



Grenfell Community Activities Programme

Frequently Asked Questions

PART 1 - CONTEXT

Q1. What is the Grenfell Community Support?

The Grenfell Community Support is a programme of support for the immediate local community near Grenfell Tower. It is funded from the Global Settlement Agreement which settled the majority of individual claims made against the council and other organisations after the Grenfell tragedy.

The Global Settlement Agreement set out three broad themes for the new programme of support for the period 2024-28:

- Personalised support for bereaved and survivors
- Support for the immediate local community near the Tower, now called **Grenfell Community Support**
- Education and training for bereaved and survivors and the immediate local community

This programme was shaped by residents through a 7-month consultation that ended in May 2024 and the implementation work with residents over the summer and the autumn. The support was agreed by the Leadership Team in December 2024. You can read the report [online](#).

The programme is delivered by the council's Grenfell Partnerships Team and includes:

- An annual household wellbeing grant
- Free leisure centre membership (Kensington Leisure Centre, Westway or Portobello)
- Support from the Grenfell Community Advocacy Team
- A variety of community activities.

Q2. What is the Grenfell Community Activities programme?

The Grenfell Community Activities programme aims to provide activities and opportunities for individuals and families eligible for Grenfell Community Support.

It was co-designed with the residents Operational Steering Group to meet residents' priorities and to ensure the evaluation process is robust, fair and transparent.

Projects must contribute to at least one of the following priorities:

- Enhancing residents' wellbeing.
- Providing opportunities for group day trips.
- Providing creative activities such as arts, crafts, cooking or gardening.
- Providing physical activities not already covered through the Leisure Centre membership offer.

These priorities reflect the feedback received from residents during the Grenfell Community Support review undertaken between August and November 2025.

Q3. Who is the Grenfell Community Activities programme for?

The Grenfell Community Activities programme is solely for the residents eligible for the Grenfell Community Support:

- Residents living within 500m of the tower or
- Residents who were living in this area at the time of the tragedy

The eligibility area and the Grenfell Community Support resident handbook are accessible [here](#).

NB. Although families and individuals who are eligible for the Bereaved and Survivor Dedicated Service are not eligible for the Grenfell Community Support, there is some flexibility with the Grenfell Community Activities programme.

PART 2 – FIRST COMMISSIONING ROUND

Q4. How does the commissioning work for the programme?

The evaluation process for the Grenfell Community Activities programme was co-designed with the residents' Operational Steering Group whose role is to design the community activities programme and monitor the reach, delivery and impact of the Grenfell Community Support, including the community activities programme.

They have agreed that for the remaining 3 years of the programme from 2026/27, there will be two commissioning rounds per year and that the projects would be selected via an evaluation panel comprising Notting Dale councillors, three OSG members and council officers.

In 2026/27, the first commissioning round will take place in September and there will be another one in February / March. Both rounds will allocate similar funding amount (up to £125k).

This approach will provide flexibility for organisations to present proposals when they are ready to deliver their project and will enable the evaluation panel to select projects based on the needs of the community and the time of the year (for example, with a larger proportion of funding allocated to day trips in the February / March round).

Q5. How do I apply and what evidence do I need to provide?

You can apply for funding under the Grenfell Community Activities Programme by completing the application form attached to this email and emailing it back to GrenfellCommunityActivities@rbkc.gov.uk.

If you have any issue in preparing your application and would like to talk it through with a member of the Grenfell Partnerships Team, please contact the team at GrenfellCommunityActivities@rbkc.gov.uk. If you need a paper copy of the application form, please email us.

Alongside the application, you will need to provide a bank statement dated within the last three months that includes your organisation's name, address, account number and sort code to be considered for funding.

Q6. Do we need to submit a budget?

Yes, you will have to submit a project budget as part of your application. Please provide as much detail about the costs as you can to help create a clear picture of how you have built your budget for this project.

If you are applying as part of a partnership, please include how the funding will be divided and used for each organisation.

Q7. How will the applications be assessed and how is the final decision made?

The evaluation will be done over three stages:

- A review by the Grenfell Partnerships Team to check your application meets the requirements and includes all the requested information;
- Shortlisting by the Grenfell Partnerships Team;

- An assessment of the shortlisted applications by a panel comprising Notting Dale councillors and three members of the Operational Steering Group, who will decide on the selected projects

Your application will be evaluated against 5 criteria:

- Impact of the project and contribution to the programme priorities
- Reach and accessibility
- Applicant's track record and experience
- Quality of the proposals (delivery and monitoring)
- Value for money

Q8. Can I get support to complete my application?

Yes, please contact the Grenfell Partnerships Team at GrenfellCommunityActivities@rbkc.gov.uk if you require assistance with your application.

We have also scheduled two advice sessions at Grenfell Education Hub:

- Tuesday 15 September, 3.00pm to 5.30pm
- Thursday 17 September, 5.15pm to 7.45pm

The Grenfell Education Hub is located on Whitchurch Road, a few metres from Baseline Studios (W11 4AS).

Please also read carefully these Frequently Asked Questions, the briefing and the guidance included in the application form.

Q9. When is the application deadline and when should I expect a decision?

Applications need to be submitted by **5pm on 30 September**.

However, we recommend you email us your application by the **23 September**, to allow time for potential requests for additional information. Please note only fully completed applications will be considered for shortlisting and evaluated.

We will inform you about the outcome of your application by **21 October**.

Q10. What are the next steps if my application is successful?

If you are successful, you will be required to submit several key documents **within two weeks**, agree to comply with the monitoring requirements and sign the grant agreement.

The key documents we require are as follows:

- Safeguarding policy
- Health and safety policy

- Data protection policy
- Relevant (standard, enhanced or enhanced with barred list) DBS documents for staff and volunteers as applicable.
- Risk assessment for the project
- Licenses (Temporary Events Notice or relevant licence) and permissions for use of land and property where applicable.
- Employers' Liability insurance in accordance with the Employers' Liability (Compulsory Insurance Act) 1969 with a limit of indemnity of not less than five million pounds (£5,000,000) per claim or series of claims arising out of any one incident.
- Public Liability insurance with a limit of indemnity of not less than five million pounds (£5,000,000) per claim or series of claims arising from one event

We will also require detailed information about your project such as the dates / venue for the workshops or contact details for booking so we can promote the programme with the immediate community through our newsletter, flyers and posters.

Q11. Will we get feedback on our application if it's not successful?

You will be informed about the outcomes of your application by the 21 October. We will provide feedback to all unsuccessful applicants who request it.

PART 3 – WHO CAN APPLY

Q12. Who can apply?

Organisations that are one of the following:

- Constituted organisation
- CIO
- CIC
- Registered charity
- Company limited by guarantee

We also recommend that at least one year of financial accounts are published on the Charity Commission or Company House register, and that requested funding does not exceed 40% of your organisation's income.

Q13. Is this funding solely for organisations that are based in the immediate community close to the Tower?

No. The projects are targeted at residents who are eligible for the Grenfell Community Support but the organisations applying for funding can be from outside the local area.

However, as part of the evaluation, special consideration will be given to local organisations.

Q14. Can I apply for funding if I already receive funding from the council?

Yes, you can apply for funding if you are commissioned for other services within the council. We cannot duplicate funding so do not apply for the same project to be funded. The application form will request more information on how you are funded by the RBKC Council.

Q15. I received funding as part of the Grenfell Community Activities pilot, can I apply for this round of funding?

Yes, you can apply to this round of funding if you have been funded as part of the pilot.

Please note we may review your monitoring data from the pilot when considering your application.

Q16. I applied for the Grenfell Community Activities pilot but was not successful, can I apply for this new round?

Yes, you can apply for this round if you have previously applied for the pilot funding but have not been successful.

Q17. I don't feel quite ready to deliver a project in the coming months but will be interested in making an application later in the year. Is this possible?

Yes. There will be another round of funding in February / March and further rounds in the following year. For this first round, we are keen to have projects that can start quickly as the community activities pilot finished in August and we would like to avoid a large gap in the offer.

Q18. Can I propose a project that will be delivered in partnership with another organisation?

Yes, organisations can apply in partnership with up to three organisations and will need to outline in Section 5 of the application the roles of each partner organisation.

The application will need to be submitted by the lead partner (who will receive the grant), and the cost section of the application will have to show what each partner plans to receive and what they will be using the funds for.

Each party within the partnership will need to meet the eligibility criteria.

PART 4 – WHAT CAN BE FUNDED

Q19. What type of projects are you looking for?

The programme will fund a range of activities that meet the needs of the community and collectively address the four priority areas which came out of the survey we did in August to November 2025.

Projects must support one of the following priorities:

- Wellbeing, relaxation and wellness activities
- Group day trips
- Creative activities, such as arts, crafts, cooking or gardening
- Physical activities not already covered through the Leisure Centre membership offer

They must be

- Delivered between November 2026 and October 2027
- Delivered in Notting Dale (except for day trips)
- Free for residents
- For people eligible for Grenfell Community Support (see Q3)
- Inclusive, accessible and culturally sensitive

Q20. How long can the projects be for?

You can apply for up to 12-month funding. The application will also ask for details about the frequency of your planned activities and their location.

Please provide as much information as possible and explain if the funding is for:

- A one-off event
- Monthly / weekly events or activities
 - Running throughout the whole year
 - Running throughout term time
 - Running throughout school holidays
- Activities like group day trips

Q21. What we can and can't be funded?

We **can** fund all the costs involved in running the project:

- Project staffing costs
- Trainer and facilitator fees
- Catering and service costs
- Volunteer expenses
- Travel costs, including coach hire
- Venue hire
- Materials and equipment needed for activities

- Food and non-alcoholic refreshments

We **cannot** fund:

- Core organisational running costs, such as ongoing salaries, rent or utility bills
- Costs unrelated to the project
- Statutory services
- Projects that promote religion or political views

Q22. How much can I apply for?

- Up to £20k for one-year projects and pro-rata for shorter projects
- Between £2.5k and £5k for one off events or projects

Please be proportional about how much you apply for. We recommend not applying for funding that represents more than 40% of your organisation's income.