

Appendix 2 projects recommended for funding

No:	Name of Organisation:	Description of Project:	Amount of Neighbourhood Grant (CIL) requested:
1	One YMCA	<p>To support the creation of the ITC Suite at Charter House. It will give the 150 residents of Charter House access to the same essential training, resources and facilities as their peers as they develop and progress towards employment and independent living.</p> <p>Working in partnership with Oaklands College and their Corporate Partner CAE, they will deliver formal and informal training in IT. Having a dedicated area will ensure residents receive the specialist support required to help them identify the most appropriate routes to further education, training and employment opportunities which will enable them to progress to a financially secure future.</p>	£30,000.00
2	Watford Borough Council	<p>To provide significant changes to the Victoria Passage carriageway. The proposal will create a level footpath promoting accessibility making it inclusive of all users.</p> <p>Public realm investments play an important role in connecting different parts of our town, attracting visitors, increasing footfall, and encouraging residents and workers to use sustainable modes of transport such as cycling and walking. The improvements to the public realm in Victoria Passage have the potential to create an environment in which people enjoy spending time, which helps a town centre to thrive. Providing well-designed areas has the potential to reduce anti-social behaviour such as fly tipping and crime.</p>	£76,018.00
3	Watford Community Housing	<p>To improve social and play space in Foxhill for children, young people and their parents and carers.</p> <p>The existing play space is tired and in need of some investment in line with the wider regeneration which have seen several new families move into the neighbourhoods.</p> <p>This project would provide high quality outdoor spaces for families in the locality.</p>	£12,500.00
4	Watford & Three Rivers Trust	<p>Since COVID the Barn has become a very popular centrally located community centre. It has proved to be a successful warm space for many residents. W3RT are requesting funding to improve facilities at The Barn. These improvements will help to enhance the organisation's ability to support the local community during the cost-of-living crisis and beyond.</p>	£17,676.00
5	Watford Area Arts Forum	<p>A proposal for art and writing workshops with a focus on 'the planet' sustainability and the benefits of recycling. This project is to be led by Sian Fenwick and Helen Nicell of WAAF.</p>	£3,000.00

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		A series of inclusive workshops for adults and children will be held using recycled items, or items of nature.	
6	The Watford Gurdwara	To provide a phone box library. A phone box is converted into a free public library for the benefit of the community. Tesco Watford have agreed to supply unlimited free books for the library. The volunteers at the Gurdwara will 100% maintain the phone box library.	£12,000.00
7	Goods for Good (Global)	This 16-week pilot project is a collaboration between OneYMCA and Goods for Good. Its aim is to take residents from the Watford Hostel and provide them with training and employability skills. As well as gaining valuable work experience, residents will grow in confidence, develop self-efficacy and social skills.	£4,842.00
8	Random Cafe CIC	Installation of a new entrance path to the café. Older visitors can struggle to access the café because the path is uneven and becomes muddy in the rain. A new level path will make it safer and easier for older visitors, wheelchair users and people with pushchairs to visit the café.	£9,840.00
9	Friends of Lanchester	<p>The Friends of Lanchester fully funded an adventure playground which has been a great addition to the physical activity equipment for their community to enjoy.</p> <p>The area surrounding the equipment is grass and can only be used in warm and dry months which significantly limits the equipment use. Currently, the trim trail is surrounded by grass which becomes unsafe with constant use and in wet weather.</p> <p>A new hard-wearing surface would be low maintenance and provide safe areas to play outside throughout the year. The solution proposed will enable children to use the adventure playground throughout the year during playtimes, physical education lessons, after school clubs and during community events such as the summer fair.</p> <p>The school's public events are open to all so the wider community would also benefit.</p>	£10,000.00
10	Home Start Watford & Three Rivers	To provide an additional family group to serve the families supported in Central Watford. Support and friendship for parents and safe and varied play experiences for their young children.	£4,695.00

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11	Nascot Residents Association	To create a sculpture to be designed by a local artist with contributions from the whole community. Emphasis will be given to local schoolchildren who, working with the artist, will be involved in helping to visualise elements of the sculpture and participate in elements of its creation. The aim is to produce a sculpture that recognises and celebrates the unique nature of the ward.	£3,000.00
12	Watford & District Mencap Society	To build an accessible soft play building within the organisation's garden for local children and young people with learning disabilities. This will be constructed with sustainable resources, and they will re-use the soft play equipment they kept from their previous facility. It will be heated, have air-conditioning and lighting. A ramp and handrail will make the building accessible for all, with the support of our trained and experienced team. The facility will also be available for use by other community groups.	£20,000.00
13	Pump House Theatre and Arts Centre	<p>To demolish the old costume shed and relocate a new costume container unit into the back of the building/car park creating access to all. Currently in its present position it is inaccessible to disabled users.</p> <p>To create improved access to lighting and sound balcony currently accessed by a vertical ladder. By creating access into the back of the balcony area this will ensure the area is easily accessible, improved access will enable training and skills opportunities to potential new lighting and sound operatives. The Pump House would also like to install an electric charger to the car park improving access to electric car users and supporting their environmental strategy and policy.</p>	£14,255.00
14	West Watford Community Association	To make the Centre more prominent within its residential area. The organisation would like to make the community centre more welcoming to local residents by installing new signage and a mural to the side of the building.	£4,222.00
15	Watford Sheltered Workshop Ltd	To create a new mezzanine level that will increase floor space by a third and enable the organisation to recruit and train approx. 20 more people with disabilities per year in both work and life skills.	£20,000.00
16	West Herts ABC & Educational Support CIC	To provide 2 new sessions per week, targeting disadvantaged children and young people (male and female) aged 11-19 (25 for those with SEN) who are new to the Callowland and Central Watford area.	£5,000.00

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		These young people are lonely and isolated. They are vulnerable to influence by negative role models, which could lead to gang affiliation and anti-social behaviour.	
17	Friends of Oxhey Park	To buy a Defibrillator and lockable cabinet for the wall of the Tasty Bean Cafe in Oxhey Activity Park.	£2,663.00