

Appendix 2: Carers in Hertfordshire

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Version	Issue Date	Changes
1.0	NA	First Draft (BE)

Reference	6092		
Name of Organisation	Carers in Hertfordshire		
Organisation Type	Registered Charity		
Ward	Letchworth South East (Location of Hub)		
Project Type	Support for unpaid carers		
Green option considered?	/		
NHC Councillor involvement that may constitute a conflict of interest	None that we are aware of.		
Previous financial support within six years	None		
Documentation reviewed and approved*	Safeguarding	Yes	Accounts
	Demonstrates clear governance	Yes	
Total applied for	£1,393	Total project cost	£2,705
Officer Summary			
<p>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.</p> <p>They are applying for funding towards their carer support hub, based in the Garden House Hospice in Letchworth, which is free to unpaid carers. It runs once a month for two hours and they are seeking a contribution towards the cost of running the hub for 12 months. They provide refreshments, wellbeing and advice activities, and a place for carers to express the ups and downs of caring.</p> <p>They have built connections with local businesses, organisations and charities to provide free or reduced cost activities for the Letchworth 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.</p> <p>Letchworth 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. 67 unpaid carers have attended the Letchworth hub or live in Letchworth and attended a different hub. This resulted in 167 attendances over the past year.</p> <p>Breakdown of costs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff support (volunteer manager, volunteer coordinator, hub coordinator, hub admin) £2170 • Hire (currently free but might be charged next year) and refreshments £419 • Activity costs, volunteer phone, advertising £116 <p>The are contributing £1,000 through fundraising and have applied for £312 to The Big Give.</p>			

*Funding will only be released on receipt and approval of all supporting documentation

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They have also applied to:

- Royston Community Forum in December, towards costs of running their hub in Royston for 12 months and were awarded £1,000.
- Hitchin Community Forum in December, towards costs of setting up a hub in Hitchin for 12 months and were awarded £1,393.