

# The Community Chest funding round for 2024-25 is now open.

Community Chest funding supports voluntary and community groups who make a contribution to improving the quality of life for people in West Suffolk.

Funded activities must help deliver the Families and Communities Approach and Families and Communities Strategy and eligibility criteria apply. The minimum amount that can be applied for is £2,500. This funding can be for one off projects or revenue funds for services. Before you apply, please read West Suffolk Council [Community Chest Guidance for Applicants 2024-25](#) There is a flow chart in this guidance that is not accessible to screen readers, so if you need help to understand the contents please contact us on the details below.

Please note, the Community Chest online application does not have a '**SAVE**' function and will time out after inactivity over 1 hour, so please allow adequate time to plan and complete the application process. We would suggest drafting the application via the editable PDF application template in the first instance and then cutting and pasting the section into the form where appropriate.

To view the content of the application ahead of completing it, please read the [WSC Community Chest Application Form-2024-25](#)

[Community Chest Online Application Form](#) Please note - Community Chest applications will only be accepted by completing **the form online**. Reminder - The editable PDF sample application template is designed to help organisations plan and prepare for submission.

To discuss your application prior to submission please contact [families.communities@westsuffolk.gov.uk](mailto:families.communities@westsuffolk.gov.uk) or phone 01638 719235.

**The deadline for applications is 6pm on Friday 29 September 2023.**

## Funder in Focus – Online Webinar

To promote the launch of the Community Chest funding round, West Suffolk Council and Community Action Suffolk are hosting a Funder in Focus – online Webinar to discuss the Community Chest Fund. Join us to speak with Jon Eaton to discuss the West Suffolk Council Community Chest programme. The webinar will explore the process, the eligibility & we will be looking at what is needed to make a successful submission and how decisions are made. There will be plenty of opportunities to ask questions, float ideas and to interrogate the application in more depth.

Please note - this event is only open to organisations who are based in West Suffolk or who run activities/ deliver services for participants within the district council boundary.

This session will take place online via MS Teams **from 10.30am to 12noon on Thursday 20 July 2023.**

To book onto the 'free of charge' Funder in Focus Webinar visit [Funder in Focus – West Suffolk Council Community Chest \(20.07.23\)](#)

Kind Regards

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