

Community Grant Payments 24-25

Budget £5,000

Enrych	100.00
Kennington Strollers	231.00
Kennington OAP Whist Drive	144.00
Marie Curie	25.00
Wild about Kennington	500.00
MyVision Oxfordshire	25.00
Friends of Kennington Library	1,000.00
Abingdon Bridge	500.00
Royal British Legion – Poppy Appeal	620.00
Kennington Chorale	100.00
Remaining Budget	£1,755.00

Requests for grants

A	Oxfordshire Mind/Mind in Berkshire – Requesting a donation. <i>‘Oxfordshire Mind/Mind in Berkshire has been dedicated to supporting people and promoting better mental health services within Oxfordshire for over 50 years. Like all local Minds, we are an independent charity that is proud to be affiliated with the national Mind association. We believe that no one should have to face a mental health problem alone and that everyone of us who struggles with their mental health deserves both support and respect. We are proud to support the people who live in your community. We will continue doing so for as long as we are needed and are able. We know that 1 in 4 adults and 1 in 5 children will be diagnosed with a mental illness each year. Meaning the number of people in your community who need our support is likely to be far greater. We worry most about those who are not receiving support. Unfortunately, the demand for our services is growing rapidly which is why I am writing to you today. If you could please consider Oxfordshire Mind/Mind in Berkshire as your charity to support this year we would be so grateful. Your contribution, no matter the size, will make a meaningful difference for those of us struggling with poor mental health, your donation will allow us to extend our support to even more people’.</i>
B	Age UK Oxfordshire – Requesting a donation. <i>‘Our Phone Friends service provides a vital lifeline, offering regular friendly phone calls to those who are feeling lonely, forgotten or who have no one to talk to. Weekly calls from our friendly volunteers bring comfort, friendship and joy to older people who need it most. Currently over 330 older Oxfordshire residents receive a free, weekly telephone call from one of our volunteers, but we have a waiting list of older people who could benefit from this support. We’re asking you to please help combat loneliness this winter’.</i>
C	Kennington Women’s Institute – Requesting a grant as in May 2025 Kennington Women’s Institute will become 100 years old. The Institute would very much like to celebrate this by arranging a celebratory tea with entertainment for past and present members together with specially invited guests.

Correspondence forwarded to Councillors for information

D	Councils take delivery of their first electric waste vehicle – Vale of White Horse District Council - posted on the website and on Facebook
E	Major £340,000 investment in new gym equipment at Vale Leisure Centres in Wantage, Faringdon and Abingdon – posted on the website and on Facebook
F	CONSULTATION – Various Roads (South & Vale Districts) - Proposed Disabled Persons Parking Places - posted on the website and on Facebook
G	Scams awareness group talks available for local older people – forwarded to some village organisation, posted on the website and on Facebook.
H	Adverse weather update – posted on the website and on Facebook

I	Councils begin to decarbonise fleet with delivery of new Electric Vans – VoWHDC – posted on the website and on Facebook
J	Council Services Over Christmas and New Year 2024/25 – VoWHDC – posted on the website and on Facebook
K	Revamp to White Horse Leisure and Tennis Centre reception complete – posted on the website and on Facebook
L	OALC November update for member councils
M	Revised TTRO (T14522) Temporary Road Closure - Kennington, Oxford Road – posted on the website and on Facebook
N	The latest news for your communities – Oxfordshire County Council
O	Vision for the future of sports pitches and leisure facilities approved – VoWHDC – posted on the website and on Facebook
P	Oxford Flood Alleviation Scheme update
Newsletters	
Q	Rural Bulletins
R	Police & Crime Bulletin Nov '24 - National Insurance rise set to cost £1.3m
S	Latest news from Healthwatch Oxfordshire
T	November edition of Vale News for 2024
U	Welcome to your wild December – Berkshire Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire Wildlife Trust