

Grants awarded under the NAAFI Fund 2020/21 March 2021

66 grants totalling £711,707

For publication

Name	Project Title	Grant Amount	Project Description
Scotland			
39 Engineer Regiment	OUTDOOR TRAINING FACILITY	£20,000	Funding will be used to provide an outdoor, calisthenics training facility, promoting mental and physical wellbeing to the entire military community.
45 Commando Royal Marines	45 Commando RM welfare bikes	£15,200	The Unit will purchase 16 new mountain bikes and protective equipment for use by all military, MOD civil servants and their families based at Royal Marines Condor.
ARMY WELFARE SERVICE NORTH AREA	ARMY WELFARE SERVICE WELLNESS ROOMS	£5,000	Funding will be used to provide wellness rooms in four locations in Scotland and NI to give Army Welfare Workers a safe and calm area to relax and mentally process the complex caseloads that they handle.
HQ 51Bde & HQ Scotland	Garrison Activity Compound	£10,000	Funding will be used to re-purpose a disused space into a multi-use welfare compound set in a wildflower meadow with grass cut islands for picnics, games and activities for families and soldiers. The 'eco' compound has single access and provides a secure fenced off area allowing children to experience the outdoors freely and safely.
RAF Lossiemouth	Exercise and explore through cycling.	£13,600	RAF Lossiemouth will promote a greener environment and give more people the opportunity to cycle. By operating a bike bank where individuals can formally hire bikes to commute, explore and exercise, the vision is to encourage increased uptake of physical activity whilst reducing negative impact on the environment.

The Royal Scots Dragoon Guards	Leuchars Station E-Sports	£20,000	The project will enhance the lived experience for soldiers within the station by giving them a social aspect to gaming. This will help in their social and interaction skills and combat loneliness and isolation.
Scotland & Northern Ireland Personnel Recovery Centre	S&NI PRC Welfare House Revamp.	£13,730	Funding will be used to refurbish the PRC Welfare House, utilised by tri-Service recovering officers and soldiers for respite, recovery and relaxation activities.
Wales			
249/580 Sqns - 157 (Welsh) Regiment The Royal Logistic Corps	Work Hard, Play Hard, Relax	£5,000	RHQ, 249 & 580 Sqn's are developing an outdoor space for training, events, relaxation and social gatherings outdoors. The grant will enable composite decking to be added to the area which will improve and enhance the space.
398 SQN, 157 (Welsh) Regiment The Royal Logistic Corps	PROVISION OF BICYCLES - NORTH WALES	£6,000	The grant will provide bicycles to a dislocated Sqn based 200+ miles from other Regimental assets. It will allow soldiers to be able to enjoy cycling and the local area.
MOD St Athan	MOD St Athan Community Gardens	£6,400	The organisation is creating a Community Mental Health and Wellbeing Garden for the Whole Force and families. This will aid in community spirit and improve and maintain the mental health and wellbeing of everyone with access to the Unit, whilst also helping those new to gardening develop their skills.
Royal Monmouthshire Royal Engineers (Militia)	The Militia Retreat.	£20,000	Funding will be used to create a space for soldiers, both Regular and Reserve, to relax and enjoy their non-working hours when accommodated in the barracks.
Northern Ireland			
Army Sailing Association Northern Ireland	Kids Play Trim Trail	£6,000	Funding will provide a Kids Play Trim Trail to create a safe play area for young children based on a remote site. This would provide a focal point, both for kids to have fun and concurrently enable young mums to catch up.
Wellbeing on the Water (WOW)	Wellbeing on the Water (WOW)	£13,750	Carrickfergus Watersports Centre provides Offshore and Inshore water borne activities. This project will improve

			the Garrison Yacht to make it more accessible for novices and disabled users. It will also increase provision of paddle boarding; to provide adventure training, team building and wellbeing activities on the water for the Service Community in Northern Ireland.
England			
1 CS Bn REME	ONETEAM_REME_Riders	£13,855	This project will enable soldiers to explore the Yorkshire Dales and its surrounding areas weekly under supervision from qualified instructors, offering an exciting leisure activity to serving personnel.
11 Brigade Aldershot	Clock Tower Parenting and youth club project	£6,000	The project will develop provision within an established nursery school building to provide a safe space for parenting support and training after school club, and a youth club provision that is inclusive and accessible to the local community.
148 CDO FO Battery, 29 CDO REGT RA	Project Meiktila	£1,030	Project 'Meiktila' by 148 Battery is designed to utilise the new space the sub-unit has, to create a greater sense of community inside and outside their work environment. Intending to create a hosting area as well as a recreational area for inliers and families living in military housing.
1st battalion The Duke of Lancaster's Regiment	Welfare Centre Improvement Project	£19,184	1 LANCS Welfare project will enhance and improve the community centre facilities to support the mental health and wellbeing of the serving soldiers and families of the resident Battalion. This will create a safe, welcoming and supportive environment to enable the local community to regain its cohesive nature following isolation.
1st Battalion, Royal Regiment of Fusiliers	First Fusiliers Multifunction Gymnasium	£20,000	Funding will be used to set up a gym in a disused vehicle hanger, including the purchase of some flooring (currently concrete) and gym equipment to develop a space that serving personnel can use outside of their working hours.

29 EOD&S Group Support Unit (GSU)	Community Hub Refurb	£20,000	Funding will help develop an underused building into a community hub with hotdesking facility, possible beauty salon/barbershop for use by local wives/Service personnel and a fit-for-purpose, a welcoming multi-faith room and a community space for small groups or private meetings
2nd Bn The Duke of Lancaster's Regiment	Lions new start in Pirbright	£7,900	The unit is currently moving after 8-10 years from Weeton to Elizabeth barracks (Pirbright). Funding will be used to create a Hub for personnel, providing a place to relax away from their accommodation and a space in which to foster unit cohesion. In addition, a contact house for families and wider families who are now further away, is vital.
3 Medical Regiment	Project Friends Zone	£6,495	Funding will provide a room for use as an alcohol free/chill out/ socialising space for Junior Ranks including under 18s. The space would be beneficial to wellbeing, mental health and aiding unit cohesion. The installation of comfortable chairs, tables, vending machines, TV, games consoles, board games, and WIFI will enhance the experience.
32 Sect, SIB Regt RMP.	Victim and Witness Suite furnishing.	£2,020	Funding will be used to furnish a victim and witness suite to help relax users and contribute to reduced trauma by providing a trusting and safe environment with non-militaristic soft furnishings.
34 Fd Hosp	Hurst Hall Playground Renovation Project	£20,000	Hurst Hall Community Centre is used to facilitate a Pre-School Children's playgroup as well as a meeting point for the Service families with young children. The unit will use the funding to recover the outside area of this facility with a soft, durable surface benefiting a young children's play area.
350 Fd Sqn (EOD&S)	350 Sqn Mountain Bike Project	£5,453	350 Fd Sqn (EOD&S), Nottingham, is in an area of excellent mountain bike trails. The grant will provide a set of mountain bikes that can be used by soldiers.

40 Commando Royal Marines	40 Commando Community Welfare Garden	£20,000	40 Commando Community Welfare Garden will provide serving personnel and families a comfortable, all weather safe place to meet. The heated patio seating area, awning, play equipment and community vegetable patch will encourage families to come together, reduce isolation and boredom in a Covid friendly environment.
47 Commando (Raiding Group) Royal Marines	SUP Marine	£9,500	Funding will be used to purchase Stand Up Paddleboards (SUPs), inflation devices and personal buoyancy aids. This will allow all members from within the unit the opportunity to take part in an engaging, healthy and stress reducing group activity with no impact to the environment.
4th Battalion The Royal Regiment of Scotland (The Highlanders)	4 SCOTS Family Soft Play	£5,986	The aim is to provide a location in camp where families can meet and all ranks can come together, where the kids can be safe in a stimulating and fun environment, a place where soldiers or families can access IT or media with the aim of bringing isolated people together.
5 FS Bn REME	Project DRAGON's RIDE	£5,000	The organisation will purchase mountain bikes, providing a solution to a range of issues affecting the lived experience of our soldiers and families. They will provide green, sustainable transport to soldiers, train children to ride safely, enrich families' ability to explore and allow soldiers to conduct physical development.
Aldershot Garrison 11 Brigade	Quetta Park Community Hub	£20,000	The funding will be used to develop a community hub that will focus on community activity and involvement providing a range of locally based social, recreational, cultural and educational activities as well as volunteering opportunities that aim to improve mental health and wellbeing and support Service families.
ARMCEN	Bovington Garrison Cycle & Tennis Facility	£17,800	Funding will be used to refurbish and convert a tennis court area to provide a Welfare/Sports facility for staff and families, including a children's cycle training/play area.

Army Welfare Service, Community Support 1ARTYX Bulford	Bulford Community Hub	£7,090	Army Welfare Service are developing a dedicated community space at Bulford Beeches, Bulford Camp. This space will host a wide variety of community provision and currently has no equipment or furniture, to ensure the space is welcoming and relevant to families.
Bristol University Royal Naval Unit	Stand up for Mental Health!	£7,393	Bristol URNU will invest in 7 Stand Up Paddle (SUP) Boards and kit. The mental health benefits of SUP, as an activity growing in popularity, are fast emerging, and becoming more recognised. The unique nature of this water-based activity makes it accessible for a broad range of participants, enabling them to benefit from its calming action and exercise on the mind and body.
CTCRM LYMPSTONE	Secure bicycle storage	£5,250	The organisation will install seven bike lockers to provide secure, weatherproof storage for commuters, which will improve quality of life for serving personnel on the unit
Defence School of Policing and Guarding	Southwick Park Allotment Project	£10,000	The MOD Southwick Park allotment project will provide a place where respective messes, as well as living in members, can build, grow and care for flowers and home-grown food whilst building a sense of community, helping the environment and providing a welfare service for years to come.
Exercise Aquila 20/21	Project Heimdall Facilities / Amenities Improvements	£20,000	The organisation will seek to improve mental health and wellbeing by improving the leisure facilities for the members of 3 Cdo Bde who train at Bardufoss or transit through Bardufoss on their way to other training locations or bases this year.
Headquarters Bicester Garrison	Bicester Garrison Community Engagement Project - "Empowering our community for a better life"	£8,500	The main aim of the Community Engagement Project is to refurbish the community centre to become equipped to operate as a multi-use facility that serves the varying needs of all members of the Service community and offers a variety of learning, training and community cohesion opportunities.

HMS DEFENDER	HMS DEFENDER Recreation Space Upgrade	£5,000	In preparation for DEFENDER's deployment in 2021, the Ship, with the help of the NAAFI welfare fund, will upgrade all the recreation areas on board. In addition to this, DFND will fully renovate the Ship's classroom to make it suitable for further learning.
HMS Excellent	Excellent Nursery Garden Revamp	£19,983	The project will help improve quality of life for serving families that use the on-site nursery and will include refurbishment of nursery garden areas to ensure personnel feel comfortable and safe to leave their children to learn and play; by upgrading and improving play equipment for children from Service families.
HMS Protector	HMS PROTECTOR Mountain Bikes	£5,002	Funding will be used to purchase mountain bikes, of benefit to the whole ships company. This would be of huge benefit to physical fitness, mental robustness and operational capability. this will improve the moral or personnel after long periods at sea.
HMS Sultan	Sultan PCRf Audio Visual Project	£13,000	Funding will be used to refurbish the gym area. The PCRf provides a safe space for Tri-Service personnel to undertake their injury rehabilitation whilst also acting as the main hub for several Unit sports teams. The aim is to provide an environment through audio-visual means, that enhances the rehabilitation and sporting pathway across the Units Tri-Service personnel.
MCSU - Maritime C5ISR Support Unit	Long awaited Welfare Facility installed at MCSU	£10,000	Currently the unit has no welfare or break out facilities, providing such facilities will offer the staff the ability to take necessary short breaks or lunch away from their computer to reduce stress and exhaustion, which in turn could potentially see an improvement in productivity.
Northwood HQ	Northwood JR's Cinema	£6,000	Funding will allow all the Northwood Junior Ranks to socialise and relax, whatever time, and watch films in their dedicated space when they have some downtime.
RAF Brize Norton	RAF Brize Norton Outreach Centre refurbishment	£20,000	The rebranded Outreach Centre houses the Hive, Airplay youth club, SSAFA and several other vital

			services. The condition of the facility has declined overtime and this grant will be invested in ensuring the quality of the facility reflects the quality of social and welfare provision it provides.
RAF Coningsby	Common Room Refresh	£350	Funding will be used to refresh the common room, including a new TV.
RAF ODIHAM	RAF ODIHAM WELLBEING HUB	£8,307	Funding will allow for pre- and post-natal (breastfeeding, pumping, exercise) sessions, mindfulness and yoga sessions, mental health training and coffee and chat sessions.
RAF Waddington	Wellbeing, Sensory & Mindfulness Garden	£5,000	A wellbeing, sensory garden would boost mental health for all personnel and families at Waddington by providing a peaceful outdoor space, away from workplace/home stressors, to reflect, read or sketch, explore sensory elements, enjoy nature or to talk over personal matters with others in a safe, neutral environment.
Royal Air Force Spadeadam	Cinema funding	£5,460	This funding will extend the operation of the Station Cinema for a further year, bringing together Service personnel and their families, reducing isolation on a Unit that is 25 miles from the nearest facility with no public transport links.
The Royal Yeomanry	Yeoman Adventure	£5,000	Funding will be used to purchase adventure training equipment such as mountain bikes or similar.
RRF	First Fusiliers Welfare Lodge Project	£6,930	First Fusiliers would like to transform one of the storerooms into a kids' playroom, to give families a welcoming space to use, particularly in inclement weather.
Special Reconnaissance Regiment	Blue Mind	£9,500	Blue Mind hopes to reduce the mental stresses on both soldiers and families often imposed through operational temp and separation by providing access to the calming benefits of both water and nature through stand-up paddle boarding.

Station Headquarters RAF Marham	RAF Marham Community Library	£20,000	The grant funding will be spent on a rejuvenation project to create a new library and offer a vital social, meeting and study areas for military personnel and their families. In addition, the plan will extend the library outdoors, broadening the facility to create an alfresco reading space
Wattisham Flying Station	Park wood development	£20,000	Funding will be used to develop Park Wood into a series of woodland walks, picnic areas, fitness zones and nature learning zones for the Wattisham Community to use (Military and Civilian).
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Allied Joint Force Command Naples	British Community Naples Playground Upgrade	£8,000	The project will create a shaded area for children of the British Community in Naples, using a sail or such like structure. With temperatures in excess of 40 degrees in the summer, this will provide children with a space to relax and play, protecting them from the harmful effects of the sun.
903 EAW	903 EAW Welfare Bikes	£14,000	Funding will be used to purchase 20 welfare bikes for use by approximately 450 deployed personnel on Op SHADER. These bikes will be used during leisure time to enjoy the beautiful landscape and introduce a service for personnel to do some physical fitness. The grant also includes bike spares; personnel enjoy fixing and servicing the bikes during respite.
Allied Joint Force Command Naples	UK ICF BAR & Cafe	£11,000	This project will establish a functioning bar and cafe for the British community in Lago Patria ICF. This will provide a meeting spot for the community and a haven for families from the outside world.
Allied Joint Force Command Naples	Complete refurbishment of ICF lounge area	£8,000	The grant will enable the British community at Allied Joint Force Command Naples to completely renovate their lounge area turning it into a modern space the whole community will look forward to using for coffee mornings, meetings and events.

British Forces Gibraltar	FLOAT FIT	£3,839	Funding will be used to purchase float fit equipment and a pool cover to allow delivery of pool based, structured PT lessons for both serving personnel and families a non-formal environment. This will re-invigorate an individual's motivation to work out and encourage them to utilise the facilities on offer at HELM Point.
British Forces Gibraltar	HELM Point Swimming Pool Cover	£17,000	Helm Point Pool is a focal point for the MOD community; however, the season is greatly reduced due to water temperature. A pool cover would conserve water, reduce chemical consumption, reduce cleaning time and create a greater heat retention, thus increasing the swimming season by approximately eight weeks per year.
British Forces South Atlantic Islands, MPC	Equip the Families and Community Centre	£14,000	Funding will be used to equip the Families and Community Centre (FCC) with toys and sensory equipment for children; particularly those aged 0-3.
CAOC UEDEM	UKCC Goch Welfare Enhancement	£5,000	The grant will enhance recreation with leisure facilities such as a pool table and outdoor toys plus the provision of bicycles, paddleboards and kayaks to enable enjoyment of the local area.
Episkopi	Episkopi Pool Soft Play Area	£20,000	The grant will renovate a soft play area in disrepair to provide a fit for purpose area our Tri-Service families and children can use all year round, both in the summer heat and cold, wet winters.
UK National Support Element, Rapid Reaction Corps France	UK National Support Element Renovation	£8,200	This project will provide recreational space to enable the British soldiers and their families based in Lille, who are dispersed throughout the city in an unsupported location, to socialise, bond and relax in a comfortable and welcoming environment, whilst also promoting a positive UK message in France.
United Kingdom Naval Support Facility	UKNSF Oasis	£20,000	The creation of this 'Oasis' outdoor leisure area will allow military personnel whether permanent or transiting through, to have an on-site shaded facility that will allow them to relax and recuperate, bringing teams together

			on the base while helping to reduce boredom and isolation during their stay in theatre.
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