

WOKING BOROUGH COUNCIL

GRANTS TO VOLUNTARY, COMMUNITY AND SOCIAL ENTERPRISE GROUPS 2022/2023 (TO DATE)

Grant awards have been approved for the 2022/23 financial year to the Community and Voluntary Organisations set out below, following applications submitted by the Groups through Democratic and Legal Services. A report is prepared on each application together with a recommendation of support, which is received by the Executive usually in December of each year.

The reports and minutes of the Executive meetings are available on the Council's website. The reports include a covering paper which summarises the level of funding requested and includes further information such as the Council's Small Grants Scheme available for individuals and groups to apply for up to £500 under the areas of arts, sports and youth in Woking.

Further information such as the grants scheme criteria and how to register to make an application are set out on the following webpage - <https://www.woking.gov.uk/community/grants/grants>. The contact officers are Frank Jeffrey (Democratic Services Manager, frank.jeffrey@woking.gov.uk) and Doug Davern (Democratic Services Officer, doug.davern@woking.gov.uk).

A summary of all the grants awarded is set out at the end of this document.

1. Cherry Trees (800222)

Cherry Trees has been awarded a grant of up to £1,800 towards the costs of providing tea visits to young people with severe learning and physical disabilities living in the Borough of Woking. The Charity provides 'home from home' short break / respite care.

2. Citizens Advice Woking (1004585 & 2638741)

The Council has awarded a grant of £210,500 to Citizens Advice Woking, comprising £189,000 towards the core service, £11,500 towards the Financial Capability programme, and £10,000 towards the Guildford County Court Help Desk. In addition the Council covers the service charge for accommodation at Provincial House. Citizens Advice Woking aims to provide advice and assistance to local clients in all areas of social law and related matters, available from both the Town Centre and various outreach centres across the Borough.

3. Coram Life Education – Surrey (1078861)

The Group has been awarded a revenue grant of £10,600 towards the services for schools in Woking. Coram Life Education is a nationwide charity which provides advice to children aged 3 to 11 years on drugs and lifestyles, using a mobile bus to deliver memorable and engaging learning experiences for children and young people.

4. Crossroads Care Surrey (1125048)

A grant of £7,500 has been awarded towards the development and facilitation of a new club strategy, which will support its core offering of respite breaks to unpaid carers. Crossroads Care Surrey provides a respite care service to carers for families with disabled relatives. In doing so, the Charity reduces admissions to hospitals and residential homes whilst also improving the health and wellbeing of the carers themselves.

5. Elderly People's Lunch Club Scheme

A total of £293 has been awarded towards the lunch clubs listed below (based on an agreed formula):

- Anandmilan – Vadil Parivar Elderly Club

- MASCOT Friendship Café
- Pyrford Retired Men's Lunch Club

6. GASP Motor Project (1128635)

GASP Motor Project has been awarded a grant of £2,500 towards the provision of basic motor mechanics after-school courses in the Borough for young people who are at risk of becoming Not in Education, Employment or Training (NEET). The Group is widely recognised in the Borough as a provider of non-judgemental, caring and practical support, delivering accredited AQA courses in basic mechanics and engineering skills.

7. Headway Surrey (1046863)

Headway Surrey has been awarded a grant of up to £1,000 towards the cost of providing the services of the Group in Woking. The aim of Headway Surrey is to assist individuals with acquired or traumatic brain injury to develop greater independent living skills, integrate into their community and become less reliant on families and carers.

8. High Sheriff's Award (1101878)

A grant of £2,250 has been approved as a contribution towards the annual High Sheriff's Award. The High Sheriff's Award is a scheme which encourages schools, youth clubs, and all other youth-related organisations to set up projects tackling crime prevention and community safety issues.

9. Home-Start Runnymede and Woking (1128932)

The Council has awarded the Group a grant of £9,000 to assist with the costs of the service. Home-Start Woking offers support, friendship and practical help to parents, with at least one child under the age of five, in their own homes who are under stress, helping to prevent family crisis and breakdown. The funding is used for families residing within Woking only.

10. Intergenerational Music Making (11596360)

A grant of £1,250 has been awarded to Intergenerational Music Making towards establishing three Community Hubs in the Borough. The Group works with children from local schools and older people in care homes to tackle issues such as loneliness, social exclusion and dementia.

11. Lakeview Community Action Group – Lift Up Together (1115704)

A grant of £2,500 has been awarded to Lakeview Community Action Group towards the work of the Lift Up Together group. Lift Up Together was set up to meet an identified need in the local community towards helping those living in the Lakeview area with mental health issues. The grant contributes towards the cost of the weekly support sessions.

12. Let's Read Ltd (1127199)

A grant of £6,000 has been awarded to Let's Read Ltd. The Group operates a Book Gifting Scheme which provides a free book each term to nearly 1,000 children at 11 selected schools. In addition, around 150 children are given assistance in learning to read through its Reading Project in four primary schools in the Borough. The Schools report improvements in children's concentration levels, speaking and listening skills as a result.

13. LinkAble (1119596)

A grant of £34,200 has been awarded to LinkAble for each of 2021/22, 2022/23 and 2023/24 towards the cost of the Head of Services role. LinkAble supports children and adults with learning disabilities in the Boroughs of Woking and Surrey Heath.

14. Maybury and Sheerwater Community Trust (1145217)

Maybury and Sheerwater Community Trust (MASCOT) has been awarded a grant of £28,700 towards running costs. The Trust aims to address the causes of deprivation and social exclusion in the areas of Sheerwater and Maybury, and seeks to encourage joint working between local organisations in the community.

15. Mediation Surrey (1060729)

A grant of £3,600 has been awarded towards the running costs of the Group. The aim of the Woking Community Mediation Service is to help neighbours find a solution to difficulties that suits all the parties involved through the process of mediation.

16. Outline (1080970)

Funding of £5,400 has been awarded to the Group towards its running costs. Outline provides a confidential telephone helpline and social group meetings to support lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender individuals in the Borough. The Charity aims to help its users feel less isolated, make new friends in a safe environment and improve their mental health and wellbeing.

17. Relate West Surrey (1079270)

Relate West Surrey has been awarded a grant of £5,000 towards the costs of the service charge for the accommodation provided by the Council at Provincial House. Relate West Surrey offers counselling, sexual therapy and training, and education workshops to adults experiencing difficulties in their relationships. Counselling is also offered to young people affected by the breakdown of their parents' relationship.

18. Sight for Surrey (1121949)

A grant of £1,575 has been awarded towards the services provided by the Eye Clinic Liaison Officer and the Hearing Loss Advisor operated by the Group, working closely with St. Peter's Hospital, GP surgeries and local audiology clinics. The roles are vital to enabling support for those in the Borough with a visual or hearing impairment.

19. Surrey Care Trust (285543)

Surrey Care Trust has been awarded the sum of £4,500 towards its STEPS Alternative Learning Provision for 14 to 16 year olds in Woking. The Charity provides learning, training and mentoring to support young people and adults in improving their chances in life.

20. Surrey North Area Cruse Bereavement Care (208078)

Funding of £2,000 has been awarded to Surrey North Area Cruse Bereavement Care towards its running costs. The Council's support will ensure that the service is available to individuals in the Borough who are directly affected by bereavement, the effects of which can include reduced social confidence, ability to work, propensity for isolation and loneliness, and engagement within the community and general mental health.

21. Surrey Welfare Rights Unit (1062826)

Surrey Welfare Rights Unit has been awarded a grant of £9,000 towards its running costs. The Group provides specialist support to community organisations and statutory authorities dealing with welfare rights issues. The Council's support will ensure the continuation of the service in Woking.

22. TALK (1072526)

The Council has awarded a grant of £900 to TALK towards rental costs at the Vyne for its Knaphill support group. The Charity supports people with aphasia, which relates to communication difficulties following a stroke. The Knaphill support group represents around a fifth of all stroke recoverers supported by the Group across the County.

23. The Brigitte Trust (288923)

The Council has awarded a grant of £1,800 to The Brigitte Trust towards the costs of the volunteer training programme in Woking. The Charity offers free emotional support and practical help at home to people and their families facing life-threatening illnesses. The funding will enable more individuals and carers in the Borough to be supported.

24. The Club at Old Woking

The Council has awarded a grant of up to £1,500 towards rental costs for its sessions held at the Old Woking Community Centre and to employ a Youth Worker for the year. The Club at Old Woking was formed to provide a safe environment in which youths can mix, socialise and take part in activities. The Council's support will provide a stable level of support for the Group.

25. The Counselling Partnership (1076244)

Funding of £2,500 has been awarded towards the cost of services for Woking residents. The Counselling Partnership offers counselling to those people who would otherwise be unable to afford access to the service, supplying up to a year of counselling to assist with issues such as bereavement, depression, domestic abuse and carers' issues.

26. The Lighthouse (1073543)

The Council has awarded a grant of £16,400 towards the operational costs incurred by the Lighthouse, a project run by the Woking Vineyard to transform a derelict building into a Centre providing practical help and training to individuals. Its services include the provision of emergency food parcels, children's clothing and toys, baby equipment, cooking classes, a job club and creative art workshops.

27. The Maybury Centre Trust (1031799)

A grant of £16,800 has been awarded, towards the running costs of the Maybury Centre, the Schoolhouse Project, and the Liaise Women's Support Centre. The Trust provides facilities for social and business events, health, education, welfare and general recreation for the people of Woking.

28. The Woking Community Furniture Project (1059139)

The Woking Community Furniture Project has been awarded a grant of £10,000 towards the salary costs of a previously part-time role becoming full-time for a person who suffers with mental health issues. The Charity provides donated furniture, household goods, and electrical items at low cost to people in Woking and the surrounding area, with a special focus on discounted prices for those in the community needing help.

29. Woking Age Concern (1113217)

Woking Age Concern has been awarded a grant of £10,000 towards the core costs of the Group. The Charity provides free support in the form of friendship, 'home from hospital' support, emergency help and fire safety checks to older people living in the Borough.

30. Woking and District Men's Shed (1184191)

Woking and District Men's Shed has been awarded a grant of £2,700 towards the cost of wood and other consumables needed for community based projects undertaken by the members. The Group supports older men in the community who may be isolated with opportunities for learning and social engagement in a friendly and supportive environment.

31. Woking and Sam Beare Hospice (1082798)

A grant of £25,000 has been extended to support Woking Hospice. The award supports the provision of the nursing elements of Woking Hospice's home-based palliative care through its community nursing service. In addition to the 20 bed in-patient unit providing care at the new Hospice building in Goldsworth Park, the multi-disciplinary care team provides medical and therapeutic support to patients in their own homes, enabling them to remain independent and home-based for as long as possible.

32. Woking and Weybridge Branch of Parkinson's UK (258197)

Woking and Weybridge Branch of Parkinson's UK has been awarded funding of £1,600 towards hydrotherapy sessions for its Woking-based members. The Charity provides support, help and friendship to local people suffering with the neurological disease along with their families and carers. The provision of accessible hydrotherapy sessions will help sufferers maintain a level of mobility and pain relief.

33. Woking Community Transport Ltd (27313R)

Woking Community Transport has been awarded a grant of £193,757, comprising £175,757 towards the Borough-wide Dial-a-Ride Service and £18,000 to assist towards the costs of the Town Centre Buggy. Woking Community Transport provides accessible door to door transport to those who would otherwise be socially excluded because of poverty, disability or age, including a hospital service. The Buggy enables people with reduced mobility to access the Town Centre's facilities.

34. Woking District Scouts (308258)

Woking District Scouts has been awarded a grant of £3,150 towards the hire of abseiling equipment at the annual Buddycamp event, which is run for children with disabilities from local schools at a purpose built centre for the disabled. During the event the children undertake scouting activities such as climbing / abseiling, kayaking, shooting, archery and craft work. The event was unable to take place last year due to the pandemic and so the grant has been carried forward.

35. Woking People of Faith (1124310)

A grant of £1,000 has been awarded towards the core costs of the Group, including the salary of the part-time Co-ordinator. Woking People of Faith is a multi-faith organisation providing a platform for people to meet holds a programme of annual events each year.

36. Woking shopMobility (802594)

A grant of £11,250 has been awarded towards the overall running costs of the Group, including equipment maintenance. Woking shopMobility provides a range of mobility equipment for disabled and older people for use in the Town Centre. The Charity aims to provide freedom and independence whilst promoting social inclusion on a six days per week basis.

37. Woking Street Angels (1138338)

The Council has awarded the sum of £1,500 towards the core costs of the Woking Street Angels initiative. Its volunteers provide support on Friday and Saturday evenings in the Town Centre, including advice, free foil blankets, flip-flops and liaison with the emergency services as required.

38. Woking Strokeability (1126721)

Woking Strokeability has been awarded a grant of £800 towards the costs of offering free transport to members travelling to and from exercise sessions at either the Leisure Centre or the pool at Woking Homes. The Charity provides support, aerobic and aqua aerobic exercise with qualified instructors and social events for stroke survivors and their carers.

39. Woking Talking Newspaper (803331)

The Group has been awarded a maximum of £450 to support with the day to day costs of using recording and posting equipment. The aim of the Association is to provide Woking residents who have a visual impairment disability with access to the local newspapers through weekly audio cassettes containing local news.

40. York Road Project (1162835)

The York Road Project has been awarded funding of £48,100 to provide a direct access shelter in Woking for single, homeless and other vulnerable people. The Council's support contributes towards the provision of the Day Centre and Café, including the cost of the Day Centre Project Worker, as well as workshops held for its clients on matters such as tenancy training, food hygiene and computer skills.

41. Your Sanctuary (1137057)

The Council has awarded a grant of £21,800 towards the cost of the Domestic Abuse Outreach and Helpline provision in Woking, and the recruitment and development of volunteers to support its services. The positive work undertaken by the Group contributes greatly to the quality of life for people in the Borough who have suffered from domestic abuse, which historically has been an under-reported crime.

GRANTS AWARDED – COMMUNITY SUPPORT SCHEME 2022/23 – SUMMARY

<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>ORGANISATION NAME</u>	<u>AWARD £</u>
Community Grants	Cherry Trees	1,800
Community Grants	Citizens Advice Woking	210,500
Community Grants	Coram Life Education	10,600
Community Grants	Crossroads Care Surrey	7,500
Community Grants	Elderly People's Lunch Clubs	293
Community Grants	GASP Motor Project	2,500
Community Grants	Headway Surrey	1,000
Community Grants	High Sheriff's Award	2,250
Community Grants	Home-Start Runnymede and Woking	9,000
Community Grants	Intergenerational Music Making	1,250
Community Grants	LCAG Lift Up Together	2,500
Community Grants	Let's Read Ltd	6,000
Community Fund	LinkAble	34,200
Community Grants	Maybury and Sheerwater Community Trust	28,700
Community Grants	Mediation Surrey	3,600
Community Grants	Outline	5,400
Community Grants	Relate West Surrey	5,000
Community Grants	Sight for Surrey	1,575
Community Grants	Surrey Care Trust	4,500
Community Grants	Surrey North Area Cruse Bereavement Care	2,000
Community Grants	Surrey Welfare Rights Unit	9,000
Community Grants	TALK	900
Community Grants	The Brigitte Trust	1,800
Community Grants	The Club at Old Woking	1,500
Community Grants	The Counselling Partnership	2,500
Community Grants	The Lighthouse	16,400
Community Grants	The Maybury Centre	16,800
Community Grants	The Woking Community Furniture Project	10,000
Community Grants	Woking Age Concern	10,000
Community Grants	Woking and District Men's Shed	2,700
Community Grants	Woking and Sam Beare Hospices	25,000
Community Grants	Woking and Weybridge Parkinson's UK	1,600
Community Grants	Woking Community Transport Ltd	193,757
Community Grants	Woking District Scouts - Buddycamp	3,150
Community Grants	Woking People of Faith	1,000
Community Grants	Woking shopMobility	11,250
Community Grants	Woking Street Angels	1,500
Community Grants	Woking Strokeability	800
Community Grants	Woking Talking Newspaper	450
Community Grants	York Road Project	48,100
Community Grants	Your Sanctuary	21,800
Total		720,175