

Applicant:	Stansted Tennis Club
Name of project:	Floodlighting Improvements
Project brief:	<p>Stansted Tennis Club is an important community asset. It provides important recreation for over 170 members and has increased it's junior section to over 50. The junior section is mainly non members, and no charge is made for this service as we believe encouraging juniors is the right thing to do. Membership fees are kept exceptionally low to maximise inclusivity.</p> <p>To ensure that we can offer maximum court usage, floodlights were installed 15 years ago. The funding for these was supported by a grant from Veolia, a local waste management company. The floodlights have now reached a point where they need replacing. The intention is to replace the existing Metal Halide Floodlights with LED.</p> <p>Replacement with LED floodlights will provide improved quality of light and reduce energy usage and cost thereby being an environmental improvement.</p>
Total cost of the project:	£13,753.10
Amount raised:	£6,876.55
Amount Requested:	£6,876.55
Panel decision:	<p>Club allows free access to juniors and local primary school. LED lighting would have a significant environmental benefit on the surrounding neighbours as well as increase participation. Club providing 50% funding through fundraising activities.</p> <p>Panel support application of £6,876.55</p>

Applicant:	Thaxted Youth Club
Name of project:	Thaxted Youth Club - Skate Ramp Replacement
Project brief:	<p>We are looking to replace the existing skate ramp based at the Youth Club in Thaxted as it is unfortunately beyond repair. This is a well used and much loved skate ramp in the area (being famous for its shape and pool coping). We have a group of young skaters who are helping to raise some funds for its replacement, so far raising £1160, and keen to promote skating in the area with an open day/skate jam.</p> <p>We have one quote for a like for like replacement of £17k with a wooden frame and Skatelite like surface. For a metal framed ramp (which would stop the need for a full rebuild in the future), and also a slightly wider ramp to accommodate a smaller training ramp for new skaters to learn, we have been quoted £34k.</p>
Total cost of the project:	£34,995
Amount raised:	£1,170 – Go Fund Me towards new ramp and £1,000 from Youth Club Funds for removal of old ramp
Amount Requested:	£33,995
Panel decision:	<p>This project is being led by a group of young people who are trying to raise funds for the project. It is well used and skateboarding is an up and coming sports, especially following the success of the British team in the Olympics. The Panel agreed that full funding should be given and the Communities and Well-being team work with the group to organise a “skate jam” event to encourage more participation.</p> <p>Panel support application of £34,995</p>

Applicant:	Wenden Youth Cricket
Name of project:	Wenden Youth Cricket - Cricket Pavilion
Project brief:	We have c300 young cricketers in our Club, one of the biggest in Essex (and probably England) and are in the process of upgrading our facilities. We have self funded the upgrade of our nets and installed a new astro turf wicket and are now looking to upgrade our cricket pavilion which is in a run down condition and needs significant repair or a complete rebuild. We would like to undertake this project in 2021-2022 - it will have a great benefit for the children in our local area.
Total cost of the project:	£250,000
Amount raised:	£15,000
Amount Requested:	£150,000
Panel decision:	This project has not got off the ground yet. No drawings or costing submitted. Although it looks like a promising and well needed project, the application need serious development. The Panel agreed that £10,000 could be offered towards professional costs. The Communities and Health and Well-being Team would work with the Cricket Club to offer advice and assistance. This could be a good project for the whole community. Panel support the award of £10,000 towards professional costs and advise to reapply when the project is developed further.