

Community Chest – Application form

What is the Community Chest?	A fund for local projects – up to maximum of £500
What can it be used for?	Projects must be delivered in one of our local community areas and must meet one of our community priorities, wellbeing, confident online, community capacity, support to succeed or working with others.
Who can apply?	Any constituted community group or organisation
What could it pay for?	<p>Previous successful bids have included: fun days, gardening projects, fundraising events, a community cafe, sensory activities for children etc.</p> <p>These projects used their funding to purchase: garden tools, bouncy castle hire, venue hire, transport, specialist equipment etc.</p>
Who decides if a funding bid is successful?	A panel meets to review applications during the last week of each calendar month. Feedback will be provided to all applications within one week of a decision being made.

Need some help with your form?

Contact the Community Engagement Officer for your area by calling 01923 209183 or by emailing community@wcht.org.uk.

Your name	
Organisation name	
Contact details	Address: Phone No.: Email:
Date of application	

Describe your group/ organisation (including a short description of who you are and what you do)	
Describe your project (please include details of how many people will benefit, locations of activities, whether you will charge participants, how you plan to promote and how long your project is expected to last)	

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It is extremely important that you provide us with a clear outline of what you need funding for and where the funding is expected to come from e.g. funding from Watford Community Housing, money provided by yourself, or from any other source.

What for?	Paid for by?	Amount
e.g. Community centre hire for four hours	e.g. Watford Community Housing	e.g. £56
		£
		£
		£
		£
Total cost of project:		£

Please continue on a separate sheet if necessary

To find out more of to submit your application:

Email: community@wcht.org.uk

Phone: 01923 209 183

Our Community Engagement Priorities



Wellbeing:

Supporting communities to enhance wellbeing across all ages and aspects of health. Through the four key stages of starting well, developing well, living well and aging well e.g. *offering new families volunteer support, encouraging people to be active regularly or combatting social isolation for older people.*

Confident online:

Developing the skills and confidence for those most likely to be disadvantaged by the increase in services that can only be accessed online e.g. *Universal Credit, Universal Jobmatch and job*

Community capacity:

Empowering local people to be able to influence, support and hold to account local services. Supporting individuals to develop skills and experience that will support them to be effective representatives for others e.g. *offering qualifications, education or training that supports people to develop skills that enable them to increase their confidence and professionalism in representing and supporting others.*

Support to succeed:

Ensuring that individuals are able to reach their fullest potential through employment, education and expert advice e.g. *supporting families to become financially stronger by being supported by debt relief or accessing a training opportunity that enables them to move into a better paid position.*

Working with others:

Ensuring that projects are complimenting existing service offer, allowing for increased impact in the local community and providing clear value for money e.g. *collaborating with another organisation to deliver a project that reaches double the number of community members for the same cost.*

Terms and Conditions (the small print):

The benefit of the grant must be felt in one of Watford Community Housing's local community areas

- Grants will be awarded to successful applicants until annual funding pot is empty
- No grant will be awarded retrospectively, this is not funding for projects which have already taken place
- Any publicity of the project will include the Watford Community Housing logo and please notify us if you are going to send off a press release
- You will be expected to provide evidence that the grant has been used for the activity for which it was intended: photos, publications, social media posts. Let us know if you need help with this!