

Annex B

Oxfordshire County Council

COVID Corporate Grant Funding Utilisation Summary

March 2022

1. Introduction

Introduction | Scope of this document

What is included in this document?

This pack details spending against current and recently closed COVID Programme support grants for reducing COVID impact on the community and individuals including:

- Contained Outbreak Management Fund (COMF)
- Clinically Extremely Vulnerable (CEV)
- Practical Support Payment for Self-Isolation (PSP)
- Local Support Grant (LSG) - Also known previously as the Winter Support Grant
- Household Support Fund (HSF) - An extension of the LSG
- Community Testing Grant (CTG)

What is out of the scope of this document?

Please note the following grant funds are not included in the scope of this document and are reported elsewhere:

- Food and Others Essential Supplies Grant which was fully spent and closed in 2020-21
- The un-ringfenced 'costs of COVID' general funding that contributes additional costs of service provision and loss of income to the impact of the pandemic
- Service specific grants reported through regular service reporting including:
 - Adult Social Care grants
 - The Public Health Test and Trace Grant (which funded Local Contact Tracing and COVID Secure activity)
 - The Holiday Activity Fund
 - Rough Sleeping, Drug and Alcohol Grant Scheme
 - Bus Services Support Grant
 - Grants paid directly to the City and District Councils

Introduction | Overview of key COVID funding streams (1 of 2)

Government has provided a range of funding streams to local authorities for support in delivering the ongoing COVID response programmes. A high-level summary of the five corporate management funding streams (covered through this report) is set out below.

Funding Stream	Purpose of this funding stream	Funding received	Lead organisation who received funding
Containment Outbreak Management Fund (COMF)	Awarded for each period of additional restrictions and lock down from late 2020 to end of March 2021 with an additional single payment for 2021/22 to support proactive containment and intervention measures to directly tackle the impacts of the COVID-19 Pandemic and support with the management of local outbreaks. There are a number of COMF categories which these activities may be associated with. These have all been outlined in Section 2b of this document.	£19.3m	The County Council (OCC) received funding for FY20/21 and 2021/22. For FY21/22, District and City Councils also received funding.
Clinically Extremely Vulnerable (CEV)	Awarded for the support of CEV individuals during periods when shielding was advised from November 2020 to the end of shielding in summer 2021. This funding helped ensure CEV individuals had access to food and basic support needs, including wellbeing (eg. through welfare calls and social and digital inclusion). This support has been delivered through the Community Hubs and direct support to individuals. Outstanding funds are being used for CEV recovery and resilience.	£1.7m	County Council.
Practical Support Payment for self-isolation (PSP)	Awarded for providing ‘practical support’ to those required to self isolate from April 2021 – March 2022. This includes through practical support to carry out essential tasks, social and emotional support through advice and guidance, and communication of details surrounding self-isolation. Direct financial support is not eligible. <i>Please note this is different to the Test and Trace payment scheme for self-isolation which provides £500 financial payments to eligible individuals who are required to self-isolate via the City and District Councils.</i>	£1.0m	County Council.

Introduction | Overview of key COVID funding streams (2 of 2)

Funding Stream	Purpose of this funding stream	Funding received	Lead organisation who received funding
Local Support Grant (LSG) / Winter Support Grant (WSG)	Awarded to support children and households who were experiencing, or at risk of experiencing, hardship over the winter period in 2020/21. This grant stream was extended to end September 2021 and in Oxfordshire funded free schools meal equivalent payments in holiday periods and the delegation of funds to the District and City Councils to run local emergency welfare schemes.	£3.5m	County Council.
Household Support Fund (HSF)	Awarded in November 2021 as an successor to the LSG/WSG (referenced above) to continue to provide support to families and individuals until March 2022. This includes continuation of free school meal support in holiday periods and local emergency welfare support.	£3.4m	County Council.
Community Testing Grant (CTG)	Funding provided to Local Authorities on a monthly basis to reimburse the costs they have incurred in the provision of local symptom-free testing to residents. Between February and June 2021, this was provision for all residents across Oxfordshire and since July 2021, this funding is being provided for the targeted provision of symptom-free LFD testing to Disproportionately Impacted and Under-Represented Groups (DIGs and URGs)	£1.3m at 28 Feb 2022 (actual costs reimbursed by DHSC monthly)	County Council.
Total funding received across these funding streams		£30.2m	

2. How has this funding been allocated?

2a. Overall summary

Overall Summary | Key principles for allocating COVID grant funding

The urgent expenditure of COVID grant funds was delegated through the officer management structures, in consultation with portfolio holders and system partners, and . Key principles have been adopted to coordinate the allocation of COVID grant funding,

1 The first call on funds should be meeting the most immediate pressures to the countywide core COVID-19 response that cannot be met through other funding streams.

2 Support should be through existing arrangements where possible, to minimise costs and complexity.

3 Sustainable approaches should be prioritised, for example by supporting capacity building and resilience activity and where working with third party organisations, supporting core costs where appropriate.

4 To maximise impact, funding should go to the organisation(s) best placed to deliver the objectives.

5 A coherent and aligned approach to allocating funding should be taken across Oxfordshire where possible eg. consistent criteria, a shared view of vulnerability etc. This is recognising there will be local differences in the delivery of support and proposals.

Overall Summary | Overview of spend profile as at 11 February 2022

The table below shows an overview of the overall status and funding allocations for each grant funding stream from an OCC / CDC perspective.

Grant funding stream	Total grant funding available	Actual spend to date	Planned / Committed spend	Allocated but not planned / committed spend	Total allocated spend	Funding left to allocate*
COMF	£19.3m	£12.7m	£4.3m	£1.0m	£18.0m	£1.3m
CEV	£1.7m	£0.7m	£0.3m	£0.1m	£1.1m	£0.6m
PSP	£1.0m**	£0.1m	£0.5m	£0.0m	£0.6m	£0.4m
LSG**	£3.5m	£3.5m	£0.0m	£0.0m	£3.5m	£0.0m
HSF	£3.4m	£1.7m	£1.2m	£0.5m	£3.4m	£0.0m
CTG	Costs reimbursed by DHSC monthly	£1.3m	£0.0m	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total*	£28.8m	£20.0m	£6.3m	£1.6m	£26.6m	£2.3m

Key Definitions:

- *Actual spend to date - Actual expenditure as reported in the ledger against the grant funding received.*
- *Planned / Committed Spend - Spend which is contractually obligated / or formally agreed to be paid.*
- *Allocated but not planned / committed spend - Spend which is not contractually obligated or formally agreed to be paid yet but is ring fenced for a specific activity.*
- *Total allocated spend - Actual spend to date + Planned / Committed Spend + Allocated but not planned / committed spend.*
- *Funding left to allocate = Grant funding available - Actual spend to date - Planned / committed spend - Allocated but not planned / committed spend*

* Please note all figures are calculated before rounding so there may be rounding errors in total columns

** Please note that the LSG was previously called the Winter Support Grant (WSG).

2b. Detailed breakdown by funding stream

*A. Contained Outbreak Management Fund
(COMF)*

COMF Summary | High-level breakdown of 'total allocated spend' by COMF Category

The table below summarises the 'total allocated spend' against the key categories of spend which COMF funding can be used for.

COMF category	Allocated Spend
Support for vulnerable groups and targeted community interventions	£7.5m
Compliance and Enforcement- activities and staff (in addition to activity funded by the Test and Trace grant)	£0.3m
Tracing (in addition to activity funded by the Test and Trace grant)	£0.2m
Support for those in self-isolation (in addition to the Practical Support Payment)	£0.1m
Other: Prevention; management of local outbreaks and data intelligence; surveillance and communications	£0.1m
Testing (in addition to the Community Testing Grant)	£0.1m
Other (including £7.94m delegated to the district and city councils)	£9.7m
Total	£18.0m

Support for vulnerable groups and targeted community interventions | Key activities (1 of 5)

The table below provides a more detailed breakdown of the key activities that have been supported through COMF funding for the *'Support for vulnerable groups and targeted community interventions'* COMF category.

Allocated Spend

£7.5m

Area	What activities are being supported through the COMF funding?	How are these activities influencing or supporting local people and local systems?
<p>Adult Social Care</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Increased staffing to support vulnerable residents in supported housing eg. with access to vaccination appointments. ● Significant investment in mental health support services ranging from additional floating support through to increasing the capacity of voluntary sector partners to respond to calls for mental health support, advice and guidance. ● Recruiting additional staff to support those with complex needs including high-risk people in hospitals. ● Working with the VCS to put in place support to connect with older people that may be digitally excluded eg. scaling up the 'phone friends' telephone service. ● Investment in Oxford Hub to increase capacity to support residents with multiple complex issues in Oxford City. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Increasing access to vaccinations. ● Increasing access to mental health support for vulnerable groups eg. over 2000 people supported through Age UK and c.500 people through Oxfordshire Mind. ● Increasing capacity for mental health services to reduce the waiting lists for support and enable more people to directly receive support eg. 80+ people supported through Elmore Community Services with the waiting list reduced to 37 people by December 2021. ● Reducing the demand on emergency services such as A&E and reducing the need for people to have repeat access to complex services. ● Reducing loneliness and isolation for older people with long term health conditions eg. 498 people being regularly supported through the befriending support scheme (one of many initiatives being implemented). ● Reducing inequalities and worsening health in Oxford City with over 150 people supported with advice, resources and connections to volunteers or neighbours.

Support for vulnerable groups and targeted community interventions | Key activities (2 of 5)

Area	What activities are being supported through the COMF funding?	How are these activities influencing or supporting local people and local systems?
Homelessness and rough sleeping	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Increased support to help people find suitable accommodation when leaving hospital services eg. through additional support for step down houses. ● Additional financial support for people moving from assessment accommodation into new accommodation eg. to buy furniture. ● Investment in additional caseworkers for complex needs including homelessness, sexual violence, mental health and domestic abuse. ● Recruitment of additional temporary housing officers to focus on “move on” planning with people in the homeless pathway and provide additional capacity in the street outreach teams in Oxford City. ● Increased capacity in floating support services to help the growing numbers of people at risk of homelessness as a result of COVID-19 (many of whom also have mental health needs). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Providing accommodation for some of the most vulnerable in society with over 40 referrals for step-down housing received and processed. ● Supporting people to settle into their own homes reducing the demand for assessment accommodation eg. 9 people already in the process of being rehoused with an ambition to increase this to 12 by the end of March 2022. ● Reducing the complex needs waiting list and ensuring people impacted by issues are reached out to faster. ● Providing support to homeless people in a timely manner through reducing the demand pressures on housing services in Oxford City. ● 40 homelessness cases supported through increased floating support capacity via Connection Support.
Housing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Piloting a ‘healthy housing hub’ which will provide an outreach service including i) An integrated, holistic assessment of an individual’s housing issues to help achieve safer, more suitable housing conditions; ii) Signposting for support for other social and health problems; and iii) Promoting independent living. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Addressing housing related health inequalities and immediate needs of people with respiratory disease, including those recovering from COVID-19. Through this initiative, over 20 home visits have already happened in January 2022.

Support for vulnerable groups and targeted community interventions | Key activities (3 of 5)

Area	What activities are being supported through the COMF funding?	How are these activities influencing or supporting local people and local systems?
Children, Education and Families (CEF)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Provision of laptops and training to all care leavers and those digitally excluded. ● Investment in additional digital skills training for CEF staff. ● Investment in virtual training courses for the 'Triple P' parenting programme. ● Recruitment of additional staff to lead the establishment of a Schools Digital Network for all Oxfordshire Schools. ● Additional staffing for Locality & Community Support (LCSS) to set up early help networks and support food distribution of food. ● Additional funding to the Oxfordshire Care Leaver Association (OCLA) to enhance their peer-to-peer mentoring programme through additional weekly mentoring time and financial support for food and other emergency supplies for mentees. ● Additional staffing in the Young People's Supported Accommodation (YPSA) Service to support 16-18 year olds in contingency properties. ● Additional support with virtual learning incl. payments to foster carers to cover costs of online learning; provision of weekly online tutoring for vulnerable children who are not attending school due to Covid or have missed school because of Covid etc. ● Activity packs focussed on wellbeing and creative engagement for Children whose welfare is being impacted on by tier restrictions, social isolation and experience of Covid which is compounding the impact of prior trauma. <p><i>Continued on next slide</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 300 devices donated and refurbished per month to ensure those who are unable to access virtual skills and job opportunities. ● Delivery of 200 online courses for the 'Triple P' programme better equipping parents with how to deal with children with troubled behaviours specifically during periods of lockdown and restrictions. ● Recruitment of 3 digital network leads from schools to support with digital skills training. ● Facilitating 18 multi-agency networks per week across the County to provide support to vulnerable children through schools and partner agencies. ● Giving young people hands-on training to successfully access the digital world. ● Ensuring all care leavers are able to access virtual skills and training, organise and complete their CVs, search for job opportunities and to also stay connected virtually to others, which will also benefit their emotional health. ● OCLA funding will allow 5 care experienced mentors to be recruited and trained to directly support 10 young people in care who are struggling with compliance with COVID guidelines. <p><i>Continued on next slide</i></p>

Support for vulnerable groups and targeted community interventions | Key activities (4 of 5)

Area	What activities are being supported through the COMF funding?	How are these activities influencing or supporting local people and local systems?
Children, Education and Families (CEF) - Continued	<p><i>Continued from previous slide</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Provide additional support to 'Adoption and Special Guardianship families' specifically those significantly impacted by the pandemic. ● Supporting the establishment of Easter and summer schools (in 2021) run by Oxford Hub in Blackbird Leys, focused on sports, literacy and provisions of meals for vulnerable children (This is through the 'Fit, Fed and Read' scheme). ● Additional capacity to match people through the 'Big Brother, Big Sister' scheme to support vulnerable children experiencing social isolation. 	<p><i>Continued from previous slide</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Commissioning 60 sessions (workshops, 1-2-1's) to support families whilst on the waiting list which may reduce the need for an allocated social worker. ● Over 120 young people have been supported through the 'Big Brother, Big Sister' and 'Fit, Fed and Read' schemes.
Public Health and Wellbeing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Increased investment in Domestic Abuse support services eg. SAFE! To support residents of domestic abuse. ● Working with Active Oxfordshire to improve access to physical activity for vulnerable residents and communities across Oxfordshire. ● Installation of a new stretch of footpath at Cholsey and upgrading an existing footpath at Milton to complete the creation of two new park and ride sites to support active travel to school. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Allowing people to stay safe in their homes and access urgent services safely. ● Increasing physical activity levels for people who have been shielding. ● Improving children's physical and mental wellbeing through promoting and facilitating physical activity.

Support for vulnerable groups and targeted community interventions | Key activities (5 of 5)

Area	What activities are being supported through the COMF funding?	How are these activities influencing or supporting local people and local systems?
Community Safety	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Investment in an additional post to assist all the local authorities in Oxfordshire to refresh their modern slavery and human trafficking plan, reflecting on the learnings from Covid and the 'new normal'. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supporting all residents of Oxfordshire to live a safe and happy life free from slavery and exploitation in all its forms.
Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supporting Oxford Community Foundation in the delivery of their "COVID-19 Isolation & Loneliness" grants programme for other VCS organisations across Oxfordshire. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increasing the number of VCS organisations who can receive funding, to continue enabling people to remain self-isolated as required, advised or preferred. Increasing individual and community resilience to the direct impact of Covid and the secondary impacts of self-isolation.
OxLEP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supporting the delivery of the COVID-19 Social Contract Programme (SCP) specifically focussing on skills and labour market recovery (in line with Oxfordshire's Economic Recovery Plan). Investment in a programme to boost Oxfordshire's Visitor economy through a range of interventions including: additional communications and marketing campaigns; business diagnostic and skills training; investment in new technology and digital innovation; improvement in the connectivity of public transport to key attractions; creating a new virtual conference desk; and the development of a Vision and Action Plan 2022 for Oxfordshire's Visitor Economy. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The SCP programme aims to help address various impacts of the pandemic related to unemployment or barriers to employment, education, and training. This will include providing additional support to increasing apprenticeships, launching bootcamps to support sectors with labour shortages. As these programmes are delivered, they will help attract visitors and ensure that Oxford and Oxfordshire maintain its position as one of the UK's most desirable visitor destinations.

Compliance and Enforcement: other activities and staff | Key activities

The table below provides a more detailed breakdown of the key activities that have been supported through COMF funding for the '**Compliance and Enforcement: other activities and staff**' COMF category.

Allocated Spend

£0.3m

Area	What activities are being supported through the COMF funding?	How are these activities influencing or supporting local people and local systems?
Children, Education and Families (CEF)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grant funded provided to Early Years providers to support them in making minor adjustments to better meet Govt. Guidelines relating to COVID. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 49 Early Years Providers received grant funding, enabling them to make small alterations to meet COVID Secure government guidelines and continue to deliver services safely during the pandemic.
ICT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Investment in an IT solution to enable internal Council staff to host and participate in hybrid meetings (with a mix of in-person and virtual attendance). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enable adherence to social distancing guidelines (when they were in place). Enable effective and safe collaboration for staff as they adapt to a more hybrid model of working as a result of the pandemic.
District and City Councils	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Providing training courses for business across Oxfordshire enabling them to carry out Covid risk assessments within workplaces, undertake other health and safety risks assessments, operate food businesses safely etc. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supporting business recovery through providing support specifically to independent high street operators, to undertake essential training to continue to operate their businesses safely.

Tracing | Key activities

The table below provides a more detailed breakdown of the key activities that have been supported through COMF funding for the **'Tracing'** COMF category.

Allocated Spend

£0.2m

Area	What activities are being supported through the COMF funding?	How are these activities influencing or supporting local people and local systems?
Libraries and Heritage Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Investment in additional staffing across Oxfordshire libraries to enable them to operate a 'meet and greet' function at library entrances.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Enabled compliance with 'Test and Trace' requirements (between April 2021 and July 2021) to capture customer contact details as they entered library premises.
Public Health and Wellbeing	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Investment in continuing Oxfordshire's Local Contact Tracing Service (OxLoCT) from April 2022 to June 2022.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">The OxLoCT team are critical in supporting contact tracing, helping to identify clusters and outbreaks across Oxfordshire and supporting residents to isolate. This investment will enable these activities to continue.

Support for those in self-isolation (non-financial support) | Key activities

The table below provides a more detailed breakdown of the key activities that have been supported through COMF funding for the *'Support for those in self-isolation (non-financial support)'* COMF category.

Allocated Spend

£0.1m

Area	What activities are being supported through the COMF funding?	How are these activities influencing or supporting local people and local systems?
Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Additional funding provided to Citizens Advice to assess needs and provide additional advice services in line with this to help individuals and families to self-isolate (This service was delivered alongside the Winter Support Grant to complement the offer of support being provided to these families). Additional support to community food operations for those in self-isolation with insecure food supplies. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Helping individuals and families to remain in self-isolation with no detrimental impact specifically in relation to access essential food supplies.

Other: Prevention; management of local outbreaks and data intelligence; surveillance and communications | Key activities

The table below provides a more detailed breakdown of the key activities that have been supported through COMF funding for the ***'Other: Prevention; management of local outbreaks and data intelligence; surveillance and communications'*** COMF category.

Allocated Spend	£0.1m
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Area	What activities are being supported through the COMF funding?	How are these activities influencing or supporting local people and local systems?
Children, Education and Families (CEF)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Investment in three additional staff into the 'Education Covid 19 Cell'. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Targeted Covid advice and support for 400 + Schools and 800 + EY Settings to help minimise disruption and manage transmission across educational settings.
Communications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Media campaign to raise awareness of the youth offer and the mental health support across the County. Recruitment of an additional communications manager to support clear and frequent messaging through multiple channels on the County's response to the COVID-19 pandemic. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Combating social isolation and encouraging young people to stay at home with clear messaging. Better engagement with hard-to-reach communities and target audiences about how to keep themselves and their communities safe eg. around the importance of vaccinations and regular testing.
ICT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Re-procurement of the ACORN geodemographic dataset to support with surveillance activities including: monitoring the demographic characteristics of those testing positive for Covid in Oxfordshire; and looking at the overall demographic makeup of areas with high case rates or low vaccination uptake etc. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increasing access to better quality analysis to enable more informed decision making around how Oxfordshire can respond.

Testing | Key activities

The table below provides a more detailed breakdown of the key activities that have been supported through COMF funding for the **'Testing'** COMF category.

Allocated Spend

£0.1m

Area	What activities are being supported through the COMF funding?	How are these activities influencing or supporting local people and local systems?
Innovation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Investment in the development of a prototype vehicle for 'Mobile Treatment Units' which can be used for a variety of purposes with the primary aim being mass testing.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Nine vehicles have been ordered to date, for vaccination, testing and pre-check uses across the UK. Oxford University Hospitals had also deployed two of these for pre-check hospital uses to reduce pressure on the healthcare system during the middle of 2021.
Children, Education and Families (CEF)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Additional support to schools around the set up and co-ordination of School Mass Testing.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Supporting schools in Oxfordshire to set up their testing infrastructure at pace to reduce transmission.
District and City Councils	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Additional funding to South and Vale District Council to provide a courier service for completed PCR tests from holding hotels to the Regional Testing Site.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Enabling access to PCR testing for Afghan Refugees at the two holding hotels in Oxfordshire.

Other | Key activities (1 of 2)

The table below provides a more detailed breakdown of the key activities that have been supported through COMF funding for the **'Other'** COMF category.

Allocated Spend

£9.7m

Area	What activities are being supported through the COMF funding?	How are these activities influencing or supporting local people and local systems?
District and City Councils delegated funding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding delegated to District and City Councils to support the delivery of flexible local containment and recovery initiatives eg. supporting the ongoing operations of community hubs, supporting local homelessness initiatives, targeted wellbeing and 'get active' initiatives, local investment in VCS and advisory services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensuring funding is available at City and District Council level has supported a flexible and targeted approach for community support suitable for the needs and strengths of each place Enabling the delivery of more targeted local interventions eg. funding being directly disbursed to Town and Parish councils for the first time.
Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increased practical and direct financial support for mutual aid organisations that are directly providing support to residents to help them to isolate. Additional support to VCS organisations to coordinate a cohesive support offer for residents across the community. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increasing the resilience and sustainability of organisations that are delivering critical support services to residents. Oxfordshire Community & Volunteering Action (OCVA) have engaged with over 200 mutual aid organisations to provide advice and support to link up the community support offer across the County. OCVA have also directly disbursed funding to 26 VCS groups who are supporting vulnerable people in the community with the impacts of COVID eg. with isolation.

Other | Key activities (2 of 2)

Area	What activities are being supported through the COMF funding?	How are these activities influencing or supporting local people and local systems?
Public Health and Wellbeing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Employing a skilled and experienced facilitator to increase the focus on the role preventative services such as leisure centres play in addressing health inequalities. This includes all aspects of movement, from dance and cultural activities to more traditional forms of physical activity. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The aims of this programme focus on increasing physical activity across residents, improving wellbeing and thereby reducing the pressure on health and care services.
ICT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implementation of a desk booking system within OCC managed buildings. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enable effective virtual working and collaboration for staff as they return to offices and adopt a more hybrid working pattern.
Programme Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Investment in additional resources to as part of a corporate 'COVID Response Programme Team' providing strategic oversight across all aspects of the programme; secretariat support to key governance meetings; operational support to key programmes of activity; and support with programme assurance and reporting (internally and externally). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensuring alignment and join-up across various aspects of the programme. Ensuring there is a clear audit trail for decision making. Enabling compliance with national and local guidance. Supporting the establishment and ongoing running of Oxfordshire's symptom-free testing programme with 30+ community organisations participating in this since July 2021.
Innovation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Development of a Covid Management and Recovery sensor prototype to establish a monitoring system for active travel schemes. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increasing visibility and understanding of social distancing (under 2m) of unrelated road users based on sensor data.

*B. Clinically Extremely Vulnerable
(CEV)*

CEV | Activities supported (1 of 2)

The table below provides a breakdown of the key activities that have been supported through CEV funding.

Allocated Spend

£1.1m

Area	Allocated Spend	What activities are being supported through the COMF funding?	How are these activities influencing or supporting local people and local systems?
Local Welfare Support	£0.4m	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding delegated to District and City Councils to provide local welfare support to CEV individuals through their community hubs. This included a range of activities from planning, contact with individuals, direct delivery of practical and emotional support and communications. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provided basic support to CEV individuals that have been asked to shield and tailored support to those that are deemed to be in the most need. This specifically included provision of support for wellbeing, meeting practical needs, meeting digital needs and any advice (financial or employment concerns etc).
VCS Support	£0.1m	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Putting in place a grants programme for organisations who have supported CEV individuals or continue to support CEV individuals so they they can apply for additional funding to cover any additional costs incurred as a result of the pandemic. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensuring the sustainability of VCS organisations that have supported CEV individuals through the pandemic, so that they can continue to meet the costs of programmes which address the recovery of CEV individuals.
OxLEP	£0.3m	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supporting the delivery of the COVID-19 Social Contract Programme (SCP) specifically focussing on skills and labour market recovery targeting CEV individuals. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The SCP programme aims to help address various impacts of the pandemic related to unemployment or barriers to employment, education, and training. This will include providing additional support to increasing apprenticeships; launching bootcamps to support sectors with labour shortages; reskilling of the 50+ group and other most affected groups to maximise future wellbeing and results etc.

CEV | Activities supported (2 of 2)

Area	Allocated Spend	What activities are being supported through the COMF funding?	How are these activities influencing or supporting local people and local systems?
Customer Service Centre (CSC)	£0.2m	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Investment in additional staff to make proactive outbound wellbeing contact with CEV residents across Adult Social Care and undertake further analysis into demand and the link to training and development. Investment in an additional resource from the Community Information Network to be embedded into the contact team, to bring expert knowledge of the VCS to improve advice and signposting. Investment in building additional resilience in the CSC to cover the costs of planning for CEV support, contact costs, data management and planning for recovery. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To ensure the wellbeing and care of CEV individuals in contact with Adult Social Care. To provide basic support to CEV individuals across Oxfordshire that have been asked to shield and tailored supported to those that are deemed to be in the most need. This specifically includes provision of support for wellbeing, meeting practical needs, meeting digital needs and any advice (financial or employment concerns etc.)
Communications	£0.02m	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Working in partnership with the City and District Councils to communicate with CEV individuals at key points in the programme. The final letter marked the end of the national shielding programme; signposted residents to other initiatives including 'Move Together' to tackle physical inactivity; and also provided an opportunity for residents to provide feedback through a survey. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 33,000 CEV residents reached out through this initiative. Reassured CEV residents of the support still available to them. Enabled councils to gather information on the ongoing support needs and feelings of these individuals through the survey included in the letter (to inform targeted recovery activity for this cohort).

*C. Practical Support Payment for Self-isolation
(PSP)*

PSP | Activities supported

The table below provides a breakdown of the key activities that have been supported through PSP funding.

Allocated Spend

£0.6m

Area	Allocated Spend	What activities are being supported through the COMF funding?	How are these activities influencing or supporting local people and local systems?
District and City Councils	£0.5m	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding delegated directly to District and City Councils so they can provide practical support to those self-isolating eg. investing in community hub staffing, provision of supermarket vouchers etc. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Encouraging compliance with self-isolation through meeting the needs of those who are self-isolating until the end of March 2022.
Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS)	£0.05m	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supporting Oxford Community Foundation in the delivery of their "COVID-19 Isolation & Loneliness" grants programme for other VCS organisations across Oxfordshire. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increasing the number of VCS organisations who can receive funding, to continue enabling people to remain self-isolated as required, advised or preferred. Increasing individual and community resilience to the direct impact of Covid and the secondary impacts of self-isolation.
Public Health and Wellbeing	£0.02m	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Research and analysis work to gather better insight into what actions can be taken to positively influence behaviours towards self-isolation. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enabling more informed decision making and targeted interventions to encourage adherence with self-isolation guidance.
Programme Management Support	£0.05m	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Programme management support to mobilise activities enabling the County and District / City Councils to deliver practical support proactively eg. setting up required data flows etc. Allocation to VCS to support with administration of local welfare schemes. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enabling Oxfordshire to comply with the national Practical Support for self-isolation framework. Enabling the successful mobilisation and ongoing management of the programme

*D. Winter Support Grant, Local Support Grant and
Household Support Fund
(WSG, LSG and HSF)*

WSG, LSG and HSF | Activities supported (1 of 2)

The table below provides a breakdown of the key activities that have been supported through the WSG, LSG and HSF funding. These funding streams have been combined as the HSF is an extension of the LSG and WSG.

Allocated Spend	£7.3m
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Area	Allocated Spend	What activities are being supported through the COMF funding?	How are these activities influencing or supporting local people and local systems?
Free School Meals Equivalent Support	£5.0m	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing provision of holiday family food vouchers (or equivalent support) for all eligible children and young people in Oxfordshire schools, colleges and early years settings. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Between 14,500 and 15,000 individuals continue to be provided with free school meal equivalent support during each school holiday period.
Local Emergency Welfare	£2.0m	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding delegated to District and City Councils who work in partnership with the voluntary and community sector to deliver local emergency welfare support to residents. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Providing direct support to the most vulnerable residents to meet emergency need for food, essential utilities etc Since December 2020, c.30,000 support grants have been supplied to households across Oxfordshire to assist with food and utility bills.
Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS)	£0.09m	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> VCS advice services to support the administration of the local emergency welfare schemes. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enabling the effective delivery of local emergency welfare schemes in partnership with the District and City Councils.

WSG, LSG and HSF | Activities supported (2 of 2)

Area	Allocated Spend	What activities are being supported through the COMF funding?	How are these activities influencing or supporting local people and local systems?
Holiday Activity Fund	£0.2m	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supplementing the Holiday Activity Fund through providing lunch provision funded through the HSF funding stream. • Provision of holiday childcare over the February 2022 half-term to maintain continuity of provision up until Easter 2022. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensuring continuity of provision through all holiday periods up until Easter 2022.
Adult Social Care	£0.002m	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Additional support to social care teams (eg. DV, Hospital Discharge and Emergency Support) to support other vulnerable families. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alleviating the need for food and to meet the costs of utilities for vulnerable families.

*E. Community Testing Grant
(CTG)*

CTG | Activities supported

The table below provides a breakdown of the key activities that have been supported through PSP funding.

Actual spend

£1.3m

Area	Actual Spend	What activities are being supported through the COMF funding?	How are these activities influencing or supporting local people and local systems?
Symptom-free testing sites	£1.2m	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Establishment and ongoing operational management of four physical symptom-free testing sites across the County including the costs of the site, staffing and other infrastructure required eg. waste management facilities, communications and marketing etc. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enabling the provision of four on-site symptom-free testing for all residents in Oxfordshire from February - June 2021. Helping to identify asymptomatic cases, reduce community transmission and protect residents.
Targeted Community Testing (TCT) - Programme Management	£0.1m	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing programme management costs for the establishment and ongoing operational management of the TCT programme including stock management, weekly reporting, engagement with and onboarding of community organisations and libraries onto the programme etc. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increasing access to Lateral Flow Device (LFD) testing for disproportionately impacted and under-represented groups across Oxfordshire. Helping to identify asymptomatic cases, reduce community transmission and protect residents - over 18,000 tests distributed by 26 organisations and 38 libraries to date. Supporting with the provision of LFD tests to critical social care services to address supply issues during the start of 2022 - 45 organisations supported including hospitals, care homes etc.
TCT - Direct Delivery Costs	£5,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing operational infrastructure costs for the day-to-day running of the TCT programme including storage and delivery of test kits, development and printing of communications and marketing materials, purchase of cleaning consumables etc. 	