

HYPERLOCAL FUND 2023

About the fund

The purpose of the North East Essex Hyperlocal Fund is to support non-profit groups based in local communities to build resilient local Neighbourhoods that help to improve health and wellbeing for residents.

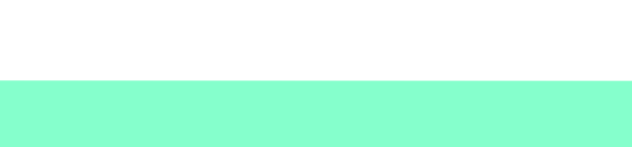
Community360 administered the fund for the city of Colchester for One Colchester granting funding of

£252,018

matched with £19,845.50 from the Age Well domain and £10,994.45 from the Feel Well domain



40% of organisations had not applied for funding before. The Fund encouraged new and grassroots community organisations to get in touch.



The Hyperlocal Fund addresses the following local priorities:

- Reduce the burden of deprivation and inequalities
- Tackle isolation and loneliness
- Improve mental health and reduce suicide
- Improve physical health and the management of long-term conditions which affect local residents
- Increase physical activity to reduce obesity



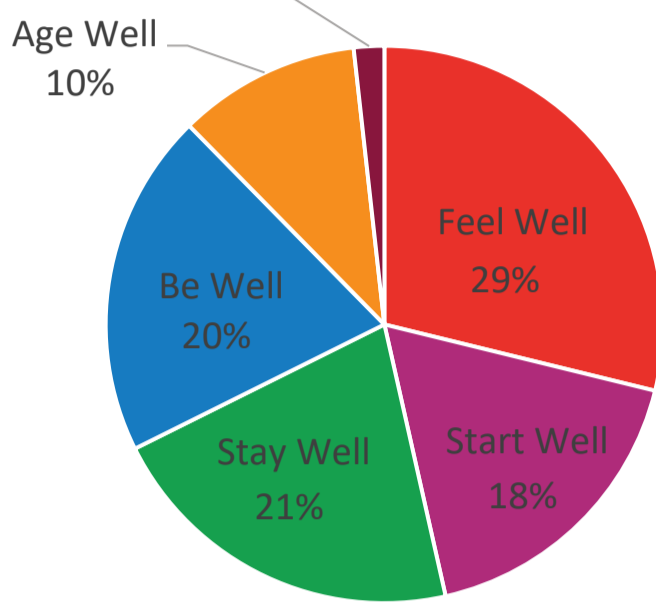
4 applicants were ineligible for the fund, but **Community360** has helped signpost them to other funding streams or access or support in different ways.

28% of funding went to diverse groups

£74,491

The Hyperlocal Fund covers the 6 Live Well domains

- Start well** - Giving children the best start in life
- Stay well** - Maintaining healthy fulfilling live
- Feel well** - Supporting mental well being
- Be well** - Making healthy lifestyle choices
- Age well** - Living safely and independently
- Die well** - Care choices nearing end of life



About the process

The Hyperlocal fund was launched in June 2023 and supported by a panel of public and voluntary sector representatives from the Neighbourhoods programme working across Colchester. Operated as a rolling application process, grants were submitted through an online form and assessed periodically

– We asked our applicants how they found the process:

clear easy to follow
straightforward uncomplicated

92% of those who applied for the fund and shared their feedback said that they found the application process straightforward and easy to follow

Easy to apply, more organisations should do it

Form was easier to follow questions and were made clearer for English non-speakers

I found the form extremely easy to navigate and complete and didn't require any support

This was an easy form to fill in now that I know what's expected and we are very grateful to have this fund to draw on

Without Hyperlocal Fund I was unable to make Colchester Carnival and Concert to such a success, thanks to Hyperlocal Panel for awarding the Fund to Colchester Diverse Communities Network (CDCN). I am grateful



Bangladeshi Womens Association



Colchester City Council



Colchester Diverse Communities Network

Grant Recipients

Colchester Life in The UK CIC

Elocution and maths lessons for children from underprivileged families

Beacon House Ministries

Helping homeless guests have active minds and active bodies

African Families in the UK

Supporting diverse communities who have experienced mental health issues, loneliness and isolation

Tiptree Heath Football Club

Improving the sports ground with playing pitches, clubhouse and community facilities

Bridgeway Mission CIO

Funding an intergenerational project with refugees and older people to tackle loneliness and improve mental well-being

Greenpath Ventures

Contributing to the community allotment where individuals get together, work together and develop social skills

Tiptree Community Hub

Reducing food and fuel poverty, and social isolation by providing activities that support physical, mental health and well-being

Dedham Sports Club

Investing in new equipment for the table tennis club

St Andrew's Stay & Play

Assisting the toddler group on Greenstead with running costs

Signpost Greenstead

Offering employability support to individuals from disadvantaged communities

We Are The Minorities

Enhancing the wellbeing and creativity of local adults with learning disabilities and/or autism, through weekly workshops

Home-Start

Establishing three weekly pop-up groups for families to reduce isolation and increase play

Colchester Gateway Clubs

Delivering a songwriting course for adults with learning disabilities to express their wants, needs, thoughts, and desires in song

Citizens Advice Colchester

Facilitating a weekly outreach service offering free advice, information and support to the public

InterAct (Chelmsford) Ltd

Implementing 12 suicide preventative and postvention training workshops

Wise Ram Theatre

Providing green social prescribing activities through workshops followed and creative sessions inspired by nature

Firstsite

Supporting Holiday Fun programmes for children and their families living in poverty

UTurn4Support

Offering an 18-week wellbeing and sports mentoring programme

The Colte Partnership

Introducing mindfulness/yoga courses for primary aged children and parent's first aid courses

Headway Essex

Running a social group for adults to help rebuild confidence after an acquired brain injury

Colchester City Council

Hosting the Knife Angel, a monument designed to create social change by raising awareness of the effects of violent and aggressive behaviour

Breast Friends CIC

Distributing 'Menopause Care Kits' for people that are experiencing symptoms of menopause following treatment for breast cancer

Changing Lives

Introducing a project that will increase physical activity for young people through sports sessions, community programme and social development workshops

Christ Calls Ministries (Caves of Hope Academy)

Enabling an accessible counselling service for isolated young people

Divine Assembly Ministries (Boaz Project)

Investing in food support and encouraging pathways into wider wellbeing projects

Stepping Stones Play and Learn Group

Contributing to the Play and Learn Group integrated nursery for children with additional needs and mainstream aged 2 - 5 to play Group for 0-2-year-olds with special needs, and Holiday Clubs for nursery age children with complex needs

Thomas Lorkin Daniell for Playing Field Trust

Improving the location with inclusive play equipment

The Clothing Clinic Textile Collective CIC

Assisting the social sewing and weaving project with core costs to provide workshops and activities

Hythe Community Centre Association

Introducing free-to-access singing and wellbeing support group for women and their children

esSENTial Consultancy CIC

Running anxiety workshops for children and young people

Bangladeshi Womens Association

Supporting the Forgotten Generation project social activities for older adults within the community

Dedham Therapy Farm CIC

Delivering a pilot of clinical occupational therapy assessments

Greenstead Community Supermarket

Funding the North Essex Eats project, providing food and slow cookers and community lunches for older people

Skills and Training Engagement Programme (STEP) CIC

Upskilling, training, apprenticeships, and internships outside the traditional academic route, for disadvantaged communities

Colchester Medical Practice Primary Care Network

Offering earlier intervention for parents and children through counselling support

Trusted Money Confidence Ltd

Implementing a 6-week peer-to-peer money confidence programme building a money confident community

The MAZE Group CIC

Providing one-to-one emotional wellbeing support to parents and family carers who have children with neuro-diverse conditions

Colchester Diverse Communities Network (CDCN)

Facilitating the Colchester Carnival and Concert

