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Reference	FKMCBWSZ	Community Chest Grant		
Name of Organisation	Bar Hill Village Hall			
Organisation Type	Charity 1002579			
CCVS Registered	No			
Parish	Bar Hill			
Landowner	A charity owns or has a long term lease on the venue			
Project Type	Improvements to community buildings and spaces			
Green option considered?	Floor will be linoleum to keep costs down			
Documentation Status	Safeguarding	Yes	Accounts	Yes
	Quote	Yes	Mission Statement	Yes
District Councillor Support	Yes-Cllr Bunty Waters			
Parish Council Support – does the PC support this project in principle	Yes			
Have the parish council supported the group financially previously? If yes when, what did the group purchase? and how much?	No – states they will ask for support			
Officer Summary	-			
<p>Bar Hill Village Hall has been running since 1978 and currently has five Trustees. The Hall is available for hire by the inhabitants of the Parish of Bar Hill and surrounding areas for meetings, lectures, classes and other forms of recreation and leisure-time activities with the object of improving the conditions of life for the said inhabitants. Examples include dance and keep fit classes, karate and judo, children's activities, bingo, live music events and private parties.</p> <p>The Trustees would like to replace the existing vinyl hall floor with a new vinyl floor. As can be seen in the photo, the current floor is 'bubbling' up in several places and poses a health & safety risk.</p> <p>Total costs to uplift and remove the existing floor, screed and supply and lay a new vinyl floor are £8,883.18 + VAT. £2,000 has been requested from the Community Chest.</p>  <p>The Parish Council will be contacted to see if they can provide part funding. The trustees also work closely with Cambridgeshire ACRE to search for other funding. As it stands, the Village Hall are able to meet the shortfall from their reserves should additional funding not be possible.</p> <p>Although wood flooring for a sustainable source was considered, it was found to be cost prohibitive.</p> <p>Parish Council:</p>				

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It was resolved at the Full Council meeting on 15 June 2023 (FC154.23) for Bar Hill Parish Council to support the Bar Hill Village Hall Management Committee's SCDC Community Chest application

Cllr Bunty Waters:

Thank you for the opportunity to support this excellent application by the Bar Hill Village Hall Management Committee for their proposal to replace the flooring to the Village Hall. This Hall is and has been extremely well used and enjoyed by a large variety of people, taking bookings, including from villages, companies, Councils etc. It is of a good size and can accommodate many people, recently a booking by the Duke of Edinburgh Awards, a ceremony which required a good space to accommodate many people and equipment. However, over the years it has taken high usage and now deserves and needs to be replaced to be able to continue with events. I fully endorse this application and feel the grant applied for will be very well used in the replacement flooring.

Total Project Cost:	£8,883.18 + VAT	Total Applied For:	£2,000
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Reference	GRLQHMPMG	Community Chest Grant	
Name of Organisation	The Well-brahams		
Organisation Type	Community Group		
CCVS Registered	Yes		
Parish	Great and Little Wilbraham		
Landowner	Great Wilbraham Memorial Hall		
Project Type	Start-up costs		
Green option considered?	Yes-requesting participants to walk or cycle to the venue, we will provide recycled plates and cups at lunchtime.		
Documentation Status	Safeguarding	Yes	Accounts
	Quote	Yes	Mission Statement
District Councillor Support	Yes-Graham Cone and Carla Hofman		
Parish Council Support – does the PC support this project in principle	Yes		
Have the parish council supported the group financially previously? If yes when, what did the group purchase? and how much?	Yes- £200 from Little Wilbraham Parish Council		
Officer Summary	-		

The Well-brahams (<https://thewell-brahams.weebly.com>) who are based in Great and Little Wilbraham and Six Mile Bottom, formed 10 years ago as a group of volunteers who attended Mental Health First Aid training in the village. Since then, they have worked to reduce the discrimination around mental ill-health by providing information and education, also to give

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support to people and their carers experiencing mental ill health. One of the principles of the Well-brahams is that all their initiatives are provided free to ensure equal access for all. Currently the group has 10 members. Examples of their work have included providing:

- educational evenings inviting experts to talk about dementia, antidepressants, optimal nutrition, rewilding etc.
- a youth group in the village for two years, stopped because of lockdown.
- a group of volunteers maintaining the village orchard.
- Carrying out bulb bombing days, planting throughout the village.
- Warm Mornings, coffee and cake throughout last winter.
- Five sports days for village children last year, alongside Creative Mindfulness.

According to the Young Minds website "1 in 6 children were identified as having a mental health problem in 2020" and only "1 in 3 children with a diagnosed mental health condition get access to NHS care and treatment".

The group would therefore like to deliver three days of multisport activities combined with integrated sessions of creative mindfulness during the school summer holidays. These days are specifically designed for children aged four to 11 and not only support physical wellbeing but also mental and emotional wellbeing. They also offer a safe space to experience a variety of sports and mindful communal activities as well as essential tools for leading a healthier happier life.

The two specialist facilitators are fully trained and DBS checked. Helpers will be volunteers from the Well-brahams who are also DBS checked. The sessions will take place on the recreation ground of Great Wilbraham and in the adjacent sports club (permission has been granted) and will be open to residents of Great & Little Wilbraham and Six Mile Bottom and the surrounding parishes.

Total costs are £1,500 and £1,300 has been requested from the Community Chest:

- Qualified Sports Trainer-£350 (Per Day)
- Qualified Mindfulness Practitioner- £150 (Per Day)

Little Wilbraham Parish Council are contributing the remaining £200. Great Wilbraham Parish Council were contacted but they suggested an application was made to the Community Chest instead.

Publicity will be through the school mailing list, Facebook, the Well-Brahams and Wilbraham websites and posters around the villages.

Cllr Graham Cone:

I am happy to support this application this group does a huge amount of good work in the village.

Cllr Carla Hofman:

Yes I support it.

Total Project Cost:	£1,500	Total Applied For:	£1,300
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Reference	KBMBWFCQ	Community Chest Grant		
Name of Organisation	Cottenham Community Centre			
Organisation Type	Charity-1128604			
CCVS Registered	No			
Parish	Cottenham			
Landowner	own or have a long-term lease on the venue			
Project Type	Materials			
Green option considered?	All group members regularly walk or cycle to the Community Centre.			
Documentation Status	Safeguarding	Yes	Accounts	Yes
	Quote	No	Mission Statement	Yes
District Councillor Support	Cllrs Annika Osbourn and Eileen Wilson			
Parish Council Support – does the PC support this project in principle	Have not asked			
Have the parish council supported the group financially previously? If yes when, what did the group purchase? and how much?	This information has not been provided			
Officer Summary	-			
<p>Cottenham Community Centre (www.cottenhamcc.org) is centrally located within Cottenham has been in existence since 2009. The building is well used by a wide cross-section of the community touching all age groups; perhaps 300-plus individuals during a typical week. It includes a Community Coffee Shop (open 6 days each week), a hall and dance studio which are well used by a range of community groups and for activities and events which the committee organise and promote.</p> <p>The Cottenham Knitting Group is one of the local groups which meets regularly in the community centre and is regularly attended by 15 members. Although currently comprising only older ladies, it is open to and is welcoming to all members of the local community who might wish to join them. Members are very productive in making items for various charities and individuals in need, locally and beyond. Examples of the type of items knitted by the group are hats, mittens and bags for babies supplied to The Rosie Hospital and beyond, similar items for children supplied to Operation Christmas Child (Samaritan's Purse) and cat blankets for Wood Green Pets Charity. The nit and natter sessions also provide much needed social benefits.</p> <p>Since re-opening after COVID, The Community Centre have asked members to make a small donation to cover the cost of heat and light for these sessions – this is £1.50 per weekly session, although they are happy to waive this for those that might find this a problem; Members pay no annual subscription. In the past, members have provided their own wool and materials or the Community Centre have helped them to obtain funds from elsewhere.</p> <p>However, due to significant increases to costs of materials and the general cost of living pressures, the group are no longer able to fund these materials themselves. The materials</p>				

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required are mostly knitting wool and also postage and packing costs for distributing the finished items.

The costs of materials required to be funded for this group are around £250 per year. Fen Edge Community Association provided £200 in October 2022, but this funding is mostly exhausted, expecting to be fully spent during July or August 2023. Therefore, a request for the full £250 has been requested from the Community Chest to continue the support to this group for a further year or so.

£2.50 is the cost for one ball of wool - although they get through a lot. For their donated items, they pay £1.75 for packaging and £3.95 for postage although this covers a bundle of items, between 10 and 50, depending on the size of the items.

All group members regularly walk or cycle to the Community Centre.

Cllr Eileen Wilson:

I am very pleased to support this application. The knit and natter group contributes to the prevention of social isolation for those participating. The group also produces knitted items that benefit the wider community. The group is also open to other members who wish to join. In addition to this, the Cottenham Community Centre is a valued meeting place that is mainly staffed by volunteers. It provides a welcoming and friendly venue for all members of the community.

Cllr Annika Osborne:

I echo Eileen's comments and am also happy to support this as it benefits our community.

Total Project Cost:	£250	Total Applied For:	£250
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Reference	ZFPZXJJN	Community Chest Grant	
Name of Organisation	EDGE Community Youth Club		
Organisation Type	Community Group		
CCVS Registered	No		
Parish	Comberton		
Landowner	own or have a long term lease on the venue		
Project Type	Materials		
Green option considered?	Yes- recycled materials will be used where appropriate, and. Single use plastics avoided where possible		
Documentation Status	Safeguarding	Yes	Accounts Yes
	Quote	Yes	Mission Statement Yes
District Councillor Support	Yes- Cllrs Michael Atkins and Ariel Cahn		
Parish Council Support – does the PC support this project in principle	Yes		

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<p>Have the parish council supported the group financially previously? If yes when, what did the group purchase? and how much?</p>	<p>Yes- £3,750</p>
<p>Officer Summary</p>	<p>-</p>
<p>EDGE is a youth club open to all young people from year 7 to Year 13 and seeks to provide a safe place for young people to meet, to take part in activities together and to find support. Most children come along after attending the local secondary school and although the majority live in Comberton some live in the villages of Eversden, Hardwick and Caldecote. The group was formed in 2017 and currently hosts an average of over 50 young people each week. There is no charge for this club. Activities on offer include board games, video games, pool, table tennis, basketball and weekly craft activities.</p> <p>The Club is advertised locally through the Village magazine, through social media and within the local Village College - including mailings home to parents. Visits are made to local primary schools in the summer term to invite the year 6 pupils to EDGE for the final half-term of the summer. This has proved a very successful strategy with around half of the potential year 6s coming that half term with a significant number of these children continuing to come in September.</p> <p>The Parish Council funds three sessional youth workers at a cost of £3,750 and Comberton Baptist Church provides two additional adult volunteers.</p> <p>The Club would like to enhance their craft provision. The craft area at EDGE provides a space for young people to explore their creativity and learn new skills. It particularly assists young people struggling with anxiety and Social, Emotional and Mental Health issues to engage with adults and other young people. It provides a focused activity allowing them the opportunity to talk and to grow in confidence. For some of the young people, the craft table is their only engagement at EDGE and they remain there for the whole two hours. A youth worker runs the table for the whole session, helping with the crafts and engaging them in conversation.</p> <p>Total project costs are £1092.24 for a variety of different art/craft materials, and all is being requested from the Community Chest.</p> <p>Recycled materials will be used where appropriate, and any leftover materials will be stored to be used at a future date rather than thrown away. Single use plastics are avoided where possible and many of the crafts will include natural options - for example the use of natural products in the lip balm, soy wax rather than a paraffin-based wax for the candles, wood and glass. The aim is to provide quality crafts that are functional so that young people are more inclined to keep and use them rather than thrown them away.</p> <p>Cllr Ariel Cahn: <i>Having looked at your request and into EDGE a little, I can confidently say that I fully support your community chest application for funding. For young people, a space such as the one EDGE provides is worth its (metaphorical) weight in gold, and I am very happy to see that Comberton Baptist Church seems to feel the same. I wish you many long years of further success in this venture, and once more reiterate my firm and full support.</i></p> <p>Cllr Michael Atkins: <i>Likewise, very happy to support!</i></p>	

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Total Project Cost:	£1,092.24	Total Applied For:	£1,092.24
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Biodiversity Application

Reference	ZBJPCSSH			Community Chest Grant
Name of Organisation	Swavesey Parish Council			
Organisation Type	Parish Council			
CCVS Registered	No			
Parish	Swavesey			
Landowner	Parish Council			
Project Type	Improvements to community buildings and spaces			
Green option considered?	Yes- Biodiversity Project			
Documentation Status	Safeguarding	Yes	Accounts	Yes
	Quote	Yes	Mission Statement	Yes
District Councillor Support	Yes- Cllr Sue Ellington			
Parish Council Support – does the PC support this project in principle	Yes			
Have the parish council supported the group financially previously? If yes when, what did the group purchase? and how much?	-			
Officer Summary	-			

Swavesey Parish Council currently has 11 members.

Members would like to create a community garden for residents- to be located at the 1970's Carters Way/Priory Avenue housing site of 98 dwellings. This is currently an empty area of public open space, completely devoid of any planting- with a large tarmac rectangular area surrounded by the brick walls of properties backing onto it. Three passageways lead to/from the area, but it is rarely used due to its uninspiring condition and lack of facilities.



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The proposal is to provide five large, raised planting beds in which to plant drought tolerant species, to create a community garden and to encourage insects and pollinators back into the area. It is also hoped that this will create a welcoming, useful, and pleasant community space for all local residents to benefit from. Free herbs will be available for anyone to use

Around the raised planting beds, on the existing tarmac surface, painted games for younger children will be provided, similar to those often found in primary school playgrounds. This will provide a play space for local children surrounded by planting, which could also encourage young children to connect with the garden aspect of the area. A few of the surrounding walls will also be painted with murals, to help brighten the space. A local artist has offered to do the painting, with only the cost of the paint to be funded.

As the area does not have a water supply, careful consideration will be given to the type of soil provided in the raised beds and type and species of plants. Plants will be drought tolerant, to survive the changing climate and maintenance regime. 98 leaflets have been delivered to local residents and comments received have shown they are very much in support of the project- they have also agreed to help water and maintain the planted areas.

Advice on planting has been sought from a local gardener and from <https://www.rhs.org.uk/plants/for-places/sandy-soils>. The local Biodiversity and Sustainability Community Group are also involved in the project and would be able to use this new area for biodiversity and community activities. It will hopefully also encourage further village groups to use the site e.g., for fetes, workshops, etc.

Total project costs are £1,770.08 and Community Chest grant funding has been requested for the raised herb garden area and towards plants for the other raised beds:

- Pine sleepers x12-£219.00
- 3m 4" Fence post cut to 60cm height-£10.71
- Herbs (Large plants to establish this year, plus seeds for next season's planting-Mix of Rosemary, Thyme, Sage, Buddleia, Choisya, Lavandula, Verbena, Bonariensis, Geranium Rozanne-£100.00
- Pine sleepers 2.4m long 100 x 200mm- £876.00
- 3m 4" fence post Cut to 40cm height x 4 £42.84
- Timber screws pk 50 x 2-£20.90
- Joining plate to fix together sleepers pk 10 x 2- £10.00
- Damp proofing black membrane 3x4m pack x 7-£58.24
- Playground paint £50 / 5l tin 3 colours + sample tins for others-£200
- Litter Bin (Glasdon UK Topsy 90L bin)-£194.50
- Delivery-£37.50

The Parish Council are funding the remaining: 1,440.08

It is hoped that many of the plants will be donated. The raised beds will be filled with soil which has been dug out when creating a wildlife pond in the community orchard. As this is re-using soil from within the village, so no cost involved and no transport costs (volunteers are helping to move the soil).

Siobhan Mellon (Development Officer, Climate & Environment):

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This project would support pollinating insects, but this aspect of the project is pretty marginal. If funding is to come from the Biodiversity pot I would like a clear commitment from the applicant to take into account the needs of pollinator insects in deciding plant species. This is almost there in the application, but not explicit.

John Cornell (Natural Environment Team Leader):

This project looks to be quite light on Biodiversity Net Gain and is in the mould of a more community-based ask where general improvements to a village area (kids play area) are enhanced by some planters with pollinating plants.

Cllr Sue Ellington:

Of course I will support a grant application. It sounds interesting.

Total Project Cost:	£1,770.08	Total Applied For:	£329.71
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