

Civic Pride Fund Investing in Neighbourhoods bids for 2022 recommended for approval

Appendix A

Proposed Neighbourhood CIL allocations for 2023-24

Bid ID	Project name	Neighbourhood Zone	Primary Priority	Recommended allocation amount	2023-24 Capital £	2023-24 Revenue £
2 & 3	Repairs to Grade II Listed Tudor Walls - Church Lane Playing Fields and St Mary's Churchyard	Morden	1	20,000		20,000
4	Community Champions, more sustainable Merton	all	2	51,836		51,836
5	Merton Garden Streets 2023	all	1	35,373		35,373
6	Merton Sports Coaching Academy	all	3	144,275		144,275
7	Springboard – SMCA working for the community	Mitcham	1	87,000	87,000	
8	Towards Employment	all	1	74,960		74,960
10	Kenilworth Green SuDS and Pocket Park Improvement	Wimbledon	2	65,000	65,000	
11	Restoring Pride in Mitcham Cricket Green	Mitcham	1	54,000	54,000	
28	Morden Park Playground	Morden	3	75,522	75,530	
30	Merton Saints BMX Club - New Start Hill and LED Lighting	Mitcham	3	130,000	130,000	
31	Cannizaro Park Valley Path safety, accessibility and sustainability project	Wimbledon	2	82,500	82,500	
32	Uptown Youth Services	all	1	15,000		15,000
33	Future proofing the Durnsford Road Recreation Ground	Wimbledon	3	44,769	44,770	
37	Garfield Rec MUGA refurb	Wimbledon	3	120,000	120,000	
40	Vestry Hall - Mitcham Arts Collective	Mitcham	1	12,000		12,000
42	Green Gym for Moreton Green	Morden	3	35,000	35,000	
43	Survive to Thrive - Workshop 305	Wimbledon	1	115,600	115,600	
44	The Small Quarter Phase 2: Accessibility Improvements	Mitcham	1	22,000	22,000	
45	Ready Steady Cook CR4 Community Cooking Classes	Mitcham	1	42,750		42,750
46	The Wheel	all	2	63,615		63,615
53	Anima Una bid to equip Chapter House for youth theatre and community events	Colliers Wood	1	33,000	33,000	

Total	1,324,200	864,400	459,809
Number of bid recommended for approval	22	14	8
Total Budget	1,324,209		

- Priority**
- Nurturing Civic Pride – is about the relationship that people and communities have with a place this includes their physical surroundings and feelings of identity and belonging.
 - Building a Sustainable Future - Working towards a greener, more sustainable, and resilient future for the borough means better housing, action on climate change and supporting the health and wellbeing of our local communities.
 - Creating a Borough of Sport - From internationally renowned organisations like the All-England Club to grassroots clubs and organisations like Tooting and Mitcham FC, we want to strengthen our partnerships with sports clubs, organisations and businesses across the borough and promote increased participation in sports and activity.
 - Recovery and Modernisation - The aims of the programme are two-fold. Firstly, to plan and support recovery as the country emerges from the pandemic. Secondly, to capture and build on some of the new ways of working to develop a modern council fit for the future.
 - Corporate Budgets

Bid details – Civic Pride Fund Investing in Neighbourhoods

Appendix B

Bid ID #	Project name	Bidder name	Project Description	Neighbour- hood Zone	Bid amount	Recommended allocation amount	Recommended decision <small>(incl. reasons & any conditions)</small>
2	Repairs to Grade II Listed Tudor Wall around Church Lane Playing Field Merton Park SW19 3PD	Dese Child - John Innes Society	This Listed Tudor Wall has been on English Heritage/Historic England's At Risk List for so long as anyone can remember. It has been on the Council's "to do" list for years but no funds have been available. Patch repairs have been carried out from time to time but now a section of crumbling wall has become very dangerous and may collapse. During Lockdown, children picked bricks out of the wall to make a climbing wall and that has affected its stability. The worst section, for which this bid is made, is on the Field side, just west of the boundary with Church House's garden gates. There is also a section of brickwork missing from the left hand gate post on Church Lane where a plant had to be removed. The hole needs filling before it weakens the gatepost further.	Morden	20,000	20,000	Approve. £20,000 recommended contribution to the wall repairs bids ID# 2 and 3. Proposal costs to be established following appropriate expert inspection, scoping and specification. Delegated authority to be utilized for any necessary decision to authorise an increase in contribution towards the wall repairs. Investment in Merton's heritage assets helps nurture civic pride.
3	Repairs to Grade II Listed Tudor Wall St. Mary's Merton Park Churchyard	Dese Child - John Innes Society	Repair sections of Churchyard Wall. The wall has been on the Council's "to do" list for several years, but no funds have been available for repairs. The wall is the setting of St Mary's Church Merton Park, which is a Grade II* Listed Building and is on the Council's Heritage Strategy List. The worst section of wall is along Church Lane (SW19 3HQ) which has suffered a collapse in January 2023. There is a safety risk for highway users including the pavement used by children to access nearby Merton Park Primary School.	Morden	20,000	See above	Approve. £20,000 recommended contribution to the wall repairs bids ID# 2 and 3. Proposal costs to be established following appropriate expert inspection, scoping and specification. Delegated authority to be utilized for any necessary decision to authorise an increase in contribution towards the wall repairs. Investment in Merton's heritage assets helps nurture civic pride.
4	Community Champions, more sustainable Merton	Diana Sterk - Sustainable Merton	Aim: inspire and mobilise local people and partner organisations to address the Climate Emergency and issues on energy, waste, air quality, growing, food poverty and wellbeing to achieve positive behaviour change. The funding is a contribution to the total £117k costs is to cover the Community Champions programme including programme manager, Growing space (developing Mitcham Community Orchard inc. social prescribing to young people/pathway creation; and Phipps Bridge Allotment, as sustainable growing supplying Community Fridge); project communications & engagement and overheads.	all	63,836	51,836	Approve. Proposal that addresses the demands of the changing climate on our neighbourhoods represents the council's support for endeavours to protect local residents, businesses and visitors against some of the worse impacts of climate change, inspiring behavioural change through activities and initiatives with respect to the circular economy, travel, food production and diets.
5	Merton Garden Streets 2023	Merton Climate Action Group	Aim: To increase plant biodiversity in the borough by planting pollinator friendly plants and encourage social cohesion through volunteer-led planting initiatives at Community planting days. £35k funding is sought with the aim for 135 streets to have signed up and 5000 pollinator friendly plants across all 20 wards in Merton to participate.	all	35,373	35,373	Approve. Continuing this successful project for another year will nurture civic pride and help residents build a sustainable future. This holistically beneficial community project is also an important climate adaptation measure that can help Merton communities build resilience in the face of climate induced environmental risks, such as loss of biodiversity and flooding.

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6	Merton Sports Coaching Academy	Merton School Sport Partnership - Nicola Ryan	Aim: Merton School Sport Partnership project addressing the need for more qualified sports coaches to deliver physical activity, PE and Sport to children within our schools and community. Funding for managing placements, financial and pastoral support carrying out PE lessons, sporting and other physical activity coaching at Merton Schools for up to 24 young coaching students at TMUFC and financial support completing their B-tech football and PE, PA and coaching qualifications.	all	144,275	144,275	Approve. Condition: prior to award of grant and no later than the date that the programme would commence in accordance with the bid application assurances must be secured that just this one year investment is worthwhile considering the cost for the second year of the 2-year programme remains to be funded.
7	Springboard – SMCA working for the community	South Mitcham Community Association	Aim: To make the community centre building more welcoming, adaptable and fit for purpose. Funding - £85k for toilet refurb - making accessible toilet fit for purpose, women's toilet works including new children's toilet/basin, refurb men's; £2k painting. Part of a larger project that includes refurbishments to create a more flexible space to accommodate a wider range of uses and install a green wall, for which external funds are pending.	Mitcham	87,000	87,000	Approve. Supporting accessible Community facilities that the community can be proud of and brings people together building a narrative of pride in the community.
8	Towards Employment	Mellisa Stewart	Aim: Providing opportunities for residents to increase their employability skills, economic and overall wellbeing through the refurbishment of community space at Vestry Hall, including green space, and the repurposing of salvaged wood to create community use furniture and deliver pop-up craft fairs within the community. The investment would support the continuation of the Towards Employment programme featuring Vestry Hall revitalisation work experience project with SoloWood carpentry and trade upcycling/sustainable carpentry expert as project manager; includes refurbishing first floor hall, and various new and refurbished features in the garden. Other regular Towards Employment activities also included. £74k sought is majority funding contribution, with £34k contribution from DWP social care funds to Towards Employment staffing costs and £1k towards SoloWood costs. £74k sought would contribute £40k to Towards Employment staff, £14.9k for SoloWood expertise and £20k to cover construction costs.	all	74,960	74,960	Approve. This programme has a proven track record of delivering strong NCLL outcomes and this bid would go further by securing match funding and delivering improvements to Vestry Hall and associated payback via use of Vestry Hall for activities, helping nurture civic pride
9	Make Merton Merry	Dickie Wilkinson	Commission local Merton based artists to work with school children's and community organisations to produce a series of seasonal, shop window displays across the borough. E.g. for the coronation a sports or heritage theme in Autumn and then a festive Christmas display. In addition the artist would also produce a number of banners that would be placed in empty shops to create a more attractive high street encouraging residents to visit the high street and deliver Civic Pride.	all	35,000	-	Refuse. Proposal is not sufficiently formed. Bidder is an individual. This presents an unacceptable accountability risk for the funder.

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10	Kenilworth Green SuDS and Pocket Park Improvement	Cllr Jill Hall	Aim: to deliver a pocket park including a raingarden/SUDS solution to flooding issue (phase 1). Following assessment by the council's flood management officer it has been confirmed that this phase 1 would require all of the bid amount. It is understood that second phase to introduce amenity/activity features at site identified at the location which can't be funding by the amount applied for may be subject of a bid for third party funding.	Wimbledon	65,000	65,000	Approve. Helps to build a sustainable future by combatting the risk of flooding, one of the negative impacts of climate change, and builds civic pride by enhancing the local environment.
11	Restoring Pride in Mitcham Cricket Green	Mitcham Cricket Club	Aim: to improve Mitcham Cricket Club's facilities to restore the appearance of the Green and improve availability and use for junior and women's cricket. £66k funding is sought to cover full costs including new artificial pitch, re-seeding outfield, mower, scorebox, site screen and surface treatment, quotes supplied and alternative funding from Surrey Cricket Foundation (bid in March), together totally maximum saving of circa £12k without scaling down project.	Mitcham	66,000	54,000	Approve. Condition: prior to award of grant match funding efforts shall be carried out the to the council's satisfaction and the council's verification for the same shall be achieved no later than 31st March 2024. Helping to Create a Borough of Sport by supporting the modernisation of facilities for local cricket club with open for all affordable sporting opportunities supporting public health and talking diabetes. Leisure services: "We are very short of cricket compared to the demand so the club having more capacity makes sense". Builds Civic Pride by investing in this iconic heritage asset of Merton ensuring the tradition of cricket at the Mitcham Cricket Green remains a deep source of pride for the borough.
26	Museum of Wimbledon - Making history here	Wimbledon Society - Jacqueline Laurence	Funding activities, outreach and collections care at Wimbledon Museum	Wimbledon	20,000	-	Refuse. Reason for decision: investment not considered best value at the current time. The museum is currently implementing activities with support of NCIL funding awarded in 2022 (a 2021 bid) which was approved to help stimulate activity (with an outreach component) following the closure of the museum for refurbishment, an outcome which has been achieved with outreach activity occurring and has successfully generated other funding awards.
27	Revelstoke Road entrance and car park improvements in Wimbledon Park	Nick Steiner	Outline of proposals 1) To improve the entrance from Revelstoke Road. 2) Repair rainwater kit and clean up brickwork, re-site razor topped fencing and paint the bridge and set up fittings to allow murals from secondary schools in Merton & Wandsworth to be displayed on the inside walls. 3) Join up the perimeter path by relocating the car park and extending the railway tree hedge along the vacated area.	Wimbledon	60,000	-	Refuse. Unaccounted for ongoing revenue costs liable to London Underground/TfL for the mural. Deliverability uncertainty until ongoing work on the council's priorities for the park has been developed.

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28	Morden Park Playground	Friends of Morden Park - Liz Sherwood	To redesign and upgrade the existing small playground in Morden Park. To specifically enable it's better use in the autumn and winter months when the current entrance becomes waterlogged. This project creates a second entrance away from waterlogging, increases it's size, includes some new play equipment, rubber surfaces, a wheelchair friendly roundabout, refurbishment of picnic tables, new self closing gates, fencing and hedges.	Morden	75,522	75,522	Approve. Supports nurturing civic pride, building a sustainable future and creating a borough of sport
29	MusicOnWheels Merton	Petru Cotarcea	We will deliver 4 free, week-long, musical introductory courses in Merton. These will be targeted towards children from lower income families, who are likely to otherwise be financially excluded from musical education. We will introduce these children to instrumental music through a comprehensive mix of interactive online courses, and in-person tuition delivered on our converted double-decker bus. The courses will take place in Cricket Green, Figge's Marsh, Lavender Fields, and Pollards Hill.	Mitcham	24,080	-	Refuse. Unclear public outcomes. Primary outcome is private, i.e. promotion of organisation. Merton Music Foundation delivers music classes
30	Merton Saints BMX Club - New Start Hill and LED Lighting	Merton Saints BMX Club - Dorchie Cockerell	We are a community based BMX Club next to St Mark's Academy school in Mitcham. The start hill of our BMX track is badly subsidng, resulting in a dangerous crack in the hill. This has damaged our start gate beyond repair, which means we cannot run proper training sessions or races. The hill needs to be repaired and the start gate replaced. With increases in electricity costs, we also want to upgrade our floodlighting to LED bulbs to reduce energy costs so we can continue evening sessions.	Mitcham	93,328	130,000	Approve. Building on the success of BMX at recent Olympic Games by investing in local BMX infrastructure supports creating a borough of sport. The recommended allocation amount is greater than the the bid amount due to potential additional costs for repairing the start hill, upon which the success of the project rests, being identified by council contractors.
31	Cannizaro Park Valley Path safety, accessibility and sustainability project	Anna Watkin; applying on behalf of The Friends of Cannizaro Park	Address Valley Path safety, accessibility and sustainability issues by re-surfacing the hazardous, water-damaged sections of the path. Create a safe, smooth, step free, hard-wearing tarmac path to the popular pond area for people with mobility challenges and those using children's buggies. Install sustainable surface water drainage channels to capture rainwater flows and divert the water to enlarge and stabilise new water loving bog garden habitat.	Wimbledon	94,875	82,500	Approve. Project would help nurture civic pride with accessibility improvements to the paths of this renowned historic park, create a borough of sport and tackle climate change.
32	Uptown Youth Services	Uptown Youth Services - Julie Craddock	Aim: to fund growth in the operation of this youth club that supports disadvantaged young people with an emphasis on mentoring to help them to make better life choices and encourage education and training. Additional funding demands claimed for this year is new one-to-one weekly mentoring sessions, and extra costs for youth workers including one new youth worker to provide capacity to deliver growth and minimum wage costs for youth worker pay. Also would support funding HAF holiday courses (4hrs 4d/wk) started in 2021.	all	30,000	15,000	Approve. Helps to nurture civic pride by supporting a youth club in south Wimbledon with a track record of supporting young people effected by upheaval to life circumstances being exacerbated due to the nearby High Path estate regeneration

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33	Future proofing the Durnsford Road Recreation Ground	Friends of Durnsford Road Recreation Ground - Pamela Healy	Component of bid under consideration for funding involves replacing fencing between Rec & Wellington Works Industrial site. The fencing is early 1900's & badly damaged, children & dogs could easily gain access to this dangerous site. Bid also applied for funding to extend the wood created 25 years ago, the ground requires rotavating & clearing first, which wasn't identified as a priority by the Parks team. A standpipe for watering plants was also included but is not required.	Wimbledon	72,769	44,769	Approve for funding of fence replacement element of the project only. £20,000 has been identified from the council's Parks Investment capital budget to contribute to the fence replacement element of the project. Supports nurturing civic pride, building a sustainable future and creating a borough of sport
34	Increased "Actively Merton" exercise opportunities for those aged 50+	Age UK Merton - Jen Goddard	We want to enhance and expand the provision of physical exercise activities for older people aged 50+ in Merton. These activities aim to improve the health and wellbeing of our clients as well as reducing the impact of longer-term conditions like frailty and dementia. Aim: to supplement the funding for existing exercise activities currently put on by Age UK at the Elmwood Hub in Mitcham, with ambition to extend to additional activities (mini-golf, curling, bocca, new-age bowls) and new areas of the borough.	Mitcham	60,525	-	Refuse. Reason for decision: Track record - can consider future bids when Elmwood Centre Project has been delivered with the Neighbourhood CIL funding approved in 2020.
37	Garfield Rec MUGA refurb	Friends of Garfield Rec and Wandle Meadow Nature Park - Kelly Gunnell	Transformation of the current, under-used MUGA in Garfield Rec into a space that is welcoming and accessible to a wide spectrum of users from age 8+, and appeals to both girls and boys. Open spaces tend to be designed for sports, usually dominated by boys/men. We envisage an inclusive space where older children can hang out, feel secure and makes anti-social behaviour difficult. The new activity area will provide new sports and games options, as well as fun seating and hang out options.	Wimbledon	120,000	120,000	Approve. Supports nurturing civic pride, building a sustainable future and by improving the active recreation offer at a local park, especially expanding the offer to girls, creating a borough of sport
38	Wimbledon Common - Improving paths and access-for-all on	Maggie May	A grant from Merton Council will improve access for all by rebuilding 3 popular paths on Wimbledon Common so that they can be used by everyone all year round. The main entrance path and around the Windmill to the disabled toilets and cafe will be upgraded so that no one need use the vehicle road; a shared cycle way that becomes waterlogged will be resurfaced; and a path that travels through protected habitats will be restored. Your support will help more people to explore green space in Merton.	Wimbledon	56,420	-	Refuse. A bid can be considered for a small percentage contribution in the future once a large and proportionate fund raising effort has taken place.
39	Relaying and painting of basketball surface	Clr Caroline Charles	Basketball court to the rear of The Beeches, London Road Morden needs re-surfacing and lines repainting.	Morden	400	-	Refuse. Landowner/delivery organisation approval outstanding.
40	Vestry Hall - Mitcham Arts Collective	Julie Noel	creating a community hub for a range of events such as cinema evenings, festivals, theatre shows, jazz nights, food truck Fridays, markets.	Mitcham	12,000	12,000	Approve. Helps to nurture civic pride by creating an arts and entertainment hub at Vestry Hall in Mitcham.

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41	Merton Sporting Heritage Trail	Roger Rogowski	The project will deliver a 100 point self-guided trail around the borough that will take walkers to all of the locations associated with Merton's rich and diverse sporting activities past and present. The trail will also be supported online with detailed directions and supplementary information, links to local sports clubs and groups and guidance on how to get involved with the featured sports. There will also be a downloadable guide and associated videos.		44,340	-	Refuse. The proposal is not sufficiently formed. Locations not yet identified.
42	Green Gym for Moreton Green	Friends of Moreton Green and Woodland - Sophie Goad	An outdoor gym for Ravensbury residents to use for leisure and exercise.	Morden	35,000	35,000	Approve. Supports the Borough of Sport.
43	Survive to Thrive	Workshop 305 Community Interest Company - Kerry O'Keeffe	Essential refurbishment of our arts and crafts community workshops consisting of a roof repair, to insulate and encapsulate a leaking asbestos roof with oversheeting. Enhance extraction and install essential air-conditioning. Following receipt of updated quotes, the amount applied for will fund the repairs to the roof and provision of health and safety interventions in the form of air-conditioning/ventilation to the kiln room protect against fumes and overheating in summer. Other elements of original bid included: Provide external cycle and bin storage. Upgrade dilapidated furniture, e.g. kitchen and workshop furniture that is in need of replacement. Invest in an accessible pottery wheel for wheelchair bound users as our students are unable to use regular throwing wheels.	Wimbledon	115,600	115,600	Approve. Will fund physical improvements to a community building that houses a creative arts community facility that supports adults with learning disabilities
44	The Small Quarter Phase 2: Accessibility Improvements	Graphite & Diamond - Katie Welford	To deliver Phase 2 of The Small Quarter's business plan, our project will develop: - Accessible infrastructure to welcome the whole Mitcham community onsite - Workshops & activities suitable for children, teenagers and adults - Income generating activities to support our independent growth - Cultural outreach and co-creation of activities - Research + Development for Phase 3, which is to secure indoor workshop and creative space	Mitcham	106,063	22,000	Approve. Funding approval for the in the physical accessibility interventions only and the council to keep in touch with the organisation as it seeks to grow and achieve economic sustainability. Nurtures civic pride and helps build a sustainable figure through community facilities that the community can be proud of and brings people together, creates employment pathways building a narrative of pride in the community and helps to foster a wider understanding and following of environmentally sustainable growing.

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45	Ready Steady Cook CR4 Community Cooking Classes	Annalise Johns	This bid is designed to fund cooking classes for children and parents of CR4 once every week from three local community kitchens; Cricket Green Primary CR4 3AF, St Marks Primary Parents Centre, CR4 2LF, New Horizon Centre, CR4 1LT. This vicinity of Merton has the highest child obesity in Merton and is considered a food desert (where fresh foods are harder to find). Sustainable Merton's Community Fridge data, indicates East Merton residents are those to frequent the service most.	Mitcham	42,750	42,750	Approve. Builds life skills amongst the younger generation, instilling collective sense of civic pride, in a community with poorer life opportunities, setting the foundation for healthier communities and a borough of sport combatting diabetes
46	The Wheel	Merton Climate Action Group	The Wheel, a capacity building project for waste reduction and circular economy started in 2022, aims to build on the work done in its first year. This year it will focus on improving civic pride through waste reduction initiatives for and with local communities and small businesses to create a more visible greener economy in Merton. The Wheel works across 6 waste categories and 3 dimensions of low waste neighbourhoods enablement - a digital hub, community workshops and circular high streets.	all	68,115	63,615	Approve. Helps to protect the environment/build a sustainable future by supporting the circular economy to motivate behavioural change towards alternative approaches to fly-tipping that disproportionately effects communities with poorer life chances; and events to bring people together, together helping to nurture civic pride
47	Metal Benches in Morden Park & Playing Fields	Liz Sherwood	To supply and fit approx. 12 metal benches/seats in the park and playing fields where there currently very few.	Morden	20,000	-	Refuse. Portfolio service area for Merton parks are prioritising a series of enhancements in Morden Park to create a destination, including the Morden Park playground bid #28
49	Merton Guidebook.	Gabriel Moreno	172 things to do in Merton. This book aims to serve as an informative guide to help Merton become more accessible, especially for those who want to explore the borough and keep busy despite the increased cost of living. I hope that it helps inspire young people, entertains adults and that these activities in some shape or form make a positive impact on the social, physical, and mental wellbeing for residents who are keen to get active. It supports local business, sport and sustainable pastimes.	all	600	-	Refuse. Investment - to pay the costs for printing copies of the book - not considered of sufficient public value.
50	WMNP - Ecology Survey, Education Boards and Training	Friends of Garfield Rec and Wandle Meadow Nature Park - Kelly Gunnell	The Wandle Meadow Nature Park (WMNP) is an important 'wild' open space, much used but little understood. The Friends group request funding for a new updated habitat survey and associated mapping (prior was 1997), the results of which will inform the content for 4 interpretation boards, explaining the site's history and ecological significance. In addition, some money for site management works, training for volunteers and to support our educational events for local schools and the community.	Wimbledon	15,300	-	Refuse. Paying for the costs of the survey or on measures that would be pending the outcome of a survey is outside the scope of the funding. Alternative RSPB funding opportunities for survey. Panels not favoured due to ongoing costs/weathering

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51	New hedging and trees for Old Ruts Sports Ground	Mike Stallard - Old Rutlishians Sports Club	Next year sees the Centenary of Old Ruts Sports Club moving to Poplar Road. We are launching an appeal to raise funds to make sure we are there for another 100 years - one of the areas for improvement is to replace the very poor hawthorn hedging around the ground and plant new trees to enhance the outward appearance for local residents and to improve the biodiversity by providing more habitat for birds and insects.	Merton	5,000	-	Refuse. Not best value as funding would be for a private sports club as opposed to general public benefit. Project timeframes aren't aligned to the timeframes for funding.
52	Greening Merton Schools	Peter Urquhart - CREW Energy	Crew Energy is planning on installing 'living' green walls and other green planting for the benefit of 3 schools in Merton. This is a direct response to development in the area by providing much-needed green space, nature and biodiversity improvement in areas where this is limited. We will introduce a range of planting on the school boundary and a green wall within to act as a natural green buffer and improve overall air quality for schools who do not benefit from the school streets programme.	all	77,225	-	Refuse. Proposal not sufficiently formed, which has been acknowledged by the bidder.
53	Anima Una bid to equip Chapter House for youth theatre and community events	Andrew Judge - Anima Una	Anima Una is a charity aiming at bringing young people together to teach, inspire and empower them to create excellent theatre. We aim to involve young people who cannot afford to participate in commercial drama classes. We are based in the unique historical space of the Chapter House, owned by the Borough, but need funds to equip it for lighting, sound, film projection and security.	Colliers Wood	33,000	33,000	Approve. This is the final year of Neighbourhood CIL awards to this project which will bring the location of the Merton Priory Chapter House remains to life as a venue for youth theatre celebrating the past through future generations and nurturing civic pride.
54	Sustainability Centre	Kristina Burton - Mitcham Town Community Trust	We would like to use the funds to transform and update, our founding member's, Cranmer school's old assembly hall. We aim to build a multi-purpose sustainable community centre with easy access during and beyond the school day. This will be achieved by using recycled building materials, LED lighting and responsible energy consumption. There will also be an opportunity for teaching and learning about sustainability in the eco-friendly environment as well as community cohesion and public pride.	Mitcham	61,295	-	Refuse. Reason for decision: Not considered best value for Neighbourhood CIL investment at this time. Projects with demonstrable positive climate outcomes can be considered for future climate funding and works required to school facilities are considered through the respective thematic funds for school facilities strategically by the council.

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55	Restoring Civic Pride to Wimbledon's Pavement Shopping Arcade	Craig Hurring - Love Wimbledon	The Pavement is one of the few parades of shops in Wimbledon Town Centre which is 100% independent. Located in a conservation area, it features useful shops and services, including a locksmith, jeweller, sandwich shop and barber. It is situated in a prime location, opposite the prestigious Elys department store, and in proximity to several new office developments. We would like to conserve and rejuvenate this colonnade with new canopies, signage and planting to make it a destination of its own.	Wimbledon	75,000	-	Refuse. Proposal requires more assessment in terms of scope, costings, funding and prioritisation alongside other parade enhancement demands. Wimbledon town centre has recently benefited from a major parade refurbishment programme at Queens Road and Broadway. The Council has also recently invested in further public realm upgrades in Wimbledon town centre via CIL including the creation of a new public space at Wimbledon Theatre, Parklets and street lighting upgrades. The Council will be happy to work with LoveWimbledon on improving the planting area at Francis Grove outside of the NCIL process; including the re-use of benches removed as part of the Wimbledon Hill refurbishment.
56	Francis Grove Wellbeing Pocket Parklet	Craig Hurring - Love Wimbledon	Close to Love Wimbledon's offices on St George's Road, there is a small green space on the corner of Francis Grove, owned by Merton Council, in a poor state of disrepair, with a broken perimeter rail, large amounts of weeds and overgrown, unmaintained trees and planting. I would like to transform this currently unloved space into a community pocket parklet, providing additional seating from benches saved from scrap and co-designed with the community for restoration, together with new planting.	Wimbledon	15,000	-	Refuse. Solution involving benches being worked up with Love Wimbledon using alternative funding.
57	Wimbledon Park Athletics Stadium necessary improvements	Stewart Bond - Hercules Wimbledon Athletic Club (HWAC)	Complete work to regain UK Athletics TrackMark status for stadium to be used for full athletics training and competition further to work planned by LBM for early 2023. The stadium is widely used by the community, HWAC, schools and clubs but tree roots have damaged the track -Deep-clean, remove moss and algae, re-mark -Fill gaps between track and kerbs -Improve lighting to cover dark areas to meet -TrackMark standard -Make entry safer for wheelchair users and para-athletes -Other necessary work	Wimbledon	91,000	-	Refuse. Deliverability uncertainty until ongoing work on the council's priorities for the park has been developed.

Totals	2,139,651	1,324,200
count (bids received/rec. aprvl)	39	22