

Evelyn Assembly Meeting

22nd January 2022 – 2pm-4pm

Agenda

- ▶ 2.00pm - Welcome & Introductions
- ▶ 2.10pm - Presentation and review of bids proposed for Evelyn NCIL funding 2022-24
- ▶ 3.10pm - Borough of Culture and Day 1~ what's happening locally?
- ▶ 3.20pm - Forthcoming 'Meet the Mayor' session –
24th February 2022 – 7.30pm-8.30pm
- ▶ 3.25pm - Community Updates & Any Other Business

NCIL discussions

- Presentation of recommendations based on the assessment and review of all bids meeting the criteria in stage one
- We will then open the floor to questions, views and comments about the recommendations,
- We won't be discussing individual bids or providing detail about why applications were recommended or non recommended. Individual organisations can ask for more detailed feedback from officers by emailing the NCIL Team.

Your comments will help Councillors to understand whether you broadly agree with the recommendations or not

The recommendations presented and a summary of your views will be fed back to Mayor and Cabinet on 9th March

Final decision will be taken by Mayor and Cabinet on 9th March

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Fund Overview

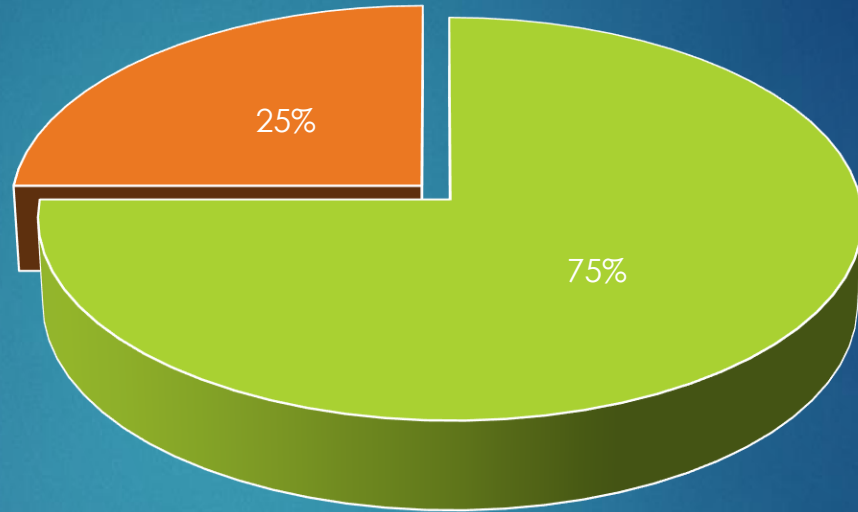
2022 - 2024

Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL)

What is CIL?

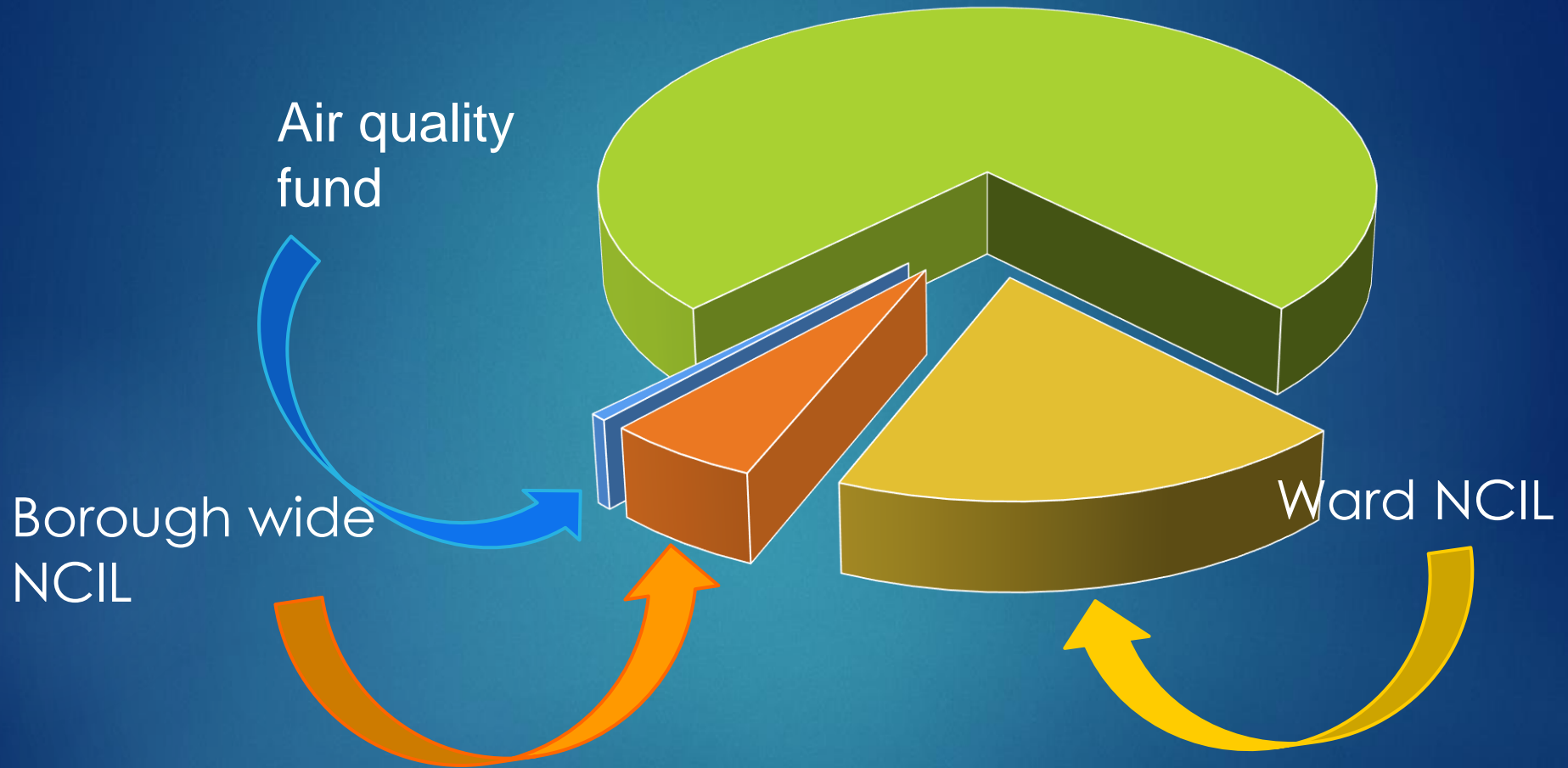
- ❖ The Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) is a payment that local authorities can choose to charge on certain new developments
- ❖ CIL must be spent on local infrastructure to offset the impact of a development on an area

The regulations allow the Council to set aside between 15% and 25% of CIL of the money they collect to spend on local priorities identified by communities



This can be spent on things like schools, hospitals, roads, open spaces or leisure facilities

Lewisham has both borough-wide,
and ward-based NCIL funds



Ward NCIL Grant Fund 2022 - 2024



**Total Fund for
Lewisham Borough
£2,931,270
Evelyn Fund
£691,020**

Strategy for allocating NCIL



Residents were consulted on local priorities through Common Place and some local project were identified

Residents agreed the priorities at their Local Assembly and were given the opportunity to agree a further priority













Mayor and Cabinet agreed further funding as Covid had delayed allocation being agreed by residents

An over-arching Covid-19 priority was added for all wards



Support and assistance programme for bids developed and NCIL fund open for bids through our online portal

Support and Assistance

-  Dedicated NCIL help-line and email inbox
-  Workshops giving detailed overview of the fund
-  Workshops for specific themes with colleagues
 -  Parks and green spaces
 -  Transport and streets
 -  Young People's projects
-  1 to 1 discussions with Officers regarding processes
-  1 to 1 support with capacity building partners for application advice
-  Links to local statistical and equalities information on the funding portal
-  Library of useful reports on funding portal

Ward Priorities

Evelyn ward's 5 priorities

based on consultation via Commonplace:

- ▶ Open/green spaces and nature
- ▶ Transport and streets
- ▶ Community safety
- ▶ Community facilities
- ▶ Air quality

All wards

- ▶ Covid-19 recovery priority agreed by Mayor & Cabinet (March 2021)



Short Form

Project Category	Project Value
Category A	Grants up to £10,000
Category B	Grants from £10,000 - £35,000
Category C	Grants from £35,000 - £50,000
Category D	Grants from £50,000 - £100,000
Category E	Grants £100,000 - £250,000
Category F	Grants over £250,000

Long Form



Application criteria

- ✓ The Ward NCIL fund is for projects that will be delivered in the **ward** or **across two or three wards** where there is a shared ward boundary.
- ✓ Only **Lewisham residents** can apply, and the named resident on the bid **must live in the ward** where the project is delivered.
- ✓ The project must benefit residents of the ward.

Additional criteria

- ✓ All ward Councillors **must be made aware and agree** to projects delivered over more than ward.
- ✓ Projects can be delivered by **council departments** or **organisations**.
- ✓ **Collaborative** or **partnership applications** are encouraged across all funding bands.
- ✓ Projects must evidence local support for the project.

We were unable to fund

- ❌ Projects that should be **delivered by the Council or its partners as part of their normal functions**, such as refuse collection etc.
- ❌ **Lobbying, political activity** or where **promotion of private interests** is involved.
- ❌ Projects that will have a **significant ongoing financial/revenue implications** not covered by the bid, such as long-term maintenance or staff costs.
- ❌ Projects that **do not align with the local ward priorities**.
- ❌ Projects to be **delivered borough-wide** across Lewisham.

CIL Regulations

Projects must demonstrate that they meet the CIL Regulations 'to support the development' of an area through:

~ **category A** the provision, improvement, replacement, operation or maintenance of infrastructure

and/or

~ **category B** anything else that is concerned with addressing the demands that development places on an area



Applications were
accepted from
26 September to
21 November 2021

<https://communityfunding.lewisham.gov.uk>



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Time-line

December 2021 - February 2022

- ▶ Long list applications internally assessed against the grant criteria and submitted to local ward assembly meeting

March 2022

- ▶ Projects agreed by ward assembly will be submitted for final approval to Mayor & Cabinet

from April 2022


- ▶ Project delivery commences
- ▶ Projects must be completed within 2 years

Assessment Process



Guidelines for the review process set out conflicts of interest and criteria for reviewing each recommended/non-recommended project

Next stages

 All projects have received written notification ~ recommended or not recommended

 In some cases, we have identified other sources of funding for projects and have let applicants know (e.g. Air Quality, some Green Spaces projects)

 Recommendations brought to Assembly for their views

Recommendations and outcome of Assembly meeting will be fed back to Mayor & Cabinet for final decisions on 9th March 2022



Next stages

Projects notified after the Mayor & Cabinet meeting to communicate outcome

Milestones/outcomes agreed with projects

Grant agreements signed

Delivery from April 2022 onwards



Overview of applications in Evelyn ward

36 applications received for Evelyn ward

total funds requested - all applications

£2,967,868

number of bids in each funding band:

Up to 10k	10k - 35k	35k - £50k	50k - 100k	100k - 250k	Over 250k
5	12	6	7	3	3

Process for decision making

Scores

- ✓ were the first and most fundamental part of whether a project is recommended

scoring is based on the strength of the application ~ how well it meets the criteria set out

Spread

- ✓ we were also looking for a spread of projects across the priorities as far as possible

Feasible

- ✓ we considered whether the project was feasible and deliverable within the timeframe

Given the number of applications vs. amount in the ward pot, we were unable to recommend every project or even the full funding requested for every project

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Projects list
2022 - 2024

Recommended projects

20 projects



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Pepys Power and Hyper-Greening Project/Bence House TRA

- ▶ **The Project:** A feasibility study for Bence House to see if the block of flats is suitable for bio-solar/solar roof and greening of the building's walls. Bence House TRA would project manage and Wonky community architects would act as the lead consultant. The bio-solar walls and roofs would generate clean power, cleaner air, prevent surface water flooding, harvest rainwater, assist with biodiversity and potentially grow food. The study could be used as a template for other blocks considering a similar approach.
- ▶ **NCIL Priority:** Open/green spaces
- ▶ **Recommended Funding Amount:** £10,000 (fully funded)

Cre8Coffee/Cre8Coffee

- ▶ **The Project:** The project aims to develop an arts café, training young people in barista skills and the soft skills associated with hospitality. It aims to train 25 young people (aged under 25) and provide wider support to ensure the transition into work, while providing a welcoming space to the residents of the ward – especially young people.
- ▶ **NCIL Priority:** Covid recovery
- ▶ **Recommended Funding Amount:** £10,000 (fully funded)

Deptford Community Market Garden/Ethical Land CIC

- ▶ **The Project:** The project aims to set up a market garden on a 500m² derelict builder's yard. It will grow organic vegetables and fruit to sell to hospitality providers (becoming self-sustaining after a year), whilst training young people with community outreach workers, gardeners and chefs to grow and to cook. It will work with local schools to offer dedicated sessions to teach children about ecology and biodiversity. It will support the wider community by offering residents access to shared community space (particularly older adults).
- ▶ **NCIL Priorities:** Air quality; Community facilities; Open/green spaces; Covid recovery
- ▶ **Recommended Funding Amount:** £10,000 (fully funded)

Pepys Estate Public Realm Site Opportunities Feasibility Map/CENTRA

- ▶ **The Project:** The project will target a large cross section of the local community. The project is to supplement the EVEREST Community-Led Master Plan (CLM) with a formal Public Realm Site Opportunities (SO) Feasibility Map, the aim is to identify sites within the Pepys estate and marry those sites with community ambitions across the WHOLE estate. The study will include; sites for new social housing, improvements to poor areas, flood mitigation, greening, areas requiring investment, connecting routes, lighting etc.
- ▶ **NCIL Priority:** Community facilities
- ▶ **Recommended Funding Amount:** £10,000 (fully funded)

Holiday club for Evelyn Ward/Brent Knoll & Watergate Co-operative Trust

- ▶ **The Project:** The project provides two weeks of holiday club for children with complex needs, providing respite for parents and siblings following a period of intense caring responsibilities. The application has been made to a number of wards, but the beneficiaries from this element would be from Evelyn ward specifically. The cost to families of this respite would be £100 per day if not funded, and would therefore be unaffordable to many.
- ▶ **NCIL Priority:** Covid recovery
- ▶ **Recommended Funding Amount:** £18,000 (partially funded)

Upskilling Evelyn residents for a digital world/Inspiring Your Imagination

- ▶ **The Project:** The project provides access to free training in digital marketing, coding, music production, sound engineering and video production. Courses will be both in-person at a local community centre and online. The project will be open to all over 16, but will actively target young people NEET. The project aims to progress 50 participants to employment or further training and shows established relationships and support from relevant groups who would be involved in delivery.
- ▶ **NCIL Priorities:** Community safety, Covid recovery
- ▶ **Recommended Funding Amount:** £20,000 (fully funded)

Stay and Play sessions/Clyde Nursery

- ▶ **The Project:** The project aims to offer targeted sessions to families in Evelyn to support children under 5 to develop, helping them to be school ready (especially post-covid); provide specialist support for SEN children (half of the beneficiaries) and to provide parental support (including mental health support) through work with specialist workers, signposting/supporting access to support organisations and by providing volunteering/studying opportunities with the aim of supporting parents into the work place.
- ▶ **NCIL Priorities:** Community facilities; Covid recovery
- ▶ **Recommended Funding Amount:** £19,970 (fully funded)

Evelyn Young Women Changemakers – building solidarity for community safety and resilience/Second Wave Centre for Youth Arts

- ▶ **The Project:** The project aims to support 16 young women to identify, plan, develop and deliver projects locally around improving community safety for all (including work with peers and intergenerational work). Whilst undertaking this work, the participants will be trained and supported to develop leadership skills and connect with the wider community and statutory services (such as the council and the police), with a view to improving wider civic engagement. There is a gap for young community leaders in Evelyn ward.
- ▶ **NCIL Priority:** Community safety
- ▶ **Recommended Funding Amount:** £28,000 (fully funded)

Empowering Deptford/South East London Community Energy

- ▶ **The Project:** The project aims to support families who are experiencing fuel poverty due to the current inflation rates and energy prices by running a referral and advocacy service that aims to:
 - ▶ Reduce energy expenditure by enabling clients to engage in the energy market
 - ▶ Enable clients to access discounts for low-income households from water and energy (The Warm Home Discount and Watersure)
 - ▶ Enable clients to better understand how they can change their behaviour to reduce unnecessary energy usage and to save energy
 - ▶ Enable clients who are in debt to their energy company to access debt relief
 - ▶ Advocate for clients in disputes with energy companies and support clients with complaints to the energy ombudsman service.
 - ▶ Increase the energy efficiency of the homes of clients by installing light measures and by supporting clients to access funds for major measures
- ▶ **NCIL Priority:** Covid recovery
- ▶ **Recommended Funding Amount:** £30,000 (partially funded)



Greening Evelyn (a greenspace masterplan for Evelyn)/DeptfordFolk & National Trust

- ▶ **The Project:** The aim of Greening Evelyn is to produce a cohesive greenspace masterplan for Evelyn co-created by the community. The objectives of the project are to explore:
 - ▶ Converting under-used road space adjacent to new developments (Dragoon Road, Prince Street, Oxtalls Bridge) into new green spaces
 - ▶ Blending the transition between new and old housing stock
 - ▶ Alleviating growing pressure on existing green spaces
 - ▶ Planning tangible environmental improvements within a community with unequal access to nature
 - ▶ Enhancements to pedestrian transport links between existing green spaces, such as Lower Pepys Park and Sayes Court Park
 - ▶ Improve walking routes around Deptford Park Primary School, Invicta Deptford Primary School and Rachel McMillan Nursery
 - ▶ Create new active-travel links between places served by the Thames Path and TfL Cycleway
- ▶ **NCIL Priority:** Open/green spaces and nature;
- ▶ **Recommended Funding Amount:** £30,000 (partially funded)

Sayes Court Playground/Lewisham Council delivery

- ▶ **The Project:** The project aims to improve facilities of the current Sayes Court Playground with a thoughtfully designed play space combining natural materials, new SEND play equipment, shelter and seating. Currently the site is considered to be tired, unstimulating, uninviting and some of the play equipment has pieces missing. The aim is to address anti – social behaviour in the area by creating a safe space for children that provides an environment which impacts its users through a wide range of benefits.
- ▶ **NCIL Priorities:** Community facilities; Open/Green Spaces; Community Safety; Covid recovery
- ▶ **Recommended Funding Amount:** £30,000 (partially funded)



Surrey Canal Forest School and Ecology Walk/Bence House TRA

- ▶ **The Project:** The project seeks to work with other local organisations and volunteers to clear disused land to create a forest school and ecology walk. This would be used by local schools, paid for by a subscription model, and opened at additional times for use by local families. NCIL Funding would be used to provide shelter, storage and signage, and to make the land secure and accessible.
- ▶ **NCIL Priorities:** Air quality; Community facilities; Open/green spaces
- ▶ **Recommended Funding Amount:** £34,900 (fully funded)

Deptford Park Play Area/Lewisham Council delivery

- ▶ **The Project:** The project aims to upgrade and add new play equipment in the Deptford Park Playground. This is considered to be the most used playground in the Evelyn ward and to ensure more children can access and play on the site as currently there is a lack of equipment. The project will also aim to improve the landscaping and create a friendlier, safer and more engaging space for children in the area to play in.
- ▶ **NCIL Priorities:** Open/green spaces and nature; Community facilities; Covid recovery
- ▶ **Recommended Funding Amount:** £39,724 (fully funded)

Legendary Community Club/Lewisham Homes

- ▶ **The Project:** The project aim is to make and provide hot meals 3 times a week for each youth session that is held at the Richard McVicar Playground and the Riverside Youth Club. The meals will be provided throughout the year (during term time and school holidays). The project delivery team will include 2 school leavers/young people with a secondary focus on providing employment opportunities and improving young people's employability. The project team will be supported by a part-time project manager, HR co-ordinator and driver.
- ▶ **NCIL Priority:** Covid recovery
- ▶ **Recommended Funding Amount:** £40,000 (partially funded)

Youth First - Evelyn Youth Street-based Project/Youth First

- ▶ **The Project:** The project will place 4 trauma trained youth workers holding 2 sessions a week to target and work with young people who are vulnerable to youth violence and social exclusion. The team will work directly with young people delivering the sessions which are well known as places that young people congregate. The aim of the project is to open up a dialogue regarding the risks, needs, aspirations and lifestyle of young people providing a safe space for young people to raise their concerns while aiming to ensure early intervention.
- ▶ **NCIL Priorities:** Community safety; Covid recovery
- ▶ **Recommended Funding Amount:** £42,389 (fully funded)

Evelyn Play (additional works to Evelyn Green)/Lewisham Council to deliver

- ▶ **The Project:** The project seeks to add seating, picnic tables, lighting and a drinking fountain, and to create a separate safe space for women and girls in the area next to the community centre with the aim to attract more families, create more opportunities for community cohesion, and for the area to feel safer. The project could be delivered alongside scheduled works already planned for Evelyn Green.
- ▶ **NCIL Priorities:** Community facilities; Community safety; Open/green spaces
- ▶ **Recommended Funding Amount:** £43,037 (partially funded)

Linear Play Park/Bence House TRA

- ▶ **The Project:** The NCIL funding would pay for an outdoor gym for young people and adults and play equipment for older children with a view to creating a more connected environment for residents in newer buildings at one end of the Linear Park, and those in older buildings at the other end. According to the bid, s106 funding has been secured for play space for under 5s, so these elements would create a greater opportunity for wider use of the park.
- ▶ **NCIL Priority:** Community facilities
- ▶ **Recommended Funding Amount:** £50,000 (partially funded)

EPF Family Support at Deptford Park Playclub/Evelyn Parent's Forum

- ▶ **The Project:** The project addresses the NCIL priorities identified by providing an affordable, safe space for local families, access to support workers for parents, access to play to aid socialisation and readiness for school post-covid for under 5s, and to ensure promotion of healthy eating through provision of hot meals for families of under 5s during term time. In school holiday time the project will delivery cookery courses and play provision for families of children aged up to 8.
- ▶ **NCIL Priorities:** Community facilities; Community safety; Covid recovery
- ▶ **Recommended Funding Amount:** £55,000 (partially funded)



Folkestone Gardens Playground/Lewisham Council to deliver

- ▶ **The Project:** The project seeks to provide upgraded play equipment in Folkestone Gardens (in addition to s106 funded equipment and other funds), with an aim to improve the children's play area and to ensure it is DDA compliant. The application also seeks to create a focus to ensure there are spaces which feel inclusive for girls.
- ▶ **NCIL Priorities:** Air quality; Community facilities; Open/green spaces; Covid recovery
- ▶ **Recommended Funding Amount:** £80,000 (partially funded)

Revive and Grow/2000 Community Action Centre

- ▶ **The Project:** The project will target a large cross section of the local community including young people, older people and vulnerable people by running a series of workshops focused around education, health and wellbeing and Pepys social supermarket aimed at helping families and reducing the stigma of food-banks. The project also recruits a development officer to increase the reach and usage of the facility among residents. The project will also aim to update the technology infrastructure of the facility by updating the computer suite.
- ▶ **NCIL Priorities:** Community facilities; Community safety; Covid-19 recovery
- ▶ **Recommended Funding Amount:** £90,000 (partially funded)

Projects we didn't recommend

13 projects



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▶ **Cycle storage for social housing residents / Lewisham Homeless**

- ▶ repurpose existing space locally to create cycle storage for residents in social housing/on low income

▶ **Oldfield Grove Mural and Air Quality / Lewisham Council**

- ▶ create mural on an unmaintained wall, possibly owned by TFL. There is also a proposal to add an air quality monitor above it.

▶ **The Colonnade and Terrace Grade II Listed Gates/CATRA - Colonnade & Terrace Residents Association**

- ▶ replace the Grade 2 listed gates that lead into the Colonnade and The Terrace on Pepys Estate

▶ **Let's get active and healthy/Bunnyhop Day Nursery**

- ▶ create an updated outdoor play space/garden for nursery users with possible wider use by community

▶ **St Joseph's Playground/St Joseph's Catholic Primary School**

- ▶ create an updated KS2 play area to develop access to sports and to create a garden area for growing fruit and vegetables



▶ ***COME and T-BITS/Action for Community Development –
Cross ward bid**

- ▶ deliver IT skills to residents with differing competencies over a 12 week rolling programme

▶ **Avairy children's play area/Lewisham Homes**

- ▶ replace and upgrade the play equipment and create associated community activity

▶ **John Evelyn Community Garden/Lewisham Council to deliver**

- ▶ make improvements to the community garden by adding a 2 storey structure, larger greenhouse, improved wildlife pond and provide meeting space/courses

▶ **Community Development Worker – Evelyn Ward/Pepys
Community Forum**

- ▶ place a part-time community development worker in Evelyn ward to work with new and existing communities

▶ **Drop ins - Befriending and Mental Health/VSL**

- ▶ deliver drop in sessions targeting people with severe mental health issues with the objective of supporting their re-integration into society after the Covid pandemic

▶ **Modernising Refuse at Pepys Estate/Lewisham Homes**

- ▶ create a space for residents to leave bulk items for pick up, efficiently recycle their waste and create a refuse space that is not exposed to anti-social behaviour

▶ **Modernising Refuse at Evelyn Estate/Lewisham Homes**

- ▶ repair the bin chutes in a number of buildings and provide new recycling enclosures which will give residents more of an opportunity to efficiently recycle their waste.

▶ ***Deptford High Street Conservation Area "Restoring Pride" Project/Moon AC Ltd – Cross ward bid**

- ▶ work with local businesses who to have graffiti removed from their shop frontages, redesign them, and then maintain them

Questions and Comments

Clarifications?

Views about the
recommendations?