



Platinum Jubilee Community Grants

Celebration report, 2022



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Grants of up to £500 were available for community groups celebrating Queen Elizabeth II's Platinum Jubilee, marking her 70 year reign.

Platinum Jubilee Grants were awarded for events and activities spread across Cambridge, with a total value £18,196 awarded to 40 groups, with over 6,000 people participating.

Events included community picnics, garden parties, tea parties and street parties; a window box competition; a royal themed silent disco; cake competitions; a coffee morning; the creation of commemorative bunting; sports and play activities; live music; a playground planting party; a library event; and an exhibition.



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Cambridge Russian Speaking Society

Coldham's Lane Romsey Residents' Association

"Many thanks for the grant – it has given a real boost to our community, which suffers from a very busy road."



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Gwydir Street

“Thank you for supporting the Gwydir Street Friends Tea Party & Window Box Competition as part of the Platinum Jubilee Celebrations! It was a bigger success than we could have imagined and despite the rain on the day of the street party we had a larger community attendance than expected. New friendships have been forged between neighbours, including with Kingston Street who we invited to join in with the celebrations together.

Both new and old residents commented on how the event gave them the opportunity to meet members of the community that they wouldn't have otherwise spoken to. The street has come alive with flowers and pollinating insects and we have gained more experience and resources as a community group in the process with which to develop future activities.”



Friends of Logan's Meadow

Accordia Residents (ACRA)

"We all really enjoyed the evening, it was really nice to relax, eat, drink and chat with everyone with our own beds so close by!"

"Many thanks for inviting Witness to play at the summer picnic last Saturday – it was a great experience for the band."



Albert Street

"We had a lovely street party, with afternoon tea and a visit from the Deputy Mayor. As well as food and conversation, there were various activities for children and a raffle and a quiz."

"A big thank you to all the ones that made this weekend possible. Lots of good music on Saturday, lots of fun games and yummy cakes on Sunday and we got lucky with the weather too!"

Clay Farm Community Garden



Bermuda Community Room

"Party advertised timing: 14.00hrs to 17.00hrs. Actual party timing: 14.00hrs to 19.00hrs. No one wanted to go home!"



Cambridge Victoria Homes

“Sadly, on the day the weather was very damp, drizzly and cold... However, all those attending have given very positive feedback, the weather did not dampen their enthusiasm... They really welcomed this opportunity to get together again after the last two years of lockdowns and to have some fun together. The Homes is very appreciative of the grant support which the council provided to enable the celebration to go ahead, and delighted by the visit by the Deputy Mayor, Cllr Jenny Gawthrope-Wood.”

Exeter Close



St Philip's Primary School PTA

"We had a great day, and it was lovely to see so many families from across our school community working together to make a difference. Everyone worked very hard, and we achieved a lot while also having a lot of fun. The planters will provide a lasting legacy for the children at St Philip's Primary School to commemorate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, and we are very grateful to Cambridge City Council for the Platinum Jubilee Grant that made all of this possible."



The Homing

Trumpington Residents' Association



Trumpington Stitchers



St Paul's Church

"We are very grateful to the council for enabling this event which we believe will have helped to further encourage a sense of community within the local area surrounding St Paul's."



Hurst Park Avenue



Safe Soulmates

"Thank you so much, it was such a wonderful evening, friendships have been made and many happy memories have been created."

Eddington residents

"We wanted to create an event to mark the milestone that our residents could enjoy. We have a very international community at Eddington and it was wonderful that people came out with their friends and family to be part of the Eddington community."



Cherry Hinton Residents' Association

"Our thanks to everyone who helped to make the Jubilee Weekend such a great success."

"We all owe you such a lot of gratitude for ensuring that we carry very happy memories of this Jubilee into the future... Thank you so so much."

St Martin's Church

"The afternoon was very busy, and far more people came than we expected, which was lovely. The children's activities went down very well, especially the football. The highlight for many was when the mayor and mayoress arrived. One little boy thought it was the king and queen arriving! It made his day!"

Rustat Neighbourhood and 28th Scouts

"It was a great event and we are most grateful for the support of the council. Everyone commented on the community spirit and welcoming atmosphere."

George Street



Royal Albert Benevolent Society

"We enjoyed a wonderful Jubilee tea. Music was supplied and a cream tea served. We had sandwiches and refreshments and everyone enjoyed the event. Thank you."



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Stretten Avenue Neighbours

"It was a really special event and so many people commented how much they enjoyed it. There was even someone who attended who remembers a street party from the Queen's coronation!"

Tea@3 - St Giles Church

"It was lovely that the Deputy Mayor was able to be with us. She cut the celebration cake... and helped to hand it round. We ended by singing the National Anthem. Everybody went home happy and full! Thank you so much for making this enjoyable and memorable afternoon possible."



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