Primary School**

**£2250**

Member grant funding supported the school in setting up and managing a social media presence. This helps the school to engage with parents and residents. It also allows the school to further encourage parents to support their children's learning, including reading or homework.

Rory Love, OBE

### **Folkestone Festivals (22-FH-3)**

#### **Platinum Jubilee Celebration Weekend**

**£500**

Folkestone Festivals provided a family event to mark the Platinum Jubilee. Funding was provided to help with the costs of entertainment at the event, including tribute bands, a swing band and music from different eras.

**Parish of Our Lady and St Joseph, Folkestone, of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Southwark (22-FH-11)**

**Summer Holiday Children's Club**

**£300 (sharing with Dylan Jeffrey - £1200)**

Member Grant funding provided entertainment, snacks and equipment for a summer holiday club. This included various themed days throughout the holiday club, such as gardening, cooking, music, singing, dancing, artwork, and craft.

**The Folkestone-Hythe Operatic and Dramatic Society (22-FH-13)**

**The Tower Theatre heating and energy conservation project**

**£725**

The Tower Theatre is a Grade II listed building, which was formerly a garrison church. Due to its construction, there are several areas where energy and heat loss happens, and this project aimed to save energy and costs when heating the venue. The grant was awarded to remove and replace an aging fire door in the bar area of the building.

**Cheriton Bowls Club (22-FH-14)**

**Bank Planting Project**

**£590**

Member Grant funding was awarded to improve the garden landscape for all users by planting flowers and creating a focal point for the whole Cheriton community to benefit from. The planting also improves the street scene and local environment.

**Seabrook Church of England Primary School (22-FH-21)**

**Biodiverse Spiritual Garden**

**£1000**

Member Grant funding provided a biodiverse spiritual garden which offered a calm space for school children, parents, carers, and staff.

**Folkestone Rowing Club (22-FH-22)**

**Folkestone Rowing Club Young Rowers Initiative**

**£1500**

The club had seen a huge increase in the amount of interest from young people who wanted to learn to row, and Member Grant funding supported modifications being made to rowing boats so they can be used by younger rowers, in line with British Rowing regulations.

**The Gurkha Memorial Fund (22-FH-29)**

**Event equipment**

**£650 (sharing with Dylan Jeffrey - £650 and Jackie Meade - £650)**

Funding was used to support the purchase of three new gazebos so that annual events can continue, and regular gatherings can take place outside, without having to be reliant on clear weather. The gazebos are used by local groups, including local Nepalese communities, Gurkhas, and residents.

**Royal British Legion Cheriton and Morehall Branch (22-FH-34)**

**Queen's Jubilee Memorial Tree Planting**

**£550**

Member Grant funding supported the planting, watering and maintenance of two Norway Maple trees located adjacent to the main gate of the Military Cemetery. This project was intended to be a part of the Queen's Green Canopy scheme and to mark the Platinum Jubilee.

Jackie Meade

**Folkestone Festivals (22-FH-4)**

**Folkestone Bandstand Chairs**

**£500 (sharing with Dylan Jeffrey - £500)**

Member Grant funding supported the purchase of new bandstand chairs for the community. The previous chairs were over 20 years old, and most were tattered, damaged or broken. The new chairs are available for use by the community and visitors at free entertainment activities and events.

**Dads Unlimited (22-FH-23) Multi-District Award**

**Promotional Materials**

**£300 (£3,050 Total)**

Dads Unlimited is a charity supporting male victims of domestic abuse, males at risk of harm or with poor mental health. They support separated fathers, males experiencing family breakdown or males unable to gain meaningful contact with their children. The grant was used to contribute to production costs for promotional materials to raise awareness of their services and to help reach more people in need.

**The Gurkha Memorial Fund (22-FH-29)**

**Event equipment**

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Funding was used to support the purchase of three new gazebos so that annual events can continue, and regular gatherings can take place outside, without having to be reliant on clear weather. The gazebos are used by local groups, including local Nepalese communities, Gurkhas, and residents.

**St Mary's Primary Academy (22-FH-32)**

**Raised bed garden project**

**£1793.70**

The project created a school community garden of seven raised beds with the intention that the children and their parents will grow a variety of different crops across the different year groups. Member Grant funding supported the creation of the beds to promote the importance of growing, cooking and eating locally produced food, as well as promoting healthy living.

**Living Words (22-FH-38)**

**Living Words App Development**

**£2000**

Member Grant funding supported the development of a Listen Out Loud app, which is a live practice resource to enable more meaningful communication and connection between carers, residents, and relatives.

**Folkestone Town Council (22-FH-40)**

**Armed forces & Community fun day with air displays – Folkestone**

**£1000**

Folkestone's annual Armed Forces Day event celebrates the local Nepalese community whilst promoting the wider armed forces. The grant funded promotion materials for the fun day.

**Touchbase Care CIC (22-FH-41)**

**Touchbase Variety Show**

**£500**

Member Grant funding supported entertainment and food costs for a local variety show. The event focused on being accessible for disabled people as well as creating a space to advocate for disabled

people in the wider community.

Andy Weatherhead

**Romney Marsh Community Hub (22-FH-8)  
Room for Growth – Dementia Support Team  
£3800**

Services at the hub are expanding and changing and the project assisted to change an existing clinical room into a room where different services could be offered, including a new Dementia Support programme. The grant was put towards the costs of refurbishing the room, including flooring and redecoration.

**Musical Walkabout CIC (22-FH-10)  
Musical Walkabout - Hythe Outreach Pilot  
£1300**

This project trialled a combination of remote and outdoor in-person delivery of bespoke music and wellbeing activities which are designed to be person-centred and mobile. Member Grant funding supported the initial pilot project sessions in four care homes for residents experiencing social isolation or living with dementia.

**Turn The Tide Festival (22-FH-16)  
Turn The Tide Festival 2022  
£810**

The festival is planned and run by local volunteers with many links into every part of the community. The grant provided funding for community workshops and an art studio for the festival.

**East Kent Branch of the Grenadier Guards Association (22-FH-19)  
Platinum Jubilee Parade and Concert - October  
£500**

Member Grant funding supported transportation costs for the Band of Her Majesty's Grenadier Guards to provide a free parade and concert for the local community, which also forms part of the Platinum Jubilee celebrations.



## Gravesham – Member Grant Funding Breakdown of Spend

In total 28 Grants were awarded for the 2022/23 period by Gravesham Members. Of which:

- 11 grants were awarded to charities
- 4 grants were awarded to church/ faith groups
- 5 grants were awarded to community organisations
- 3 grants were awarded to not-for-profit organisations
- 2 grants were awarded to schools
- 3 grants were awarded to Kent Highways

With the exclusion of Kent Highways, 11 Grants were awarded to organisations that had been supported in the past 3 years, with the remaining 14 organisations new recipients of a Combined Member Grant.

Gravesham Member's Annual Member Grant Spend and roll forward figure for 2023/24 period:

- **Conrad Broadley – Northfleet and Gravesend West (2 Member Division)**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £4,912.96 with a £14,087.04 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Jordan Meade – Gravesend East (2 Member Division)**  
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- **Dr Lauren Sullivan – Northfleet & Gravesend West (2 Member Division)**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £3,961.42 with a £13,897.58 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Bryan Sweetland – Gravesham Rural**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £14,253.62 with a £5,146.38 roll forward figure for 2023/24*

Total Gravesham Member Spend for 2022/23 - £55,475.49

- £724 for assistive equipment and technology projects
- £500 for business support services
- £23,297.96 for community development projects
- £1,000 for community safety initiatives
- £13,127.84 for culture & heritage initiatives
- £7,415 for open spaces projects
- £800 for primary school projects
- £5,452.49 for sport and recreation projects
- £3,158.20 for traffic management and road safety projects

## COMMUNITY MEMBER GRANTS

Conrad Broadley

### **Northfleet Central CIO (22-GR-3)**

#### **Construction Skills Certification Scheme (CSCS) Card Scheme**

**£3000**

The project supported Northfleet residents who were searching for work by providing suitable applicants with free CSCS training and certificate fees, which the grant part funded. This scheme encouraged residents to seek work by removing any obstacles that individuals may encounter either financially or practically to finding employment in the construction industry.

### **NW Kent Citizens Advice (22-GR-4) Multi District Award**

#### **IT Package**

**£500 (Total £4520)**

There had been a recent drive to make better use of technology and advice services more efficient in order to help more people, including training volunteer advisers remotely. The grant was used to purchase equipment packages consisting of laptops, headsets and phones for new volunteer advisers.

### **1<sup>st</sup> Rosherville Brownies (22-GR-26 & 22-GR-27)**

#### **Updating Equipment**

**£498.02 & £499.94**

The grant enabled purchase of a metal cupboard, storage boxes and equipment for activities for use at the hall. The metal cupboard replaced an existing broken one used to store equipment.

### **Hi Kent (22-GR-28)**

#### **Hearing Aid Support Outreach Clinic at Coldharbour Library, Northfleet**

**£415**

Hi Kent offers monthly Hearing Aid Support outreach clinics that are free of charge to residents. The grant supported the clinics by supplying maintenance kits, volunteer training and promotional materials to enable volunteers to provide a full cleaning and re-tubing service as well as batteries for NHS aids to ensure they are fully functioning.

Jordan Meade

### **Chalk PCC (22-GR-7)**

#### **Chalk Jubilee Garden**

**£3500 (Sharing with Alan Ridgers - £3500)**

The project created a community garden to mark the Platinum Jubilee, including features to encourage both exercise and contemplation. The grant contributed to the costs of creating the garden, including adapting a pond area as a planted community garden, the planting of trees and the installation of a Jubilee bench.



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#### **Website Redesign**

**£350 (Total £3850)**

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online shop and secure resource area.

#### **Kent Farmers Market Association (22-GR-11) Multi-District Award**

##### **'Eat Kent'**

**£250 (Total £3950)**

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#### **St George's Church (22-GR-14)**

##### **Queen's Memorial Bench**

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#### **Gravesham Sanctuary (22-GR-16)**

##### **Provision of Emergency Accommodation for People Facing Homelessness in Gravesham**

**£1000**

The Sanctuary refurbished premises in Gravesend town centre to provide single room, supported, emergency accommodation for up to six rough sleepers. The grant assisted with the purchase of furnishings for the rooms.

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##### **Squadron Update**

**£850 (Sharing with Alan Ridgers - £850)**

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##### **Christmas Lunch Hampers**

**£1500 (Sharing with Alan Ridgers - £500)**

The church has been running a holiday lunch scheme since 2016 and the number of families

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##### **New First Aid Training Equipment**

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#### **St Aidan's Church (22-GR-24)**

##### **Warm Space**

**£400**

The grant helped improve promotional materials and resources to raise awareness of a community centre called the Powerhouse, which comprises of meeting rooms, kitchen, WCs and a computer suite.

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#### Alan Ridgers

#### **Gravesham Network Development CIC (22-GR-5)**

##### **Basic Beginners Digital Technology**

**£724**

The grant assisted with the costs of training venue hire and the printing of beginners' booklets for digital technology workshops.

### **Chalk Village Gardeners Club (22-GR-6)**

#### **New Season New Growth**

**£840**

The project staged an Autumn Show Schedule, which would include children's classes, an annual garden show and an event with a guest speaker. The grant contributed towards the speaker's fee and the hire of the hall.

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### **North West Kent Rangers CIC (22-GR-10)**

#### **Ground Maintenance Fund**

**£665**

The grant helped provide maintenance equipment for a newly formed club providing football opportunities for children in the Westcourt and surrounding areas of Gravesham. Equipment to mow and line the pitch allows the club to undertake its own maintenance enabling the money previously spent on maintenance contracts into other areas to better support the young people.

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#### **Provision of CCTV for supported temporary accommodation for rough sleepers in Gravesham**

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##### **Library Project**

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#### **Gravesend Regatta Society (22-GR-29)**

##### **Boat Sponsorship & First Aid Course**

**£560**

Member Grant funding helped cover the cost of maintaining one of the society's boats for one year, as well as the fees for two members to attend a first aid course. By supporting the upkeep of the boat, the grant ensures the safety and longevity of the flagship vessel. The first aid training provides the team with the necessary skills and knowledge to respond to any emergency situations that may arise during events or outings.

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Bryan Sweetland

#### **Istead Park Project (22-GR-8)**

##### **Istead Park Project**

**£5000**

The Istead Park Project is a community group set up with the aim of updating the old and dilapidated play facilities at the community field. The grant contributed to the costs of supplying and installing a trampoline at the site.

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#### **Replacement Amplifier and Loudspeaker System**

**£1167**

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### **Parents, Teachers and Friends of Vigo Village School (PTFA) (22-GR-22)**

#### **Infant Playground Upgrade**

**£1000**

The infant playground needed rejuvenation and a permanent piece of equipment, in the form of a train structure, to provide opportunities for climbing, role play and teamwork. The grant contributed to the costs of installing the play structure.

### **Maritime Volunteer Service (MVS) (22-GR-30)**

#### **MVS Spring/Summer Community Programme 2023**

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## HIGHWAY MEMBER GRANTS

Jordan Meade

**Kent Highways (22-KHS-GR-2)**

**Tymberwood Academy**

**£550 (Sharing with Alan Ridgers - £550)**

The school sits between two bends and residents had raised concerns about approaching traffic not being aware of the school's presence or being able to see pedestrians. The grant contributed to the installation of new pedestrian warning signs and 'slow' road markings and included traffic management costs.

Alan Ridgers

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Dr Lauren Sullivan

**Kent Highways (22-KHS-GR-25)**

**Design Fee for a One-Way Scheme, Hamerton Road**

**£1006**

The grant funded the design fee for a one-way scheme along Hamerton Road, from Railway Street to Stonebridge Road, which helped to reduce congestion and enable traffic to flow more easily along Hamerton Road.

Bryan Sweetland

**Kent Highways (22-KHS-GR-1)**

**Memorial Roundabout Cobham**

**£1052.20**

The Parish Council wished to add wooden posts to the hedgerow line on the edge of a roundabout where there has been previous damage. The grant contributed to the wooden posts.

## Maidstone - Member Grant Funding Breakdown of Spend

In total 56 grants were awarded for the 2022/23 period by Maidstone Members. Of which:

- 23 grants were awarded to charities
- 3 grants was awarded to church/faith groups
- 2 grants were awarded to community groups
- 1 grant was awarded to a KCC service
- 1 grant was awarded to not-for-profit organisations
- 14 grants were awarded to District, Parish and Town councils
- 6 grants were awarded to schools
- 1 grant was awarded to a sports organisation
- 5 grants were awarded to Kent Highways

With the exclusion of Kent Highways, 25 Grants were awarded to organisations that had been supported in the past 3 years, with the remaining 26 organisations new recipients of a Combined Member Grant.

Maidstone Member's Annual Member Grant Spend and roll forward figure for 2023/24 period:

- **Tom Cannon – Maidstone Central (2 Member Division)**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £1,053.33 with a £18,502.56 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Sir Paul Carter, CBE – Maidstone Rural North**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £12,350 with a £6,650 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Ian Chittenden – Maidstone North East**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £12,616.33 with a £1,833.67 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Gary Cooke – Maidstone South East**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £4,250 with a £14,750 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Paul Cooper – Maidstone South**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £10,334.52 with a £9,665.48 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Dan Daley – Maidstone Central (2 Member Division)**  
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- **Lottie Parfitt-Reid – Maidstone Rural South**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £9,920 with a £7,350 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Shellina Prendergast – Maidstone Rural East**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £9,249.34 with a £7,350.66 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Simon Webb – Maidstone Rural West**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £13,679.97 with a £2,000.03 roll forward figure for 2023/24*

Total Maidstone Member Spend for 2022/23 - £88,142.64

- £32,477.52 for community development projects
- £2,000 for community safety initiatives
- £14,780 for culture & heritage initiatives
- £2,173.97 for early years projects
- £7,000 for environmental, highway and routine maintenance initiatives
- £11,875.34 for open space projects
- £7,304 for primary school projects
- £1,750 for public health initiatives
- £3,632.66 for sport and recreation projects
- £5,149.15 for traffic management and road safety projects

## COMMUNITY MEMBER GRANTS

Tom Cannon

### **Kent Farmers Market Association (22-MA-22) Multi District Award**

**'Eat Kent'**

**£300 (£3,950 Total)**

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### **40F (Maidstone) Squadron ATC (22-MA-47) Multi District Award**

**Flight Simulator**

**£316.33 (£948.99 Total)**

The project enabled the replacement of a computer which ran the flight simulator programme. The existing computer frequently crashed, had long load times, and had unmaintainable parts which interrupted the available training time and learning experience of the Cadets.

Sir Paul Carter, CBE

### **Bearsted PC (22-MA-14)**

**Summer Playscheme**

**£1,000**

Member Grant funding provided a contribution to the hall hire for Bearsted Parish Council to provide a non-profit making Summer Play Scheme for primary school aged children from the local areas. In 2021 places exceeded 1000 and due to demand the Council increased the 2022 opening times from four hours to six hours per day.

### **Royal British Legion Industries (RBLI) (22-MA-17)**

**Centenary Village capital expansion project**

**£3,000**

The new Centenary Village is a mixed development which provides purpose-built accommodation for veterans and families in financial crisis. Member Grant funding helped to provide furniture for ten apartments.

### **Dandelion Time (22-MA-18)**

**Courtyard Project**

**£2,500 (Sharing with Simon Webb - £500)**

Dandelion Time created a paved courtyard area to improve disabled access to the charity's buildings and to provide a welcoming secure area for families to enjoy. Member Grant funding assisted in providing the costs of building materials and groundworks.

### **Blackthorn Trust (22-MA-26)**

**Career Learning and Development Pilot**

**£2,500 (Sharing with Dan Daley - £352)**

Blackthorn Trust works with people with mental health conditions and chronic, enduring health conditions, with service users typically spending about a year rehabilitating. To assist service users to transition at the end of their time, the Trust piloted a Career Learning and Development course to help participants identify their goals and discover their skills. The grant funding supported the provision of

the course and helped provide course materials and resources for participants.

**MHA Communities Kent (22-MA-42)**

**Madginford Lunch Club**

**£500**

Member Grant funding supported refreshment costs for a local community group serving the Madginford area who were seeking to start a monthly lunch club. The club provides a hot meal at a reduced cost to older people, who are experiencing isolation.

**FUSION (22-MA-50)**

**Homework Club**

**£1,000 (Sharing with Paul Cooper - £1000 and Simon Webb - £1000)**

The homework club provides teaching, tuition and support to young people and their families in need of improved numeracy, maths, literacy, and English skills in readiness for functional skills or GCSE examinations. The sessions include teaching examination techniques, motivation, and confidence building. The grant assisted with the costs of tutors and resources for the courses.

**Bredhurst Parish Council (22-MA-58)**

**Coronation Celebrations & Commemorative Bench**

**£1,850**

Bredhurst Parish Council provided a free event at the Community Barn to enable residents to come together to celebrate the King's Coronation and funding contributed to the purchase of food refreshment and entertainment. Additionally, the funding assisted with the purchase and installation of a commemorative bench in the centre of the village.

Ian Chittenden

**Vinters Park Residents' Association (22-MA-4)**

**Fire alarm and security**

**£2,000**

Funding was awarded to install a fire alarm and security system in order to protect users and ensure compliance with current safety regulations.

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**Ringlestone Community Centre Development Group (22-MA-23)**

**St Faith's Centre**

**£5,000.00**

A new purpose designed community centre (St Faith's Centre) is being constructed. Funding was awarded to enable the building of the boundary wall, which is a crucial part of the structure, and will also mean that the road can be widened to improve long term issues with a known narrow pinch point.

### **The Autism Apprentice (22-MA-29) Multi-District Award**

#### **IT Equipment**

**£300 (£2,297.67 Total)**

The Autism Apprentice provides virtual peer support groups to families and carers. Member Grant funding secured the provision of IT equipment to enable these sessions to continue.

### **Vinters Park Residents' Association (22-MA-45)**

#### **New Curtains and Fittings**

**£1,500**

The hall hosts several events for elderly residents but the acoustics in the hall creates hearing problems for those attending. The funding was awarded to purchase curtains and fittings to help reduce the issue caused by the acoustics and encourage more residents to attend events.

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Gary Cooke

### **Fusion Maidstone (22-MA-6)**

#### **Introduction to IT**

**£1,000**

The project offered a multigenerational IT course to residents to address issues of isolation and enable residents to engage with online services and activities. The Member Grant funding assisted in the provision of laptops to enable IT literacy training.

### **Leeds Parish Council (22-MA-9)**

#### **Jubilee Celebrations**

**£2,500**

The project hosted a village celebration to mark the Platinum Jubilee, with events held across the Jubilee weekend. All residents had free access to the events, which promoted social integration and inclusion of all ages and populations in the parish. Funding was awarded to support the provision of equipment and facilities for the celebration.

### **Fusion Maidstone**

#### **Community Defibrillator (22-MA-56)**

**£750**

The project moved an existing internal defibrillator outside, in a locked cabinet, so that it would be more readily available to the local community. The funding assisted with the costs of sourcing the external unit and wiring installation costs.

Paul Cooper

**Harmony Maidstone (22-MA-16)**

**Re-Generation: an intergenerational project to re-energise the Harmony theatre for community use  
£1,930.00**

Member Grant funding supported refurbishment costs that included painting, supplies, equipment and cleaning services which regenerated the Harmony Theatre to help bring a community facility back into meaningful use. The regeneration has enabled community groups to access the space for their own projects and provide a range of volunteering opportunities for the community.

**Maidstone Childrens' Centre (22-MA-37)**

**Christmas party for vulnerable families  
£700**

Funding was awarded to the Maidstone Children's Centre to provide a Christmas party for vulnerable families in the local area, which enabled them to meet other families and encourage conversations. The funding provided activities, food, signposting and a gift for every child from Santa.

**Park Way Primary School (22-MA-40)**

**The Police Community Clubs of Great Britain - Barney & Echo, Caught in the Web Project  
£585**

This project is aimed at children transitioning to secondary school and aims to promote discussion between children, their peers, teachers, parents and the wider community, on internet safety. It includes a look at the possible dangers of using the internet, including online bullying, time spent online, gaming and social media. The grant assisted with the costs of providing books and resources.

**Greenfields Community Primary School (22-MA-41)**

**The Police Community Clubs of Great Britain - Barney & Echo, Caught in the Web Project  
£650**

This project is aimed at children transitioning to secondary school and aims to promote discussion between children, their peers, teachers, parents, and the wider community, on internet safety. It includes a look at the possible dangers of using the internet, including online bullying, time spent online, gaming, and social media. The grant assisted with the costs of providing books and resources.

**Tovil Parish Council (22-MA-48)**

**Replacement of Parish Council Noticeboards  
£4,385.77**

Funding was awarded to enable the Parish Council to install three new noticeboards as the current board were falling into disrepair.

**FUSION (22-MA-50)**

**Homework Club  
£1000 (Sharing with Paul Cooper - £1000 and Sir Paul Carter, CBE - £1000)**

The homework club provides teaching, tuition and support to young people and their families in need of improved numeracy, maths, literacy, and English skills in readiness for functional skills or GCSE examinations. The sessions include teaching examination techniques, motivation, and confidence building. The grant assisted with the costs of tutors and resources for the courses.

**The Family Trust (22-MA-51)**

**Essential office equipment and resources  
£1,083.75**

Member Grant funding supported the purchase of two new laptops for staff and helped with the costs

associated with ensuring all the volunteers who assist at the annual summer camp are suitably DBS checked. The laptops will be used in supporting core operational activities, including projects taking place in primary and secondary schools across Maidstone.

Dan Daley

**St Nicholas Church, Allington, Maidstone (22-MA-3)**

**Flagpole refurbishment**

**£300**

Funding enabled the refurbishment of the flagpole in Allington, to ensure it can be used to commemorate significant dates each year. Due to weathering and general ageing, the s flagpole required replacement fittings and general maintenance.

**Swale Community Leisure (22-MA-5)**

**Defibrillator for Community Centre in Allington**

**£1,000**

Hermitage Park Community Centre is a new community facility based in Allington and is situated along a well utilised bridle path, near several children's play parks and the new housing estate. Funding was awarded to enable the purchase of a public-use, external Defibrillator that is considered vital in this area.

**Allington Millennium Green**

**Platinum Jubilee celebration (22-MA-7)**

**£300**

The project hosted a community event to celebrate the Platinum Jubilee, linked with World Environment Day and the Millennium Green's imminent designation as a Local Nature Reserve. The grant contributed to the costs of materials for a 'task day' to make the site ready for visitors.

**Blackthorn Trust (22-MA-26)**

**Career Learning and Development Pilot**

**£352 (Sharing with Sir Paul Carter, CBE - £2500)**

Blackthorn Trust works with people with mental health conditions and chronic, enduring health conditions, with service users typically spending about a year rehabilitating. To assist service users to transition at the end of their time, the Trust piloted a Career Learning and Development course to help participants identify their goals and discover their skills. The grant funding supported the provision of the course and helped provide course materials and resources for participants.

**Maidstone Museum Foundation (22-MA-39)**

**Art Gallery**

**£4000**

The museum has one of the best collections of lower and middle palaeolithic objects (Old Stone Age) in Britain but only a fraction of the artefacts is on display. New display cases, which form a sealed microclimate to protect the artefacts, are due to be used for a new living display project to be opened in 2024. Member Grant funding supported the purchase of the new cases.

**St Francis Catholic Primary School (22-MA-54)**

**The Police Community Clubs of Great Britain – Barney & Echo, Caught in the Web Project**

**£793**

This project is aimed at children transitioning to secondary school and aims to promote discussion between children, their peers, teachers, parents, and the wider community, on internet safety. It

includes a look at the possible dangers of using the internet, including online bullying, time spent online, gaming, and social media. The grant assisted with the costs of providing books and resources.

**Allington Primary School (22-MA-55)**

**The Police Community Clubs of Great Britain – Barney & Echo, Caught in the Web Project**

**£832**

This project is aimed at children transitioning to secondary school and aims to promote discussion between children, their peers, teachers, parents, and the wider community, on internet safety. It includes a look at the possible dangers of using the internet, including online bullying, time spent online, gaming, and social media. The grant assisted with the costs of providing books and resources.

**Allington Millennium Green (22-MA-59)**

**Coronation Community Picnic**

**£400**

The project hosted a community event to celebrate the Coronation, with refreshments, activities and crafts available to attendees. The grant helped to fund the refreshments, including a celebratory cake, for the event.

Lottie Parfitt –Reid

**Staplehurst Parish Council (22-MA-8)**

**Youth Club Start Up**

**£1,000**

The previous incarnation of the village Youth Club had closed, and young people had no access to a youth club. Funding was awarded for Wi-Fi installation to reinstate the youth club, with the aim of providing social and leisure activities, including a computer club.

**Slide Away (22-MA-12) Multi District Award**

**Website Renewal**

**£300 (£3,850 Total)**

Slide Away offers bereavement support for children following the death of a relative or friend. A new website was needed to be the primary source of information for parents, young people and professionals. The grant contributed to the costs of a bespoke website design and build, including an online shop and secure resource area.

**Langley Parish Council (22-MA-13)**

**Clock Restoration**

**£1,500**

The war memorial clock is not only of historic value but is also a key focal point of the village, being situated on the tower of St Mary's Church. Funding was awarded to ensure the clock could be restored.

**Sutton Valence Parish Council (22-MA-15)**

**Platinum Meadow Scheme**

**£1,820**

Member Grant funding assisted with garden work costs and the purchase of a new fence for the newly named Platinum Meadow. Once established the area will be accessible for the community to enjoy, aiding the physical and mental wellbeing of both visitors and those who have views of the land from their homes.



**Staplehurst Under 5 Playgroup (22-MA-21)****Fencing for garden****£500**

The project replaced the existing fence at the playgroup, which was old, rotting and presented a safety issue. The replacement fencing provides greater site safety.

**Marden Parish Council (22-MA-28)****Marden Summer Play scheme****£300**

Member Grant funding provided a contribution to the hall hire for a non-profit making Summer Play Scheme for primary school aged children from the local areas. The play scheme runs for two weeks during the school summer holidays and provides children with the opportunity to try new things (sports, arts & crafts, drama) and make new friends.

**RBL Sutton Valence (22-MA-38)****Sutton Valence & District Branch RBL 100 years anniversary event - Reuniting people****£1000**

Member Grant funding supported refreshment costs and a visit to Leeds Castle for the 100-year anniversary of the Royal British Legion.

**Boughton Monchelsea Parish Council (22-MA-43)****Energy Efficiency Improvements to Boughton Monchelsea Village Hall****£3000**

Member Grant funding contributed to the costs of the supply and installation of photo voltaic (PV) panels and storage batteries to Boughton Monchelsea Village Hall. This project enables the hall to be energy self-sufficient for eight to ten months of the year.

**Chart Sutton PC (22-MA-53)****King's Coronation Big Lunch****£500**

The project was to host a Coronation Big Lunch, open to the whole village, to strengthen relationships across the community and bring together different generations. Member Grant funding supported the provision of a marquee, tables and chairs for the event.

Shelina Prendergast

**Detling Parish Council (22-MA-1)****Noticeboard Instillation****£1000**

The project's aim was to increase communication between the parish council and residents by using parish noticeboards to post official council notices and community information. The grant contributed to the costs of supplying five new noticeboards to be placed in key areas in the village.

**Lenham Bowling Club (22-MA-20)****Ditch Refurbishment****£2000**

The existing ditch/channel infrastructure was old and had been identified as a potential health and safety risk. The grant supported refurbishment costs to enable the continued use of the green.

**Kent Farmers Market Association (22-MA-22) Multi District Award**

**'Eat Kent'**

**£300 (£3,950 Total)**

The 'Eat Kent' project is an initiative to promote and support the county's local food chain. The project provides information on the benefits of local produce, when it is available, where it is grown/bred with links to recipes, as well as nutrition/allergy information in both digital and hard copy. Grant funding contributed towards print costs for promotional material.

**The Autism Apprentice (22-MA-29) Multi District Award**

**IT Equipment**

**£300 (£2,297.67 Total)**

The Autism Apprentice provides virtual peer support groups to families and carers. Member Grant funding secured the provision of IT equipment to enable these sessions to continue.

**21together (22-MA-33)**

**Welcome Room**

**£850**

A library of useful texts was created in the parents' waiting area with the aim of providing access to literature that was either too costly or not known about by parents. Member Grant funding supported the creation of the library by providing a selection of books and See and Learn kits.

**Dads Unlimited(22-MA-35) Multi District Award**

**Promotional Materials**

**£500 (£3,050 Total)**

Dads Unlimited is a charity supporting male victims of domestic abuse, males at risk of harm or with poor mental health. They support separated fathers, males experiencing family breakdown or males unable to gain meaningful contact with their children. The grant was used to contribute to production costs for promotional materials to raise awareness of their services and to help reach more people in need.

**Broomfield and Kingswood Parish Council (22-MA-36)**

**Repair of white finger post**

**£505.34**

The existing white finger post signs were damaged and unsafe. To ensure residents were correctly directed to nearby towns and villages, the signs were repaired. Member Grant funding supported the repair costs.

**Harrietsham & Lenham Parish Residents Association (22-MA-44)**

**End of the Rainbow Food Station**

**£1500**

Member Grant funding supported the "End of the Rainbow Food Station" which is open every day to provide food and other household items for the vulnerable in the communities.

**Aspire Federation (22-MA-52)**

**Follow-up Pupil Wellbeing and Mental Health Support Plan**

**£1944**

Member Grant funding supported the provision of podcast equipment and yoga programmes to support mental health and wellbeing. The podcast equipment allows pupils to create their own online pupil newsletter. The yoga programmes were sought after a successful free session.

### **All Saints PCC (22-MA-57)**

#### **Share Shack - Food bank and food waste community project**

**£350**

With the help of the local community, and built from recycled and donated materials, the church had organised the building of a share shack, where the community can access a food bank and surplus food can be shared, helping to reduce food waste. The grant contributed to the costs of providing a selection of basic food items for the foodbank.

Simon Webb

### **West Farleigh Parish Council (22-MA-2)**

#### **Refurbishment of Play Area**

**£1000**

West Farleigh Parish Council wished to refurbish the play area as the swings and climbing apparatus were beginning to look tired and the colours had faded considerably. The project included a plan to make the area more accessible by adding inclusive equipment and installing a wheelchair friendly surface through the play area. The grant helped with the costs of installing the new surface.

### **Slide Away (22-MA-12) Multi District Award**

#### **Website Re-Design**

**£300 (£3,850 Total)**

Slide Away offers bereavement support for children following the death of a relative or friend. A new website was needed to be the primary source of information for parents, young people, and professionals. The grant contributed to the costs of a bespoke website design and build, including an online shop and secure resource area.

### **Dandelion Time (22-MA-18)**

#### **Courtyard Project**

**£500 (Sharing with Sir Paul Carter, CBE - £2500)**

Dandelion Time created a paved courtyard area to improve disabled access to the charity's buildings and to provide a welcoming secure area for families to enjoy. Member Grant funding assisted in providing the costs of building materials and groundworks.

### **Hunton Church of England Primary School (22-MA-19)**

#### **Eden Sensory Garden**

**£2500**

Member Grant funding supported the creation of a sensory garden, comprising of a landscaped area surrounding a learning cabin, which would provide an outdoor learning area, as well as a quiet zone, for children with a range of needs.

### **Team Tutsham Charitable Trust (22-MA-24)**

#### **Continuation of ongoing resources**

**£2500**

The Trust provides disadvantaged and vulnerable children with the opportunity to learn to care for and ride horses, whilst being able to socialise with other children of varying ages and backgrounds. The grant funding supported repair costs to the damaged fencing and equipment.

**Marden Wildlife (22-MA-30)****Volunteer Wildlife Surveys For Village Farms****£750**

The project conducted wildlife surveys in the local area by using moth traps at night on farms in Coxheath and Hunton to collect specimens for analysis and recording with the appropriate national recording bodies. Member Grant funding supported the purchase of three battery-operated moth traps and associated equipment to enable local volunteers to conduct the surveys.

**Loose Parish Council (22-MA-31)****Love Loose Hate Litter****£300**

Member Grant funding supported the 'Love Loose, Hate Litter' project with the provision of litter picking equipment including litter picking hoops, tabards, and gloves, to support volunteers to keep their local area clean.

**Holy Trinity Church, Coxheath (22-MA-32)****Fencing for stay and play group****£373.97**

Tiny Tots Toybox meet inside the church during school term times but were not able to access the outside space as it was unsafe due to damaged fencing and the proximity to a road. Member grant funding contributed to the costs of fencing and outdoor play equipment so that children and families could safely access the outdoor space.

**Hunton Village Hall (22-MA-34)****Upgrading the village hall heating****£500**

The hall had ten bar heaters that used a significant amount of electricity per hour, and whilst providing some heat to those directly below, once switched off the heat dissipated rapidly. Member Grant funding supported the provision of infrared heating to replace the old heaters.

**FUSION (22-MA-50)****Homework Club****£1,000 (Sharing with Paul Cooper - £1000 and Sir Paul Carter, CBE - £1000)**

The homework club provides teaching, tuition and support to young people and their families in need of improved numeracy, maths, literacy, and English skills in readiness for functional skills or GCSE examinations. The sessions include teaching examination techniques, motivation, and confidence building. The grant assisted with the costs of tutors and resources for the courses.

**Mid Kent Branch Motor Neurone Disease Association (22-MA-46)****Delivery and installation of 5 home access ramps****£1956**

People with Motor Neurone Disease experience rapid deterioration in their mobility, speech and breathing, with most people becoming wheelchair users very quickly. This often results in people being confined to their homes due to access issues. Member Grant funding assisted with the provision of five access ramps to ensure people can get in and out of their homes safely.

## HIGHWAY MEMBER GRANTS

Tom Cannon

### **Kent Highways (22-KHS-MA-11)**

#### **Automatic Traffic Count (ATC) Surveys £437**

Funding was provided to carry out ATC surveys in Queens Avenue, Queens Road and two surveys in Bower Mount Road. The surveys will provide details of vehicle speeds and volume to determine if there is an issue which could affect road safety and quality of life for residents.

Ian Chittenden

### **Kent Highways (22-KHS-MA-10)**

#### **Monktons Lane - Kerblin Installation**

**£3000**

Funding was provided to install a kerblin and widen the road at the top of Monktons Lane adjacent to the new community centre to reduce the bottleneck and enable safer entry and egress from the road

Dan Daley

### **Kent Highways (22-KHS-MA-25)**

#### **Repair of Concrete Roads, Allington Way**

**£5,000.00**

Funding was provided to contribute to the costs of repairing the concrete roads in Allington ward, starting with Allington Way.

### **Kent Highways (22-KHS-MA-49)**

#### **Installations of Broxap Bollards, Grace Avenue**

**£1,712.15**

Grant funding contributed to the cost of installation of Broxap bollards on the corner of Grace Avenue green space to prevent vehicle overrun and mud being transferred to the footways and carriageways during winter periods.

Simon Webb

### **Kent Highways (22-KHS-MA-27)**

#### **Surfacing Works, Parkway, Coxheath**

**£2000**

Funding contributed towards surfacing works in Park Way, Coxheath, following constituent requests, which would improve the surface and ride quality of the existing concrete road.

## Sevenoaks – Member Grant Funding Breakdown of Spend

In total 32 grants were awarded for the 2022/23 period by Sevenoaks Members. Of which:

- 6 grants were awarded to charities
- 1 grant was awarded to a church/faith group
- 3 grants were awarded to community organisations
- 1 grant was awarded to a KCC service
- 6 grants were awarded to a District, Parish or Town Council
- 7 grants were awarded to schools
- 1 grant was awarded to a sports organisation
- 7 grants were awarded to Kent Highways

With the exclusion of Kent Highways, 5 Grants were awarded to organisations that had been supported in the past 3 years, with the remaining 20 organisations new recipients of a Combined Member Grant.

Sevenoaks Member's Annual Member Grant Spend and roll forward figure for 2023/24 period:

- **David Brazier – Sevenoaks Rural North East**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £12,118.08 with a £5,881.92 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Nick Chard – Sevenoaks West**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £390 with a £18,760 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Perry Cole - Swanley**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period – £10,140.31 with a £6,347.48 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Roger Gough – Sevenoaks North & Darent Valley**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £12,103.63 with a £5,000.16 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Margot McArthur – Sevenoaks Rural South**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £13,472.08 with a £5,772.36 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Richard Streatfeild, MBE**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £15,929 with a £3,571 roll forward figure for 2023/24*

Total Sevenoaks Member Spend for 2022/23 - £64,153.10

- £9,534 for community development projects
- £2,000 for culture and heritage initiatives
- £829 for mental health initiatives
- £3,500 for open spaces projects
- £6,973.80 for primary school projects
- £1,000 for public health initiatives
- £15,715.55 for sport and recreation projects
- £23,586.51 for traffic management and road safety projects
- £1,014.24 for winter services

## **COMMUNITY MEMBER GRANTS**

David Brazier

### **Milestone Academy (22-SE-8)**

**The Police Community Clubs of Great Britain Barney & Echo, Mindfulness Project**

**£300**

This project is aimed at children transitioning to secondary school and aims to promote discussion between children, their peers, teachers, parents and the wider community, on internet safety. It includes a look at the possible dangers of using the internet, including online bullying, time spent online, gaming and social media. The grant assisted with the costs of providing books and resources.

### **Fawkham Church of England Voluntary Controlled Primary School (22-SE-9)**

**The Police Community Clubs of Great Britain Barney & Echo, Mindfulness Project**

**£300**

This project is aimed at children transitioning to secondary school and aims to promote discussion between children, their peers, teachers, parents and the wider community, on internet safety. It includes a look at the possible dangers of using the internet, including online bullying, time spent online, gaming and social media. The grant assisted with the costs of providing books and resources.

### **Hartley Primary Academy (22-SE-17)**

**The Police Community Clubs of Great Britain Barney & Echo, Mindfulness Project**

**£780**

This project is aimed at children transitioning to secondary school and aims to promote discussion between children, their peers, teachers, parents and the wider community, on internet safety. It includes a look at the possible dangers of using the internet, including online bullying, time spent online, gaming and social media. The grant assisted with the costs of providing books and resources.

### **Fawkham & Hartley PCC Buildings Committee (22-SE-32)**

**Re-surface of St Marys Car Park Fawkham**

**£2500**

Member Grant funding supported the costs of re-surfacing the village car park to make it safer to use and avoid dangerous parking on nearby roads. The original tarmac surface had either broken away or had large potholes, making it liable to damage cars and be a trip hazard for pedestrians.

### **Friends of Fawkham (22-SE-33)**

**Adventure Play Area**

**£7500**

Member Grant funding was provided to assist with the provision of a new all-inclusive adventure playground equipment at Fawkham Primary School.

### **Kent Farmers Market Association (22-SE-10) Multi District Award**

**Eat Kent**

**£400 (£3, 950 Total)**

The 'Eat Kent' project is an initiative to promote and support the county's local food chain. The project provides information on the benefits of local produce, when it is available, where it is grown/bred with links to recipes, as well as nutrition/allergy information in both digital and hard copy. Grant funding contributed towards print costs for promotional material.

Nick Chard

**Chevening, St Botolph's C.E Voluntary Aided Primary School (22-SE-19)**  
**The Police Community Clubs of Great Britain Barney & Echo, Mindfulness Project**  
**£390**

This project is aimed at children transitioning to secondary school and aims to promote discussion between children, their peers, teachers, parents and the wider community, on internet safety. It includes a look at the possible dangers of using the internet, including online bullying, time spent online, gaming and social media. The grant assisted with the costs of providing books and resources.

Perry Cole

**2<sup>nd</sup> Swanley Scout Group (22-SE-3)**  
**Replacement Floor**  
**£2000**

The scout hut had been used by Rainbows, Brownies, Guides and Scouts for several years but following the lack of use during the pandemic several maintenance issues occurred, including the floor lifting. The grant contributed to the costs of works to prevent future lifting of the floor, a total floor replacement and damp protection.

**593 (Swanley) Squadron Air Force Air Cadets (22-SE-20)**  
**Flight Simulator**  
**£2168.95**

The project provided access to a computer-based flight simulator which allowed the cadets to simulate flying controls and trimming, The grant was put towards the costs of a new computer, flight simulator software and a monitor.

**Swanley Bowls Club (22-SE-21)**  
**Conserve and strengthen edge of bowls green**  
**£918.60**

Member Grant funding was awarded to strengthen the edge of the bowling green to maintain the quality of the green and the high standard of play at the club. Strengthening work also enabled the use of ramps to access the green, which assist those with mobility issues.

**Swanley Town Council (22-SE-29)**  
**Bollards for London Road, Swanley.**  
**£1000**

The project installed new bollards along London Road, Swanley to improve safety for pedestrians by preventing cars parking on the pavement and grassland. Funding assisted with the costs of supplying and installing the bollards.

**We Are Beams (22-SE-30)**  
**Acoustic Fencing for We Are Beams Respite Centre**  
**£2000**

Member Grant funding supported a perimeter fence around the garden at the respite centre to keep the children at the centre safe. Children from Sevenoaks, Dartford, Gravesham and surrounding areas benefit from the garden, which is a great space for them to run, play, express themselves, let off steam and keep fit after spending time indoors.



Roger Gough

**Shaw Hall Social Club (22-SE-2)**

**Recreational equipment**

**£1750**

Member Grant funding supported the purchase of a replacement indoor bowls mat, as the existing one was old and the foam backing had perished, affecting play. The grant also assisted with the purchase of two exercise bikes for use at a weekly exercise class.

**St Lawrence Primary School (22-SE-13)**

**Ukrainian Pupil Support**

**£800**

Despite being a small rural school, there were several Ukrainian children, from 5-10 years old, in the school who had little English. The school was assisted in supporting the children by a local Ukrainian English teacher, and the grant contributed to the costs of books and language resources to aid the children in their education.

**Farningham Parish Council (22-SE-14)**

**Traffic Regulation Order for the 20mph scheme in Farningham**

**£233.75**

Following traffic studies in Farningham, the area has been identified as suitable for a 20mph speed limit scheme and a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) had been carried out. Member Grant funding assisted with the costs of the TRO.

**Kemsing Primary School PTA (22-SE-16)**

**Go-Kart for Science Club**

**£1903.80**

Following the success of year 5/6 pupils in the Lego League competition, the school's Science Club wanted to design and build a go-kart. The club is open to any school pupil and run by volunteers and the go-kart kit will be able to be reused for several years. The grant contributed to the costs of the kit.

**Darent Valley Landscape Partnership Scheme (22-SE-25)**

**Shoreham Station to Shoreham Village Footpath**

**£1000**

Shoreham station is currently only accessible for pedestrians by walking along a busy, poorly lit road with cars parked along the sides. A permissive surfaced footpath will be created in an adjacent field with an accessible gate. This will create a safe route from the village centre to the station. The grant contributed to the costs of fencing for the project.

**Eynsford Parish Council (22-SE-27)**

**New Football Pitch for Eynsford**

**£3378**

The project created an improved football pitch to bring football to a wider range of people by attracting youth, women's and walking teams. The existing pitch was on a slope with poor drainage, only usable in autumn and late spring and deemed below standard by the FA. The proposed new pitch will be on a level area with good drainage, FA compliant, more accessible and usable all season. The grant helped with the costs of groundworks for the new pitch.

Margot McArthur

**Commonwork Trust**

**Keeping our Community Safe and Well (22-SE-1)**

**£1000**

The project purchased and installed a defibrillator at Bore Place in West Kent, which is home to the Commonwork Trust, Commonwork Organic Farm, and organic market gardens. The site hosts a residential venue and an environmental education programme for vulnerable and disadvantaged young people, as well as welcoming members of the public. The grant contributed to the costs of supplying and installing a defibrillator on site.

**Chiddingstone Parish Council**

**Chiddingstone Causeway speed reduction measures (22-SE-7)**

**£3000**

A Traffic Regulation Order was implemented to reduce the speed limit to 30mph to improve safety for residents and users of local amenities. The grant contributed to the costs of installing the speed limit reduction.

**Markbeece Village Hall**

**Centenary Project (22-SE-12)**

**£1500**

The land on which Markbeece Village Hall stands was acquired in 1922 and the Hall was built the following year and is a valuable village asset. The hall required several renovation projects due to its aging infrastructure to enable continued and expanded community use. The grant helped fund the kitchen upgrade.

**Leigh Parish Council**

**Coffee Caravan (22-SE-23)**

**£2000**

The Coffee Caravan initiative had, for several years, been run by Action with Communities in Rural Kent, but the focus now is on local communities taking the initiative forward. The new coffee caravan initiative helps combat loneliness and isolation, is a welcoming place for people to meet and holds information on other help and services available. The grant contributed to the costs of setting up the initiative and the first year of operation.

**Leigh Primary School**

**School Library (22-SE-24)**

**£2500**

Member Grant funding assisted with the costs of establishing a school library. The school library enables families to visit the school together to borrow books.

**Edenbridge Town Council**

**Rickards Community Hall-facilities improvements (22-SE-31)**

**£3134**

The existing seating/chairs in the hall were over twenty years ago and with a sustained high level of use, were breaking regularly, which reduced the number available. The grant was used to purchase replacement chairs.

Richard Streatfeild, MBE

**Sevenoaks Summer Festival**

**Youth & Community Stage at Festival Fair. (22-SE-4)**

**£500**

The Music Stage is an annual feature of the open-air Festival Fair, with local schools, youth groups and community groups being invited to perform throughout the day. The grant contributed to the costs of the marquee, staging and lighting.

**Sevenoaks Samaritans**

**Volunteer Recruitment Drive (22-SE-22)**

**£829**

Sevenoaks Samaritans has run since 2020 and had increased in size to 110 listening volunteers and 10 support volunteers. There was a need for more volunteers to meet demand and the grant contributed to the costs of a recruitment campaign for another 75 volunteers. The campaign includes leaflet drops, banners, an online presence and information stands at local events.

## HIGHWAY MEMBER GRANTS

David Brazier

**Kent Highways (22-KHS-SE-26)**

**Salt Bin, Skudders Hill, Fawkham**

**£338.08**

Member grant funding provided a new salt bin, including filling with a salt and sand mix, on Skudders Hill at the junction with Three Gates Road to improve safety for road users.

Perry Cole

**Kent Highways (22-KHS-SE-18)**

**Tactile paving installed, Bartholomew Way junction with Birchwood Park Avenue, Swanley**

**£2052.76**

Funding enabled the installation of tactile paving at an existing pedestrian crossing to make this crossing point more accessible to visually impaired users. It would also address the gradient of the existing pavement on the northeast side of Bartholomew Way, which had been highlighted as a concern.

Roger Gough

**Kent Highways (22-KHS-SE-5)**

**Salt Bin, Church Road, Crockenhill**

**£338.08**

Member grant funding provided a new salt bin, including filling with a salt and sand mix, on Church Road, Crockenhill near the junction of Harvest Way to improve safety for road users.

**Kent Highways (22-KHS-SE-15)**

**Drainage Survey, Pilgrims Road East, Otford**

**£2700**

Funding enabled the undertaking of a drainage survey to design suitable drainage measures for traffic calming of Pilgrims Road East.

Margot McArthur

**Kent Highways (22-KHS-SE-28)**

**Salt Bin, Paiges Farm Close, Weald**

**£338.08**

Member grant funding provided a new salt bin, including filling with a salt and sand mix, on Paiges Farm Close to improve safety for road users.

Richard Streatfeild, MBE

**Kent Highways (22-KHS-SE-6)**

**Mini Speed Indicator Device (SID), Sevenoaks Town Council area**

**£4000**

Funding procured a portable mini-Speed Indicator Device (SID) and installed posts at locations across the Sevenoaks Town Council area to increase awareness of the prescribed speed limit and assist in mitigating inappropriate speed.

**Kent Highways (22-KHS-SE-11)**

**20 mph plus an element of 30mph on A25, Sevenoaks Town Wide**

**£10,600**

The scheme reduced the speed limits, which provides a safer, healthier and cleaner town as well as assisting with the closely related Active Travel scheme.

## Swale – Member Grant Funding Breakdown of Spend

In total 38 grants were awarded for the 2022/23 period by Swale Members. Of which:

- 9 grants were awarded to charities
- 2 grants were awarded to church/faith group
- 5 grants were awarded to community organisations
- 1 grant was awarded to not-for-profit organisations
- 5 grants were awarded to District, Parish or Town Councils
- 5 grants were awarded to schools
- 5 grants were awarded to sports organisations
- 6 grants were awarded to Kent Highways

With the exclusion of Kent Highways, 24 Grants were awarded to organisations that had been supported in the past 3 years, with the remaining 8 organisations new recipients of a Combined Member Grant.

Swale Member's Annual Member Grant Spend and roll forward figure for 2023/24 period:

- **Mike Baldock – Swale West**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £9,398 with a £8,476 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Cameron Beart – Sheppey (2 Member Division)**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £5,262 with a £10,084.97 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Andy Booth – Sheppey (2 Member Division)**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £9,587.64 with a £6,427.41 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Mike Dendor – Sittingbourne North**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £7,100 with a £10,888 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Antony Hook - Faversham**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £1,006 with a £17,784.96 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Rich Lehmann – Swale East**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £7,344.42 with a £7,349.57 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **John Wright – Sittingbourne South**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £9,126 with a £6,024 roll forward figure for 2023/24*

Total Swale Member Spend for 2022/23 - £48,824.06

- £9,836.64 for community development projects
- £1,000 for community safety projects
- £3,236 for culture and heritage initiatives
- £1,170 for family support services projects
- £900 for mental health support projects
- £3,500 for open spaces projects
- £3,178 for primary school projects
- £600 for public health initiatives
- £20,203 for sport and recreation projects
- £294.42 for streetlighting projects
- £4,406 for traffic management and road safety projects
- £500 for winter services projects

## COMMUNITY MEMBER GRANTS

Mike Baldock

### **Iwade & Bobbing Schools (22-SW-15)**

**The Police Community Clubs of Great Britain – Barney & Echo, Caught in the Web Project**

**£1248**

This project is aimed at children transitioning to secondary school and aims to promote discussion between children, their peers, teachers, parents and the wider community, on internet safety. It includes a look at the possible dangers of using the internet, including online bullying, time spent online, gaming and social media. The grant assisted with the costs of providing books and resources.

### **Upchurch Choral Society (22-SW-21)**

**Jubilate November Concert**

**£450**

The project staged a concert for the enjoyment of the residents of Upchurch and the surrounding area. The funding contributed to the costs of soloists for the concert.

### **Hartlip Village Hall**

**Replacement of stage flooring and steps (22-SW-24)**

**£1500**

The hall enables the community to come together to make connections and friendships, as well as enjoying activities. The hall was showing signs of decline and Member Grant funding was awarded to help with the costs of replacing the stage flooring and steps.

### **Lower Halstow Parish Council (22-SW-27)**

**CCTV at Brickfields**

**£1000**

Member Grant funding was awarded to support the installation of CCTV covering the entrance to the Brickfields, which is an amenity area for residents and visitors. The biodiversity of the area is special including many species of red and amber listed birds. There had been damage to shrubs in the area and trees had been cut back without consultation and the provision of CCTV is to help to deter antisocial behaviour and environmental destruction.

### **Hartlip Village Hall (22-SW-28)**

**Parapet Wall Repair**

**£3234**

The hall enables the community to come together to make connections and friendships, as well as enjoying activities. The hall was showing signs of decline and Member Grant funding was awarded to assist with the cost of repairing the parapet wall, specifically scaffolding and repointing.

### **Sittingbourne Christmas Lights and Sleigh Rounds (22-SW-29)**

**Installation of Christmas Lights and Switch on Day in High Street**

**£500 (Sharing with John Wright - £500)**

Sittingbourne Christmas Lights and Sleigh Rounds runs the Christmas lights in Sittingbourne's High Street, and also runs the Father Christmas sleigh rounds that visit residential areas in Sittingbourne and nearby towns to entertain children in the evenings leading up to Christmas. The funding contributed to the cost of the Christmas lights.

### **Lower Halstow Neighbourhood Watch (22-SW-35)**

#### **Winter Warmers with the neighbourhood watch**

**£300**

Funding enabled the organisation to engage with the community during the cost-of-living crisis and to use the village hall as a warm space venue. The funding contributed to the cost of the village hall hire, as well as items such as blankets.

### **21 Together (22-SW-38)**

#### **Bredgar Train Event Fun Day**

**£666 (Sharing with Rich Lehmann - £350 and John Wright - £670)**

The project staged a fun day for those connected to the Down's syndrome community, including family, friends, professionals and carers. The day included train and tractor rides, inflatables and soft play areas and live music. The funding helped with the provision of entertainment for the day.

Cameron Beart

### **The Autism Apprentice (22-SW-3) Multi District Award**

#### **IT Equipment**

**£600 (£2,297.67 Total)**

The Autism Apprentice provides virtual peer support groups to families and carers. Member Grant funding secured the provision of IT equipment to enable these sessions to continue.

### **Queenborough Town Community Centre Limited (22-SW-9)**

#### **Bereavement Café**

**£900**

There had been a provision for bereavement, through a café style face to face meet up, since 2018. It began small and had grown to be successful. The demand for the provision had increased in recent years due to COVID and the grief, loss and isolation that it caused. The funding contributed to the cost of hall hire and refreshments.

### **2nd Sheppey Scout Group (22-SW-20)**

#### **Coach Trip**

**£390**

Scouting gives children the chance to take part in activities such as camping, the Sweeps Festival and visiting museums. Each activity builds character, independence and enables children to learn valuable life skills. Funding was awarded to enable an educational coach trip to Chatham Dockyard.

### **Minster (Sheppey) Cricket Club (22-SW-23)**

#### **New Premier League Mobile Wicket Covers**

**£3372 (Sharing with Andy Booth - £3372)**

The Minster Cricket Club was awarded funding to purchase new mobile wicket covers. As part of the Kent Premier League rules, covers must be fit for purpose and without them organisations are automatically removed from the league.

Andy Booth

### **The Autism Apprentice (22-SW-3) Multi District Award**

#### **IT Equipment**

**£597.67 (£2,297.67 Total)**

The Autism Apprentice provides virtual peer support groups to families and carers. Member Grant



funding secured the provision of IT equipment to enable these sessions to continue.

#### **APEX Boxing Academy (22-SW-5)**

##### **Gym Equipment**

**£899**

The project improved facilities at the gym to offer and promote access to green spaces, sport and healthy activities and improve the health and well-being of young people and adults on the Isle of Sheppey. The grant was awarded to enable the purchase of new equipment.

#### **Blue Town Remembered (22-SW-7)**

##### **Disability Improvements**

**£998.97**

The organisation hosts coach parties from all over Kent and the surrounding counties to visit Blue Town for the shows hosted at the Criterion Music Hall. The organisation also works with schools with the aim of inspiring them to emulate some of the world-famous people who have been involved with Sheppey. Funding was awarded to enable the organisation to refurbish their toilets to improve accessibility.

#### **Sheerness East Youth FC (22-SW-17)**

##### **Training Equipment, Balls and Kit**

**£3720**

Funding was provided to Sheerness East Youth FC to enable them to purchase training equipment and kit for their players. This included replacement nets, training balls, match balls, training poles and crowd/respect barriers, as well as other equipment.

#### **Minster (Sheppey) Cricket Club (22-SW-23)**

##### **New Premier League Mobile Wicket Covers**

**£3372 (Sharing with Cameron Beart - £3372)**

The Minster Cricket Club was awarded funding to purchase new mobile wicket covers. As part of the Kent Premier League rules, covers must be fit for purpose and without them organisations are automatically removed from the league.

Mike Dendor

#### **Sittingbourne Judo Club (22-SW-4)**

##### **Mat Replacement Fund**

**£3000**

The club has been running for twenty-five years and the mats they were using were getting towards the end of their lifespan. Member Grant funding contributed to the costs of purchasing new mats to enable the club to safely carry on in the long term.

#### **Sittingbourne FC (22-SW-19)**

##### **Youth Academy With Schools**

**£1000 (Sharing with John Wright - £1000)**

The project provided a player and a coach to enable free training sessions to take place in schools across the area that would also include free talks and match tickets. Member Grant funding assisted with the costs of providing the sessions, including funding towards the purchase of new equipment.

#### **Swale Gloves Amateur Boxing Club (22-SW-22)**

##### **New equipment**

**£2000 (Sharing with John Wright - £1000)**

The organisation secured funding to assist in setting up a new session for children aged 5-8 years old. Member Grant funding contributed to the cost of new equipment, such as boxing gloves, skipping ropes and punch bags.

Rich Lehmann

**Lynsted with Kingsdown Parish Council (22-SW-2)**

**Defibrillator**

**£300**

Funding contributed to a defibrillator to be installed which is available for use by the community in this rural location.

**Community Heritage Events (22-SW-8)**

**Faversham Hop Festival**

**£500**

Faversham Hop Festival is a community-led, free, street festival celebrating the town's hop picking heritage and showcasing local artists and musicians. It attracts over 20,000 visitors and brings significant economic benefits to local hospitality and other visitor economy-based businesses. Funding was provided towards entertainment costs.

**Bapchild Parish Council (22-SW-11)**

**Bus Shelter Refurbishment**

**£1000**

Bapchild is one of the villages which is situated along the A2, and the bus shelter sits adjacent to the busy trunk road. The Parish Council was awarded funding towards the cost of refurbishing the bus shelter.

**Bredgar Parochial Church Council (22-SW-13)**

**Hinkins Croft**

**£500**

Hinkins Croft is being developed as a space that could be used by the church, schools and the wider community to promote wellbeing and education on 'eco' focussed topics. Funding was awarded to the organisation to enable them to purchase a communal metal shed, which provides a space to socialise and store equipment and tools.

**Throwley Parish Council (22-SW-18)**

**Telephone box refurbishment**

**£300**

The Parish Council had already sited a defibrillator in the red telephone box. The phone box had deteriorated, and Member Grant funding was awarded to enable the Parish Council to refurbish it.

**Boughton under Blean Parish Council (22-SW-26)**

**Cost of living crisis**

**£300**

The project provided help to the community during the winter months by providing a warm and safe environment for people to relax and socialise in. The funding contributed to the cost of hall hire and refreshments.

### **Age UK Faversham & Sittingbourne (22-SW-37)**

#### **New Boiler**

**£2000**

Age UK Faversham and Sittingbourne support the physical and mental wellbeing of over 500 people a week. They also offer support to carers and family members. Funding was awarded to the organisation to enable them to purchase a new boiler for their day centre, which provides a range of activities for residents.

### **21 Together (22-SW-38)**

#### **Bredgar Train Event Fun Day**

**£350 (Sharing with Mike Baldock - £666 and John Wright - £670)**

The project staged a fun day for those connected to the Down's syndrome community, including family, friends, professionals and carers. The day included train and tractor rides, inflatables and soft play areas and live music. The funding helped with the provision of entertainment for the day.

### **Friends of Tunstall Church (22-SW-39)**

#### **Tunstall Community Coronation Fun Day**

**£300 (Sharing with John Wright - £306)**

A Community Fun Day to mark the Coronation was organised by the Friends of Tunstall Church. The event provided an opportunity for members of the community of all ages to get together and have fun. It also provided access to information from several volunteer groups who offer help and support. Funding was awarded to support entertainment costs.

### **Brogdale Collections (22-SW-41)**

#### **Brogdale Collections defibrillator request**

**£300**

The organisation wanted to install a defibrillator on site for the safety and wellbeing of visitors, staff and volunteers. Member Grant funding contributed to the purchase of a defibrillator.

John Wright

### **South Avenue Primary School (22-SW-1)**

#### **Book Sponsorship**

**£500**

One third of the children attending the school had little or no access to books at home. During the pandemic, the children had no access to books at school and so reading and literacy levels had slipped. Funding was awarded to the school to enable them to purchase books for children to access at home and at school.

### **The Autism Apprentice (22-SW-3) Multi District Award**

#### **IT Equipment**

**£500 (£2,297.67)**

The Autism Apprentice provides virtual peer support groups to families and carers. Member Grant funding secured the provision of IT equipment to enable these sessions to continue.

### **Cruse Bereavement Support (East Kent with Swale Branch) (22-SW-12)**

#### **Bereavement by Suicide and Suicidal Clients Training**

**£1170**

Funding was awarded to the organisation to enable them to deliver three bereaved by suicide training courses. Highly trained bereavement volunteers provide one-to-one, telephone and group support to

bereaved adults and specialist one-to-one support to children and young people in the Swale area.

#### **Sittingbourne FC (22-SW-19)**

##### **Youth Academy With Schools**

**£1000 (Sharing with Mike Dendor - £1000)**

The project provided a player and a coach to enable free training sessions to take place in schools across the area that would also include free talks and match tickets. Member Grant funding assisted with the costs of providing the sessions, including funding towards the purchase of new equipment.

#### **Swale Gloves Amateur Boxing Club (22-SW-22)**

##### **New equipment**

**£1000 (Sharing with Mike Dendor - £2000)**

The organisation secured funding to assist in setting up a new session for children aged 5-8 years old. Member Grant funding contributed to the cost of new equipment, such as boxing gloves, skipping ropes and punch bags.

#### **Dads Unlimited (22-SW-25) Multi District Award**

##### **Promotional Materials**

**£200 (£3,050 Total)**

Dads Unlimited is a charity supporting male victims of domestic abuse, males at risk of harm or with poor mental health. They support separated fathers, males experiencing family breakdown or males unable to gain meaningful contact with their children. The grant was used to contribute to production costs for promotional materials to raise awareness of their services and to help reach more people in need.

#### **21 Together (22-SW-38)**

##### **Bredgar Train Event Fun Day**

**£670 (Sharing with Rich Lehmann - £350 and Mike Baldock - £666)**

The project staged a fun day for those connected to the Down's syndrome community, including family, friends, professionals and carers. The day included train and tractor rides, inflatables and soft play areas and live music. The funding helped with the provision of entertainment for the day.

#### **Sittingbourne Christmas Lights and Sleigh Rounds (22-SW-29)**

##### **Installation of Christmas Lights and Switch On Day in High Street**

**£500 (Sharing with Mike Baldock - £500)**

Sittingbourne Christmas Lights and Sleigh Rounds runs the Christmas lights in Sittingbourne's High Street, and also runs the Father Christmas sleigh rounds that visit residential areas in Sittingbourne and nearby towns to entertain children in the evenings leading up to Christmas. The funding contributed to the cost of the Christmas lights.

#### **Minterne Community Junior School (22-SW-32)**

##### **The Police Community Clubs of Great Britain Barney & Echo, Mindfulness Project**

**£624**

This project is aimed at children transitioning to secondary school and aims to promote discussion between children, their peers, teachers, parents and the wider community, on internet safety. It includes a look at the possible dangers of using the internet, including online bullying, time spent online, gaming and social media. The grant assisted with the costs of providing books and resources.

**Tunstall CofE Primary School (22-SW-33)**

**The Police Community Clubs of Great Britain Barney & Echo, Mindfulness Project**

**£390**

This project is aimed at children transitioning to secondary school and aims to promote discussion between children, their peers, teachers, parents and the wider community, on internet safety. It includes a look at the possible dangers of using the internet, including online bullying, time spent online, gaming and social media. The grant assisted with the costs of providing books and resources.

**St Peter's RC Primary School (22-SW-34)**

**The Police Community Clubs of Great Britain Barney & Echo, Mindfulness Project**

**£416**

This project is aimed at children transitioning to secondary school and aims to promote discussion between children, their peers, teachers, parents and the wider community, on internet safety. It includes a look at the possible dangers of using the internet, including online bullying, time spent online, gaming and social media. The grant assisted with the costs of providing books and resources.

**Friends of Tunstall Church (22-SW-39)**

**Tunstall Community Coronation Fun Day**

**£306 (Sharing with Rich Lehmann - £300)**

A Community Fun Day to mark the Coronation was organised by the Friends of Tunstall Church. The event provided an opportunity for members of the community of all ages to get together and have fun. It also provided access to information from several volunteer groups who offer help and support. Funding was awarded to support entertainment costs.

**Sittingbourne Carnival Association (22-SW-40)**

**Miss Sittingbourne Carnival Court 2023**

**£750**

The Carnival Court provides young people with the opportunity to participate in carnivals, community programmes, and public events. Funding was provided towards the cost of restoring the Carnival float.



## HIGHWAY MEMBER GRANTS

Mike Baldock

**Kent Highways (22-KHS-SW-10)**

**Provision of Salt bin and subsequent refills on Balas Drive, Sittingbourne**

**£500**

The grant was used to provide a salt bin, and subsequent refills, at Balas Drive to improve junction safety in the winter weather.

Mike Dendor

**Swale Borough Council (22-LBH-SW-16)**

**Double Yellow Lines**

**£1100**

The grant covered the cost of new Double Yellow Lines to improve highway safety by preventing sightline obstructions on two corners. Vehicles were parking around these corners blocking sightlines and impeding the safe route of vehicles.

Antony Hook

**Swale Borough Council (22-LBH-SW-31)**

**Inclusion of new Double Yellow Lines**

**£1006**

New double yellow lines were required to improve highway safety by creating a “passing place” between parked vehicles on the corner in Bramley Avenue, Faversham.

Rich Lehmann

**Kent Highways (22-KHS-SW-30)**

**Investigate and repair streetlight**

**£294.42**

The grant was used to investigate and repair a faulty streetlight outside Selling Primary School, which had not been working for some time. Repairing the light improves visibility directly outside the school entrance.

**Kent Highways (22-KHS-SW-36)**

**Canterbury Road, Dunkirk 40mph speed limit reduction joint with Dunkirk PC**

**£1200**

Traffic surveys were carried out in September 2022 to ascertain existing mean speeds. Following the results of the survey, it was agreed to proceed with a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) to reduce the existing speed limit to 40mph.

John Wright

**Swale Borough Council (22-LBH-SW-14)**

**Inclusion of new Double Yellow Lines**

**£1100**

The grant covered the costs of new double yellow lines to improve highway safety by preventing parking on the junction of Hill Brow and Windsor Drive in Sittingbourne.

## Thanet – Member Grant Funding Breakdown of Spend

In total 57 grants were awarded for the 2022/23 period by Thanet Members. Of which:

- 17 grants were awarded to charities
- 3 grants were awarded to church/faith groups
- 5 grants were awarded to community organisations
- 17 grants were awarded to not-for-profit organisations
- 3 grants were awarded to District, Parish or Town Councils
- 8 grants were awarded to schools
- 3 grants were awarded to sports organisations
- 1 grant was awarded to Kent Highways

With the exclusion of Kent Highways, 25 Grants were awarded to organisations that had been supported in the past 3 years, with the remaining 31 organisations new recipients of a Combined Member Grant.

Thanet Member's Annual Member Grant Spend and roll forward figure for 2023/24 period:

- **Rosalind Binks - Broadstairs**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £7,419 with a £10,408 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Karen Constantine – Ramsgate (2 Member Division)**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £9,260.17 with a £5,317.14 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Derek Crow-Brown – Birchington & Rural (2 Member Division)**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £9,443.94 with a £4,439.06 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Lesley Game - Cliftonville**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £7,120 with a £10,993 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Barry Lewis - Margate**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £10,648.24 with a £233.76 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Trevor Shonk – Ramsgate (2 Member Division)**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £6,453 with a £6,797 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Linda Wright – Birchington & Rural (2 Member Division)**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £3,250 with a £9,250 roll forward figure for 2023/24*

Total Thanet Member Spend for 2022/23 - £53,594.35

- £9,150.46 for community development projects
- £19,345 for culture and heritage initiatives
- £300 for early years projects
- £300.28 for family support services
- £6,019 for open spaces projects
- £4,324 for primary school projects
- £1,760.44 for public health initiatives
- £1,270 for secondary school projects
- £7,900 for sport and recreation projects
- £3,225.17 for street lighting projects



## **COMMUNITY MEMBER GRANTS**

Rosalind Binks

### **Inspiration Creative CIC (22-TH-8)**

#### **Pilot Project – Musical Communication Sessions for Young Children with Additional Needs**

**£1500**

Member Grant funding assisted with the pilot of a project to provide an interactive music session, designed to develop communication in children who have learning disabilities, speech and language difficulties and/or are deaf. The sessions will run for 12 months during term times, last an hour and be aimed at pre-school age children to help their development before they start school.

### **Broadstairs Folk Week (22-TH-12)**

#### **Radio and Seating Hire**

**£1500**

Folk Week is primarily for the residents of Broadstairs and Thanet but also brings in many visitors from further afield. It is a community festival with volunteers which presents on average 15 concerts, 35 acoustic sessions, 13 ceilidhs and dances, 21 free family shows, a Craft and Music Fair, dance displays, a festival parade and over 150 free music sessions in venues around Broadstairs. This grant funded radio and seating hire for the festival.

### **The Sarah Thorne Theatre CIC (22-TH-27)**

#### **Upgrading and Repairing of Stage Equipment**

**£2000**

The theatre offers a year-round selection of both professional and community-based productions and helps to raise funds for local charities with special performances. These productions need the stage equipment to be up to date and safe, and grant funding was provided to replace one of the older dimmer racks and the sound mixer.

### **Broadstairs Folk Week (22-TH-37)**

#### **Hire of PA Sound, Sound Engineers & Lighting**

**£2000**

Folk Week is primarily for the residents of Broadstairs and Thanet but also brings in many visitors from further afield. It is a community festival with volunteers which presents on average 15 concerts, 35 acoustic sessions, 13 ceilidhs and dances, 21 free family shows, a Craft and Music Fair, dance displays, a festival parade and over 150 free music sessions in venues around Broadstairs. The grant funded the hire of the PA, engineers and lighting.

### **St Peter's Village Tour (22-TH-58)**

#### **Village Sign Refurbishment**

**£419**

The village sign was almost one hundred years old and in a poor condition. To mark its centenary, a skilled restoration specialist offered their time, free of charge, to refurbish the sign. A local scaffolding firm also offered to supply the necessary scaffolding free of charge. The grant contributed to the costs of specialist paint, gold leaf and other materials to help restore the sign.

Karen Constantine

**Ramsgate Festival of Sound CIC (22-TH-19)**

**Ramsgate Festival of Sound – Don't Rain on My Parade  
£2500**

This nine-day festival showcases locally based community facing arts and culture organisations, schools and colleges to promote a diverse and stimulating range of activities. 'Don't Rain on My Parade' is a community music event hosted by Stage Door Theatre Academy, bringing the West End to Ramsgate and the grant provided artist fees as well as production, sound and light costs.

**Newlands Primary School (22-TH-40)**

**The Police Community Clubs of Great Britain Barney & Echo, Mindfulness Project  
£585**

This project is aimed at children transitioning to secondary school and aims to promote discussion between children, their peers, teachers, parents and the wider community, on internet safety. It includes a look at the possible dangers of using the internet, including online bullying, time spent online, gaming and social media. The grant assisted with the costs of providing books and resources.

**Newington Community Primary School (22-TH-41)**

**The Police Community Clubs of Great Britain Barney & Echo, Mindfulness Project  
£650**

This project is aimed at children transitioning to secondary school and aims to promote discussion between children, their peers, teachers, parents and the wider community, on internet safety. It includes a look at the possible dangers of using the internet, including online bullying, time spent online, gaming and social media. The grant assisted with the costs of providing books and resources.

**Looping the Loop (22-TH-47)**

**A Community Play – Sanger's Circus  
£500 (Sharing with Barry Lewis - £500)**

The project is a two-year scheme where workshops, run by experienced artists, would explore the panorama of Sanger, who brought parades of elephants to the seafront and built a 2000 seat Matcham-designed theatre. This grant assisted with the professional artists fees for running the scheme.

**St George's Church, Ramsgate (22-TH-55)**

**St George's Church Hall Kitchen Refurbishment  
£1000**

Member Grant funding supported a project to refurbish and upgrade the kitchen facilities used by St George's Community Meals, which allows those who struggle with isolation to enjoy a cooked meal and conversation once a week. The hall also hosts 'Our Kitchen' social supermarket, which offers help around housing, debt and addiction as well as distributing items of clothing and bedding.

**Great British Carnival (22-TH-59)**

**Samba Ya Wantsum Community Drumming Workshops  
£800**

Member grant funding supported the delivery of five community drumming workshops along with community outreach and engagement. The workshops were free to attend and inclusive of all abilities, backgrounds and circumstances. This grant assisted with the costs of repairs and purchasing musical equipment.

**Thanet Countryside Trust (22-TH-6)**

**Emergency Roofing Work at Monkton Nature Reserve**

**£500**

The flat roof covering the café had developed a serious leak that required urgent attention. The grant assisted with the costs of replacing the roof and making it waterproof before the school holidays, when a full programme of activities had been planned.

**The Margate School (22-TH-9)**

**Margate Festival of Design**

**£500 (Sharing with Barry Lewis - £750 & Lesley Game - £750)**

The Margate Festival of Design explored social and environmental matters through the language of design with a lively programme of talks, walks and workshops, held over two weekends with exhibitions and displays open in between. The grant contributed to the costs of workshops, as well as marketing and exhibition materials.

**St Nicholas at Wade PTFA (22-TH-13)**

**Nurture Room**

**£348**

The Nurture room is used by pupils throughout their time at school to support their mental health and wellbeing. Furniture and equipment were needed for the room, which had seen an increased use following the pandemic. The grant purchased items including storage and shelving, a blackout tent and sensory equipment.

**The Margate School (22-TH-16)**

**Margate High Street Community Garden**

**£300 (Sharing with Barry Lewis - £500)**

The project cleared a piece of derelict land at the back of the school to create a community garden to benefit the school community, the neighbourhood, local schools and community groups. It created a place for contemplation and to experience nature in an urban environment. The grant helped with the costs of a shelter for up to 18 bikes.

**Kent Farmers Market Association (22-TH-17) Multi-District Award**

**'Eat Kent'**

**£300 (Total £3950)**

The 'Eat Kent' project is an initiative to promote and support the county's local food chain. The project provides information on the benefits of local produce, when it is available, where it is grown/bred with links to recipes, as well as nutrition/allergy information in both digital and hard copy. Grant funding contributed towards print costs for promotional material.

**Minster Parish Council (22-TH-18)**

**Minster 2 x Defibrillator Equipment and Cabinets**

**£1200**

Member Grant funding assisted with the costs of purchasing two defibrillators and external cabinets in Minster. The existing two defibrillator units were ten years old, discontinued and one cabinet had been broken so replacements were needed.

**Margate Cricket Club (22-TH-20)****Purchase of New Sightscreens****£500 (Sharing with Barry Lewis - £500)**

Member Grant funding was awarded to the club to help improve facilities, which included the purchase of new sightscreens. The new sightscreens also assist with plans for general development in the future, which includes starting an Under 11 team and being considered for the ECB All Stars and Dynamos programme.

**Scripture Union Holiday Club (22-TH-22)****Scripture Union Minnis Bay Holiday Club****£300 (Sharing with Linda Wright - £500)**

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**St Saviour's C of E Junior School (22-TH-33)****The Police Community Clubs of Great Britain Barney & Echo, Caught in the Web****£617.50**

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**Garlinge Primary School and Nursery (22-TH-34)****The Police Community Clubs of Great Britain Barney & Echo, Caught in the Web****£338**

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**Acol Village Hall Committee (22-TH-42)****Food Hub****£150 (Sharing with Linda Wright - £150)**

The Food Hub supports residents in the village, particularly the elderly, with the provision of hot food and a warm facility. To help the hub continue throughout the winter months, the grant assisted with the provision of food items.

**Oasis Domestic Abuse Service (22-TH-44) Multi-District Award****Security Packs****£560.44 (£1,120.88 Total)**

Oasis supports families affected by domestic abuse in Kent and Medway through a comprehensive range of services. The grant supported a project to provide security packs to high-risk victims living in Thanet and Dover. The packs, consisting of dash cams, CCTV units and Ring doorbells for home security, are loaned to clients following risk assessments and returned when the client is made safe, which can take several months.

**Storehouse Food Bank (22-TH-49)****Providing Food & Care****£150 (Sharing with Linda Wright - £150)**

Due to increasing food and energy bills, funding was sought to help with the costs of food, toiletries and household care items required for residents. The food bank provides a safe, warm place for residents to collect these items but also to talk about their issues and to help them to get in touch with organisations that might be able to help.

**Birchington Together CIC (22-TH-50)****Birchington Literary Festival****£1000**

The Member Grant funded the hire of a marquee for Birchington's Literary Festival, which was a free event for the community. The festival offered young people the opportunity to join writing and drawing workshops; in addition to mentoring workshops for older students.

**The Rotary Club of Margate (22-TH-56)****Thanet Young Artists Festival****£250 (Sharing with Lesley Game - £250)**

The Rotary Club had been running the Young Artists Festival for the last 12 years, to which 47 schools contribute over 800 artworks. The Club has been providing the materials and prizes for the festival but

needed support to meet the increased costs for materials, which the grant provided.

### Lesley Game

#### **GRASS Cliftonville CIC (22-TH-1)**

##### **Bandstand Community Concerts**

**£1500**

The project hosted a season of free music concerts at the Cliftonville Oval bandstand during the summer of 2022. The events allowed the community to meet and take part in an inclusive free activity which helped to increase their sense of wellbeing. The grant was used to help with the costs of entertainment, security and marketing.

#### **Northdown Community Project CIC (22-TH-2)**

##### **Platinum Jubilee Event**

**£350**

The project organised a Picnic and Fun afternoon to bring the community together to celebrate the Platinum Jubilee. The event was held on the green space adjacent to the central Palm Bay Estate in Cliftonville and the grant contributed to the costs of entertainment and activities as well as marketing and refreshments.

#### **Phoenix Community Events CIC (22-TH-3)**

##### **Shakespeare on the Beach**

**£500**

Shakespeare on the Beach is an annual event in Margate and has become a significant cultural event, with both paid seating on the beach and free viewing from the promenade. Member Grant funding helped cover the costs of the event.

#### **The Margate School (22-TH-9)**

##### **Margate Festival of Design**

**£750 (Sharing with Barry Lewis - £750 & Derek Crow-Brown - £500)**

The Margate Festival of Design explored social and environmental matters through the language of design with a lively programme of talks, walks and workshops, held over two weekends with exhibitions and displays open in between. The grant contributed to the costs of workshops, as well as marketing and exhibition materials.

#### **Hartsdown Academy (22-TH-15)**

##### **Summer Show – Oliver**

**£1270**

This community project provided outreach for local primary schools, in the form of a matinee performance, workshops and participation in the show. The project provided Hartsdown Academy students with evidence for their BTEC Performing Arts course, and the grant assisted with the costs of coach hire for travel to and from the venue, as well as hall hire and promotional material.

#### **Cliftonville Cultural Space (22-TH-21)**

##### **Lighting Up Cliftonville**

**£500 (Sharing with Barry Lewis - £500)**

The project raised the profile of Cliftonville Cultural Space by hosting a 10-day light show. The project aimed to engage with all members of Cliftonville's diverse community and provide a platform for local businesses to support their local community. The grant helped with the costs of the light show.

### **Kitchen Social & Cookery Club (22-TH-43)**

#### **Surplus to Supper Club**

**£2000**

This project aimed to give residents on low incomes access to healthy food and tackle health inequalities in the area. This social Food Club, which collects, quality checks, repacks and re-distributes food waste from local retailers and producers, removes the stigma of asking for support. The grant assisted with the costs of food and household cleaning items.

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Barry Lewis

### **The Margate Caves Community Education Trust (22-TH-7)**

#### **“Chalk Up”**

**£500**

As part of the Queen’s Jubilee, the Chalk Up project celebrated achievements big and small over the previous 70 years. This grant funded three workshops over the Jubilee weekend, enabling participants of all ages and abilities to learn new art techniques and create Chalk Up themed items in fun and creative ways.

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### **Margate Carnival Group (22-TH-10)**

#### **Margate Community Carnival Project**

**£1500**

Margate Carnival is one of the largest, oldest and most popular in Kent, attracting over 1500 participants, working with local businesses and voluntary groups. The funding supported two carnival workshops including one for those with complex needs.

### **Phoenix Community Events CIC (22-TH-11)**

#### **The Three Musketeers for kids – in Margate**

**£500**

The project hosted a show specifically for children on Margate Main Sands to complement the Shakespeare production of Othello for adults. The show featured Morgan and West, who have visited the Theatre Royal in Margate many times and have built up a loyal following. The grant contribute to the costs of performer fees for the event.

### **Millmead Children's Centre Partnership Limited (22-TH-14)**

#### **Summer Play Activities**

**£300**

The summer programme provides an environment rich in equipment to be shared with parents, carers and other families. Member Grant funding helped with the costs of new equipment.

### **The Margate School (22-TH-16)**

#### **Margate High Street Community Garden**

**£500 (Sharing with Derek Crow-Brown - £300)**

The project cleared a piece of derelict land at the back of the school to create a community garden to benefit the school community, the neighbourhood, local schools and community groups. It created a place for contemplation and to experience nature in an urban environment. The grant helped with the costs of a shelter for up to 18 bikes.

### **Margate Cricket Club (22-TH-20)**

#### **Purchase of New Sightscreens**

**£500 (Sharing with Derek Crow-Brown - £500)**

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### **Millmead Children's Centre Partnership Limited (MCCPL) (22-TH-29)**

#### **Family Comfort Room Pilot**

**£300.28**

Member Grant funding supported a project to set up a comfort room where emergency support, warmth and food is provided to families with children aged 0-5 that were at risk from cold and hunger. The grant helped to purchase food, blankets, nappies and curtains for the room.

### **Silvers Social CIC (22-TH-30)**

#### **Margate Christmas Lights**

**£500**

Member Grant funding supported the provision of Christmas Lights and a 'Switch On' Event in Margate. The switch on was followed by Christmas Carols, minced pies and mulled wine. The funding supported the purchase of a Christmas Tree.

### **Pink Suits CIC (22-TH-39)**

#### **Queer Country**

**£1000**

Queer Country is a community event with a focus on local LGBTQIA+ people but open to everyone. It's a place that people can come and meet, socialise, hear live music, see performances by local artists and play interactive games. Funding was put towards the costs of venue hire for the event.



### **Cliftonville Community Centre (22-TH-46)**

#### **A Warm Winter Hub**

**£792.46**

Member Grant funding assisted with a project to run a warm winter hub. The hub is open four days per week and offers services such as showers and laundry, breakfasts and the use of digital equipment in a warm and secure environment. The grant supported the provision of food for the project for six months.

### **Looping the Loop (22-TH-47)**

#### **A Community Play – Sanger's Circus**

**£500 (Sharing with Karen Constantine - £500)**

The project is a two-year scheme where workshops, run by experienced artists, would explore the panorama of Sanger, who brought parades of elephants to the seafront and built a 2000 seat Matcham-designed theatre. This grant assisted with the professional artists fees for running the scheme.

### **The Chemotherapy Cancer Project (22-TH-52)**

#### **East Kent Cancer Café Drop-In Centre**

**£500**

The drop-in centre is open to all cancer sufferers and their families and funding helped provide refreshments, games and reading materials for the café.

### **Northdown Primary School (22-TH-53)**

#### **Northdown Community Allotment**

**£700**

The school already had a community food bank and wished to start an allotment to allow the children and families access to a broader range of fresh produce. Funding was sought to establish the project by providing tools, compost and raised beds.

### **Drapers Mill Primary School and Nursery (22-TH-54)**

#### **The Police Community Clubs of Great Britain Barney & Echo, Mindfulness Project**

**£ 305.50**

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### **Margate Radio CIC (22-TH-57)**

#### **Live Studio Launch Event**

**£500**

Margate Radio is a not-for-profit radio station and exists for the direct benefit of the Margate and Thanet community. After two years of creating shows remotely, the station set up a public facing, physical studio space and sought funding to help with the costs of a launch event. The grant helped with the costs of promotional t-shirts and postcards.

### **POW Thanet (22-TH-60)**

#### **Joy & Celebration Festival 2023**

**£500**

POW Thanet holds an annual multi-arts festival celebrating International Women's Day. The 2023 festival was themed around "joy and celebration". Funding was sought for an engagement quilting project for local community groups.

Trevor Shonk

**Newington Community Association (22-TH-4)**

**People's History of Newington**

**£495**

The project hosted a large celebration event, bringing 75 people together in person to share a meal, rekindle friendships and explore how to set up ongoing systems of support. The grant was used for venue hire, food, tableware and fliers.

**Thanet Thunderers Boccia Club (22-TH-5)**

**Kent Boccia Pairs Tournament**

**£1000**

Member Grant funding was sought to set up a Boccia Tournament. This is a paralympic sport with similar rules to bowls or French pétanque and played by disabled people sitting in chairs, wheelchairs or on scooters. The grant was awarded to cover the costs of venue hire, medals, trophies and refreshments.

**East Kent Mencap (22-TH-25)**

**Adjustable Tables for Wheelchair Users**

**£958**

East Kent Mencap supports people with complex needs including a bespoke day resource for people over 16 and a youth club for young people up to 18 years of age. Member Grant funding was awarded to replace the existing non-adjustable tables with two fully adjustable tables to improve workspaces for people in wheelchairs and those who have adapted walking aids.

**Cliffsend Village Hall Foundation (22-TH-28)**

**Replacement kitchen**

**£1000**

The Hall is the only asset in the village supporting several activities for a wide range of people and age groups. Work had already been undertaken to get the hall up to a safe standard, but it needed a modern kitchen to help attract more hirers to help secure its future. The grant contributed to the costs of supplying the replacement kitchen.

**Ramsgate Bowling Club (22-TH-38)**

**New Build Community Project Funding – Electrical Work for Extension**

**£1000**

The Club requested funding to restore and extend its clubhouse to enable it to be used all year round for bowls, social events and other community activities. Funding was used to fit a smoke alarm and heat detectors to make the building safer to use.

**Ramsgate Active Education Foundation (part of Ramsgate FC) (22-TH-48)**

**Christmas Winter Wonderland**

**£1000**

The Foundation run holiday activities and food programmes to support children in receipt of free school meals through holiday periods. The funding for the course at Christmas only covered children on free school meals but there were around 20 children who lived in the same households as those who regularly attend but for various reasons did not qualify for the programme. The grant contributed to the cost of the hire of an ice rink for the Christmas Winter Wonderland.

### **6<sup>th</sup> Ramsgate Royal Harbour Sea Scouts Group (22-TH-51)**

#### **Ice House Renovation**

**£1000**

Member Grant funding was sought to help with a project to renovate the Ice House in Ramsgate's Royal Harbour to create a community centre able to offer opportunities for the Scout Group and wider community. This funding was used for the boat yard security fencing and gate to protect the fire escape.

Linda Wright

### **Scripture Union Holiday Club (22-TH-22)**

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### **Minster Parish Council (22-TH-23)**

#### **Football pitch expansion**

**£300**

Minster FC 1st Team had been promoted in the last 4 consecutive seasons taking them to the Kent County League Premier Division for the 2022-23 season. The Premier Division has a higher expectation of facilities; league officers, after inspecting the ground, required the pitch to be 6m wider. To achieve the pitch widening, the in-ground water tap needed to be relocated, and the grant contributed to the costs of its relocation.

### **2nd Garlinge Scouts (22-TH-24)**

#### **Gardening Equipment**

**£150 (Sharing with Derek Crow-Brown - £150)**

Garlinge Phoenix Project is a community based sensory garden project situated within the Brooke Avenue allotment. It has given the Scouts a space to grow their own produce and to share their efforts with the local community. Member Grant funding assisted with the costs of garden equipment.

### **Birchington Man Shed (22-TH-26)**

#### **Wood Working Application**

**£500**

The Birchington Man Shed was formed in 2021 to provide a safe and secure space for men to gather and to combat loneliness and isolation. The shed is primarily woodwork based and new tools were needed to meet increased demand. The grant helped with the purchase of a new lathe for the shed.

### **Books beyond words (22-TH-32)**

#### **Deaf Friends Book Club**

**£500 (Sharing with Derek Crow-Brown - £500)**

The Deaf Friends Book Club was established in 2021 and has grown considerably. A portable projector and screen was needed to allow the pages of the books to be projected onto a screen to help members when they are using their hands to sign. Member Grant funding was awarded to assist with the purchasing of these items.

### **Minster Parish Council (22-TH-36)**

#### **Rubber Mulch Safety**

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#### **Providing Food and Care**

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## **HIGHWAY MEMBER GRANTS**

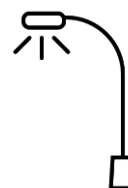
### Karen Constantine

#### **Kent Highways (22-KHS-TH-45)**

#### **Heritage Style Street Lighting, Paradise, Ramsgate**

**£3225.17**

The installation of heritage lighting was grant funded to help reduce traffic speed by creating a calmer environment. Three lights in total were upgraded from standard luminaires to heritage luminaires, one of which required a new column.



## Tonbridge & Malling – Member Grant Funding Breakdown of Spend

In total 50 grants were awarded for the 2022/23 period by Tonbridge & Malling Members. Of which:

- 11 grants were awarded to charities
- 1 grant was awarded to a church/faith groups
- 7 grants were awarded to community organisations
- 1 grant was awarded to KCC services
- 15 grants were awarded to District, Parish or Town Councils
- 6 grants were awarded to schools
- 2 grants were awarded to a sports organisation
- 7 grants were awarded to Kent Highways

With the exclusion of Kent Highways, 20 Grants were awarded to organisations that had been supported in the past 3 years, with the remaining 23 organisations new recipients of a Combined Member Grant.

Tonbridge & Malling Member's Annual Member Grant Spend and roll forward figure for 2023/24 period:

- **Trudy Dean, MBE – Malling Central**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £4,100 with a £10,900 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Sarah Hohler – Malling North**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £4,538.62 with a £13,711.38 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Mark Hood – Tonbridge (2 Member Division)**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £10,762.23 with a £8,237.77 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Sarah Hudson – Malling Rural East**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £8,700.44 with a £1,549.56 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Andrew Kennedy – Malling North East**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £9,626.33 with a £2,923.67 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Harry Rayner – Malling West**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £7,955 with a £10,545 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Paul Stepto – Tonbridge (2 Member Division)**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £7,349.35 with a £10,103.65 roll forward figure for 2023/24*

Total Tonbridge & Malling Member Spend for 2022/23 - £53,031.97

- £1,000 for adult social care initiatives
- £1,250 for business support services
- £6,412.50 for community development projects
- £8,880 for culture and heritage initiatives
- £4,145.12 for open spaces projects
- £3,736 for primary school projects
- £2,855 for public health initiatives
- £10,854.35 for sport and recreation projects
- £4,575.46 for streetlighting projects
- £9,323.54 for traffic management and road safety projects

## COMMUNITY MEMBER GRANTS

Trudy Dean, MBE

### **East Malling Institute (22-TM-10)**

#### **Bouncing back from Covid**

**£1000**

The East Malling Institute Hall is a charitable hall offering space for hire for local clubs and groups as well as for individuals. The stage in the Main Hall had a space underneath that was inaccessible and wasted space. The project created a storage area under the stage. The grant was used for the construction, including materials, of the under-stage store.

### **Communigrow (22-TM-16)**

#### **Wildlife Pond**

**£1600**

Communigrow is a food education charity providing education, well-being and skills sessions. The project created a wildlife pond in the garden to bring in more wildlife and the grant contributed to the cost of materials, plants, fencing and digger hire for the project.

### **The East Malling Centre (22-TM-30)**

#### **CAB Outreach Pilot**

**£1000**

Member Grant funding was sought for a project to open a Citizens Advice Outreach at East Malling Centre, building on the successful community supermarket and food bank, Silver Lunch Clubs, Memory Café and other community activities. The grant helped with the cost of providing a CAB adviser.

### **Malling & District Repair Cafe (22-TM-39)**

#### **Initial Start Up Costs**

**£500**

The project started a local repair café where volunteer repair experts are available to help make repairs to items brought in by the community free of charge. The grant contributed to the initial start-up costs for the café, including purchasing a PAT tester machine, hall hire costs, advertising costs and safety equipment.

Sarah Hohler

### **Tonbridge & Malling Borough Council (22-TM-20)**

#### **Snodland Pump Track**

**£1500**

A need was identified for organised and casual bike activities in the area to help deter anti-social behaviour, and Snodland Bike Club was formed to help address this need. The club hoped to create a pump track that would allow young people to meet with friends and ride unsupervised in a safe, traffic free environment. The grant was put towards the costs of base materials for the track.

### **St Katherine's School (22-TM-22)**

#### **The Police Community Clubs of Great Britain Barney & Echo, Caught in the Web**

**£552.50**

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online, gaming and social media. The grant assisted with the costs of providing books and resources.

#### **Snodland C of E Primary School (22-TM-23)**

##### **The Police Community Clubs of Great Britain Barney & Echo, Caught in the Web £780**

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#### **Snodland Town Council (22-TM-33)**

##### **Snodland Goes Cleaner £1206.12**

The footfall at the local sportsground had increased significantly, which had led to an increase in litter. Lots of people had volunteered to litter pick and new bins and additional litter picking equipment was required to assist them. The grant was put towards purchasing litter picking hoops and two large aperture litter bins.

#### **Leybourne Parish Council (22-TM-52)**

##### **King's Coronation Event £500**

The project staged a community event to mark the Coronation, where local people were invited to celebrate together. The event included entertainment, stalls from local businesses and clubs, games and activities and a family quiz. Funding was put towards the costs of entertainers.

#### Mark Hood

#### **Citizens Advice in North & West Kent (22-TM-4) Multi District Award**

##### **Portable IT Packages. £1000 (£4,520 Total)**

There had been a recent drive to make better use of technology and make advice services more efficient to be able to help more people, including training volunteer advisers remotely. The grant was used to purchase equipment packages consisting of laptops, headsets and phones for new volunteer advisers.

#### **Tonbridge Youth Hub (22-TM-6)**

##### **Welcome to Barden £1250 (Sharing with Paul Stepto - £1250)**

The project engaged young people in their community through a creative process where they worked collaboratively with a professional artist to design and produce a piece of public art that would feature on the wall of a parade of shop units and flats. The grant was used for paint, materials and five days of painting, design and consultation.

#### **Domestic Abuse Volunteer Support Services (22-TM-11)**

##### **Training new volunteer domestic abuse advisers £1000**

COVID had a serious effect on the incidence of domestic abuse and the number of referrals to the service had significantly increased. More advisers were needed to meet the increased demand and the grant helped with the costs of recruiting and training up ten new volunteer Domestic Abuse Advisors.

### **Tonbridge Calling (22-TM-15)**

#### **Tonbridge Calling Community Festival 2022**

**£500 (Sharing with Paul Stepto - £500)**

Tonbridge Calling is a free, family friendly, community music and arts festival that was launched in 2016 with the aim of bringing the community together. Funding contributed to the costs of a sound system for the event.

### **Upz and Downz CIC (22-TM-29)**

#### **Upcycling Garage**

**£500 (Sharing with Paul Stepto - £500)**

The project started an upcycling garage with the aim of teaching skills in bicycle repairs to the service users, many of whom have learning difficulties or physical disabilities. The grant assisted with the costs of materials for the repair garage.

### **Bishop Chavasse C of E Primary School (22-TM-35)**

#### **The Police Community Clubs of Great Britain Barney & Echo, Caught in the Web**

**£318.50**

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### **Royal Rise Primary School (22-TM-40)**

#### **The Police Community Clubs of Great Britain Barney & Echo, Caught in the Web**

**£585**

This project is aimed at children transitioning to secondary school and aims to promote discussion between children, their peers, teachers, parents and the wider community, on internet safety. It includes a look at the possible dangers of using the internet, including online bullying, time spent online, gaming and social media. The grant assisted with the costs of providing participant packs for the children.

### **Tonbridge Area Churches Together Executive Group (22-TM-43)**

#### **Warm Spaces**

**£500 (Sharing with Paul Stepto - £500)**

The ten churches in this group wanted to provide warm spaces throughout the week that any member of the public would be able to use. The grant helped with the increased costs of heating the churches.

### **Tonbridge Lions Club (22-TM-45)**

#### **It's a Knockout**

**£1455**

The Lions hold this event for learning and physically disabled individuals and groups. All participants receive a medal and lunch is provided for participants and carers. The grant contributed to the costs of the lunch, the hall hire, medals and stationery for the event.

### **Tonbridge Pride (22-TM-55)**

#### **Tonbridge Pride 2023**

**£1000 (Sharing with Paul Stepto - £500)**

The objective of Tonbridge Pride is to bring understanding, love, inclusion and tolerance to the town by celebrating the LGBTQIA+ community. It is a chance to show all generations that Tonbridge is a safe and inclusive town, and somewhere that celebrates its LGBTQIA+ residents and communities. The grant helped with the costs of stage hire, lighting and other equipment for the event.



Sarah Hudson

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**Kings Hill Parish Council (22-TM-14)**

**Allotments Improvements Project**

**£664**

The project utilised the space to provide an area of flexible use including a pop-up poly-dome for nurturing tender plants, fruit, modular veg and flower beds with a seating area and wildlife garden. Member Grant funding assisted with the provision of a poly dome to aid residents using the allotments with their plant growth.

**Slide Away (22-TM-17) Multi District Award**

**Website ReDesign**

**£150 (£3,850 Total)**

Slide Away offers bereavement support for children following the death of a relative or friend. A new website was needed to be the primary source of information for parents, young people and professionals. The grant contributed to the costs of a bespoke website design and build, including an online shop and secure resource area.

**Wateringbury Cricket Club (22-TM-19)**

**Replacement Practice Net**

**£662.40**

The project replaced the existing net as the existing one was unusable due to wear and tear and vandalism. The grant contributed to the costs of a new detachable net that would enable practice to continue.

**East Peckham Primary School (22-TM-36)**

**Sensory Garden**

**£1000**

The project introduced a sensory garden, assistance was needed to purchase equipment for the garden. The grant contributed to the costs of sensory equipment as well as plants and flowers.

**East Peckham Parish Council (22-TM-37)**

**Community Fridge**

**£407.50**

The community fridge is a non-means-tested form of support for the whole community which helps to prevent food waste, as supermarkets and shops donate items that are near their sell by date or have slightly damaged packaging. There was increased demand for the community fridge and more suitable storage space was required, including a replacement fridge freezer, which the grant helped to fund.

**Mereworth Parish Council (22-TM-41)****Heated defibrillator case & training****£1855**

The Parish Council had purchased a defibrillator that was located on an outside wall but required a new heated cabinet for it to work properly. Mereworth Village Hall Committee had purchased another defibrillator, which was to be moved to an outside location to make it more accessible which also required a heated cabinet. The grant contributed to the costs of purchasing and installing two heated cabinets, as well as training for up to eight people on the use of the defibrillators.

**Kings Hill Parish Council (22-TM-42)****Cosy Club Warm Space****£300**

Member Grant funding contributed to the costs of hiring a hall for a warm space pilot project to support residents during the cost-of-living crisis. The new venture improves residents' social interaction, as well as their health and well-being, by offering a venue for lunch and a warm environment, with plans to include activities in the future.

**Mereworth Parish Council (22-TM-51)****Skip for community action day****£375**

Member Grant funding contributed to the costs of hiring a skip for a Community Action Day where volunteers cleared a blocked road of brambles, vegetation and leaves. Volunteers also collected rubbish and litter from the rest of the area to make it cleaner and safer for residents and visitors.

Andrew Kennedy

**Ditton Parish Council (22-TM-3)****Community Showcase****£300**

The Community Showcase is an event for everyone in Ditton, Aylesford and the surrounding villages to see what local clubs and organisations have to offer. The grant assisted with the costs of hiring the hall for the event.

**St Peter's Church of England Primary School (22-TM-5)****Year 5/6 Residential to France****£500**

A residential trip to France had been planned but during the pandemic several activity providers went out of business and the costs for similar activities had increased. Member Grant funding was awarded to assist with transport costs and entrance to activities.

**Ditton Twinning Association (22-TM-7)****Annual Visit of Father Christmas to Ditton****£500**

For many years Ditton Twinning Association has provided a Christmas Fayre both as a fundraising project and a social event for the Community. Santa's sleigh and several Christmas Trees were inherited but were damaged during storage. The sleigh was able to be repaired but the trees and some other items needed to be replaced and the grant assisted with the costs of sleigh repairs as well as six new Christmas Trees, lights for the sleigh and some additional decorations.

**Aylesford Parish Council (22-TM-8)****Platinum Jubilee Mugs****£1780**

The project provided a commemorative mug to each of the primary school children in the parish to be a keepsake in celebration of the Platinum Jubilee. The grant assisted with costs of purchasing over 1000 mugs for the children.

**Burham Parish Council (22-TM-9)****Party in the Park – Platinum Jubilee Celebrations****£700**

The project staged a community event to celebrate the Platinum Jubilee. The Party in the Park was the main event and included live bands, catering and activities. Member Grant funding contributed to the costs of decorations, music and promotional material.

**Communigrow (22-TM-12)****Education tools & resource storage****£2000**

Member Grant funding was awarded to help with the costs of a watertight storage solution to store tools and resources. The improved storage has freed up space in the yurt so that it is more readily available in poor weather, which is particularly important for older or more vulnerable users.

**Ditton Minors FC (22-TM-13)****DMFC Men's Progression Path-Kit****£500**

Member Grant funding assisted with the provision of playing kits, to enable a new men's team for those turning 18 and older to stay with the club and participate in sport, stay active and healthy.

**Walderslade Baptist Church-Community Youth Group (22-TM-21)****Camping Trips Summer 2022****£330**

Member Grant funding contributed to the costs of food and equipment for two camping trips for vulnerable young people. The aim of the camping trips was to enable the young people to be free to explore their feelings and share experiences with trusted youth leaders.

**Ditton Parish Council (22-TM-32)****Replacement Stage Floor****£1400**

Member Grant funding supported the Parish Council to refurbish the community hall's stage to make it safe. The stage is regularly used by local dance groups and other groups, but it was in a very poor state of repair with holes appearing and lifting causing trip hazards.

**60+ Club (22-TM-34)****Christmas Lunch****£300**

Member Grant funding was used to assist a local community group with the costs of a Christmas Lunch for older residents, many of whom live alone and enjoy the opportunity to socialise. The lunch included a Secret Santa to ensure everyone received at least one Christmas present.

### **Ditton & Malling Active Retirement Association (DAMARA) (22-TM-38)**

#### **Christmas Party**

**£300**

More than half the members of the association live alone and have restricted social access, as they either have health issues or are unable to drive. A Christmas gathering enhances their wellbeing and celebrates the festive season. Member Grant funding was put towards the costs of hall hire, entertainment and food.

### **40F (Maidstone) Squadron ATC (22-TM-44) Multi District Award**

#### **Flight Simulator**

**£316.33 (£948.99 Total)**

The project enabled the replacement of a computer which ran the flight simulator programme. The existing computer frequently crashed, had long load times, and had unmaintainable parts which interrupted the available training time and learning experience of the Cadets.

### **West Malling Community Choir (Healing Voices) (22-TM-48)**

#### **Singing for Wellbeing**

**£300**

Singing for Wellbeing offers an opportunity for local people to socialise, have fun, share stories, and combat social isolation. Member Grant funding was used to help with the costs of venue hire and music for the group.

### **1st Ditton Scout Group (22-TM-50)**

#### **Camping Equipment**

**£400**

The group needed new camping equipment for activities, as its existing equipment was old and unserviceable. The grant supported the purchase of new equipment including a hot water urn and camping stoves.

Harry Rayner

### **Wrotham Parish Council (22-TM-25)**

#### **Funding for a Portable PA system**

**£400**

The village hosts several events during the year that engage with audiences of all ages and requires clear communication over a wide area. Member Grant funding assisted with the provision of a portable PA system, which will be used for all future village events.

### **Hildenborough Parish Council (22-TM-28)**

#### **Railway Bridge Lighting**

**£1850**

The project provided safe passage for residents and visitors to the area during dark evenings and mornings to access the railway station. Many residents previously felt unsafe as they were not able to see hazards and disabled people found it particularly difficult to negotiate. Member Grant funding supported the installation of new lights along the footpath.

### **Kent Farmers Market Association (22-TM-24) Multi District Award**

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**£500 (£3,950 Total)**

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### **Plaxtol Parish Council (22-TM-49)**

**All weather cricket nets-groundworks**

**£1500**



Plaxtol has a thriving and popular cricket club, open to all ages, with a programme of regular training, practice, and competitive local fixtures. The club hoped to install all-weather cricket nets to enable practice all year round and Member Grant funding contributed to the costs of groundworks to support the installation of the all-weather net.

Paul Stepto

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### **Tonbridge Youth Hub (22-TM-6)**

**Welcome to Barden**

**£1250 (Sharing with Mark Hood - £1250)**

The project engaged young people in their community through a creative process where they worked collaboratively with a professional artist to design and produce a piece of public art that would feature on the wall of a parade of shop units and flats. The grant was used for paint, materials and five days of painting, design and consultation.

### **Tonbridge Calling (22-TM-15)**

**Tonbridge Calling Community Festival 2022**

**£500 (Sharing with Mark Hood - £500)**

Tonbridge Calling is a free, family friendly, community music and arts festival that was launched in 2016 with the aim of bringing the community together. Funding contributed to the costs of a sound system for the event.

### **Tonbridge Sea Turtles Disability Swimming Club (22-TM-27)**

**Promotional materials to assist in organic growth and outreach**

**£485.62**

Member Grant Funding assisted with the provision of five flotation vests, a thousand flyers, a banner stand and a hundred lanyards to help the swimming club with promotion and restoring membership to pre-covid levels.

### **Upz and Downz CIC (22-TM-29)**

#### **Upcycling Garage**

**£500 (Sharing with Mark Hood - £500)**

The project started an upcycling garage with the aim of teaching skills in bicycle repairs to the service users, many of whom have learning difficulties or physical disabilities. The grant assisted with the costs of materials for the repair garage.

### **Tonbridge Area Churches Together Executive Group (22-TM-43)**

#### **Warm Spaces**

**£500 (Sharing with Mark Hood - £500)**

The ten churches in this group wanted to provide warm spaces throughout the week that any member of the public would be able to use. The grant helped with the increased costs of heating the churches.

### **Tonbridge Pride (22-TM-55)**

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### **Tonbridge Repair Cafe (22-TM-31)**

#### **Repair Cafe**

**£460**

At a repair cafe event, residents bring items in need of repair to have them fixed by a team of volunteers with specialist skills. Member Grant funding assisted with providing promotional materials, including banners, flyers and t-shirts to promote the cafe.

## HIGHWAY MEMBER GRANTS

### Mark Hood

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**2x ATCs Hadlow Road, Tonbridge**

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Residents raised concerns about vehicles speeding on Hadlow Road, approaching the junction with The Ridgeway and requested the 30mph speed limit be extended. To ascertain actual driven speeds, automated traffic counts (ATC) surveys were carried out.

#### **Kent Highways (22-KHS-TM-46)**

**Tonbridge Speedwatch SID**

**£1191 (Sharing with Paul Stepto - £1191)**

Residents raised concerns about the speed of traffic in various locations throughout Tonbridge Town. Various local groups volunteered to form Speedwatch teams, however they needed to purchase the SID devices and camera equipment, which funding supported.

#### **Kent Highways (22-KHS-TM-54)**

**Install new streetlamp, Hilltop Tonbridge**

**£1362.73 (Sharing with Paul Stepto - £1362.73)**

Funding was provided to install a new streetlight at Hilltop in Tonbridge. This would benefit residents by improving safety on a dark section of road.

### Sarah Hudson

#### **Kent Highways (22-KHS-TM-18)**

**Bollards to be installed on the verge at Lodge Close, Watringbury.**

**£2431**

To improve visibility at the junction and prevent kerb mounting and parking on the green area, funding was provided for bollards.

#### **Kent Highways (22-KHS-TM-26)**

**Bollards to be installed on Rougemont, Kings Hill.**

**£605.54**

To improve pedestrian safety at Rougemont, Kings Hill by preventing pavement parking on this wide footway area, funding was provided for bollards.

### Harry Rayner

#### **Kent Highways (22-KHS-TM-1)**

**Rings Hill, Hildenborough. Lighting design & trial**

**£205**

The project provided safe passage for residents and visitors to Rings Hill during dark evenings and mornings to access the railway station. Residents had contacted the Parish Council to request this area to be lit as they felt unsafe not being able to see hazards.

**Kent Highways (22-KHS-TM-53)**

**Wigwags at Hildenborough CEP Primary School**

**£3500**

Funding enabled the installation of wig-wags at Hildenborough CEP Primary School to increase awareness amongst drivers that the school run is in progress.

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- 1 grant was awarded to church/faith groups
- 8 grants were awarded to community organisations
- 1 grant was awarded to not-for-profit organisations
- 4 grants were awarded to District, Parish or Town Councils
- 2 grants were awarded to sports organisations
- 1 grant was awarded to Kent Highways

With the exclusion of Kent Highways, 8 Grants were awarded to organisations that had been supported in the past 3 years, with the remaining 20 organisations new recipients of a Combined Member Grant.

Tunbridge Wells Member's Annual Member Grant Spend and roll forward figure for 2023/24 period:

- **Paul Barrington-King – Tunbridge Wells East**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £6,895 with a £5,937.05 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Becki Bruneau – Tunbridge Wells South**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £1,500 with a £18,500 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Sarah Hamilton – Tunbridge Wells Rural**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £13,350 with a £5,433 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **Seán Holden - Cranbrook**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £16,318 with a £2,682 roll forward figure for 2023/24*
- **James McInroy – Tunbridge Wells West**  
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- **Peter Oakford – Tunbridge Wells North**  
*Spend in the 2022/23 period - £3,590 with a £11,305 roll forward figure for 2023/24*

Total Tunbridge Wells Member Spend for 2022/23 - £51,653

- £500 for adult social care initiatives
- £21,150 for community development projects
- £16,268 for culture and heritage initiatives
- £6,995 for open spaces projects
- £800 on public health initiatives
- £5,200 for sport and recreation projects
- £740 for traffic management and road safety projects

## COMMUNITY MEMBER GRANTS

Paul Barrington-King

### **Tunbridge Wells-Wiesbaden Riding Competition (22-TW-6)**

#### **Twin Towns Riding Competition 2022**

**£300**

Member Grant funding was sought for this sports-based competition, which was open to everyone in the local community, whether participating or spectating, and included an invitation to Ukrainian refugees to boost international understanding and friendship. The grant contributed to the hiring of the equestrian centre.

### **Pembury Bowls Club (22-TW-8)**

#### **Junior Section 2022**

**£700**

Following a successful open day, membership at the club had increased by 80% and new young members had created interest from other groups, such as Brownies and local youth clubs. Junior bowls were required to enable the younger age group to participate as they are designed for smaller hands and Member Grant funding supported the purchase of these.

### **St Philip's Church (22-TW-11)**

#### **Church Larder support for vulnerable people in our community**

**£800**

St Philip's Church Larder serves a deprived community in Sherwood ward by providing food and support to families, who can receive a bag of food at a much-reduced cost. Member Grant funding assisted the food bank by contributing to the cost of Fareshare bills and supermarket top-ups.

### **Kent High Weald Partnership (22-TW-13)**

#### **Community Allotment Project**

**£695**

Volunteers at the allotment work with the local community and those struggling with poor mental health or complex needs to improve physical and psychological health by engaging with and learning about their local greenspaces, having the opportunity to meet new people and learning new skills. The grant was used to buy resources and equipment to replace worn out resources such as gloves and seats.

### **Pembury Village Hall (22-TW-16)**

#### **Acoustic Improvements**

**£1600**

The grant contributed to the cost of installing panels to eliminate the excess reverberation in both the hall and meeting room, ensuring that both speech and music could be clearly heard by all users of the building.

### **Tunbridge Wells Dementia Friendly Community (22-TW-18)**

#### **Dementia Cafe**

**£500**

Funding had already been secured for the first year of operation and the organisers were hoping to secure funding for a second year. Member Grant funding helped with the costs of hiring the hall to support the café's continued operation.

### **Pembury Parish Council (22-TW-26)**

#### **Rainwater Harvesting**

**£1000**

Member Grant funding supported this project, which aimed to significantly reduce tap water use by collecting rainwater from the ground maintenance depot in large water butts. The harvested water would be used day-to-day including watering parish council and community floral displays in the village.

### **Tunbridge Wells Sea Cadets (22-TW-31)**

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### **Pembury U3A (22-TW-27)**

#### **Keeping the village elderly active**

**£300**

Pembury U3A is part of a nationwide network whose branches provide the opportunity for those who no longer work to come together to learn, stay active and have fun. The Pembury branch has over 300 members and offers more than 60 interest groups to choose from as well as outings, theatre trips and holidays. Member Grant funding assisted with the provision of equipment for new activities for elderly residents, including netball, cricket and table tennis equipment.

#### Becki Bruneau

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Sarah Hamilton

**Low Weald Explorers (22-TW-4)**

**Equipment Purchase**

**£1050**

Member Grant funding assisted with the provision of new tents for the local Explorer group. Some of the existing r tents were at the end of their usable life and the new tents were required to enable the group to take part in numerous events during the year.

**Paddock Wood & District Lions Club (22-TW-5)**

**Paddock Wood Carnival - Procession & Fete**

**£500**

The Paddock Wood Carnival has been running for over thirty-five years. It is a family day, offering a range of entertainment, including the annual fair, stalls and catering. Member Grant funding assisted with the costs of staging the event, including road closures, facilities at the event, first aid and entertainers.

**Paddock Wood Lights Up Association (22-TW-10)**

**Paddock Wood Lights Up 2022**

**£2500**

This local community group organises a Christmas market with entertainment and tree light switch on event in November. It is an important local event that brings the whole community together. Member Grant funding contributed to the cost of providing the stage, lighting, PA system and security staff.

**Lamberhurst Bonfire Society (22-TW-12)**

**Bonfire Night**

**£300**

Member Grant funding assisted with the provision of portaloos and medical cover for a free bonfire night event to bring the local community together and help support local businesses in the area.

**Lamberhurst War Memorial Hall (22-TW-29)**

**Heating & Lighting Upgrade Project**

**£8000**

Member Grant funding was put towards installing an efficient LED strip lighting system which will reduce power use by 85-90% in comparison to the previous lights. The project also included installing a ceiling-mounted system of electrically powered radiant heaters, which can be powered by renewable energy.

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Seán Holden

**Sandhurst Parish Council (22-TW-1)**  
**Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations**  
**£1000**

The project staged a community event to celebrate the Platinum Jubilee. The event included a procession, entertainment and activities for all ages, stalls and competitions. Member Grant funding assisted with the provision of refreshments and games for the event.

**Hawkhurst in Bloom (22-TW-3)**  
**HM Queen's Platinum Jubilee Planters**  
**£1000**

The newly formed group planned to mark the Platinum Jubilee with more planters around the area. Member Grant funding helped provide the planters, which would also support Hawkhurst Parish Council in their entry to the South & Southeast in Bloom competition.

**Cranbrook & Sissinghurst Parish Council (22-TW-7)**  
**Youth Field Shelter**  
**£1000**

During the pandemic, it became apparent the younger members of the community did not have anywhere to meet and it was hoped that providing a safe space to meet and shelter would aid their mental wellbeing and improve community cohesion. The grant was put towards the costs of the field shelter.

**Benenden Parish Council (22-TW-15)**  
**Beacon Field Wildflower Meadow**  
**£1000**

The project created a wildflower meadow, which is a valuable resource benefiting children at the nearby school, residents and the wildlife of Benenden. The grant contributed to the costs of creating the meadow, including the purchase of seeds.

**Age Concern Cranbrook (22-TW-19)**  
**Cranbrook Community Kitchen**  
**£3150**

Member Grant funding contributed to a pilot project for a warm space and food bank, supporting the Cranbrook community. There was already a coffee morning being hosted at the venue, and it was hoped to increase support to include soup and bread at lunchtime and a warm meal after school for children.

**Kilndown Village Hall (22-TW-20)**  
**Community Solar Panel PV Installation**  
**£1000**

The village wanted to have a hub in the village hall for local people during power cuts. The solar PV power will be saved to batteries and this central venue will be a welcoming meeting point for those requiring support. Hot drinks and phone charging will be on offer and the grant contributed to the costs of the PV and battery.

**Cranbrook Windmill Association (22-TW-21)**  
**Windmill LED lighting project**  
**£2000**

Member Grant funding was put towards the cost of replacing the original flood lighting with energy

efficient LED floodlighting.

**Sissinghurst Cricket Club (22-TW-22)**

**Outdoor Cricket Net**

**£2000**

Member Grant funding was awarded to help with the costs of replacing the old practice net with a brand new, all weather, practice net facility. This allows the Club to promote and encourage participation in cricket at grass roots level within the community.

**Frittenden Historical Society (22-TW-25)**

**Historical Survey of Mill Lane Burial Ground, Frittenden**

**£488**

Following an increasing number of enquiries from villagers and elsewhere, the Society's members had undertaken the recording of all the burials and memorials at the additional Burial Ground situated in Mill Lane, with the aim of producing the data in a format that could be published. The Member Grant assisted with funding the publication of the records.

**Wealden Men's Shed, Cranbrook (22-TW-28)**

**Workshop Project-canopy & container**

**£1800**

Member Grant funding was awarded to help with the costs of equipment to create a fully fitted workshop, enabling the members to work on something practical as and when they wish to. This has also enabled more people to join the shed and opening times to be increased.

**St George's PCC, Benenden (22-TW-30)**

**Fete Committee-Gazebo to protect fundraising stalls & volunteers**

**£1880**

The fete raises money for local Benenden Parish charities and is an event that brings the community together. In previous years, the committee had been loaned two marquees, but these were no longer available, and help was sought to provide replacements. Member Grant funding assisted with the costs of purchasing two gazebos along with storage bags, straps, pegs and gutter kits.

James McInroy

**St George's Childcare (22-TW-17)**

**Garden development Project**

**£2500**

Member Grant funding was awarded to purchase bark chippings, a new water tank and a garden tool shed to ensure the area is functional, and to enable children and staff to maintain the allotment, grow fruits, vegetables and plants and use the garden as an inspiring learning area.

**Sunnyside Hall, Rusthall (22-TW-24)**

**Solar panel installation.**

**£6500**

The hall is used daily as a pre-school nursery and in the evenings the hall is booked for activities such as yoga and other fitness and dance classes. These activities require heat and light and energy costs have increased in recent months. A contribution to solar panels and installation was provided by Member Grant funding.

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Peter Oakford

**Southborough & High Brooms Amateur Archaeological Society (22-TW-2)**

**Community Education & Activities**

**£850**

Member Grant funding was put towards display banners, posters and signage as well as tools for excavations (wheelbarrow, trowels, brushes, gloves), materials for the children's portable experience units (flints, pottery, fossils) and safe working area materials (fences and tapes).

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The project added an extra floor and modernised the lower levels of the 1850 converted church to accommodate an increase in numbers since the pandemic. Member Grant funding assisted with the provision of building materials and labour costs for phase one of the refurbishment.

## HIGHWAYS MEMBER GRANTS

Peter Oakford

**Kent Highways (22-KHS-TW-23)**

**Parking Sign Enhancement Scheme – Yew Tree Road**

**£740**

Concerns had been raised over the existing direction signage from the A26 to Southborough Car Park in Yew Tree Road; funding enhanced signage with additional direction signs.

