

Appendix 2. Graveley Village Hall

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Version	Issue Date	Changes
1.0	NA	First Draft (BE)

Reference	CG-590			
Name of Organisation	Graveley Village Hall			
Organisation Type	Registered charity			
Ward	Graveley, St Ippolyts & Wymondley			
Project Type	Installation of air conditioning unit			
Green option considered?	The project supports environmental sustainability by helping the village hall adapt to warmer temperatures and remain a viable, well-used community facility in the face of climate change. In addition, it reduces the need for users to travel elsewhere to access similar services and activities. Though the installation of an air conditioning unit represents slightly increased energy usage, this is outweighed by the adaptation benefits outlined.			
NHC Councillor involvement that may constitute a conflict of interest	None known.			
Previous financial support within six years	None.			
Documentation reviewed and approved*	Safeguarding	Yes	Accounts	Yes
	Demonstrates clear governance	Yes		
Total applied for	£3,000	Total project cost	£5,000	
Officer Summary				
Graveley Village Hall is a well-used community facility serving the residents of Graveley Village and the surrounding area. The hall provides an important local venue for a range of community activities and is also used by a local pre-school. As a central community asset, it supports social interaction, physical activity, and wellbeing for people of all ages. The village hall is seeking support to purchase and install an air conditioning unit. In recent years, higher temperatures have made the hall increasingly uncomfortable during warmer periods, affecting its ability to accommodate users safely and effectively. The heat is currently preventing or restricting use of the hall by the pre-school, as well as other regular user groups such as yoga classes, table tennis sessions, and dance groups. The installation will create a more comfortable environment, enabling these activities to continue throughout the year and helping to ensure the hall remains accessible and welcoming for all users. The project will benefit a wide range of people, including children attending the pre-school, participants in regular classes and activities, community groups, hall hirers, and members of the general public, most of whom are residents of Graveley. It also supports the Council's Sustainability priority by helping the hall adapt to the impacts of a changing and warming climate, ensuring that this community facility can continue to serve local residents into the future. The total cost to purchase and install the air conditioning unit is £5,000, with £2,000 being contributed by the organisation. Graveley Village Hall is requesting a grant of £3,000 from the Southern Rural Community Forum towards the project.				

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