

## Requests for Financial Support from Wickhambrook Parish Council

Each year Wickhambrook Parish Council sets aside some funds from its budget to give financial support to local and/or charitable organisations. The power under which a Parish Council may do this is s.137 of the Local Government Act 1972.

Requests have been received for financial assistance from:

1. Brave Futures
2. Headway Suffolk  
(Appendix A refers)

Other Charitable organisations which the parish council has previously received requests from, which have not requested assistance in this financial year (to date) are:

- BSEVC – Later in Life Community Connect
- Fresh Start – New Beginnings
- St Edmundsbury Newstalk Association
- Arthritis Action (from whom the pc receives regular updates)
- Citizens Advice Bureau
- East Anglian Children’s Hospice (EACH)
- Suffolk Neighbourhood Watch Association
- Suffolk Community Foundation

Funds remaining in the budget line for Charitable Donations are £200.00 against a budget of £250.00, with a further £50.00 held in Earmarked Reserves for Charitable Donation.

Unspent budget for charitable donations could be transferred to Earmarked Reserves, either for future requests for Charitable Support, or for Support for local organisations.

### **Recommendation:**

**Councillors are asked to consider which Charitable organisations to support and the level of support for each request made.**

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Dear supporter,

It needs huge courage for children to come to our service and get the help they need. As Fresh Start, new beginnings approached 10 years old we wanted to recognise this bravery and better reflect what we strive for, so, 'Fresh Start, new beginnings' has changed its name to 'Brave Futures'.



We hope our new name offers reassurance to children and young people about who they are coming to. We also hope it gives those who haven't been affected by sexual abuse, a small insight into the courage it takes for a young person to begin their journey with us, and the support that is needed for a child/young person to recover.

Thank you for supporting our charity over the last year, whether it's been through kind donations or attending the many events we have held, running a fundraiser event of your own, having us as your charity of the year, or of course the special role of a volunteer. It makes such a difference to the children who benefit from your generosity.

We hope we have your continued support. You can help with donations, nominating us as your charity of the year, running a fundraising event, or helping us raise awareness within your community. Please get in contact for further information and help us create Brave Futures for local children surviving sexual abuse.

Many thanks in advance,

Carrie

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Dear Parish Council

**Re: Headway Suffolk**

Headway Suffolk is a local charity that offers rehabilitation, support and care to people with an acquired brain injury, stroke, dementia, MS or other neurological condition.

We provide specialist rehabilitation, therapy and support services throughout Suffolk to help people rebuild their lives. We aim to improve daily living skills, cognitive ability, physical, emotional and behavioural wellbeing. Our goal is that people increase social engagement, live independently, gain employment and become active members of the local community.

We have two rehab hubs in Ipswich and Bury St Edmunds and run 'satellite' hubs and dementia social support groups in community buildings throughout Suffolk.

Headway Suffolk is registered with CQC to deliver specialised home care and community support. We had our first CQC inspection since 2018 during 2022 and were absolutely delighted when we were rated as outstanding overall, in caring and well led. The inspector took the opportunity to not only look at home care service but the entire charity and was amazed at the extra length the staff go to on a daily basis to ensure that we deliver outstanding care to our vulnerable clients

During the pandemic Headway Suffolk opened a free shop to our clients. We continue to offer the free shop to help with the rising cost of living. Clients are able to help themselves with some support and guidance from staff to the food, toiletries and other items that they might need

Like all charities Covid 19 has hit us hard. We have seen increased work but had less funding. We are appealing to Parish Councils to support us and grant us a donation. Many have always supported us and we ask that you continue to do so, so that we can help people with a neurological condition in your Parish.

I look forward to hearing from you

Yours sincerely

*Helen Fairweather*  
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Chief Executive

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