

Grants awarded from Round 1 of the £5k and under Community Grant Scheme 2026-27

Group Name	Activity name	Activity summary	Total cost of the activity	Income sought from Cambridge City Council	2026/27 Community Grant Award	Awarded from other Council funds
Afghanistan and Central Asian Association(ACAA)	The Cambridge Wellbeing and Integration Programme	The Cambridge Wellbeing and Integration Programme will deliver 24 community sessions over 12 months. It will support approximately 120 beneficiaries, with at least 90 living in Cambridge City, particularly women, parents, and young people experiencing social isolation and disadvantage.	£5,000.00	£5,000.00	£5,000.00	
Arbury Carnival Committee	2026 Arbury Carnival	The Arbury Carnival is a much anticipated and much loved part of North Cambridge community life. Residents from this most deprived part of Cambridge are proud of the Carnival, with around 4,000 attending this free event each year.	£8,249.84	£2,016.00	£2,016.00	
Bangladesh Welfare and Cultural Association Cambridge	Women's Only Swimming Sessions & Community Summer Trip	BWCAC is looking forward to hosting our two hugely popular community initiatives for its 3rd Year. 1. 30 Weekly Women's only swimming sessions targeting women from ethnic minority backgrounds welcoming 90 women across 3 cohorts (10 sessions each). These sessions have been massively oversubscribed in the past 2 years with all women being city residents. 2. Annual Community trip to the seaside attracting families that would typically not be able to access a trip and encouraging nature based activities within minority groups. These trips in the last 2 years have been very popular particularly with low income families.	£7,300.00	£5,000.00	£1,000.00	
BOISHAKHI CULTURAL ASSOCIATION	A Trip for 125 people to Seaside	Boishakhi Cultural Association's plan to organise a trip for 125 people to seaside on the summer. Boishakhi has been organising family trip for last 18 years with the support of Cambridge City council grant	£2,510.00	£1,510.00	£1,000.00	

Cambridge African Network (CAN)	CAN Annual Activities	1. Seaside Trip - July/August 2026 - One Trip - 100 beneficiaries. Estimate based on 2025 attendance. 2. Black History Month Celebration - 31st October 2026 - One Event. 180 participants. Estimate based on 2025 participation. 3. CAN NextGen Children's Cultural Dance Training - April 2026 - March 2027. 15 sessions. Each session attended by 12 to 18 children, plus parents	£3,200.00	£3,200.00	£3,200.00	
Cambridge Creative Synergy	Cambridge Creative Synergy community (CCS)	Weekly Friday sessions at the Unitarian Hall, other group sessions at weekends at the Hall, the CCS community allotment and other City venue. 200 beneficiaries of which 150 are city residents.	£5,960.00	£5,000.00	£5,000.00	
Cambridge Cyrenians	The Art Collab	50 weekly drop-in sessions for those experiencing homelessness within the city with the expectation of 35 unique beneficiaries, all of whom are city residents.	£4,816.07	£4,816.07	£4,816.00	
Cambridge Disabled Kids Swimming Club	Swim sessions for young disabled children or with severe disability	42 weekly swim sessions, taking place in a hydrotherapy pool on Saturday mornings in term time. Benefitting approximately 25 children with disabilities. Approximately 17 of these are from Cambridge City.	£5,649.00	£3,842.00	£3,842.00	
Cambridge Film Trust	Youth Lab 2026	The Youth Lab offers a comprehensive and free of charge programme for disadvantaged young people aged 16-24 to engage in film education and culture. There will be 20 beneficiaries, 15 of whom are city residents.	£15,350.00	£5,000.00	£5,000.00	
Cambridge Museum of Technology	Our River, Our Museum, Our Community	20 new volunteering opportunities 18 of which are city residents, Work Placements - minimum of 2 per term, 12 Drop in sessions for 5's and under 480 beneficiaries 400 of which are city residents, 47 Weekly Wellbeing sessions 350 beneficiaries 300 of which are city residents	£16,070.40	£4,687.20	£4,687.00	
Cambridge PopUp Social Group	Hall rental costs and expansion of activities	We plan to run 50 weekly sessions, on Friday and Saturday evenings between 6pm and 9:45pm. This activity will reduce loneliness and strengthen local connections by providing a welcoming, low-pressure space where people from all backgrounds can come together through a shared love of film	£5,036.37	£4,000.00	£4,000.00	
Cambridge Veterans Club	Armed Forces Day Cambridge Military Fair (CMF 26)	This is a day of activities, stalls, and exhibits, promoting all Veterans, Cadets, the Military, as well as any of the Services.	£6,846.40	£5,000.00	£0.00	£5,000

Cherry Hinton Residents Association	Community newsletter	Printing and delivery of £5000 copies of the community newsletters.	£1,192.00	£596.00	£596.00	
Cherry Hinton Residents Association	Switching on the Christmas lights on Cherry Hinton High Street	With the opening of the Cherry Hinton Hub, the switching on of the Christmas lights acts as the focus of celebration of Christmas that involves various elements of the community.	£495.00	£420.00	£420.00	
Cherry Hinton Residents Association	Community Cafe	A drop-in Cafe on a pay-as-you go basis, twice a month, (with the exception of August and December). The target populations include those on low income, those living by themselves and those with low level mental health issues.	£2,300.00	£2,000.00	£2,000.00	
Chesterton Festival Committee	Chesterton Festival 2026	Our activity comprises a single day in the style of a "village fete", when all of Chesterton is invited to enjoy the day. We anticipate up to 3,000 people attending on the day.	£6,735.00	£5,000.00	£4,000.00	
Church of a good Shepherd	Arbury Community Living Room	We are open on Tuesday mornings for 46 weeks a year. There are 80-100 people present in the room (260 on our register). We provide a warm space, snacks and hot drinks, and a place to socialise	£16,717.00	£5,000.00	£0.00	£5,000
Friends of Mill Road Cemetery	Administrative cost of running 'Friends of Mill Road Cemetery'	Management of volunteers, website, social media, talk and tours, and maintenance of graveyard	£1,404.48	£404.48	£405.00	
Ghanaian Association in Cambridge	GHACA Summer 2026 Brighton Beach Community Trip	The project will deliver one one-day community trip to Brighton Beach for GHACA members, families, and friends of Ghana living in Cambridge.	£4,519.00	£4,000.00	£1,000.00	
Level Water	Learn to Swim	Weekly, 1-to-1 swimming lessons for eight young people with disabilities, all of whom are city residents, enabling them to learn a vital life skill, gain confidence and be regularly physically active.	£7,930.00	£2,938.00	£2,938.00	
Little Bulgaria UK CIO	Cambridge Sings and Dances Bulgarian Festival	One annual Cambridge Sings and Dances festival (Sunday 5 July 2026, 10:00–16:00) to bring communities together through inclusive Bulgarian cultural arts (music, dance, crafts, stalls, children's activities and participatory public dancing)	£4,180.00	£2,060.00	£2,060.00	
Little Bulgaria UK CIO	Bulgarian Seasonal Community Celebrations in Cambridge (December & March)	Two seasonal community celebrations in Cambridge City (5 December 2026 and 6 March 2027) to reduce loneliness and strengthen belonging for minority ethnic residents and families through participatory cultural activities	£1,706.00	£951.00	£951.00	

Mill Road Winter Fair	Mill Road Winter Fair 2026	The main event will happen throughout the day of Saturday 5th December 2026 with 10,000 attenders expected.	£26,005.00	£4,805.00	£4,805.00	
Oblique Arts	Creative arts & music for wellbeing	Oblique Arts delivers free, inclusive arts and music workshops for people on low incomes	£22,440.00	£4,980.00	£4,980.00	
PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PAUL, CAMBRIDGE	Social outings for isolated and vulnerable people	10 community outings for isolated and vulnerable adults to reduce social isolation and improve mental wellbeing 100 beneficiaries all city residents.	£3,851.00	£1,711.00	£1,711.00	
Stawberry Fair CIC Ltd	Strawberry Fair 2026	The Fair is a one-day, FREE-to-enter community event open to anyone and everyone in the City to enjoy no matter how rich or poor they are or what their background is.	£194,508.00	£4,999.00	£4,999.00	
Together Culture	Let's eat together	24 Wellbeing activities. 2 activities a month. Once a week Brandon Court residents and buddies. Once a week wider Brandon court activit. A summer and harvest activity 240 City residents (20 Brandon Court, 20 Together Culture members, 200 kite residents)	£30,740.00	£2,500.00	£2,500.00	
Trumpington Community Drama Group	Rehearsals and performances of two shows per year	We're an inclusive after-school Drama Group that enables approximately 25 city residents (7-16 years old) to access dramatic art	£12,805.00	£4,855.00	£4,155.00	
Wintercomfort for the Homeless	Women's Wellbeing Through Movement and Creativity Programme	One-year women-only programme for approximately 115 homeless or vulnerably housed women in Cambridge. Includes fortnightly yoga (October-March), fortnightly supported swimming (April-September), and year-round weekly arts workshops. Around 104 total sessions will promote improved physical and mental wellbeing, confidence, creativity, and social connection	£6,500.00	£5,000.00	£5,000.00	
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