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03 March 2025

To: All Members of the Community and Partnerships Committee

Councillors Evans (Chair), P Taylor (Vice Chair), Coe MBE, D Ennis, R Ennis, Gittings, Kirkham, S Taylor, Tranter, Willis-Croft and Wittstock

Dear Committee Member

COMMUNITY AND PARTNERSHIPS COMMITTEE

You are invited to attend a meeting of the Community and Partnerships Committee in **The Meeting Room, The Old Mining College Centre, Queen Street, Burntwood** on **Monday 10 March 2025 at 6:00 pm** to consider the following business.

Yours sincerely

Steve Lightfoot
Town Clerk

PUBLIC FORUM

As part of the Better Burntwood Concept and to promote community engagement, the public now has the opportunity to attend and speak at all of the Town Council's meetings. Please refer to the end of the agenda for details of how to participate in this meeting.

AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS

To consider any declarations of interests and consider requests for dispensations.

3. MINUTES

To approve as a correct record the Minutes of a meetings of the Community and Partnerships Committee held on 22 January 2025 (Minute Nos. 39-52) (**ENCLOSURE NO. 1**)

4. INFORMATION FROM THE MINUTES

5. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Councillors and the Community Development and Engagement Officer are invited to report to the meeting any updates or news from community groups within Burntwood.

6. BETTER BURNTWOOD FUND

To consider applications received from:

- i. MHA South Staffs Communities (**ENCLOSURE NO. 2A**)
- ii. Phoenix Counselling Service (**ENCLOSURE NO. 2B**)
- iii. Fun Club Hub (**ENCLOSURE NO. 2C**)

7. INFORMAL UPDATE ON THE WAKES FESTIVAL 2025

Members to receive an update on the Wakes Festival 2025 (**ENCLOSURE NO. 3**)

8. INFORMAL UPDATE ON THE PLAY IN THE PARKS 2025

Members to receive an update on the Play in the Parks 2025 (**ENCLOSURE NO. 4**)

9. INFORMAL UPDATE ON THE CHRISTMAS EVENTS 2025

Members to receive an update on the Christmas Events 2025 (**ENCLOSURE NO. 5**)

10. BURNTWOOD LIONS WHITE GOODS SCHEME UPDATE

This is for information purposes only and no decision is required by the Committee (**ENCLOSURE NO. 6 AND APPENDIX 6A**)

11. COMMISSIONING PROGRAMME UPDATE

This is for information purposes only and no decision is required by the Committee (**ENCLOSURE NO. 7, APPENDIX 7A AND APPENDIX 7B**).

PUBLIC FORUM

30 minutes will be set aside at the beginning of this meeting for you to raise issues relevant to the remit of the meeting but are not already on the agenda. So that the Members of the meeting can be properly briefed in order to enable them to provide considered response to your question, please advise the Town Clerk of the question[s] you wish to ask the Council at least three working days before the meeting. The Chair of the meeting has the right to reject any representations that he/she considers not to be appropriate for the particular meeting.

You will also now have the opportunity to discuss specific items on the agenda as the Chair now has the discretion to allow you to speak where you have a legitimate interest in the item. Again, you will need to give three working days' notice of your wish to speak. Where more than one person wishes to speak on a particular application the Chair may decide to limit the number of speakers or ask for a spokesperson to be appointed.

Generally, in respect of both speaking in the public forum and to specific agenda items you will have up to 3 minutes and can raise more than one issue. However, the Chair has the option to extend the time allowed to you if they think it is appropriate.

While audio and video recordings of this meeting are entirely legal, as a matter of courtesy to Town Council members who work for this town and this Council on a voluntary basis, we would be grateful if you would let the Clerk or the Chair know beforehand.
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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY AND PARTNERSHIPS COMMITTEE
HELD IN THE MEETING ROOM, THE OLD MINING COLLEGE CENTRE, QUEEN STREET,
BURNTWOOD ON WEDNESDAY 22 JANUARY 2025 COMMENCING AT 6.00 PM**

PRESENT

Councillor Evans (in the Chair)

Councillors Coe MBE, D Ennis, R Ennis, Gittings, P Taylor, S Taylor Tranter, and Willis-Croft

In attendance

Ms J Minor, Deputy Clerk

Ms K Horner, Community Development and Engagement Officer

PUBLIC FORUM

No questions were raised by members of the public.

39. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor Kirkham (Family Commitments)

Councillor Wittstock (Unwell)

The reasons for the apologies were approved.

40. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS

Councillor P Taylor declared an interest in Agenda Item 6 - Better Burntwood Fund and in particular the application received from Revive Staffordshire CIC as he had offered advice to the applicant on how to set up a Community Interest Company and took no part in the decision.

41. MINUTES

The Chair reminded Members that they were being asked to comment solely on the accuracy of the Minutes and that the Minutes had been approved at Full Council on 20 January 2025.

It was proposed by Councillor D Ennis and seconded by Councillor Tranter and following a unanimous show of hands it was

RESOLVED That the Minutes of the Community and Partnerships Committee held on 07 November 2024 (Minute Nos. 26-34) be approved as a correct record.

42. INFORMATION FROM THE MINUTES

There was no information arising from the minutes.

43. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

The Community Development and Engagement Officer informed Members that she had met with the Active 60s group, Members of Burntwood (MOB) and Lichfield Repair & Share Café after feedback from the previous meeting from Members. She discussed alternative funding options, and gave advice and information on promotion, and available venues across the town. She explained that the Active 60s group have around 25 members and are operating a waiting list. They have met at the library for many years and are happy with this venue as it's a central location and convenient for those who attend.

Previously the Committee had asked for information about the Members of Burntwood's banking arrangements as their funds are currently held by Christ Church. Community Development and Engagement Officer informed Members that this is a historic agreement as MOB were originally set up by Christ Church, however they have their own separate budget line within the church's finances. The group is not religiously affiliated and is open to both men and women.

Burntwood Lions White Goods Scheme

Community Development and Engagement Officer explained that the Burntwood Lions continue to operate the White Goods Scheme successfully, however they have faced challenges with their budget running out quite quickly due to the cost-of-living crisis increasing demand for the service, and the cost of white goods also going up.

Working with the Burntwood Lions and Bromford, the Community Development and Engagement Officer explained that she has supported them to complete a funding application to one of Bromford's regular contractors community funds for £12,000 over 3 years, which alongside the Town Council's contribution of £4,000 per year, would double their funds for this scheme. The Lions are awaiting an outcome, and the Community Development and Engagement Officer will continue to support them to seek alternative funding should this bid not be successful.

Ecotherapy Group

Community Development and Engagement Officer explained that Burton and District Mind are tenants at the Old Mining College and as part of their commissioned project that Burntwood Town Council have funded, are looking to run an ecotherapy group for people with mental health conditions.

Mind have identified a space in the garden at the Old Mining College where additional raised beds could be installed and have received a small amount of external funding to cover their cost and have been working with the Community Development and Engagement Officer to plan this project.

The availability of ecotherapy in Burntwood will be an added provision for people experiencing mental health conditions, and the Community Development and Engagement Officer and Keri Lawrence from Burton and District Mind will also be meeting with Daniella Parker from Burntwood Be A Friend (BBAF) to ensure that there is a referral pathway from the ecotherapy group to BBAF's Community Garden project.

Burntwood Litter Heroes

The Community Development and Engagement Officer explained that she has worked with the Burntwood Litter Heroes to assist them with creating some promotional material for their group. They are looking for more volunteers to help them keep the town tidy.

Annual Dementia Friendly Walk

The Community Development and Engagement Officer confirmed that the Dementia Walk which was postponed in the autumn has been rearranged with the Dementia Friendly Burntwood group and will now be held on Sunday 18th May. Plans for the walk are ongoing.

Defibrillators

Referring to previous discussions, Councillor D Ennis informed Members that a defibrillator had been installed at Housing 21, Smalley Court and following the Friends of Burntwood Park meeting held on 17 January 2025 he had been approached regarding the installation of a defibrillator in Burntwood Park. It was hoped that by the end of 2025 there would be 17 maintained Parish Council defibrillators.

Friends of Burntwood Park

Councillor P Taylor confirmed that he had attended the Friends of Burntwood Park meeting held on 17 January 2025. He informed Members that Burntwood Park had been submitted for Green Flag accreditation emphasising that 'consultation' was one of the steps. The next meeting will be held on 25 February 2025.

Burntwood Memorial Hall

Councillor P Taylor informed Members that the monthly cinema had seen a drop in members of the public attending by the end of 2024 however for the cinema showing in January the attendance had increased. He said that the monthly cinema could not afford not to be self-supporting. Councillor P Taylor informed Members that it was Burntwood Gardening Guild's 50th Anniversary Celebration in March 2025.

Magnolia Friends

Councillor Evans informed Members that she along with Councillor P Taylor had attended Magnolia Friends' 1st Birthday Celebration on 16 January 2025.

44. BETTER BURNTWOOD FUND

44.1 Burntwood Family History Group

Councillor P Taylor liked the fact that not just Burntwood residents would be benefiting from the grant as the Group had members throughout the world researching their ancestors.

It was proposed by Councillor P Taylor and seconded by Councillor D Ennis and following a unanimous show of hands it was

RESOLVED That a grant of £349.98 be awarded to Burntwood Family History Group towards the purchase of Ancestry Worldwide Membership (18 April 2025 – 17 April 2026) and Find My Past UK 12 Month Premium Membership (29 April 2025 – 28 April 2026).

44.2 Chasetown Youth Section

Councillor D Ennis stated that he was supportive of grassroots football however there was currently 78 teams associated with Chasetown Football Club (all with separate bank accounts) and his only concern was what would happen if all of the teams applied for funding from the Town Council. What Chasetown Football Club do in the community is phenomenal.

It was proposed by Councillor D Ennis and seconded by Councillor P Taylor and following a unanimous show of hands it was

RESOLVED That a grant of £500 be awarded to Chasetown Youth Section towards the purchase of bibs, cones, and footballs.

44.3 Revive Staffordshire CIC

Councillor P Taylor explained that he had worked with the applicant in the past and had offered advice on setting up a Community Interest Company. Having declared an interest Councillor P Taylor took no part in the decision.

Councillor D Ennis felt that it was good to see a business on the High Street and he was always supportive of new businesses.

It was proposed by Councillor D Ennis and seconded by Councillor Evans and following a unanimous show of hands it was

RESOLVED That a grant of £500 be awarded to Revive Staffordshire CIC towards 12 weeks of yoga teacher salary and marketing flyers (design and Print).

44.4 Midland Soccer Academy

It was proposed by Councillor P Taylor and seconded by Councillor D Ennis and following a unanimous show of hands it was

RESOLVED That a grant of £500 be awarded to Midland Soccer Academy towards the replacement of crossbars, 9 a-side goal nets and corner flags subject to the receipt of a copy of their constitution, recent statement of accounts and confirmation of where the equipment will be used.

44.5 Burntwood St Matthews Cricket Club

Members felt that the cricket club offered grassroots cricket compared to Hammerwich Cricket Club which were more semi-professional.

It was proposed by Councillor D Ennis and seconded by Councillor P Taylor and following a unanimous show of hands it was

RESOLVED That a grant of £500 be awarded to Burntwood St Matthews Cricket Club towards the purchase of mobile cricket net.

44.6 Burntwood WI

Councillor P Taylor reminded Members of the previous grant given to Chase Terrace Academy and Burntwood Action Group to support Burntwood Action group in the production of poppies for the community Armistice display in Princes park (07 September 2023 refers).

It was proposed by Councillor P Taylor and seconded by Councillor Tranter and following a unanimous show of hands it was

RESOLVED That a grant of £350 be awarded to Burntwood WI towards the purchase of fabrics and banners.

45. WHITE RIBBON SUPPORTER ORGANISATION

Members referred to the Motion proposed by Councillor Coe MBE at Lichfield District Council on 10 December 2024, which was unanimously supported by LDC Members. As Chair of the Town Council she had raised the idea of the Town Council supporting this work by becoming a White Ribbon Supporter Organisation, enabling Members and Officers to raise awareness at a town level in support of the district's wider efforts.

Councillor Coe MBE revealed her own story of surviving domestic abuse and even though she can appreciate that things are very different now there is still a long way to go - there is still domestic and sexual abuse in the Lichfield District.

Councillor P Taylor confirmed that he was one of the District Councillors who voted for the Motion and he felt that the landscape had changed over the year however this was practical steps to take not just awareness.

Councillor D Ennis stated that he was massively supportive of this however we were not where we should be, there was work to be done.

Councillor Willis-Croft asked if there was examples of what we needed to be aware of and Councillor Coe MBE stated that there was many examples of domestic abuse e.g. misuse of alcohol and/or drugs, having grown up in an abusive household etc.

Councillor Coe MBE confirmed that following the Motion she had spoken to the Chief Executive regarding training for Councillors and staff and she was happy to offer this to Town Councillors and staff. Members were informed that Yvonne James, Principal Community Safety Officer, LDC was leading on this matter and had set up a Steering Group.

Councillor Gittings asked if this could be linked into schools and perhaps, we could reach out to them for Councillor Coe MBE to be a guest speaker. Referring to Erasmus Darwin Academy, Councillor R Ennis confirmed that every new term there is a safeguarding assembly for 7–13-year-olds.

It was proposed by Councillor Coe MBE and seconded by Councillor D Ennis and following a unanimous show of hands it was

RESOLVED That

- a. The content of the report be noted.
- b. Burntwood Town Council register as a White Ribbon Supporter Organisation and instruct the Community Development and Engagement Officer to start the process in junction with Councillor Coe MBE with a view to reporting back on progress made.
- c. A one-off fee of £175 be agreed.

46. INFORMAL UPDATE ON THE WAKES FESTIVAL 2025

Members were informed that the Burntwood Wakes Festival Organising Group had met twice (10 November 2024 and 21 January 2025) to discuss the 2025 event. The Organising Group consisted of different partners e.g. LDC, Tara Group, Lichfield Garrick Theatre etc.

Following the Organising Group held on 21 January 2025, the Deputy Clerk explained that the quotations obtained have moved to items booked, charity and community groups have been contacted as well as food traders.

47. INFORMAL UPDATE ON THE PLAY IN THE PARKS 2025

The Deputy Clerk confirmed that Platinum Boxing Club (Redwood Park) and Burntwood Leisure Centre have now agreed to host an event. She confirmed that she had emailed the scouts with regard to Burntwood Park.

Councillor D Ennis confirmed that the newly established Friends of Burntwood Park could be involved and suggested that, even though we had used St Matthews Cricket Club previously, this could be another opportunity to use the ground again.

48. INFORMAL UPDATE ON THE CHRISTMAS EVENTS FOR 2025

The Deputy Clerk updated Members and Councillor P Taylor stated that the Bells Lane event held on Monday 25 November 2024 had been well attended and perhaps we could add an additional activity for this event in 2025.

49. BURNTWOOD MARKET

Councillor D Ennis felt that this was the right time to start the procurement process and the market provides the Town Council with a presence and a platform for community engagement .

Referring to VE Day 80th Anniversary, the Deputy Clerk suggested that the Burntwood Market to be held on Sunday 11 May could be themed accordingly. The themed event could include singing acts, bunting, Lichfield Garrick Theatre etc. It was **agreed** that the Deputy Clerk would liaise with the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Committee following receipt of further quotations etc.

It was proposed by Councillor D Ennis and seconded by Councillor P Taylor and following a unanimous show of hands it was

RESOLVED That the Town Clerk be instructed to start the procurement process for the Burntwood market.

50. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED That under the Public Bodies (Admissions of Meeting) Act 1960 (Section 2) (and as expended by Section 100 of the Local Government Act 1972), the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information.

51. CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES

The Chair reminded Members that they were being asked to comment solely on the accuracy of the Minutes and that the Minutes had been approved at Full Council on 20 January 2025.

It was proposed by Councillor D Ennis and seconded by Councillor P Taylor and following a unanimous show of hands it was

RESOLVED That the Confidential Minutes of the Community and Partnerships Committee held on 04 December 2024 (Minute Nos. 35-39) be approved as a correct record.

52. FEEDBACK FROM THE 2023 RECIPIENTS OF THE BURNTWOOD TOWN COUNCIL STUDENT AWARD IN MEMORY OF STEPHEN SUTTON MBE

Members noted the content of the feedback forms.

(The Meeting closed at 7.45 pm)

Signed

Date



Burntwood Town Council

Application for the Better Burntwood Fund (funding of up to £500)

Burntwood Town Council is committed to assisting local organisations and groups that provide activities and support to the local community.

Any amount given will be proportionate to the public benefit and must be relevant to the area.

Please provide as much detail as possible and refer to the Guidance Notes and Conditions of Funding before submitting this form.

Name of Organisation	MHA COMUNITIES SOUTH STAFFS
Address	The Old Mining College Queen Street Burntwood WS7 4QH
Email	sarah.ashmore@mha.org.uk
Main telephone No.	01543 674257

Overview of your organisation including objectives, and membership numbers (how many members live in Burntwood Parish):

MHA Communities South Staffs provide a wide range of services to support older people to live independently in their own home for as long as possible. Regardless of their ability, disability, creed, colour or ethnic origins. Through our service we try to address issues of social isolation and promote good health and wellbeing enabling older people to live later life well. We currently support over 550 members who live within the parish and provide a vital lifeline to frailest in our community. We are supported by over 151 volunteers many of whom have been with us for many years and are very committed.

We offer a wide array of activities to meet the needs and aspirations of older people. We actively support the use of community buildings and local churches to hold our groups and activities. We seek Volunteers from within the Burntwood area to support our work. We have strong relationships with local schools and have an intergenerational project through Erasmus Darwin Academy. We provide placements for schools, colleges and universities. Whenever possible we use local suppliers including a local catering firm.

Type of organisation:

☐ Informal group

☐ Registered Charity. Registered Charity
Number _____

☐ Society or Club with Adopted
Constitution

☐ Community Interest Company

- ☐ Company Limited by Guarantee
- ☐ Local branch of a national organisation

☐ Other (please specify) _____

Have you received any other funding within the last 12 months?:

Awards for All £19938 for core costs
Community Foundation for Staffordshire £12500 for core costs
Noel Sweeney £10000 for core costs
Community Foundation Councillors Fund £600

Describe your project and the support you require:

For Volunteers' week 1-7th June 2025 we would like to hold an event that celebrates all the hard work and time our Volunteers give to MHA and its members. We would like the funds to provide a buffet, refreshments and entertainment for them.

Also, we will be running a carers group at the library. The library will be providing the space and refreshments, but MHA will be providing the staff to cover the group.

Additional sheet attached ☐

Funding breakdown and total amount requested:

Item	Amount
Cold buffet	£125.00
Refreshments	£25.00
Entertainment	£100.00
Providing staff member for carers meeting	£250.00
	Total:£500.00

Who are the project beneficiaries? How will this benefit Burntwood residents?:

The beneficiaries are our Volunteers and being appreciated and valued will help them want to continue supporting Burntwood residents. We pride ourselves on giving our Volunteers the skills, knowledge, support and training to be confident in their role. We like to highlight and celebrate the work and commitment of our Volunteers.

Feedback from previous thank you events:

"MHA Communities South Staffs has my self esteem and confidence by making me feel valued as a person"

“MHA Communities South Staffs has given me a sense of worth and self belief, so big thank you to them”

“Volunteering fills me with such joy to see others happy and smiling knowing that I have helped in some way”

The other beneficiaries are the carers in our community. We will be providing a space where they can meet informally and chat to others about their caring role and give each other support. It can also be good place to get signposting towards other support.

Carers provide care for a partner, friend, family member or loved one with care needs. As a carer they may be supporting a person with a disability, mental illness, chronic condition, an older person with care needs or a person in palliative care.

Supporting carers is key as it can lead to better care for the people they are supporting.

A group for carers is vital because :

It helps them feel less isolated and lonely

Reduces stress, depression, anxiety and fatigue

A safe space to talk openly and honestly about their feelings

Improve skills to cope with challenges

Help them stay motivated to manage chronic conditions or stick to treatment plans.

- ☐ A recent statement of accounts is attached.
- ☐ A copy of our constitution is attached.
- ☐ If successful we agree to appearing in publicity about the funding received across platforms such as Burntwood Town Council's social media channels and website, and in the local media.
- ☐ If successful we agree to acknowledging Burntwood Town Council in any publicity relating to the activity for which the funding has been given.
- ☐ If successful we agree to providing Burntwood Town Council with an update on the outcome of the activity when requested.

By signing and submitting it is accepted that all the above facts are correct, and the funds will only be used for the stated purpose:

Signature	
Print Name	Sarah Ashmore
Date	25/02/2025

Please return to: Burntwood Town Council, The Old Mining College, Queen Street, Burntwood WS7 4QH or email jayne.minor@burntwood-tc.gov.uk.



Burntwood Town Council

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Name of Organisation	Phoenix Counselling Service
Address	
Email	Phoenix4counselling@gmail.com
Main telephone No.	

Overview of your organisation including objectives, and membership numbers (how many members live in Burntwood Parish):

To provide affordable one to one counselling sessions to people living within Burntwood and the wider Lichfield area. Due to the lack of mental health services within the area, Phoenix was set up in 2015 to redress this. We see approximately 200 clients per annum and 50% of our clients are residents of Burntwood. We work from various locations around Lichfield and we use an office at the Old Mining College to allow easy access to Burntwood residents. We have a board of 5 Trustees, one part time Manager and 8 counsellors who contract to the service and 2 volunteers who deal with finance and data.

Type of organisation:

☐ Informal group

☒ Registered Charity. Registered Charity
Number __1177399__

☐ Society or Club with Adopted
Constitution

☐ Community Interest Company

☐ Company Limited by Guarantee

☐ Local branch of a national organisation

☐ Other (please specify)

Have you received any other funding within the last 12 months?:

Arnold Clarke £1000, Dumbreck Chairty £500, We Love Lichfield £1000, Yapp Foundation £1,000,

Describe your project and the support you require:

To continue to provide affordable/free one to one counselling sessions to the residents of Burntwood. We offer an initial 7 sessions, and more are made available if this is required. People can self-refer via our website or are signposted to us by their GP, Wellbeing Matters, Social Subscribers, Social Services and through recommendation. We help people deal with a wide range of mental health issues including depression, anxiety, eating disorders, bereavement, relationship breakdown to name but a few.

Counselling can help people decide upon changes they may wish to make and then work out how to make those changes. It allows people to live healthier, happier lives, return to work, find employment and become part of the community. It also has a positive impact upon the people around them.

We know there is a demand for our service as we always have a waiting list. We ask clients to complete a Self Satisfaction questionnaire at the end of counselling. We monitor the responses to help us to ensure we are meeting the aims and objectives of the charity and the needs of our clients.

All our Counsellors are professionally trained and registered members of the British Association of Counsellors and Psychotherapists (BACP). All counselling is within the ethical framework of BACP. We pay our counsellors £20 per session, each sessions lasts 50 minutes. We are seeking funding to cover the cost of sessions.

Additional sheet attached ☐

Funding breakdown and total amount requested:

Item	Amount
Counselling Sessions @ £20/session	500
We pay our counsellors £20 per session and we	
deliver approximately 200 sessions per year	
	Total: 500

Who are the project beneficiaries? How will this benefit Burntwood residents?:

People aged 16 plus dealing with a wide range of mental health issues who can not access counselling via the NHS and can not afford private counselling. The benefits of our service allow people easy access to affordable/free counselling, they would otherwise be unable to gain the mental health support they require.

Our service allows early intervention preventing allowing people to address their concerns at early stages, preventing them from worsening and potentially leading to more significant challenges down the line. Clients can choose to have sessions face to face or over the phone, depending upon their preference.

We remove financial barriers ensuring that individuals from all socio-economic backgrounds can seek help without worrying about cost. This accessibility helps reach a broader range of people who may have otherwise been able to access therapy.

Offering our service demonstrates a commitment to supporting the mental health needs of the community. It fosters a sense of solidarity, empathy, and support amongst residents, creating a community where people feel cared for and understood.

☒ A recent statement of accounts is attached.

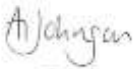
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By signing and submitting it is accepted that all the above facts are correct, and the funds will only be used for the stated purpose:

Signature	
Print Name	Alison Johnson
Date	05/02/2025

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Name of Organisation	Fun Club Hub
Address	
Email	funclubyp@gmail.com
Main telephone No.	

Overview of your organisation including objectives, and membership numbers (how many members live in Burntwood Parish):

We are a award-winning youth provision that offer

*Youth Clubs

*After School Club

*Motivations informal education workshops

*Community Events

* Summer scheme

*Social Action Projects

*Volunteering opportunities

Numbers

We run a after School club in EDA School 40 young people attend each session there is a waiting list

We run a once month Youth Club at St Anne's Church last Wednesday of every month 30 young people attend this session

We run the space summer scheme 30 young people attend this session.

Type of organisation:

☐ Informal group

*☐ Registered Charity. Registered Charity
Number 11867361

☐ Society or Club with Adopted
Constitution

☐ Community Interest Company

☐ Company Limited by Guarantee

☐ Local branch of a national organisation

☐ Other (please specify)

Have you received any other funding within the last 12 months?:

We have funding to run all our Provision from a variety of different funding streams , we have had no funding from Burntwood Town Council

Describe your project and the support you require:

The project is to support the Christmas Fayre that Burntwood Town council organise
We will offer a Teen tent with activities around keeping safe in the darker nights gaming experience and Christmas crafts.
A one stop area for young people and parents to gain information on local services for young people.

Additional sheet attached ☐

Funding breakdown and total amount requested:

Item	Amount
Staffing	£200
Volunteers expenses	£50
Resources glow up /food snacks	£250
	Total:£500

Who are the project beneficiaries? How will this benefit Burntwood residents?:

The young people of Burntwood will receive glow up items for clothing and bikes
Young people who volunteer this will be added to their volunteering hours .

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By signing and submitting it is accepted that all the above facts are correct, and the funds will only be used for the stated purpose:

Signature	KMc
Print Name	Kerry McCabe Crowley
Date	7th Feb 25

Please return to: Burntwood Town Council, The Old Mining College, Queen Street, Burntwood WS7 4QH or email jayne.minor@burntwood-tc.gov.uk.

Burntwood Wakes 2025

Date:

Saturday 19 July 2025 from 12 noon to 4pm

Location:

Burntwood Leisure Centre. All pitches, hard core and sports hall booked on 03 October 2024.

Burntwood Wakes Festival Organising Group:

Met on 10.12.2024

Met on 21.01.2025

Met on 11.02.2025

Items Booked Already:

Organisation	Items
Fun Club	Double Marquee & Van
Burntwood Road Sweepers Limited	5 Cold Wash Units & 1 Disabled Unit
The Best Fun	70ft Ultimate Challenge, 30ft Event Slide & 30ft Jungle Assault Course
J&B Medical and Security Services Limited	2 x Emergency Care Assistants & 4 x Security Officers
Butterflies Face Painting	Face Painter
Mobile Climbing	4-Person Mobile Climbing Wall, Mobile Caving, and generator
Lichfield Falconry & Hawking Centre	Static Bird Display
Festival Glitter & Henna	Face Glitter
Lichfield District Council	Gazebo and sports provision (details of this are yet to be confirmed)
Lichfield District Council	Street Velodrome (needs to go on concrete. Car park location at the side of the health centre and the road in front for the adapted bikes)
Pat Collins Funfairs	Ferris Wheel, Dodgems, Two Manned Childrens Rides
Nature's Burrow Animal Encounters	Petting Zoo to include reptiles, exotic mammals, domestic mammals, and mini beasts
Army Cadet Force	Gazebo, drill or fieldcraft display and/or get the corps of drums down for a performance
Eventex UK	Stage to include transport, stage unit, stage lighting, 1k PA system for bands and music playback and portable generator
David Whitehouse inLIFE Design	Drone
Staffordshire Fire & Rescue Service	Fire Engine
Everyone Health	Health Check Van and Gazebo
1 st Chase Terrace Scouts	Gazebo

Quotes/Enquiries Being Obtained:

Organisation	Items
Merlins Magic Show	Punch & Judy – NOT AVAILABLE
Seventeen43 Limited	Event Management
The Great Smiles Company	CIC – supporting families with children/young people

	with special educational needs, disabilities, mental health needs – gazebo 3m x 3m
Seventeen43 Limited & Susan Jackson	Wellbeing Activities – Marquee
Experiences Group	Dinosaur Experiences
Graffiti Artist	Graffiti Art including canvases
Nurture Community CIC	Growing Communities Project
Bert & Gerts Limited	Market

Entertainment Suggestions:

Artist	Information

Charity Stalls

£20 (Charge is refundable upon attendance or cancel with a months' notice)

	Charity/Community Stall
1.	CAARS
2.	CAARS
3.	Pathway Project
4.	Lichfield & Hatherton Canals Restoration Trust
5.	Bethany Children's Home
6.	Burntwood Family History Group
7.	Chasetown Townswomens Guild
8.	Chasetown Townswomens Guild
9.	Burntwood Be A Friend
10.	Voices4cats
11.	Citizens Advice South East Staffordshire
12.	Spark
13.	Burntwood Lions
14.	Burntwood Breast Care
15.	Burntwood Breast Care
16.	Burntwood Library
17.	Navy Cadet Force
18.	MHA Communities
19.	RSPCA

Food Traders

£50 charge

	Food Traders
1.	Slushzilla (Slushies)
2.	Pat Collins (Hot Dogs, Burgers, Chips)
3.	Joes Ices
4.	Tayta Box (Jacket Potatoes)

Sponsorship

Name
Noel Sweeney Foundation
TNT Presents
LCP (M Core)
Roadtech Cutting Services Limited
The Drill Inn

Play in the Parks 2025

Dates & Locations Booked:

Monday 28 July – Chase Terrace Park (in partnership with St John's Community Church)
 Wednesday 30 July – Redwood Park
 Monday 04 August – Burntwood Leisure Centre
 Wednesday 06 August – St Anne's Church (in partnership with St Anne's Church)
 Monday 11 August – Burntwood Park
 Wednesday 13 August – Spark
 Monday 18 August – St Matthews Cricket Ground

Items Booked Already:

Organisation	Items
Festival Glitter & Henna	Face Glitter
Lichfield District Council	Soft archery and pick up and play equipment
Pat Collins Funfair	Funfair rides

Emails Sent & Quotes Obtained:

Organisation	Items
Seventeen43 Limited	Event Management

Sponsorship

Name
Noel Sweeney Foundation

Christmas Events 2025

Dates & Locations:

Monday 24 November – 6pm to 7pm – Corner of Bells Lane/Longfellow Road

Saturday 29 November – 4pm to 7pm – Sankey's Corner

Items Booked Already:

Organisation	Items
Burntwood Rotary	Santa (for both events)
Roadtech Cutting Services Limited	Road Closure
J&B Medical and Security Services Limited	First Aid
Burntwood Library	Xmas Fayre 4-6pm

Enquiries made & Quotations requested:

Organisation	Items

Burntwood Town Council

Community and Partnerships Committee

Monday 10th March 2025

Burntwood Lions White Goods Scheme update

1. Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to update Members on the White Goods Scheme administered by the Burntwood Lions on behalf of Burntwood Town Council.

2. Background

Burntwood Town Council (BTC) began operating a White Goods Scheme which is administered by the Burntwood Lions in 2019 to assist vulnerable residents who are in urgent need of essential household equipment such as cookers, refrigerators, washing machines, beds, mattresses, and carpets. White goods are purchased and installed by Burntwood business, Hathaways.

The scheme was comprehensively reviewed by this committee in March 2024, and to qualify for the scheme, a referral must be made and a home visit is undertaken by two representatives from the Lions. Referrals are made by organisations such as Lichfield District Council, Social Services, CAB and Bromford who have insight into a resident's financial situation.

During the home visit, the Lions discuss which item is required, measure up and check connections for fitting, and provide an information pack which includes details of local organisations such as Spark, Burntwood Be A Friend and Burntwood Foodbank. They can also provide additional donated household items such as bedding. The Lions are aware of safeguarding processes and where necessary have reported concerns to the appropriate body.

The Lions annual payment of £4,000 to cover the period April 2024 – March 2025 was received in April 2024 and they have submitted their third quarterly report (enclosure A) for this financial year.

3. Conclusion

The Burntwood Lions have provided white goods for 5 residents between October – December 2024 and in addition have reported providing families with signposting information.

The total spend from the current financial year (April 2024 until the end of December 2024) is £3,898, however the Lions also incurred retrospective costs from the previous financial year on top of this amount when placing orders for white goods in quarter 4 of 2023/4 but making payment in quarter 1 of 2024/5.

The Lions have been successful in receiving additional funding from Lichfield District Councillor's community funds which has enabled them to continue to support families during this reporting quarter, and their closing balance is £102.

Further external funding is being sought to enable the Lions to continue to support families until their next payment which is due from Burntwood Town Council in April 2025.

4. Recommendation

This is for information purposes only and no decision is required by the committee.

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Burntwood Town Council

White Goods Scheme

Administered by the Burntwood Lions

Quarterly Report: October – December 2024

Date	Client No.	Postcode	Referral Source	Item	Cost
7.10.24	369	WS11	Bromford	Flooring	£300
20.10.24	371	WS7	Bromford	Flooring	£270
11.11.24	372	WS7	BBAF	Washing Machine	£249
27.11.24	373	WS7	CAB	Household/Linens	Nil
11.12.24	374	WS7	Spark	White Goods	Nil
Quarterly total:					£819
Annual total (from April '24):					£3,898
Funding remaining:					£102

Case study (October):

371

This was a single parent with a small child who had come to the area following domestic abuse. They had just a bed, a settee and a camp bed. They needed many items but said that flooring would be best to keep warm. We had no funding until after Christmas but provided two rugs, bedding and many linens. Lions took the family to Statfold for the Santa Special Day and provided a hamper for them. The client said it had made a big difference to their self-esteem to know that people cared enough to help.

Case study (November):

372

This case involved someone new to the area, knowing nobody. They were low in spirits following domestic abuse. This client needed a washing machine and we provided bedding and blankets, crockery and other household items. The difference in this client when we visited after Christmas was amazing. Neighbours have helped with a few items and the client has joined a community group, made a few friends and is keen to help the community to say thanks.

Case study (December):

374

This is an amazing person who has sourced second hand all the basic furniture and white goods they needed, with a bit of help and guidance. This client had nothing when given a property to move to and was referred to Lions for support. It cost nothing to help.

Burntwood Town Council

Community and Partnerships Committee

Monday 10th March 2025

Commissioning Programme update

1. Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to update Members on the progress made by two projects in receipt of funding from Burntwood Town Council's 3-year commissioning programme.

2. Background

In February 2023 it was agreed by Members to change Burntwood Town Council's existing larger grants of one-off payments of up to £5,000 to a commissioning model, providing £15,000 over three years for projects delivering outcomes related to specific priorities. Following a public consultation, two priority areas were selected, adult mental health and wellbeing and youth services (11 – 18yrs). Applications were received and Burton and District Mind and Platinum Boxing were selected by Members.

The first years' payment of £5,000 was awarded in April 2024, and both recipients have been asked to submit 6 monthly reports to update Members on their progress based on the objectives both organisations had set themselves to deliver.

The first report was submitted and reviewed in October 2024, and the first annual report are included from Burton and District Mind (Appendix A) and Platinum Boxing (Appendix B).

3. Project Update Summaries

Burton & District Mind: Burntwood Community and Development Anchor

Within this reporting period, Burton & District Mind have:

- Held two community engagement events in Burntwood
- Co-produced and launched a community survey
- Met with several organisations regarding potential delivery partnerships
- Launched Music Mindfulness programme in September, with a second delivery being planned
- Launched Mind Makeover sessions for women which is currently running
- Secured funding for an ecotherapy project which will be held in the garden at OMC
- Contacted members of the LGBTQ+ community and met at OMC to plan a pilot project
- Planned an arts participation project
- Inducted and retained a total of 6 volunteers to support project delivery in Burntwood
- Registered Unit 5 at the OMC as a venue for free NHS talking therapies, which will be accessed by 42 participants from December 24 – March 25. This service now being available in Burntwood means that individuals living locally no longer need to travel to Tamworth to access it
- Developed fundraising partnerships with 3 private businesses generating income which will fund further activity in Burntwood
- Provided a case study on the Music Mindfulness group.

Burntwood Platinum ABC: Opening futures with consequential thinking

Within this reporting period, Burntwood Platinum ABC have:

- Continued to increase class numbers, with 9 new participants competing at their home show on 16 February
- Increased the number of carded boxers (a boxer who has been certified to compete in boxing)
- Centred coaching around consequential thinking, providing boxers with scenarios and choices, and demonstrating the consequences of the choices made, inside and outside of the gym
- Raised awareness of the importance of dietary choices among young boxers when in training, translating to improved performance
- Seen greater progression for boxers who are now split into more focused age groups
- Increased the number of coaches in the previous reporting period with further training now being explored for their own professional development
- Provided a case study on young boxers who are travelling in to participate in the club.

4. Recommendation

Members are requested to note the contents of this report.

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Commissioning Outcomes Feedback, October 2024 – February 2025

Organisation name	Burton and District Mind
Project name	Burntwood Community and Development Anchor
Name and position within the organisation	keri lawrence, Development and Sustainability Officer
Contact details	Keri.lawrence@burtonmind.co.uk
Start date of project and reporting period	01/04/2024, October 2024 – February 2025
Have there been any significant changes in your organisation since the grant was agreed?	Our NHS funded Older Adults Outreach Service concluded 31 October 2024. This project is unaffected by this change.

For each of your project outcomes please, briefly, answer the following questions and where relevant please include figures. We understand that the project outcomes relate to the whole 3-year project, so if you expect this outcome to be delivered at a later stage, please note this in your response. Please limit each response to 50 words.

Outcome 1: A community development exercise following previous work, updating evidence and detail based on coproduction within Burntwood and rural surrounds.	
What have you achieved so far?	We have held two community engagement events in Burntwood with representation from Burton and District Mind staff, volunteers, project participants and community representatives. The publish of a Community Development Report which contains additional value of national and county wide review as well as Lichfield District Review. This is a living report; it will be updated as new information is sourced. We have also met with organisations locally regarding potential delivery partnerships: • Mind Matters Burntwood Peer Group. • Burntwood Be a Friend. • Cherry Orchard Garden Services. • Pathway Project. • Beaudesert Park Farm
What has been achieved in the period?	As part of the report, we have co-produced and launched a community survey with 68 responses so far. We will publish findings when this is at 80 responses.

	We have also communicated with the LGBTQI+ community using the Burntwood office as a meeting venue – this has provided us with rich information on the needs of the community and funding has been sourced to run a pilot project in March 2025. We have now started to apply for grants for identified projects.
What has been successful and what hasn't gone as planned?	Team has put in considerable effort into fact finding for the report. Community Engagement events had strong attendance and buy-in from delegates and we made good use of the meeting room at Old Mining College for this purpose. Key Outcome include SWOT Analysis for the Development and Sustainability Team and an evaluation of the Values of the team which will inform future thinking.
How has this benefitted the community?	Burton and District Mind are in a stronger position to apply for grants and to build partnerships with a better understanding of the needs of the community.

Outcome 2: Minimum of three match-funded activity groups per year, including eco-therapy, sports and mindfulness projects	
What have you achieved so far?	Music Mindfulness launched in September 2024 with 8 people expressing interest and 7 people signing on. We are now holding a waiting list to repeat as required. This project is funded by Community Fundraising (Dave Child's Events).
What has been achieved in the period?	Mindfulness Music completed in December 2024. We are now delivering an additional Ladies Mind Makeover in Burntwood as identified through the community development exercise. This is being hosted at Old Mining College. This is funded by corporate sponsorship. It has 8 participants registered so far and will complete in May 2025. Not counting towards our target, but for information, we provided a 'Bench to 5K' running group in Lichfield, funded by Buxton Water and Mind – supporting 10 people with running for good mental health. We have secured funding for Ecotherapy, awaiting payment, and identified associates to support this. We have supported a volunteer to plan his own Arts Participation project which is planned for March 2025.
What has been successful and what hasn't gone as planned?	Successful recruitment of Project Support Coordinator. Music Mindfulness has completed to good standards with positive feedback. The ecotherapy project has been stalled by requirements of Burntwood Town Council on the build of raised beds to their standards. We are in the process of sourcing the additional funds for this.
How has this benefitted the community?	A new delivery for 8 participants in Burntwood based on the previous community engagement work. We provided this based on resident's requests. Providing vocational activity for the volunteer facilitator to build skills and confidence towards vocational outcomes. The evaluation so far has been extremely positive with one person noted 'This group is the first time I have had friends'.

Outcome 3: One match-funded programme a year of peer-led psychoeducation which lead to mental health recovery and reduce episodes of distress and crisis.	
What have you achieved so far?	Burton and District Mind now have a coproduced and sustainable 3-month psychoeducation programme called “Mind Makeover” to deliver for a number of audiences to meet local needs.
What has been achieved in the period?	The Mind Makeover psychoeducation programme has now commenced for 12 weeks from the Old Mining College with 8 participants. This has been tailored for and is targeting women. The need has been identified through the Mind Matters Burntwood Peer Group, although the workshops have attracted new participants also.
What has been successful and what hasn't gone as planned?	The first two sessions have been well attended with 8 participants. There are three people identified as potential volunteers and/or facilitators in the future. The lead facilitator has personal experience of mental health problems and this experience is providing her with the capacity to join our bank of paid associates.
How has this benefitted the community?	The workshops are providing an alternative to established routes for support, such as peer support groups, GP services, social prescribing link workers as examples. More details will be published at the end of the project to monitor impact on wellbeing, social connectivity and self-esteem.

Outcome 4: Three aspirational and vocational-focused volunteer opportunities aimed at people with lived experience of mental health problems leading to vocational outcomes.	
What have you achieved so far?	We have successful retained 4 volunteers towards a goal of 8 volunteers by end of year one.
What has been achieved in the period?	We have inducted and onboarded 2 new volunteers (6 out of target of 8) with another 2 currently being onboarded, which should mean we achieve target within the first year. Attendance at two Lichfield District volunteer fayres has been somewhat successful. We have overhauled the volunteer programme in order to speed up applications and the onboarding process. We are awaiting to see the impact of this.
What has been successful and what hasn't gone as planned?	Overall, our charity volunteer recruitment remains strong compared to industry, with 12 new expressions of interest in volunteers' roles, in the period, although this has slowed in the new year. We have had to reduce the number of volunteers the charity can safely support at any one time, but this has not affected the project. We are experiencing higher than predicted levels of absence from volunteers at our peer group – a volunteer has been trained to deputise.
How has this benefitted the community?	The Peer Support Group continues to run with limited resource from staff, providing independence. Delivering projects has enabled volunteers to explore vocational roles including join our bank of paid associates.

Outcome 5: Increased access into our clinical service such as coaching and counselling, providing more equity across our service area.	
What have you achieved so far?	Successful discussions with Midlands Partnership NHS Foundation Trust to have the venue approved and added to the IAPTUS database. We have purchased and installed equipment for privacy purposes. This will enable bookings at Unit 5, Old Mining Collage for counselling clients. A “Use of Unit Handbook” has been produced and shared with the team.
What has been achieved in the period?	• December 2024 – 5 counselling participants • January 2025 – 8 counselling participants • February 2025 – 13 counselling participants • March 2025 (Projected data based on bookings) – 16 counselling participants In addition, we have communicated with Pheonix Counselling also present in OMC, and explored collaboration opportunities regarding associates and cross referrals. We have produced two new counselling flyers to promote counselling services in the area. As added value, The Future Focus team now make use of the venue also for staff meetings and office space – it is envisaged this will lead to meetings with participants also.
What has been successful and what hasn't gone as planned?	Old Mining College is now registered as a venue for NHS Staffordshire Talking Therapies! We have left the venue free for counsellors on Mondays and Tuesdays to further support access. This may drop to one day a week if take-up is not as expected. Since having the Burntwood rooms to provide our counselling provision that we provide for the NHS it has helped provide access to clients who previously have been unable to have face to face sessions or would have had to have remote or travel further to Tamworth. The rooms have been able to provide a safe and secure space to help them process their thoughts and emotions where they might not have been able to, the room has helped the clients who would have had to have remote sessions due to being unable to travel to our other location and having a face to face approach has helped improve their mood which has been shown through the measures that we have them complete. We have seen an improvement with clients who have been through the service before and have not changed in their wellbeing scores and the clients who have now been seen face to face who have shown an improvement in their scores, The room has also allowed us to see clients face to face where they previously have been unable to attend due to physical health issues and have been instrumental in providing that safe space for them.
How has this benefitted the community?	People in Burntwood have opportunity for FREE NHS counselling face to face within their locality in a non-clinical setting. Availability for counselling rooms at Westgate Practice, Lichfield, has improved as a direct outcome.

Outcome 6:

Dialogue and involvement with private sector businesses around mental health, emotional wellbeing and staff welfare to secure sponsorship and fundraising to support and expand the above delivery.

What have you achieved so far?	We have engaged with Finch Engineering based in Ashby who have strong historical links to mining in Staffordshire. They are committed to fundraising for Burntwood Projects as they have staff living in the area. Currently they had raised £3,402. We have engaged with Beaudesert Park Farm and secured around £2,500 towards the development of an additional community garden and ecotherapy space at Old Mining College. This is being scheduled for Quarter 4 of 2024/25. We have also provided a 'paid for' Mind Makeover for a national company with head office in Burton on Trent. The proceeds of this will enable Burton and District Mind to bring the sessions to Burntwood Quarter 4 of 2024-25, making use of the Old Mining College as a venue.
What has been achieved in the period?	We have employed a new Funding Support Coordinator to lead on fundraising and workplace wellbeing activity. She has visited the Peer Support regularly to start conversations regarding fundraising for themselves with some progress. We have started to reach out to local businesses, with Tara Group as a priority – to this aim we have launched a communications campaign aimed at the construction industry. We have also reached out to national businesses in Burton on Trent to support with materials for the Eco-therapy garden and have ongoing discussions. We have received £2,000 from Lichfield-based choir Kaleidoscope to support Helen's Bursary; this fund allows Recovery Workers and Counsellors to apply for up to £100 for participants to receive critical goods/services to support their recovery.
What has been successful and what hasn't gone as planned?	Things are not moving at the pace intended – the Funding Support Coordinator has focused on East Staffordshire due to picking up where the previous worker left off. The Construction Campaign will have more focus on Burntwood and Lichfield District. The Peer Support Group have also answered the call to action and are more proactive in their efforts for fundraising.
How has this benefitted the community?	Around £7,000 to go towards match funding Burntwood and Lichfield projects into Q4 and Q1 of 2025-26.

Outcome 7:

A three-year programme of work that ramps up self-funding and self-sustaining opportunity by the end of its life, giving more power to people with mental health problems to take ownership of the services they receive.

What have you achieved so far?	Some insight into community need, appetite and aspirations, including the will for a community café at the end of three years. A full feasibility study will be conducted by end of 3 years. There's a plan to review similar/parallel projects with community representative in November 2024. Review of grants and match-funding (donation in kind) opportunities with potential sources of funding underway. Opportunities include: • Lichfield District Council Councillor's Community Fund • Lichfield Community Lottery • Coalfields Regeneration Trust • Supportive Communities & Better Health Staffordshire
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	• Awards for All • Severn Trent Water • Key Fund • Staffordshire County Council Climate Fund • B&Q
What has been achieved in the period?	Application made to Noel Sweeney Trust made using the initial findings of the community report. Construction Campaign has been launched with meeting with Tara Group booked. Meeting with Coalfields Regeneration Trust booked to coincide with their funding streams available from April 2025.
What has been successful and what hasn't gone as planned?	Progress and appetite has been stronger than anticipated however much of the local knowledge is still anecdotal and word of mouth. The next stages of the community engagement (through the 'Help Us to Help You' survey and other means will strengthen future strategic planning. Having the office base at OMC has demonstrated the conviction of Burton and District Mind to do more for Burntwood and Lichfield District within the minds of the local community.
How has this benefitted the community?	We are now pressing on delivery of the operational plan – we have also influenced the charity strategy for 2025-2028 with commitment for continued provision in Burntwood.

Please provide a short case study linking to one or more of the above outcomes that demonstrates the impact your project is having on the local community:

Case study for Music Mindfulness – Ben Longmore, Project Support Coordinator

Music is proven to improve the emotional wellbeing of people and can support them through challenging times in their lives.

After a successful pilot of the very first music-based community project run by Burton and District Mind. This was designed and co-produced by both volunteers and facilitators at Burton and District Mind and had progressed to becoming a partnership project with colleagues at Circularity.org.

Funds were provided through Community Fundraising and partnerships with Burntwood Town Council. The project was led by a Music Group leader, provided by Circularity.org, and supported by an experienced qualified mental wellbeing practitioner to provide a safe and comfortable space for participants to play, discuss and listen to music.



The programme consisted of eight 2-hour long sessions held at Burton & District Mind's office space in the Old Mining College Burntwood. These sessions were held in September through to November 2024.

7 People attended the sessions with the following outcomes measures:

- Respondents reporting increase in wellbeing: 100%
- Respondents reporting increase in self-esteem: 100%
- Respondents reporting increase in social connectivity: 75%
- The project scored a Net Promotor Score (between -100 and +100) of 100!

What was the most helpful part of this project for you?

- Being supported and feeling empathy – both ways
- Meeting like-minded people, being in a supportive, non-judgmental environment.

- Meeting other people with similar interests, listening to music, hearing what others made at the end and showing off my music and my knowledge and skills.
- Connection with likeminded people.
- What was your favourite part of the project?
- The music – using it as relaxation and becoming more open to different types of music.
- Discovering new music
- Listening to songs, playing guitar and showing others my music skills.
- Composing a song with the group.
- Feel more connected and included in my community
- Feel I am doing something meaningful
- Distraction from stress and worries
- Developing interests

Is there anything that you think could be improved about our service?

- More events or courses in Burntwood or Lichfield”
- More sessions, bigger venue
- Better venue and bigger room with ability to produce music and secondary area to play and jam. Try the brewhouse or circularity or other venues that are better suited for live music.

What else do you believe Burton & District Mind can deliver to support your emotional wellbeing or mental health?

- This has been available when I needed it also the facilitators have enabled me to learn about other mental health conditions.
- More peer support groups in Lichfield, workshop on managing chronic physical health and its impact on mental health. organised days out ie, cinema, bowling.
- I am very keen on attending other groups that you run.

Music Mindfulness provides Burton and District Mind with an innovative and well received face to face group project which demonstrates value for money (cost £3,700, or £66 per session per participant) and strong mental health outcomes as noted by results of Common Evaluation Framework. The project has attracted even numbers in relation to gender, and has been attractive to people identifying as neurodiverse (57% of participants). It leads to new people accessing our services and demonstrating aspiration to join other elements of the service and charity.

Please provide a brief financial breakdown of how the grant has supported project costs:

Item: E.g. staffing costs, equipment, room hire	Cost:
Contribution to Project Support Coordinator Salary and oncosts	£5,000

Please complete and return this document by Friday 21st February 2025 to kat.horner@burntwood-tc.gov.uk.

Signature	
Date	18 February 2025

Commissioning Outcomes Feedback, October 2024 – February 2025

Organisation name	Burntwood Platinum ABC
Project name	Opening futures with consequential thinking
Name and position within the organisation	Seve Cadman Head Coach
Contact details	
Start date of project and reporting period	01/04/2024, October 2024 – February 2025
Have there been any significant changes in your organisation since the grant was agreed?	None

For each of your project outcomes please, briefly, answer the following questions and where relevant please include figures. We understand that the project outcomes relate to the whole 3-year project, so if you expect this outcome to be delivered at a later stage, please note this in your response. Please limit each response to 50 words.

Outcome 1: To expand on the current numbers of active members.	
What have you achieved so far?	The increase in class have been well attended and participants returning on a regular basis. This enables progress for the individuals. 9 new participants successfully competed at the home show staged on 16.2.25.
What has been successful and what hasn't gone as planned?	Participants have progressed well and then been moved to more advanced groups. In addition, the home show was a success with new carded participants competing. It was hoped that coach development with more coaches and current coaches attending advanced level courses would have progressed. This is now in sight with courses available and we are now actively looking at funding to support this.
How has this benefitted the community?	The new starters and individual coming back for further sessions is a positive and demonstrated the

	requirement in the community. More recently youngsters have turned up to start sessions on their own showing a willingness to start classes.
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Outcome 2:

Promote more actively with the education of dietary requirements and health and wellbeing to assist with mental health, and to guide and mentor individuals through a consequential thinking approach to coaching.

What have you achieved so far?	Due to previous work competed around dietary awareness youngsters have taken this on board which can be seen in their engagement about what "fuel" they have been taking and how it is improving their performance. This can be seen by results in fitness tests, positive weight loss and body composition. A focus over the last few months is to change how coaches coach, previously coaches would tell how to do activities and correct by instructing whereas now coaching is centred around the boxer making decisions based on scenarios set which has set the scene for consequential thinking. The coach is now empowered to whilst coaching demonstrate the consequences of choices made outside of the gym and offer help and guidance.
What has been successful and what hasn't gone as planned?	The individuals have demonstrated an improvement in their own choices whether it be in skill development / dietary choices and choices and judgments made outside of the gym.
How has this benefitted the community?	The true benefit to the community is difficult currently to measure apart from the number of participants attending more classes.

Outcome 3:

To see the uptake increase over the 12 months with a measurable program completion tracking in place.

What have you achieved so far?	Along side increased numbers carded boxers have increased and some competed recently on the home show as mentioned.
What has been successful and what hasn't gone as planned?	Success is the carded boxer numbers and the not so well is the sparring and interacting with other clubs which is solely down to the requirement for further coaches and transporting individuals.
How has this benefitted the community?	The true benefit to the community is difficult currently to measure apart from the number of participants attending more classes. For future development I

	have a meeting scheduled with a member of Lichfield District Council looking at what further we can achieve.
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Outcome 4:

Following an increase in uptake the age groups will be split into specific age groups - minors/schools 10-13 years, juniors 14-15, youth 15-18 & Seniors 18+.

What have you achieved so far?	The new structure is working well and has aided the development of the participants where we have seen good examples of individuals progressing through groups.
What has been successful and what hasn't gone as planned?	Development of the individuals has been progressive and numbers of participants is strong. By this time the aim was to have split further ages and increased classes further this requires more coaches to increase further hours and classes.
How has this benefitted the community?	Again the benefit is the demand for youngsters to engage with the activities.

Outcome 5:

An increase in coaches including junior coaches.

What have you achieved so far?	Coaches were previously increased and has maintained at current numbers, alongside coaches progressing with their personal development.
What has been successful and what hasn't gone as planned?	Retaining coaches after training is a positive but further coach are now needed to increase numbers / progress individuals' skills / attending events.
How has this benefitted the community?	The demand is great in the community with further requirements being asked for on a regular basis.

Outcome 6:

Further engagement with the local police and other agencies looking at supporting individuals who are at risk of or have been convicted of violence or antisocial behaviour.

What have you achieved so far?	This engagement with local services has not materialised.
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What has been successful and what hasn't gone as planned?	As previous communication the engagement with local police would be welcome but we would need assistance with this.
How has this benefitted the community?	

Please provide a short case study linking to one or more of the above outcomes that demonstrates the impact your project is having on the local community:

We have in the last few months started to have some youngsters who travel by buses to attend the classes and return on a regular basis. This demonstrates the need in the community and the desire of youngsters to engage in an activity they are catching buses then walking to the gym , participating in a high intense program and then returning home by walking and catching buses. This I find very encouraging of youngsters wanting to go out of their way to engage in a program and not just accept that something is within a short distance from their own residence.

Please provide a brief financial breakdown of how the grant has supported project costs:

Item: E.g. staffing costs, equipment, room hire	Cost:

Please complete and return this document by Friday 21st February 2025 to kat.horner@burntwood-tc.gov.uk.

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