Appendix 2 Panel's agreed funding Tackling rural isolation and loneliness (including rural transport) - Budget £62,000

Organisation	Project brief	Grant requested 2025-26	Grant requested 2026-27	Grant requested 2027-28	Panel's recommendation
Home-Start Essex	Trained volunteer family support mentors will provide one to one support to 10 vulnerable and isolated families through a home visiting program. Each Uttlesford family supported through the service will be allocated a designated family support co-ordinator				Not funded Panel agree this would be a better fit to the Health & Welbeing Board's proitise
Mind in West Essex	Befriending Volunteers will be recruited to support people who are feeling lonely or isolated. This project will provide a volunteer who will regularly chat, walk or join in with a hobbies to assist individuals across Uttlesford from feeling lonely and isolated.	£18,404	£18,404	£18,404	Reduction of £962 to fit into the budget
TouchPoint	Funding will be used to support the Community Hub and Foodshare Outreach project. This growing portfolio of projects is proving to be very successful at drawing in those in our community who might otherwise be hard to reach, or who may have lacked the confidence to participate. Services are taken into villages and support those who may be rurally isolated	£5,596	£5,596	£5,996	Part funded as already funded the project through Healthy, Resilience and Active funding pot
CraftAbility	CraftAbility provide free creative activities in a pleasant and caring environment for the benefit & enjoyment of Uttlesford residents living with physical difficulties or social isolation. Member's twice weekly visits to the Centre foster important social network opportunities for individuals would might otherwise be confined at home. The funding would be used to transport members from across the district to the venue in Thaxted.	£3,000.00	£3,000	£ 3,000.00	Fully funded
Uttlesford Community Travel	To provide a reliable, safe and affordable community bus service, with an achievable fare structure meeting the needs of the over 60's, disabled, rurally isolated across the area. Aiming to reduce loneliness and isolation across the district, ensuing that residents are able to access their local communities and remain independent for as long as possible.	£35,000.00	£35,000	£ 35,000.00	Fully funded
		£62,000	£62,000	£62,000	

Organisation	Project brief	Grant	Grant	Grant	
		requested 2025-26	requested 2026-27	requested 2027-28	
Accuro	The Adult Friendship scheme provides social and leisure opportunities for adults with disabilities. Group activities are arranged bi-weekly, 12 months per annum and activity programmes are developed based on feedback from beneficiaries telling what they want and don't want to do. This includes meals out, cinema/bowling, golf trips, discos, themed nights, bingo, crafts, quiz nights and much more	£10,000.00	£10,000	£ 10,000.00	Agreed to fully fund
Home-Start Essex	Family Fitness and Fun is a new and previously unfunded weekly activity. It's designed to bridge the gap by providing accessible and fun physical activities each week to improve families physical and mental health together. By integrating fitness activities with educational components on nutrition, wellbeing and healthy habits the project will empower families to make informed choices that benefit their overall health. Sessions are designed to be inclusive accommodating various fitness levels and tailored to meet the unique needs of participating families; sessions will be fun and incorporate interactive ways for parents and children to exercise together, eliminating the need for separate childcare provision.		£13,198.92	£ 13,635.94	Agreed fully fund
Support 4 Sight	The organisation support blind and visually impaired people in Uttlesford. Many are affected by sight loss in later life so they inherently supporting the Uttlesford's older residents. Funding will be used to organise regular coffee mornings to offer safe socialising opportunities, enable peer support and provide access to a suite of information, equipment, advice, guidance and support services in Saffron Walden and Takeley	£6,759.00	£7,088	£ 7,442.00	Agreed to fully fund

TouchPoint	TouchPoint is a community well-being project whose mission is to provide a positive social impact. They build community connections and promote a sense of belonging, identifying hidden needs and removing barriers to engagement. With 170 volunteers guided by a small team of paid part time staff in mission critical roles, working with key local partners, who directly impact more than 2,000 people a week across the district. Funding will be used to support further support the Community Hub and Foodshare Outreach project across the district.	£23,271.60	£23,731.68	£ 24,163.80	Agreed to fully fund
St Clare Hospice	St Clare Hospice is a UK registered charity providing specialist palliative care for people with terminal and life- limiting illness. The organisation support residents of West Essex & East Herts. Approximately 25% of the beneficiaries are residents of Uttlesford. The funding would support the Compassionate Neighbours' project. Compassionate Neighbours are trained volunteers who provide 1:1 friendship and practical and emotional support to sick and frail people in their own communities. Compassionate Neighbours also help these very vulnerable people to integrate with other support networks, further reducing isolation and vulnerability.	£3,500.00	£3,500	£ 3,500.00	Agreed to fully fund
Uttlesford Buffy Bus	Buffy Play bus is a mobile playgroup that visits 15 different rural and isolated urban communities within Uttlesford each week. The specially converted double-decker bus provides pre-school children and their carers with opportunities to paint, play, and socialise in a safe and stimulating environment, thereby reducing social isolation and fostering community connections. The funding will be used to carry out Buffy's existing activities.	£5,000.00	£5,000	£ 5,000.00	Agreed to fully fund

Enterprise East	Funding will deliver three groups	£4,750.00	£4,988	£	5,337.00	Agreed to fully fund
CIC	activities, Meet-Up Monday social					
	group - a relaxed weekly chatty session					
	with free refreshments. Knit and					
	Knatter - initiated by connections made					
	at Meet Up Monday group, this will take					
	place once a week, to work on					
	individuals handicrafts, whilst catching					
	up over a coffee and cake and Memory					
	Lane - newly established dementia					
	cafe which offers an opportunity for					
	individuals with dementia, and their					
	family members or carers, to meet					
	other who are living with the complex					
	condition and provides an opportunity					
	for support networks and friendships to					
	be formed.					
		£66,058.63	£67,506.60	£ 6	9,078.74	

Youth - Budget £50,000

Organisation	Project brief	Grant requested 2025-26	Grant requested 2026-27	Grant requested 2027-28	
Accuro	Accuro provides a wide range of social and life skills based activities for 51 children and young people in Uttlesford the funding will be used for a range of activities Saturday Play Club, 2 sessions, 9.30am - 12.30pm and 1pm - 4pm, weekly during term time. Under 19's youth club - Mondays 6.15pm - 8.15pm in Saffron Walden and Wednesdays 6.15 - 8.15pm in Great Dunmow, bi-weekly during term time. Uttlesford Holiday Club providing a wide range of fun activities for small group during the school holidays. 19's - 25's Friendship scheme - social opportunities in Saffron Walden and Dunmow - bi weekly and Stride - six month life skills programmerun across Uttlesford including Saffron Walden, Stanatsed and Dunmow.		£20,000	£ 20,000.00	Agreed to fully fund
Action for Family Carers	Funding is requested to run a respite youth club in Stansted for young carers aged 8 - 16. Each Club runs in the evenings during termtime and is led by an experienced Club Lead Worker, supported by a Club Night Assistant and volunteers. Young Carers can get a break from caring in a safe environment, get the chance to be children and have fun and meet other young carers with shared experiences and understanding.	£5,000.00	£5,000	£ 5,000.00	Agreed to fully fund

Home-Start Essex	The funding will provide a weekly Uttlesford Family Group which is an expansion of our previous work, families are invited to attend each week for a period of 6 months. It incorporates a critical new aspect, an increase in provision, which is dedicated behaviour parenting sessions to support parents/caregivers with their children's behaviour. This new element will be delivered each term by a trained volunteer and will enable us to offer targeted assistance to families equipping them with the strategies to understand and manage their child(ren)s behaviour effectively. It will also provide a supportive and peer learning environment for families to share their experiences and learn from others facing similar challenges.				Not funded Panel agree this would be a better fit to the Health & Welbeing Board's proitise.
Saffron Walden Town Council	This will fund youth provision within Saffron Walden and is pound for pound matched funded by the SWTC. Saffron Walden Youth Outreach Project provide a free youth club two nights per week. In addition, they regularly provide focused outreach work in the community. Funding will also be allocated to support other youth activities, such as creative writing, school holiday activities, beach on the common and Christmas events, all of which are provided free of charge to the community.		£10,000	£ 10,000.00	Agreed to fully fund
Stansted Parish Council	Stansted Parish Council will provide pound for pound matched funding to employ Fairycroft House CIC to provide three youth club sessions per week during term time for young people aged 13 - 19 (or up to 25 with additional need) in Stansted.		£9,000	£ 10,000.00	Agreed to fully fund
The Offshoot Foundation	To provide a four day long workshop led by industry professionals. The young people would be supported to devise, film, and edit their films based on their own interests. The project can support up to 30 young people on each workshop aged 10 - 18 in Saffron Walden.				Apply to one-off funding and trial out of Saffron Walden
Great Dunmow Town Council	Great Dunmow Town Council provide pound for pound matched funding to engage the services of the Old Skool Youth Club to provide weekly youth activities for young people living in and around Great Dunmow.	£5,000.00	£5,000	£ 5,000.00	Agreed to fully fund

Enterprise East	Funding is required to support The				Not funded. Youth club
CIC	Youth Empowerment Network project which is an open-access youth club for 11 - 25 year olds to relax, socilaise and engage in activities that promote safety, confidence and community connection in Saffron Walden				already funded in Saffron Walden, which is matched funded by Town Council. Officer would support to look at alternative funding pots.
		£48,000.00	£49,000	£ 50,000.00	