

OUTLINE STRATEGIC BUSINESS CASE

Directorate	Community Wellbeing
Scheme Name	Community Capital Grants Scheme
Budget Holder	Corporate Director Community Wellbeing

Project aims and objectives:

Scheme description and demonstration of links to corporate priorities and savings plans.

The aim of the scheme is to enhance and support investment in physical Talk Community hubs in line with the original objectives for Talk Community. It supports the ambition in the current County Plan to “Support communities to help each other through a network of community hubs”.

The scheme will support bids that help reduce and defer the need for formal health and social care support and enable people with existing support needs to stay independent and living at home for as long as possible. As this is capital investment only, applicants to the scheme will need to demonstrate a robust, sustainable revenue plan.

The detailed criteria for the scheme will be determined taking account of the findings of the current strategic review of Talk Community.

Estimated costs and funding sources:

	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	Total
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Capital cost of project					
Community Capital Grants Scheme	200	1,800	0	0	2,000
TOTAL	200	0	0	0	2,000
Funding sources					
Capital receipt funding	200	1,800	0	0	2,000
TOTAL	200	1,800	0	0	2,000
Revenue budget implications					
None	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0

Benefits and risks:

The anticipated benefits and risks of the proposed project plus risks of not going ahead with the scheme.

Whilst it is not possible to estimate the value or specific timing of benefits at this stage of the project development, it is expected that there will be cashable benefits in relation to reduced demand for adult social care services and reduced demand for community health services and some acute hospital services.

Non-cashable benefits from this initiative are likely to include:

- Local people gaining access to local and public sector services earlier and preventing social and health care need
- More people participating actively and meaningfully in their local communities
- People from hard to reach or vulnerable groups being supported more in their local community.

The key risks of not doing the project are:

- Loss of opportunity to address health inequality and wider needs in areas of deprivation

- Delayed or disrupted extension of integration and joint working between community health and social care services
- Rising demand for formal health and social care support
- Less people supported to live at home for as long as possible.