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Name of Organisation	Carers in Hertfordshire							
Organisation Type	Registered Charity							
Ward	NA							
Project Type	Support for unpaid carers							
Green option	1							
considered?								
NHC Councillor	None that we are aware of.							
involvement that may								
constitute a conflict of								
interest								
Previous financial	None							
support within six years								
Documentation	Safeguarding			Yes	Accounts		Yes	
reviewed and	Demonstrates clear			Yes				
approved*	governanc	e						
Total applied for	£1,393 T		Tot	otal project cost		£2,705		
Officer Summary								

Carers in Hertfordshire are a countywide charity for unpaid carers looking after a friend, neighbour or relative due to illness, frailty, mental health need, disability, or substance misuse. They support all carers, including very young children, either living, caring, or working in Hertfordshire to find support, advice, build connections and provide a platform to have their voice listened to.

They are applying for funding towards their carer support hub, based at Royston Town Hall, which is free to unpaid carers. It runs once a month for two hours, offering refreshments, wellbeing and advice activities, and a place for carers to express the ups and downs of caring. The group are seeking a contribution towards the cost of running the hub for 12 months.

They have built connections with local businesses, organisations and charities to provide free or reduced cost activities for the hub based on the wants and needs of the attendees. In addition to this, their Carer Support Advisors attend three times a year to provide additional 1:1 support for attendees, identifying those who may need further support and thus avoiding a potential crisis in their caring role.

Royston is one of their 16 hubs, as the hubs have been designed to ensure there is a hub within 5 miles of any unpaid carer who is registered with them. Thirty-two unpaid carers have attended the Royston hub or live in Royston and attended a different hub. This resulted in 139 attendances over the past year.

Breakdown of costs:

- Staff support (volunteer manager, volunteer coordinator, hub coordinator, hub admin) £2170
- Hire and refreshments £419
- Activity costs, volunteer phone, advertising £116

The are contributing £1,000 through fundraising and have applied for £312 to The Big Give.

They have also applied to:

- Letchworth Community Forum for £1,393 towards costs of running their hub in Letchworth for 12 months.
- Hitchin Community Forum for £1,393 towards costs of setting up a hub in Hitchin for 12 months.