

Community Benefit Grant Funding Report – May 2024

Total available for distribution 2023/24 **£53,471.73**

Community Benefit Grants applications for awarded on 3 May 2023

Melbourn Armed Forces and Veterans Breakfast Club	£255.60
Melbourn Dynamos Football Club	£6,337.76
Melbourn Fete Committee	£1,500.00
Melbourn Area Youth Development (MAYD)	£2,000.00
Melbourn Football Club	£4,527.98
Melbourn Primary School (MPS) PTFA	£4,461.00
1 st Orwell Scout Group	£5,116.00
St George's Allotment Association, Melbourn	£780.30

Total awarded May 2023: **£24,978.64**

Balance available for distribution Dec 2023: **£28,493.09**

Community Benefit Grants applications to be awarded 4 Dec 2023

Turn on to Christmas	£630.00
Relate	£5,000.00
Melbourn United Reformed Church	<i>deferred</i>
Melbourn Bell Ringers	<i>deferred</i>
Melbourn Action Community Support	£7,910.00
Melbourn Squash Club	£2,400.00
Community Support for Dementia	£6,683.00
Home-Start Royston	£2,907.34
John Impey Way Residents	£159.00

Total awarded Dec 2023: **£25,689.34**

Balance to carried forward £2,803.75

Amount awarded for distribution £74,363.37

Total available for distribution 2024/25 **£77,167.12**

AFVBC Grant Report for Melbourn Parish Council

AFVBC grant awarded £255.60 (quote detail below)

Item	Detail	Quote
Banner	AFVBC (newtonnewtonflags.co.uk)	£ 86.00
Base	Heavy flat - 6 KG	£ 42.00
	<i>Banner + Base subtotal</i>	£ 128.00
VAT		£ 25.60
	<i>Banner + Base + VAT total</i>	£ 153.60
AFVBC Pens	Vistaprint (100 pens)	£ 102.00
Total		£ 255.60


Actual purchases (see receipts below):

Item	Order no.	Cost
Pens*	VP_VP6R1RT6	£81.60
Banner + base	#2658	£153.60
Bunting	2603	£25.80
TOTAL		£261.00

*A discount was secured on the pens which permitted purchase of bunting – pens quoted for grant as £102.00. The founder of the club subsidised the additional £5.40.

The pens were available to hand out at the Melbourn Family Fun Day and were subsequently gifted to each attending member on our 1-year anniversary and are now a welcome gift to new members.

Invoice Original



Invoice Number:	0208698749	Vistaprint B.V.
Invoice Date:	2023-04-17	Hudsonweg 8
Payment Date:	2023-04-17	5928 LW
Dispatch Date:	2023-04-17	Venlo
Order Number:	VP_VP6R1RT6	Netherlands
		VAT #: GB805015277

Billed to:
Melbourn AFVBC

Dispatched to:
Melbourn AFVBC

Order Summary

Item	Qty	VAT %	Net Amount
Elite Soft-Touch Ballpoint Pen – Black I	100	20%	£68.00
			Subtotal (ex VAT) £68.00
			Delivery (ex VAT) £0.00
			20% VAT Total Amount £13.60
			Total £81.60

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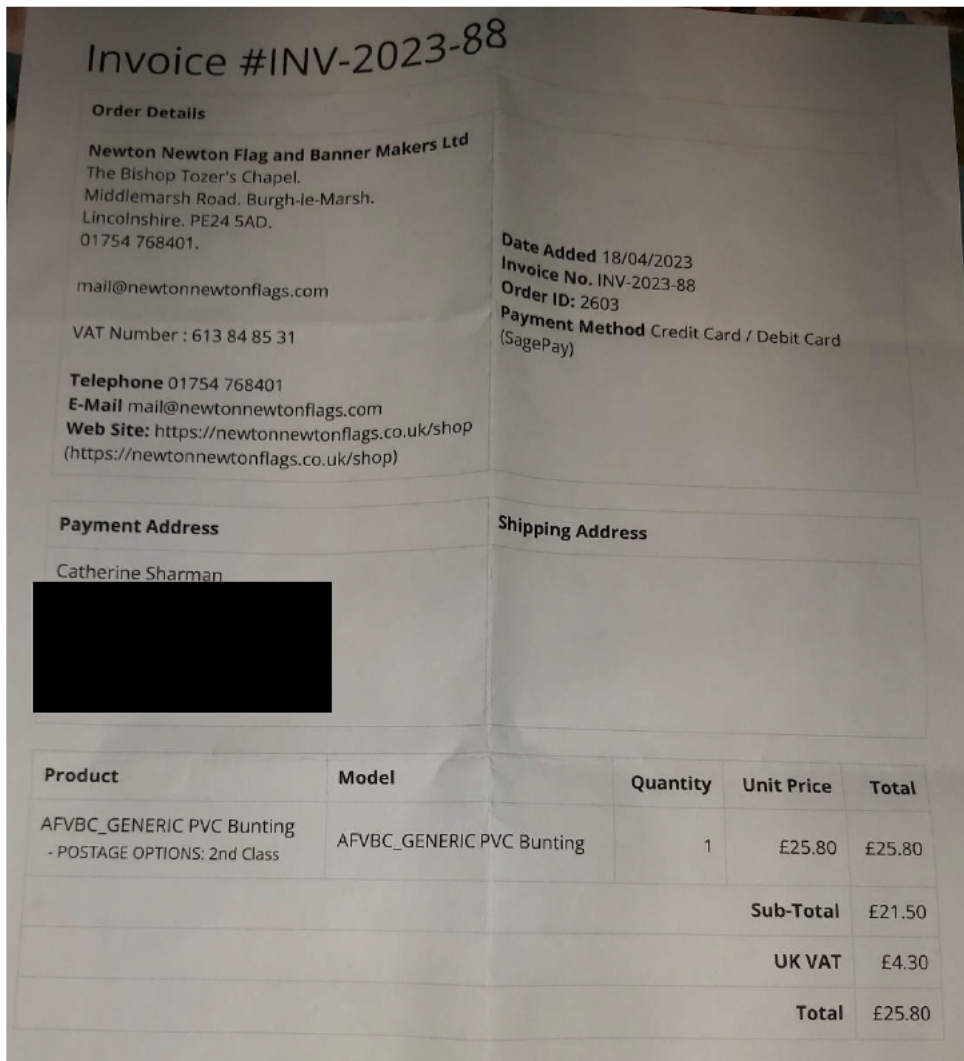
The invoice for the pens



The invoice for the flag



The flag outside the Dolphin during a breakfast club meeting



The invoice for the bunting



The bunting and some pens



The stand with bunting, flag and pens at Melbourn Family Fun Day, June 2023

Melbourn AFVBC are very grateful for the grant awarded by Melbourn Parish Council; we have had 5 new members join us since June and continue to grow in number, supporting veteran and serving members of Melbourn. Thank you from us all.

Melbourn Dynamos Football Club

I can confirm that the grant awarded to Melbourn Dynamos FC in May 2023, which was for £6,337.76 has been totally spent as detailed on the application in support of it.

As a direct result on increasing costs across the board the Club are more and more reliant on securing funding in an effort to keep our heads above water.

Despite receiving the solar funding, and other financial support, it has been necessary for the Club to raise registration fees from £140 to £195 yet despite all of this it is expected that the Club will finish the current season with a very modest amount to carry over.

The Club are extremely grateful for the support of the Parish Council in granting us this, and previous grants because without it, it would be very difficult for us to operate.

Regards.

Blake Carrington, Chair, MDFC

Report on 2023 grant spend:

Melbourn Dynamos FC gratefully acknowledges the receipt of a grant of £6,337.76 from the Parish Council in April 2023. This grant was allocated towards the procurement of essential equipment and resources to enhance our club operations and facilitate the ongoing development of our teams. This report outlines the expenditures and utilisation of the granted funds, demonstrating their impact on our club and community.

Details of Expenditure and Utilisation:

The following items were funded (partially or in full) by the grant received:

1. Two Sets of Portable Metal 9v9 Goals:
 - These goals have been extensively used in training and matches, greatly enhancing our facility offerings and enabling more effective practice sessions.
2. Balls (Various Sizes):
 - The new balls have replaced older, worn-out equipment, ensuring all players have access to quality materials for skill development.
3. Kit (Shirts, Shorts, Socks) for Various Teams:
 - The new kits have been distributed across our teams, this has significantly aided in fostering a sense of unity and pride among the players.
4. First Aid Kits:
 - The new first aid kits have been crucial in addressing minor injuries during games and practices, ensuring the well-being of our participants.

Impact on Community:

The investment in equipment has not only improved the quality of training and playing conditions but also supported our club's mission to keep participation fees affordable. By maintaining lower fees, we ensure that football remains accessible to a broader segment of the Melbourn community, particularly benefiting 281 parishioners who are active members of our club.

Acknowledgments:

We thank the Parish Council for their support and trust in Melbourn Dynamos FC. Your contribution is not only an investment in the material aspects of our club but also in the lives of the young individuals who are nurtured within our community.

Melbourn Fete Committee

Report on the expenditure made from the 2023 MPC Grant

The Melbourn Fete Committee received a grant from the MPC Community Grant Fund of £1,500 to underwrite the staging of a Family Fun Day in June 2023. The funds were requested to cover the unavoidable costs which would have been written off if the event were cancelled, as in 2021.

The grant was spent as follows:

Item	Expenditure
PA System	£1020.00
Insurance	£378.00
Deposits for attractions	£205.00
Skip	£240.00
Web and Email Hosting	£77.99
Publicity	£41.23
Total	£1962.22

The additional expenditure was taken from Melbourn Fete Committee funds.

Melbourn Fete Committee is very grateful for the continued support from the MPC. MPC's commitment enables us to stage important events for the community such as the 2023 Fun Day, next year's Fete, Turn on to Christmas each year and Open Gardens. Money raised from the 2023 Fun Day was donated to Melbourn Dynamos, MACS, Royston District and Community Transport, Melbourn Community Library, All Saints Bells and the 1st Orwell Scout Group.

C M Carter
Treasurer
18/10/2023

Melbourn Area Youth Development

REPORT on Community Benefit Grant – In support of DJ Workshops

Original Proposal

DJ 'Workshops' - £2,000 as match funding for a SCDC Community Chest Grant towards the purchase of equipment to enable delivery of DJ Workshops. The expert support is to be given free of charge (see Jason Coulman proposal document). The Community Chest Grant application would be made on behalf of the Melbourn Parish Council.

The workshops will include teaching 11 to 16-year olds new skills, how to be a DJ, what it takes to be a DJ, how to blend tracks, how to use the equipment, what the equipment does and why so that they could potentially become a DJ one day, although the process is in itself very enjoyable and plugs into basic youth interests.

The goal will be to provide a taster into music and production outside of a school setting and to support the youth provision in Melbourn and surrounding area.

The proposal is to use the Pavilion as the venue and to store equipment on site using the secure steel shed storage facility.

Outcome

It transpired that MAYD as a body are not eligible for a SCDC Community Chest Grant. However, through savings from an unexpected delay in the start date for the Connections Bus linked with clever purchasing decisions with equipment acquisition, it has been possible to commence the DJ Workshops as originally planned.

A taster session was held at the Hub where the initial interest was sparked and a group of young people formally signed up after a brilliant demonstration of what could be experienced.

Workshops have been running every Monday evening at the pavilion since September with good and growing attendance (8 to 12 young people + at least two DBS-checked supervisors). It attracts (as was hoped) a wide age range of both boys and girls and there is a definite 'club' culture developing - a Christmas Party event is being planned.

Sincere thanks are due to Jay Coulman and *Mix Music* for offering this excellent free youth opportunity that merges a key interest for young people with a safe space to socialise and develop confidence.

This was grant money well spent.

John Travis/Chair MAYD Joint Committee

Melbourn Football Club

We can confirm that the full amount was spent on the new roll-on goals as described.

These were delivered last month and are currently being safely stored in the Melbourn FC lock-up.

We aim to have them built and ready for use for the first weekend of November. Work is currently taking place by club volunteers to finish building the storage pen, as requested by the council as a condition of being granted the money.

Best wishes,

Simon
Chairman, Melbourn FC

November 2023

Update: Goals are now housed in the storage pen on The Moor.

Melburn Primary School PTFA

Report on Parish Council Grant Expenditure

The grant provided by the Parish Council in April 2023 has been used to cover the cost of the Primary School's PTFA annual fireworks display and to purchase additional equipment to improve the school's community events.

The total amount of the grant was £4,461, which was used as follows:

Fireworks display: £3,340 was used to fund the annual fireworks display held at Melbourn Primary School. The display was a sell-out success and enjoyed by the whole community. The event generated a massive £14,255.66 turnover and an estimated £8,500 profit, all of which is available to donate to the school for much needed resources for the children.

New equipment: £860 was used to purchase a new marquee to be used at PTFA events such as the Fireworks Night and annual Summer Fayre. The new marquee is a little larger than its predecessor, allowing for more space for volunteers using BBQ equipment underneath. It is also much more stable and the cover is fireproof, improving our confidence in the safety of our events.

£375.92 was used to purchase two extra long extension cables to improve safety practices and two new hot water urns to replace faulty equipment. These items will benefit community our community events (Fireworks Night and Summer Fayre) as well as many small events held at and within the school throughout the calendar year. Our new urns also have a better energy efficiency rating than the equipment they are replacing.

This totals £4,575.92 equating to an overspend of £114.92, which has been covered by PTFA funds.

In summary, the Parish Council's grant has been used to great effect and has helped to enhance the PTFA's community events. On behalf of the Melbourn Primary School PTFA, I would like to thank the Parish Council for their support in awarding us the money to improve both provision for community events and our fundraising capabilities.

Signed,
Logan Gamble
PTFA Treasurer
On behalf of Melbourn Primary PTFA

1st Orwell Scout Group

The money was used exactly as intended to purchase tents and compasses, albeit at a lower cost than anticipated, hopefully you have now received the under-spend back in your account, please could you confirm?. Below are pictures of the tents in action (they are the green tents on the RHS of the top image).

Please pass on our sincere gratitude to the Council for their support of the Scout Group.

Refund of £251.61 received



St Georges Allotment Association, Melbourn

Community Grant Report 2023

Summary: The St George's Allotment Association applied for and received a Melbourn Parish Council Community Grant in May 2023 to cover the hire cost of two 8-yard general waste skips (one for early summer and one for autumn), and to purchase soil improver for use on the Melbourn Allotments at The Moor, Melbourn. The grant received (£780.30) was comprised of £520.80 for hire of two skips and £259.50 for purchase and delivery of ~9 tonnes of soil improver. Both amounts were fully spent during the year.

Waste Clearance Skip Hire: An 8-yard general waste skip was hired from the Mick George Group and delivered to the allotments on 2nd June 2023 to coincide with the start of the main gardening season. Plot holders rapidly filled the skip by clearing non-compostable assorted rubbish from their plots, such as broken wire fencing, rusted metal, broken glass, waste plastic, etc., see photo.



A second skip has been purchased and delivery arranged for the 27th October 2023 to coincide with the autumn clear up as tenants start to put their plots to bed for the winter season.

This project is beneficial to all of the St Georges Allotment community and resulted in many tidier allotments. Having less rubbish on their allotments not only benefited the current plot holders but also provides legacy value to future tenants. It also benefited the local environment by removing environmentally harmful materials such as plastic

and provides safer conditions for plot holders to tend their plots. It complements the ongoing work by the council to reduce the amount of asbestos cement fragments on the allotments.

Soil Improver: The delivery of a lorry load of soil improver from Waterbeach Waste Management Park was arranged with Melbourn based A J Grab Hire Ltd, and on the 25th August 2023 they duly delivered 10.8 tonnes of lovely black gold, see photo. The soil improver was available to all plot holders and within a few weeks had been wheel-barrowed to individual plots by the holders. The known benefits of using it as a mulch include improved soil structure, increased moisture retention, weed suppression and better crop growth. The improved soil fertility will also benefit future plot holders as well as the current ones. The soil improver is generated from waste food and vegetation collected from households around the county and composted under ideal conditions at the Waterbeach Waste Management Park.



Conclusion: The first skip hire and the purchase and delivery of soil improver have been completed and the remaining skip hire will be delivered on 27th October, ensuring both grant projects will be fully completed in 2023, bringing benefit to allotment holders and the allotment environment. The full amount of the grant has been spent, and a small additional amount to cover the increased cost of the extra soil improver was provided from the Association funds.

Turn on To Christmas

TOTC started in 2017 and is organised by members of the Fete committee. TOTC has a popular and varied format including live music, children's Christmas themed activities, tombola, story-telling and of course the turning on of the Christmas Tree lights. We are supported by the management, staff and volunteers of the hub who sell food and drink at the event. In line with the general ethos of both the village fete and TOTC we endeavour to make these events as affordable as possible and all of the activities we provided this year were free, thanks to the funds provided through the PC.

This year for the first time we incorporated into the light switch on the arrival of Father Christmas in his sleigh thanks to the participation of the Royston Round Table. This proved a popular addition which we hope to continue at the next TOTC. Estimating numbers is difficult but it was as busy as previous years with most of the families walking to the event so therefore likely to be fellow villagers.

We announced on the PA system several times throughout the afternoon that funds were provided through the PC.

The whole event was a complete success and I am grateful in being supported by a very able and enthusiastic team, we look forward to TOTC 2024. However, in the meantime we are busy organising this year's Fete.

On behalf of the TOTC organising committee and the families attending our event we are very grateful for the funding we received from the PC. As can be seen from the accounts there was a surplus of £47.24, please advise if you wish this to be repaid. If the funds are not needed to be repaid they will be used towards the fete.

Many thanks,

Trevor Purnell
TOTC Chair

Relate Cambridgeshire

Service recently launched so too early for a full report.

The grant was to fund the rental costs of a room for Relate's counselling at the Hub once a week, and to cover the setting up costs and administration, including marketing the service etc.

We have a counsellor ready to begin the service soon, and here is a recent social media post attached.

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Cambridgeshire

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take enquiries

Relationship, Autism relationship and
Personal counselling services available at
the Melbourn Hub from Friday 19th of
April 2024

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 counselling@relatecambridge.org.uk



Claire Godward, Chief Executive Relate Cambridgeshire

Melbourn Action Community Support



MACS (Melbourn Action Community Support)



MACS received a MPC Community grant of £7910 in **December 2023** and have spent **£2,300** to end of **March '24** to operate Melbourn Food Bank and Cozy Corner supporting residents through the cost of living crisis.

Both are located in Vicarage Close Community Hall and supported by a dedicated team of volunteers.

Food Bank provides non-perishable foods and essentials on a '*no voucher, no referral*' basis to Melbourn residents.

Open Mondays and Thursdays 10-12 serving an average of 17 customers per week.

MACS supports both MPS and MVC with breakfast foods and has developed a reciprocal relationship with period products.

MACS is a member of South Cambs Foodbank network.

MACS has Trusted Partner status for Household Support Fund applications for customers and have completed 42 applications to date.

Fund raising activities such as Craft stalls, 'DanceAthon' and Bingo sessions undertaken to raise funds.

Cozy Corner is open on Mondays and Thursdays 12-3 and has an average of 30 visitors per week. Hot lunch provided for 17 people per week.



Melbourn Squash Club

Half of our grant money is used to pay a monthly retainer to a professional coach, who offers mid-week sessions to juniors, so £1,200 is committed to that. We are using the other half to fund Level 1 English Squash coaching qualifications for around half a dozen experienced players to be able to support other structured sessions that the club either currently offer or plans to offer: for ladies, more casual / social players and for juniors. The cost of the coaching qualification is c.£200 per person; 2 players have completed the course and we expect a further 4 to do so over the spring and early summer.

We therefore expect to spend the full £2,400 spent over the course of the year.

Community Support for Dementia

To date we have not spent all of the money. Our aim is that it will last 12 months, as per the plan we presented with our application.

Please see below a copy of our plan. So far, we have had 4 Memory Cafes, 1 Dementia Workshop, have booked a trip to Felixstowe and are awaiting confirmation of a date for the Virtual Dementia Bus experience. Memory Cafes are booked for the rest of the year and Dementia Workshops are booked too.

Application for Funding re Dementia awareness project - Melbourn					Total requested as grant funding	£ 6,683.04
Nov- 2023 - Nov 2024						
Expenditure	Projects with costs	Frequency per Annum	Costs	Total	Anticipated Income	
	Dementia Friends Cafe	12	300	3600	1200	Refreshments/dementia champion/hire (45+)
	Dementia Cafe Entertainment	12	50	600	0	Event leader = entertainment Avg £50 (x12)
	Daily Sparkle Activity Coordinator	12	59	708	0	Monthly subscription for Dementia friendly activities
	Printing costs - Daily sparkle	12	10	120	0	30 copies - 59 colour pages per memory café
	Dementia equipment one off costs	1	300	300	0	This will include a varying array of dementia related equipment
	Coach Trip/lunch /the Hut, Felixstowe	1	1300	1300	400	Coach £800.00 - Lunch 50 @ 6.00 per head+ refreshments (20 @£20)
	Dementia Training Session/Carers	3	360	1080	300	Every 4 months/Hub meeting room/Forget me knot dementia (10 @ £10)
	Virtual Dementia Bus Experience	1	1200	1200	540	One per year/Training2u/(36 @ £15.00)
				0	0	
				0	0	
	Other grant Funding Sources				0	It will be the intention to approach other PC's as new members come from those parishes.
	Donations					
	Current monies held				1720.96	
				£ 10,844.00	£ 4,160.96	

Melbourn Parish Council Community Benefit Grant Report

Prepared for: Melbourn Parish Council

Date: 24 April 2024

We are so grateful for your funding in December 2023, which enabled us to provide crucial home-visiting support to two vulnerable Melbourn families, who were referred to us by the Community Nurse and Preschool.

The families' **diverse and complex issues** included:

- Poor Parental Mental Health
- Mother struggling with anxiety
- Attachment difficulties
- Difficulties managing children's behaviour
- Children with health issues requiring ongoing monitoring/treatment
- Child with possible autism spectrum disorder (ASD) and sensory processing disorder
- Child speech and language delay
- Child health issues – including delayed mobility with difficulty in managing physiotherapy exercises
- No car - difficulties in getting to medical appointments
- No local friends or family
- Bereavement

The Community Benefit Grant enabled our highly-trained volunteers to meet with the families for 2-3 hours every week, providing bespoke practical and emotional support, which was non-judgemental, confidential and free. This included:

- Providing a listening ear and emotional support
- Giving reassurance and positive feedback
- Reading stories and playing games
- Support with physiotherapy exercises
- Outings to the park
- Enabling parent to have 1-1 time with each child by spending time with each child individually
- Parental support with childcare decision, enabling a return to part-time work
- Talking through behaviour strategies to support child with ASD
- Signposting for more specialist support where appropriate.

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The positive changes as a result of our support included:

- Improved Mental Health, with mother feeling much calmer and able to do more with children
- Children less anxious around new people
- Better child/parent attachment – child less anxious about separation
- Improved mobility for child
- Mother able to go back to part-time work
- Mother managing child's multiple appointments better

The parents gave us the following feedback, regarding our support:

"Thank you so much for your support this year. I was feeling incredibly lonely when we first got in contact and have been touched by the kindness and generosity of time from the volunteers. Your help with the children takes the pressure off and allows me to enjoy my time with them more."

"Her visit brought me so much relief yesterday as I'd had such a hard morning"

John Impey Way Residents

A TV licence was purchased to allow residents to use the communal area at John Impey Way for watching television.