



Andover Town Council

To **receive** and **approve** a grant application from: **UNITY**

Item No.

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Produced for: Community & Events Committee

By: Communication and Events Manager

Date of Report: 21 February 2025

Name of applicant organisation:	UNITY
Amount requested:	£2,000.00
Subject of application:	Cost of Living Support

Summary

Location of Project / Event:	Andover
Date of project / event / purchase of asset:	The next 6 months
Project description:	<p>Unity works with vulnerable people across Andover and the wider community through our Community Wellbeing Worker project. This project enables Unity staff to receive referrals direct from Adult Services to help people stay independent in their own homes and to minimize the impact on health services.</p> <p>This application seeks to provide 150 x £25 food vouchers for identified individuals which will help them for a few days at the point of crisis and this in turn will give our workers time to support them with financial planning, connections to groups, foodbanks and food pantries and so on.</p>

Information supplied on the application form

Which groups of people will benefit	Adults who are identified through the Community Wellbeing Worker project and may have multiple health issues or may be struggling with their mobility. Also adults who are identified through our cost of living projects where white goods, hygiene packs and airfryers are also provided to minimize energy costs.
How many people will benefit	150
What evidence of need for the project, activity, event, equipment or service can	<p>Through the Community Wellbeing Worker project, Unity supports individuals some of whom are struggling with the rising cost of living including high energy costs. Our knowledge gained through this and other Unity cost of living projects and services gives us a unique insight into challenges people are facing in their lives and often financial issues is one of the main overriding factors as to why they are struggling to eat and heat their homes.</p> <p>100% of these vouchers will benefit Andover residents.</p>

you provide us with?				
Total project amount	£5,000			
Financial breakdown of costs	Item	Cost	VAT	Total
	150 food vouchers	£25		£3,750.00
Have previous grants been awarded by ATC	Yes			
Have all previous grant reports been received?	Yes			
Other Funding applied for:	Unity with match fund Andover Town Councils contribution - £1,750.00			
Are financial reserves and expenditure in line with ATC policy?	Yes			
Have all the other documents been received?	Yes			
Has insurance been checked?	Yes			
Has a Risk Assessment been received?	Not applicable for this project			
Are other licenses / permissions required?	No			
Are other licenses / permissions obtained?	N/A			