

Cost of Living Programme 2022 – Full List of Projects

MONEY	CPB	Workshop	Total
M1. Develop East Suffolk Financial Inclusion Framework – reduce debt, maximise income, affordable credit, saving and budgeting	6	17	23
M2. Identify gaps/unmet need in Suffolk Local Welfare Assistance Scheme in East Suffolk	2	7	9
M3. Expand Early Intervention model for families, linked to CIT work with individuals	6	18	24
M4. Ensure all planned events and activities have a 'financial inclusion' element	2	2	4
M5. Build on digital projects e.g. libraries to make kit available in community locations so that people can access digital services and Digital Champion support	3	12	15
M6. Work around money and budgeting at key transition points e.g. leaving school, retirement, divorce. Sessions in schools (CAP/Money Matters)	3	9	12
M7. Upskill key workers on financial inclusion on the basis of Making Every Contact Count (MECC), ensure they know who to refer people to and how	5	5	10
M8. A fund to pay for ID documents – driving licence (£34)/birth certificate (£14) to open a bank account	3	14	17
M9. Use a range of champions to enable people to access Open Banking (e.g. Moneyhub, Yolt, Cleo) NB need to protect people from fraud	2	3	5
M10. Talk to SCC about use of the Pupil Premium and additional opportunities to support families	2	1	3
M11 Use Parentmail (or equivalent) to reach parents and DWP/Job Centres/ED Team to reach employers	1	-	1
M12 Support workers to go where people already are e.g. Comfort Food, Community Pantries and Warm Rooms locations and attend groups e.g. brownies/scouts	8	8	16
FOOD AND ESSENTIALS			
F1. Food Network Co-Ordinator for East Suffolk	3	22	25
F2. Campaign to encourage donations/volunteers for food projects [and what to donate]	1	6	7
F3. Expand 'Your Local Pantry' across District – fund franchise fee/equipment (towns)	6	18	24
F4. Work with Hubbub to fund additional community fridges and freezers (rural)	-	6	6
F5. 'Comfort Food' (based on ACT's 'Thin Ice') – expand to at least one venue per town	4	13	17
F6. Fund 'kettle packs' for people without an oven or microwave	1	5	6
F7. 'Cooking on a budget' classes – additional locations in district	3	16	19
F8. 'Food to fork' projects – community allotments/gardens/planters/ window boxes	5	11	16
F9. Equipment for food banks – scales, bags, crates – and funding to cover increased petrol costs	1	4	5
F10. Catering size cooking equipment for groups to share/bulk cooking	-	1	1
F11. Microwave and fuel card offer, encourage donation of unused microwaves	6	8	14
F12. Plant fruit tree/bushes on housing estates rather than ornamental trees	2	8	10
F13. Promote use of sites like 'olio' and 'too good to go'	-	1	1
F14. Fund school uniform, prom and interview clothes banks – coordination for network of schools	6	8	14
F15. Fund additional Rural Coffee Caravan Slow Cookers	2	8	10
F16. Buy refrigerated vans for food deliveries (rather than leases) – use ESC buying power	-	5	5
F17. Develop a Pinkorange delivery that is more responsive in rural areas	1	2	3
F18. Outreach work through mobile projects e.g. HWB bus, RCC, Connected Communities	2	-	2

F19. Use school networks to engage about food with families	4	3	7
F20. Evening opening at food banks and other food projects	2	3	5
F21 Partner with Town and Parish councils as food hubs	-	1	1
ENERGY AND FUEL			
E1. Explore Oil Loan Scheme (Suffolk) to spread the cost of buying oil	3	10	13
E2. Additional Warm Homes Healthy People offers for Winter 2022/23 e.g. expand heated items in Winter Warmth Packs	3	9	12
E3. Network of “Warm Rooms” across East Suffolk for Winter 2022/23 (including libraries)	9	16	25
E4. Scope a ‘Wood Bank’ pilot (sustainable wood) and encourage reuse of surplus wood	-	-	0
E5. Campaign to encourage those who can to save for energy costs, book maintenance/repairs and make energy efficiency improvements	2	3	5
E6. Fund Energy Audits, including home boiler checks to ensure set up correctly to maximise energy efficiency	4	9	13
E7. Carbon Monoxide detectors for people burning wood	0	4	4
E8. Provide free Smoke Detectors and Batteries	0	1	1
E9. Fund a handyperson to fit draught excluders/curtains/LED bulbs etc.	6	17	23
E10. Encourage people to access boiler upgrade grants. Provide loans for those who don’t qualify and promote through ‘trusted’ advisers	1	6	7
E11. Improve access to fuel vouchers – NB now made available through Citizens Advice	-	8	8
E12. Access to clean, warm bedding e.g. sleeping bags, quilts, blankets	4	11	15
E13. Encourage people to use other forms of transport e.g. bikes. Support locations where people can get free bike repair/maintenance	-	3	3
E14. Support installation of electric showers for those on gas	-	2	2
E15. Promote the 1 degree lower campaign	2	3	5
E16. Promote the benefits of car sharing to save on fuel costs	1	-	1
E17. Provide incentives for landlords to improve energy efficiency	-	-	-
E18. Encourage VCSE ‘hubs’ in community buildings where costs can be shared	-	3	3
E19. Accelerate the roll out of fast-charge electric car charging points	-	1	1
E20. Market ‘Net Zero’ projects and opportunities more widely	-	-	-
HOUSING			
H1. Maximise impact of Housing Support Fund	4	4	8
H2. Use rent guarantee scheme if people need to move to more affordable accommodation	3	8	11
H3. Whatever it Takes (WEIT) Funding – can be used for anything to prevent homelessness	1	12	13
H4. Review criteria for, maximise use of and support applications for DHP	2	6	8
H5. Use Low Income Family Tracker (LIFT) and RentSense and work with Housing/ARP staff to identify tenants who need additional support	4	14	18
H6. Make Gateway to Homechoice easier to use to enable people to move more easily between properties	1	-	1
H7. Campaign to maximise donations of good quality furniture and household items to existing charities e.g. Salvation Army and Barnardo’s	4	2	6
H8. Make it easier for people to donate electrical items safely – inspection and testing	5	-	5
H9. Increase awareness of Council Tax Reduction Scheme – not the same as CT discounts - and identify people who might benefit	-	-	-
H10. Extend Self Neglect and Hoarding project – huge amounts of unmet need	6	0	6
H11. Easier access to Housing Officers to help to unblock issues and challenges	1	-	1
H12. Cooker/Hob Loan Scheme	2	3	5