

Communities Mental Health and Wellbeing Fund

Launch 2021/22

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www.eastrencommunityhub.org.uk

Overall Aims of the Fund:

- Promoting and supporting the conditions for good mental health and wellbeing at population level.
- Providing accessible signposting to help, advice and support.
- Providing a rapid and easily accessible response to those in distress.
- Ensuring safe, effective treatment and care of people living with mental illness.

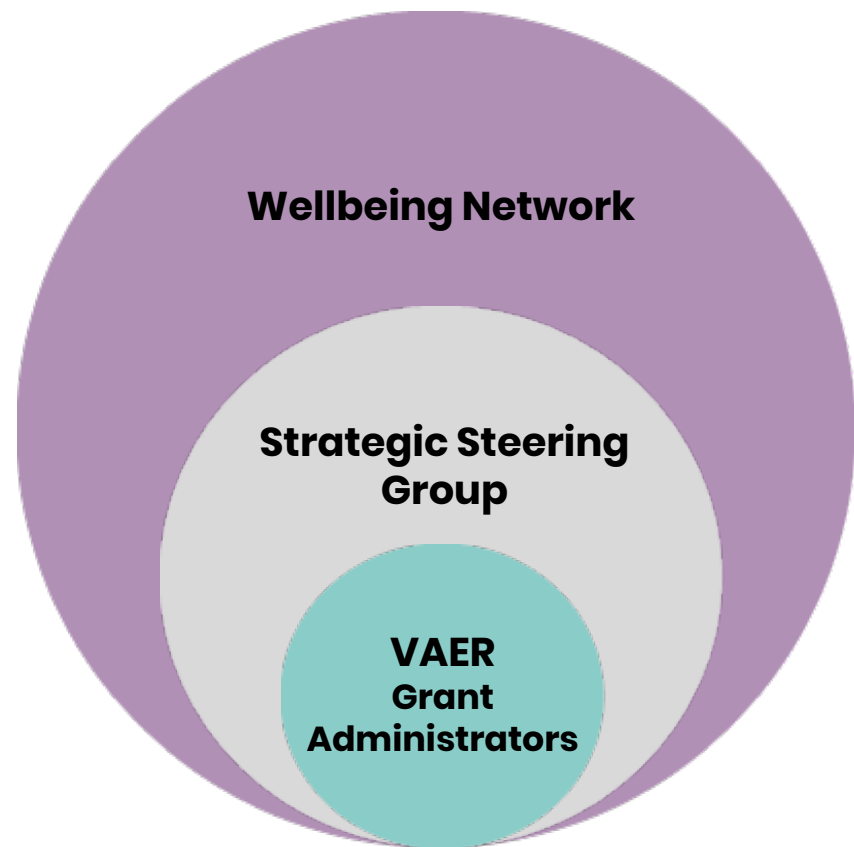


Local Context and Priority Outcomes

- Reducing the impacts of Social isolation and loneliness.
- Increasing the reach and positive impacts of Dementia community supports.
- Reducing the risks of financial hardship.
- Increasing awareness of and access to Suicide prevention supports.
- Increasing community access to physical activity, affordable food and nutrition.
- Improving the mental health and wellbeing of our staff and volunteers.

Who Should Benefit from this Fund

- Care experienced adults (16yrs+)
- Older people
- People required to shield during lockdowns
- Unpaid Carers – Families, and siblings (16+) of people requiring care
- Women and girls (16+)
- People with learning disabilities/ neurodiversity
- Ethnic minority communities
- Asylum seekers and refugees



Wellbeing Network

- Collaboration Development
- Shared Learning Platform

Strategic Steering Group

- Fund Decision Panel
- Strategic Overview
- Data Analysis

VAER Grant Administrators

- Administer Applications
- Support Strategic Steering group and Network



Now for the technical bit.....



Who Can Apply

- Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisations (SCIO)
- Unincorporated Associations
- Trusts
- Not-for-profit company or asset locked company or Community Interest Companies (CIC)
- Community councils



How Much Can Groups/Orgs Apply For

We have an overall funding pot of **£238,704.67** and our ambition is to ensure that a broad reach across community organisations is met. The distribution of grants are as follows:

- Unconstituted groups can apply for up to £2000
- Organisations/Groups can apply for up to £10,000
- Larger grants of up to £50,000 will be considered if applications meet the fund criteria and have a robust evidence of need



The fund is now LIVE...

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Question & Answer time

