

Groups supported in 2023/2024

The Connected Communities Fund aims to create opportunities for socialising and building meaningful connection by increasing the number of activities available for older people and adults with additional needs. We do this by encouraging grassroots initiatives to access flexible funding alongside an ongoing package of support. This “grants-plus” approach is delivered in partnership by Oxfordshire Community Action and Community First Oxfordshire and is funded by Oxfordshire County Council.

Now running for a second year, in this round of the programme we have supported 62 community groups and organisations with grants ranging from £450 to a maximum of £5000. Since launching in 2022 we have distributed £350,000 to 104 groups supporting over 119 projects and activities to run across Oxfordshire.

- [Banburyshire Citizen Project](#) - Banbury, OX16 - In-person advice and outreach events: Volunteer training and expenses - £2,500
- [The Cornermen CIC](#) - South Moreton, Didcot, OX11 - Men's mental health and suicide prevention: Service delivery expenses - £4,871
- [St Mary's Church, Barton](#) - Barton, Oxford, OX3 - Social groups for older people: Gardening/craft and IT/coffee group costs - £450
- [Waste2Taste CIC](#) - Oxford, OX4 - Costs associated with Shotover View 'community café' project - £4,916
- [Hendreds Environment Group](#) - East Hendred, OX12 - Warm space and community café project - £4,000
- [Combe Mutual Aid](#) - Combe, OX29 - Winter Warmer Group - £500
- [Bullington Community Association](#) - Oxford, OX3 - Contribution towards Creative Writing Group and Repair Café costs - £1,670
- [Fritwell Forget Me Not Club](#) - Fritwell, OX27 - Over 60s club - £3,950
- [Charlbury Day Centre](#) - Charlbury, OX7 - Weekly lunch club - £4,000
- [The Valentine Club](#) - Steeple Aston, OX25 - Over 60s club - £2,000
- [Kilsby Theatre Boat / Parasol Project](#) partnership - Oxford, OX2 - £1,936
- [Clean Slate](#) - Bicester, OX25 - Women's support group and 'freedom programme' - £3,000
- [Bampton Bush Centre](#) - Bampton, OX18 - Lunch club, transport - £2,200
- [Iraqi Women Art and War \(IWAW\)](#) - Oxford, OX1 - Art workshops and classes - £3,000
- [The Launton Rock Chorus](#) - Launton, OX26 - Venue hire contribution for weekly sessions - £546

- [Hanborough and District Day Centre](#) - Hanborough, OX29 - Elderberries social group and lunch club - £ 2,280
- One Planet Abingdon Climate Emergency Centre - Abingdon, OX14 - Community sewing workshops - £5,000
- The Wellbeing Generation CIC - Nuneham Courtney, OX44 - Mindfulness programmes for older people and adults with additional needs - £3,880
- Middle Barton Bowls Club - Middle Barton, OX7 - Publicity and accessibility equipment - £930
- [Home-Start Banbury, Bicester and Chipping Norton](#) - Banbury, OX16 - Drop-in group for parents and carers (adults with additional needs) - £5,000
- [Nuneham Courtenay Adult Lunch Club](#) - Nuneham Courtney, OX44 - Monthly lunch club: Equipment and meal costs - £2,966
- [Thame Community Shed](#) - Thame, OX9 - Community shed sessions: Essential tool replacement - £2,785
- [The Sunshine Centre](#) - Banbury, OX16 - Monthly over 50s group - £2,400
- Oxford People's Theatre - Oxford, OX4 - Weekly intergenerational community theatre project - £2,000
- Carterton Social FC - Carterton, OX18 - Social football for mental wellbeing - £1,755
- [Charlbury Community Workshop CIO](#) - Charlbury, OX7 - Community workshop launch and ongoing sessions - £2,750
- Oxfordshire Older Chinese People Centre (Happy Place) - Oxford, OX2 - Weekly lunch and social club - £2,702
- The Witney Shed - Witney, OX28 - Costs associated with Witney shed sessions - £2,000
- [Bromsgrove Day Centre](#) - Bromsgrove, Faringdon, SN7 - Twice-weekly day centre sessions - £4,000
- [Oxfordshire Football Association](#) - Across Oxfordshire (inc. Henley and Bicester) - Support for clubs - disabilities, mental health, over 50s, and over 70s - £5,000
- Maymessy CIC - West Challow, nr Wantage, OX12 - Mental health gardening group and cookery with adults with complex needs - £4,340
- Chinnor and Thame Friends of the Earth - Emmington, nr Chinnor, OX39 - Farm sessions – walks and seasonal activities for older people - £5,000
- [Marston Community Gardening](#) - Oxford, OX3 - Community Kitchen @ Northway - £4,500
- [The Museum of Oxford Development Trust](#) - Oxford, OX1 - Moments and Memories referrals project - £4,994
- [Barracks Lane Community Garden](#) - Oxford, OX4 - Singing and gardening for wellbeing - £4,382
- Banbury Talking Newspaper - Banbury, OX16 - Talking Newspaper equipment replacement - £1,750
- The Orchard Baptist Church - Bicester, OX26 - Café 103 community cafe - £4,250
- [Sunrise Multicultural Project](#) - Banbury, OX16 - Community drop-in sessions - £5,000
- [Parkinsons.Me](#) - West Lockinge, nr Wantage, OX12 - West Lockinge community garden project - £1,800

- Oxford Creators CIC - Didcot, OX11 - Wellbeing coffee morning sessions - £1,667
- Nettlebed & District Good Neighbours Scheme - Nettlebed, RG9 - Costs associated with transport for older people - £2,000
- Cumnor Village Lunch - Cumnor, OX2 - Monthly lunch club - £1,400
- Oxford Concert Party (collaboration with Dementia Oxford) - Oxford, OX3 - Ampleforth choir - £2,561
- Bicester Pride CIC - Bicester, OX25 - Monthly social activities and fortnightly support groups - £2,300
- 13th Theatre Company Limited - Oxford, OX1 - Beautiful Minds Drama Club - £1,918
- The Harwellian Club - Harwell, OX11 - Music for Memories & Warm Welcome community café - £2,760
- Eynsham Day Centre - Eynsham, OX29 - Weekly Monday Club - £1,500
- Henley Volunteer Drivers - Henley, RG9 - Costs associated with transport for older people - £1,500
- Florence Park Community Association - Oxford, OX4 - Over 60's lunch social - £3,000
- Oxford Community Action - Oxford, OX4 - Wednesday food distribution sessions - £1,908
- The Cedar Community Club - Hinton Waldrist, SN7 - Contribution to day centre costs - £3,000
- Oxford Head Injury Services - Kennington, OX1 - Social lunch sessions - £2,603
- East Oxford Drawing Co-operative - Oxford, OX4 - Group art classes - £1,000
- Syrian Community in Oxford (SYRCOX) - Oxford, OX4 - Community get-togethers - £1,500
- Windrush Commonwealth Service Oxford CIC - Oxford, OX3 - Intergenerational drama group - £5,000
- Uffington Baulking Woolstone Minibus Association - Uffington, SN7 - Community transport for older people to activities - £3,500
- African Families in the UK (AFiUK) CIC - Oxford, OX4 - Intergenerational circle - £3,360
- October Club - Wantage, OX12 - Dementia day centre - £3,422
- Chalgrove Age Concern - Chalgrove, OX44 - Social lunch sessions - £5,000
- Carers Community Vale of the White Horse (VOWH) - Shrivenham, SN6 - New caring for carers group - £1,000
- Forget Me Not (Bicester) Ltd - Bicester, OX26 - Lunch club: Springtime Project - £546
- Sustainable Wallingford - Wallingford, OX10 - Gardening groups: Community Allotment and Incredible Edible - £1,552

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