

Brentwood Community Fund 2014 – recommendations

	Recommended for funding				
	Did not met minimum criteria for funding				
	Not recommended for funding as did not meet the pre criteria for funding				
Applicant Number	Applicant/Project	Amount requested	Score against criteria	Recommended funding	Supporting notes
14	Lighthouse Furniture Project - Starter pack and new van There are two parts to the project 1. Starter pack will provide new bedding, crockery, cutlery, kettle, toaster and towels to which Lighthouse adds basic essential furniture, like a bed, wrdrodee, chest of drawers, microwave and something to sit on. 2. Contribution to the cost of a new van so that more furniture can be diverted from landfill	£3,500.00	95	£3,500.00	The Project identifies good links to the Council's priorities especially Localism: support the delivery of local initiatives and projects, particularly those that use volunteers; and Housing Health and Wellbeing – supporting the most vulnerable. The application clearly demonstrates that the wider community have been involved in development of the project and identified what the need is. Volunteering and community participation are clearly integral to the project. The organisation has been successful in generating external match funding from several external sources. The project should be sustainable through delivery charges and the selling of secondhand furniture.
13	Shenfield Cricket Club – Cricket Nets Upgrade the new nets will increase the capacity at the club to accommodate demand for cricket within the local community.	£3,500.00	90	£3,500.00	The project identifies good links to the Council's priorities especially Localism: support the delivery of local initiatives and projects, particularly those that use volunteers; and projects which raise awareness of local activities and leisure provision in the area especially for young people. The application demonstrates that the wider community have been involved in the project. Good match funding and ongoing maintenance of the nets have been budgeted for through club membership making it sustainable.
22	Brentwood Leisure Trust - Fitness in Mind Outreach Project The project will be spent on outreach equipment for two people – including cycles, cycling safety equipment, cycling repair kit and iPad Air allowing the team to promote a healthy lifestyle by example and present a digital presentation of the Fitness in Mind programme.	£3,302.99	88	£3,302.99	The Project identifies good links to the Council's priorities especially Localism: support the delivery of local initiatives and projects, particularly those that use volunteers; and Housing Health and Wellbeing – supporting the most vulnerable. Good community involvement in development of project. No additional funding but 'in kind' volunteer support will ensure project is sustainable.
8	Brentwood Songsters – Children's Music Library The project is to develop a community asset of educational sheet music, which can be used by the group but also lent out to other youth groups and schools and colleges.	£2,721.00	88	£2,721.00	The Project identifies good links to the Council's priorities especially Localism: support the delivery of local initiatives and projects, particularly those that use volunteers; Prosperous Borough: supports skills. Good community involvement in the development of the project and will provide a community resource once established. Some private sponsorship but unconfirmed. Should be sustainable through income from renting the library.
7	Pilgrims Hatch Baptist Church - Moses Basket The project is to support families and single parents with their practical needs in looking after babies and young children. This includes clothing and nursery equipment.	£3,500.00	87	£3,500.00	The Project identifies good links to the Council's priorities especially Localism: support the delivery of local initiatives and projects, particularly those that use volunteers; and Housing Health and Wellbeing – supporting the most vulnerable. Good community involvement in the development of the volunteer led project. Good amount of match funding and should be sustainable with in kind volunteer support.
16	Brentwood Council for Voluntary Services – Setting up Brentwood Volunteer Centre The Volunteer Centre will promote, recruit and train volunteers and find placements for the volunteers	£3,500.00	86	£3,500.00	The Project identifies links to the Council's priorities especially Localism: support the delivery of local initiatives and projects, particularly those that use volunteers. Plans to consult with community to shape the project. Some match funding confirmed to support the project and will apply for other external funding to make it sustainable.
24	Ingatestone and Fryerning Tennis Club - Enhancement to Club's frontage The project will provide a more attractive frontage in the club and install privacy screens and replace existing sign board and improve the visual amenity by removing litter, vegetation and replacing with gravel.	£1,610.00	82	£1,610	The project has good links to the Council's Localism and Safer Brentwood, promoting local leisure opportunities and activities for young people. The volunteer led project and promotes volunteering. It is small part of large project that has confirmed external funding. It is sustainable through volunteers and other income.
11	Brentwood Scout Group – Refurbishment of Scout Hut The project will insulate the walls and carpet the floor to reduce heat loss to the building and redecorate the hut as part of the refurbishment.	£2,623.00	77	£2,623.00	The Project identifies links to the Council's priorities especially Localism: support the delivery of local initiatives and projects, particularly those that use volunteers. Broad voluntary led community organisation. In Kind support through volunteering rather than external funding, but project will be sustainable through subscriptions once the refurbishment work has been completed.
19	Sawyers Hall Church – Outings for Seniors Arrange four outings per year for up to 30 people, enabling them to get out and enjoy the company of others	£2,776.00	75	£1,336.00	Cannot fund the hospitality element of the project, however the project meets the Council's priorities especially Localism: support the delivery of local initiatives and projects, particularly those that use volunteers; and Housing Health and Wellbeing: supporting the most vulnerable. Community participation in the project is strong. In kind support through volunteers rather than external funding. Plans to get future funding to ensure sustainability.
4	Brentwood Fairtrade Campaign Group – Fairtrade Fortnight Promotion Event The project will promote the awareness of Fairtrade within the local community and encourage people to support Fairtrade by purchasing Fairtrade products.	£500.00	75	£500.00	Project meets the Council's priorities especially Localism: support the delivery of local initiatives and projects, particularly those that use volunteers. Wider community development of the project with local schools and businesses involved. In kind support through volunteers rather than external funding and the use of volunteers should make it sustainable.
20	Brentwood Learning Partnership – Brentwood Careers and Skills Experience The project will focus on young people working with employers to improve skills and find out what opportunities are available in the local and surrounding areas in employment and training.	£3,500.00	70	£3,500.00	Project meets the Council's priorities especially Prosperous Borough: projects which support job creation, skills and opportunities. Schools support the project through the consortium and previous events have been successful. Plans to seek funding for future events.
21	Community Tree Partnership – Community Tree Signposting The Project will provide simple signposting media across the borough – in organisations including the Town Hall, libraries, community halls, schools, Gps, local charities, community groups and local businesses, highlighting the types of support for those people with mental health issues, that is available to local people	£2,428.66	70	£2,428.66	Project meets the Council's priorities especially Housing Health and Wellbeing: supporting the most vulnerable. Very strong community involvement in the volunteer led project. In kind support through volunteers rather than external funding. Plans to get future funding to ensure sustainability. External funding sought but not confirmed.

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2	Towers Petanque Club – Towers Relocation The Project will contribute to the relocation to Brookweald Cricket Club and the design of the pitch will mean that less abled bodied people can paly as well.	£3,230.00	68	£3,230.00	The project supports the Council's Localism priority: support the delivery of local initiatives and projects, particularly those that use volunteers. No clear links that the wider community has been involved. Good match funding. Identified income streams to make the project sustainabile
10	Hermit Club CIC – Hermit Club Media Suite The media suite will involve the development of a comprehensive equipment set up for use in training young people in music production, photography, videography and media marketing. The facilities will also be available for use by secondary schools in the local area. It will also allow the development of a weekly media club that can be provided free for young users of the Hermit Club which will be run on a voluntary basis	£3,493.00	53	£3,493.00	Some links to the criteria especially links with Localism and Community Safety. Some participation with schools to identify the need but need to evidence how they will communicate that schools can use the new equipment. No external funding but strong volunteering to support the project. Sustainable through volunteering and Essex County Council support.
12	Doddington Village Hall – Patio fence refurbishment The funding is required to replace the existing wooden fence with more substantial metal fencing and hedging to ensure the safety of all users in particular the young children and pre school.	£3,500.00	53	£3,500.00	Some links to the criteria especially Localism and Community Safety. Does not evidence that wider community has been involved although centre provides a community hub for the village. Application has not explicitly mentioned use of volunteers. Some external funding secured for the project.
5	Burns Way Residents Asociation – Gardening equipment To purchase garden blower/vacuum, strimmer and water butt to keep the Burns Way area clean and tidy	£350.00	45	£0	Incomplete application – no quotes provided, no information of community involvement. No explicit links to criteria but links to residents doing more for themselves. No further costs for the project
15	Long Ridings Residents Association – Community Picnic To providea community picnic June/July/August to promte a greater sense of community	£1,000.00	44	£0	Cannot fund hospitality. Loose links to criteria. Unclear of wider community involvement in the development of the project. No mention of volunteering, although residents associations are supported by volunteers. No other external funding sought, as a one off event and therefore not sustainable without continuation of funding.
9	Gym Rox – Improving equipment and opportunities The project is for additional equipment so that more sessions can be provided and increase volunteers – young leaders to train them in how to be a gymnastics coach.	£3,127.00	43	£0	Commerical company, so would not recommend for funding. Links to criteria are not explicit although volunteers and community safety mentioned. Limited community involvement – attendance at Family Fun Days was to promote themselves. Sustainable through class fees.
18	Brentwood Buddhist Society – Updating Meeting Room – Refurbishment of venue to accommodate more people and facilitate one to one support during meetings.	£1,757.00	43	£0	Private venue – applicants do not own the premises. Tenuous links to criteria, and would question the access to the wider community. User feedback rather than consultation. No explicit mention of volunteering. No other sources of funding for the project.
TOTAL RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING				£42,244.65	
6	Whittington Road Residents Association – Gardening and Play equipment installation The project is to remove an overgrown and broken walled area within the communal gardens and install soft flooring and children's play equipment.	£1,860.00	0	£0	Costs do not seem to be realistic as identified in the application form. Any new play equipment will need to link to evidence of need in the Play Area Strategy , as there will be ongoing maintenance costs for the Council.
17	Hutton Community Partnership – Community Events The project will support community events for the residents of Hutton for all ages at Christmas, Easter, Halloween and Senior Days.	£3,500.00	0	£0	One off events that would not be sustainable without other external funding sources
3	Contact the Elderly – Brentwood 2 The grant will add value to the current Contact the Elderly activities in Brentwood by increasing the number of beneficiaries from 12 to 20 and develop a new group in the area, tobe known as Brentwood 2	£3,000.00	0	£0	Cannot fund hospitality or core staff costs. Not sustainable without external funding
23	Over 50s Club – Live Afternoon Entertainment and guest speakers – To provide live entertainment from local schools and colleges for over 55's in and around Brentwood. The over 55's will be encouraged to participate themselves.	£1,500.00	0	£0	Late application
1	Essex County Council Trading Standards – Home Safety Project To provide elderly and vulnerable residents with free home safety check. The grant will support 8 additional days of checks	£1,000.00	0	£0	Essex County Council Statutory Authority, therefore we should not fund.
TOTAL FUNDING REQUESTED		£60,778.65			

Note: Total amount of funding for 2014/15 is £50,300. Those projects recopmmended for approval are in green and totals £42,244.65, which will leave a balance of £8,055.35 which will be recommended to be allocated to Councillors ward budgets. Those projects highlighted in blue will be given feedback and directed to other funding streams that might be able to support them.