

External funding

List of current opportunities from the Government, National Lottery and Trusts and Foundations

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INTRODUCTION

This document has been developed to highlight current external funding and partnership funding opportunities relevant to Council officers and partners. It is updated on a regular basis.

Navigating the document

Funds are organised by funding source, listing current opportunities from the Government (central, regional, EU), the National Lottery and selected trusts and foundations.

To save paper, you can use the Contents page to quickly review funds and navigate to a fund of interest (to follow a link you may need to hold the 'Ctrl' key down and press Return), rather than print out.

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For enquires or to highlight additional funds which should be included here, please contact: Siân Treen, External Funding & Partnership Officer, sian.treen@rbkc.gov.uk, 0207 361 2509.

USEFUL LINKS

- RBKC Council funding for the community and voluntary sector
<https://www.rbkc.gov.uk/voluntary-and-partnerships/voluntary-and-community/funding-opportunities>
- Kensington and Chelsea Social Council - funding information page
<https://www.kcsc.org.uk/funding>

Civil society organisations can also visit the Kensington and Chelsea Social Council's Funding page. This includes a wider list of trusts and foundations' funding opportunities suitable for community and voluntary groups.

GOVERNMENT FUNDING

Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy (BEIS) – Heat Networks Investment Project (HNIP)

Capital funding through grants and loans for public, private and third sector organisations undertaking activities to boost the uptake of low carbon heating network projects for domestic and public buildings in England and Wales.

Application Deadline: None Specified

Maximum Value of Grant: £10,000,000

Further information:

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/748477/hnip-launch.pdf

Department for Digital, Culture, Media & Sport (DCMS) - Local Full Fibre Networks (LFFN) Challenge Fund

Capital grant programme available to public sector organisations in the UK to help deliver the fastest and most reliable digital communications network available.

Application Deadline: None Specified

Maximum Value of Grant: £4,750,000

Further information: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/local-full-fibre-networks-challenge-fund>

DCMS – National Heritage Memorial Fund

Financial assistance towards the cost of acquiring historic land, buildings, works of fine and decorative art and other objects of interest which are important to the national heritage.

Application Deadline: None Specified

Maximum Value of Grant: None Specified

Further information: <http://www.nhmf.org.uk/funding>

DCMS - Listed Places of Worship Grant Scheme

The Government has confirmed its commitment to the Listed Places of Worship Grant Scheme which will continue until 2020.

The scheme makes grants towards the VAT incurred in maintaining and repairing listed buildings – of all faiths - which are primarily used for public worship.

Application Deadline: March 2020

Maximum Value of Grant: £1,000 annually

Further information: <http://www.lpwscheme.org.uk>

DFE – Education Endowment Fund (EEF)

Grants are available to organisations to help raise the standards of underperforming schools in England.

Application Deadline: 14/01/2019

Maximum Grant Value: Discretionary

Further information: <https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/projects-and-evaluation/how-to-apply>

Department for Transport (DfT) – On-Street Residential Chargepoint Scheme

Grants available to local authorities in the UK to help with the costs of procurement and installation of on-street charging points for residential use.

Application Deadline: None Specified

Maximum Grant Value: £100,000.

Further information: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/grants-for-local-authorities-to-provide-residential-on-street-chargepoints>

Government Equalities Officer – Returners Fund

Promotion of returnships to the public and private sectors, helping people back into employment after a career break. This funding has been allocated to the Government Equalities Office (GEO) for the purpose of:

- better understanding the returner cohort, what barriers it faces and what employers can do to harness its skills and experience;
- increasing understanding of what is most effective in getting returners back to work across the private sector and in particular employment sectors;
- increasing public awareness of the skills and experience returners offer; and
- increasing the number of employment opportunities available to returners.

Application Deadline: 08/03/2019

Maximum Grant Value: £100,000.

Further information: <https://returnersfund.flexigrant.com/>

Homes and Community Agency – Shared Ownership and Affordable Homes Programme (SOAHP) 2016-2021

Funding is available to increase the supply of new shared ownership and affordable homes in England by March 2021.

Application Deadline: Not specified

Maximum Grant Value: Discretionary.

Further information: <https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/shared-ownership-and-affordable-homes-programme-2016-to-2021-guidance>

Historic England Grants

Historic England is a Non-Departmental Public Body sponsored by the Department for Culture, Media and Sport. Its work includes research to increase understanding of the historic environment, advice and support for owners and local authorities, and helping people to understand, value and enjoy heritage. It runs a number of grant programmes, including:

- [Repair Grants for Heritage at Risk](#) grants towards the repair and conservation of listed building, scheduled monuments and registered parks and gardens;
- [Heritage Protection Commissions](#) for local authorities and others for strategic research and to build skills and capacity in England's historic environment;
- [Partnership schemes](#) for the preservation and enhancement of conservation areas.

Visit the Historic England website for details of application procedures and deadlines.

Ministry of Defence (MoD) - Armed Forces Covenant Fund

Grants are available for registered charities, community interest companies, local authorities, schools and armed forces units for projects in the UK that support the armed forces community and meet the Ministry of Defence's priorities.

Application Deadline: 02/12/2019

Maximum Grant Value: £20,000

Further information: <http://www.covenantfund.org.uk/>

Ministry for Housing, Communities & Local Government (MHCLG) – Bellwin Scheme (England)

Financial assistance to local authorities in England which would otherwise be faced with an undue financial burden as a result of providing relief in response to large-scale emergencies and carrying out immediate work.

Application Deadline: Not specified

Maximum Grant Value: Discretionary

Further information: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/bellwin-scheme-guidance-notes-for-claims>

MHCLG – Future High Streets Fund

Funding for public and private sector partnerships, investing in local plans to make high streets and town centres in England fit for the future by improving infrastructure, reducing congestion, supporting redevelopment, boosting housing and creating workspaces.

Application deadline: 22/03/2019

Maximum Grant Value: £25,000,000

Further information:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/future-high-streets-fund/future-high-street-fund>

NHS England – Social Care Digital Innovation Programme (SCDIP)

Funding of up to £100,000 available to local authorities for projects that can use information and technology to improve adult social care and health outcomes and deliver financial savings.

Application deadline: 07/03/2019

Maximum Grant Value: £100,000

Further information: <https://www.local.gov.uk/our-support/our-improvement-offer/care-and-health-improvement/informatics/local-investment-programme>

Office for Low Emission Vehicles (OLEV) – workplace Charging Schemes

A scheme to provide eligible applicants with voucher support towards the upfront costs of the purchase and installation of EV charge points in the UK.

Application Deadline: Not specified

Maximum Grant Value: £10,000

Further information: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/workplace-charging-scheme-guidance-for-applicants-installers-and-manufacturers>

GLA 2014 -2020 ESIF Call for Proposals Inclusive Labour Markets

Up to £50.1 million European Social Funding (ESF) to run a project providing access to employment in the London LEP area.

Through this call, the Greater London Authority (GLA) is seeking projects that help tackle London's employment and skills challenges. It is essential that projects complement and add value to existing ESF provision in London, including the Work & Health Programme, which is part-funded by ESF; and provision funded by the Adult Education Budget, which in London is being devolved to the Mayor from 1 August 2019.

Applications are encouraged from consortia or other similar types of partnership arrangements. In each such case the application must be submitted by a lead organisation on behalf of the partnership/consortia and the lead applicant must have the financial capacity to meet the required Due Diligence criteria.

Application Deadline: 9th May 2019

Maximum Grant Value: No specified however minimum grant value of £500,00

Further Information:

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/media/5c77b641e5274a0eca0524e4/Call_specificati_on_London_Priority_1_OC23S19P1311.pdf

GLA – Mayor of London Energy Efficiency Fund (MEEF)

An investment fund designed to help achieve London’s ambition of becoming a zero-carbon city by 2050, supporting local authorities, NHS bodies, registered providers, HEIs, charities and voluntary organisations, energy service companies (ESCOs) and SMEs to install energy efficiency measures in their buildings.

Application Deadline: Not specified

Maximum Grant Value: £20,000,000

Further information: <https://www.amberinfrastructure.com/our-funds/the-mayor-of-londons-energy-efficiency-fund/>

London Development Agency (LDA) – London Energy Efficiency Fund (LEEF)

Funding is available to support energy efficiency retrofit projects for public sector buildings in London.

Application Deadline: Not specified

Maximum Grant Value: Discretionary

Further information: <https://www.amberinfrastructure.com/our-funds/london-energy-efficiency-fund/>

EU Funds

Potential applicants for EU funds, in light of Brexit, should be aware of the following prior to applying for any EU Funds detailed below: “eligibility criteria must be complied with for the *entire* duration of the grant. If the United Kingdom withdraws from the EU during the grant period without concluding an agreement with the EU ensuring in particular that British applicants continue to be eligible, you will cease to receive EU funding (while continuing, where possible, to participate) or be required to leave the project on the basis of Article 34.3.1(b) (change of the legal situation of the beneficiary) of the grant agreement.

EU - Erasmus+ Programme – Education and Training

The Erasmus+ programme provides funding to help young people volunteer abroad and enjoy an array of experiences through youth exchanges.

Voluntary Service and Youth Exchanges grants, provide opportunities for young people to learn, develop their skills and volunteer in Europe and beyond through full-time voluntary service (2 -12 months) or youth exchanges (5 - 21 days).

This funding is managed by a **UK National Agency** and there is still the opportunity for all UK organisations active in the field of youth to apply for funding.

There are several deadlines per year. For information on how to apply 2019 deadlines visit the UK Erasmus Plus website: <https://www.erasmusplus.org.uk/apply-for-youth-mobility-funding>

EU – European Civil Protection Mechanism

The overall aim of the Civil Protection Mechanism is to strengthen cooperation between the EU and the Member States and to facilitate civil protection coordination in order to improve the effectiveness of systems for preventing, preparing for and responding to natural and man-made disasters.

The ensured protection primarily covers people against all kinds of natural and man-made disasters, but also includes environment and property, including cultural heritage

Up to 85% of the eligible costs may be funded up to a maximum of €1 million per project.

Application deadline 04/04/2019

Maximum Grant Value: £698,000

Further information: https://ec.europa.eu/echo/funding-evaluations/financing-civil-protection/calls-for-proposal_en

EU - Creative Europe

Creative Europe is the new framework programme for the cultural and creative sectors for 2014-2020. The programme will target the needs of the cultural and creative sectors, particularly in terms of promoting jobs and growth potential, and will promote cultural and linguistic diversity.

Application deadline 30/09/2020

Maximum Grant Value: Discretionary

Further information: <https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/creative-europe/cross-sector>

EU Horizon 2020

Horizon 2020 is the EU's programme for research and innovation for the period 2014-2020. The programme provides funding for research and innovation, and innovation related activities, through three priorities: Excellent Science, Industrial Leadership (including support for SMEs) and Societal Challenges.

Application deadline various

Maximum Grant Value: Discretionary

Further information: <http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/horizon2020/en>

EU INTERREG VB North-West Europe Programme 2014-2020

The North-West Europe Programme will focus on the challenges and needs that can be effectively tackled through transnational cooperation under three priorities: innovation, low carbon, and resource and materials efficiency.

Application deadline: 14/06/2019

Maximum Grant Value: Discretionary

Further information: <http://www.nweurope.eu/>

EU LIFE Programme (2014-2020)

The LIFE programme is the EU's funding instrument for the environment and climate action. LIFE contributes to the implementation, updating and development of EU environmental and climate policy and laws by co-financing projects with European added value.

Application deadline: various

Maximum Grant Value: Discretionary

Further information: <https://ec.europa.eu/easme/en/life>

EU Rights, Equality and Citizenship Programme (2014-2020)

European Programme which aims to make people's rights and freedoms effective in practice by making them better known and more consistently applied across the EU. The programme also promotes the rights of the child and the principles of non discrimination and gender equality, including projects to combat violence against women and children.

Application deadline: 11/04/2019

Maximum Grant Value: Discretionary

Further information: http://ec.europa.eu/justice/grants1/programmes-2014-2020/rec/index_en.htm

NATIONAL LOTTERY FUNDING

Arts Award Access Funding – small grants for local organisations

Small grants are given to Arts Award centres working with young people from disadvantaged backgrounds to enable them to achieve an Arts Award.

Application deadline: 01/03/2019

Maximum Grant Value: £1,500

Further information: <https://www.artsaward.org.uk/site/?id=1975>

Arts Council National Lottery Project Grants

Grants are available to support arts, museums and libraries that engage people in England with arts and culture.

Application deadline: Not Specified

Maximum Grant Value: £100,000

Further information: <https://www.artscouncil.org.uk/projectgrants>

The National Lottery Community Fund- Awards for All for All England

Awards for All offers funding to support what matters to people and communities.

Community and voluntary organisations, schools and statutory organisations may apply. It is a general, rolling programme, apply at any time for a decision within 10 weeks.

Application deadline: Not Specified

Maximum Grant Value: £10,000

Further information: <https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes/national-lottery-awards-for-all-england>

The National Lottery Community Fund - Reaching Communities Programme

Reaching Communities supports projects that improve the quality of life of communities across England, offering help where it is most needed.

The programme is part of the Fund's demand-led strand, which encourages voluntary and community organisations to identify their own local ideas and solutions for the Big Lottery Fund to provide financial support.

Application deadline: None Specified

Maximum Grant Value: discretionary

Further information: <https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes/reaching-communities-england>

The National Lottery Community Fund - Partnerships Funding

Partnerships funding is specifically designed to support generous leadership and increased collaborative working, which starts with shared goals and values between different organisations and an understanding of the bigger picture.

The Big Lottery Fund can support organisations to develop and grow existing partnerships and also to encourage new types of partnership which build on your different skills and strengths.

The funding can support many different types of partnership, including:

- Cross-sector partnerships.
- Local place-based collaboration.
- Local and national organisations working together around a particular theme.

Application Deadline None Specified

Maximum Value of Grant Discretionary

Further Information: <https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes/partnerships-england#section-1>

National Lottery Grants for Heritage

HLF's goal is to make a lasting difference for heritage and people. Through their funding they are looking for positive outcomes for heritage, individuals (through learning) and communities. They have a broad definition of heritage, which includes things people value and want to preserve for future generations to enjoy. For example, this can include, natural environment, parks, build heritage or the history of different communities. It includes local, regional and national heritage.

Grants are available for organisations who want to build their capacity or achieve strategic change in order to improve the management of heritage in the long term. Two levels of funding are offered:

- Grants of between £3,000 and £10,000.
- Grants of between £10,001 and £250,000
- Grants of between £250,000 and £5 million

Further information: <https://www.heritagefund.org.uk/>

Sport England Small Grants Programme

Grants are available to help not-for-profit sports clubs, local authorities and schools in England to carry out local community sports projects and encourage more people (aged 14 years and older) to be involved in sport.

Application deadline: Not Specified

Maximum Grant Value: £10,000

Further information: <https://www.sportengland.org/funding/small-grants/>

Sport England Community Asset Fund

Grants are available for community organisations, sports clubs, statutory bodies and educational establishments to enhance local community spaces which encourage people to play sport and get active.

Application deadline: Not Specified

Maximum Grant Value: £150,000

Further information: <https://www.sportengland.org/funding/community-asset-fund/>

OTHER FUNDING HIGHLIGHTS – TRUSTS AND FOUNDATIONS

Aquafund National Grant Scheme

Financial and advisory assistance available to UK-based private and public sector organisations to help them make water savings and reduce water consumption. The support offered by the Fund is open to all UK private and public sector organisations

Application deadline: Not Specified

Maximum Grant Value: £500,000

Further information: <http://adsm.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/11/AquaFund-Framework-OJEU-reference-2015S-227-413650.pdf>

Football Foundation's Premier League & FA Facilities Fund, small and large grants schemes

Funding is available to support the development of new or refurbished local football facilities, such as changing pavilions and playing surfaces, for the benefit of communities in England.

- [Small grants](#) of up to £10,000 are available for refurbishment/purchasing capital items
- [Large grants](#) of between £10,000 and £500,000 are available to support the development of new or refurbished local football facilities e.g. changing pavilions, playing surfaces.

A wide range of organisations can apply, including local authorities, schools and sports clubs.

Application deadline: Not Specified

Further information: <http://www.footballfoundation.org.uk/>

John Lyon's Charity Grants overview

John Lyon's Charity gives grants to groups and organisations for the benefit of children and young adults up to the age of 25 (or 30 if for young people with special needs or disabilities) who are resident in the London boroughs of: Barnet, Brent, Camden, Ealing, Hammersmith and Fulham, Harrow, the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea, City of London, and the City of Westminster.

The Charity's main policy is to promote the life-chances of children and young people through education. The main funding programmes are:

- Main Grants Programme - There is no maximum however, average grant is between £5,000 to £10,000. Grants can be up to three years in length.
- Small Grants Programme - The maximum amount awarded is £5,000 for one year only.
- Schools in Partnership Fund - The maximum amount available under this programme is £50,000 per annum for a maximum of three years.

- Bursary Fund - Each year, up to 15% of the Charity's annual expenditure is allocated as bursaries to The John Lyon School, Harrow School and other institutions.
- School Holiday Activity Fund - The Fund will pay for the running costs of holiday programmes that provide young people with activities in supportive and accessible environments. Up to £5,000 is available.
- School Explorer Fund - The maximum amount awarded is £2,000 but the average grant is £1,000.

Application deadline: Not Specified

Further information: <http://jlc.london/>

London Marathon Charitable Trust – large and small grants to improve sports facilities

Funding is available to help improve existing amenities or to build new facilities that will enable organisations to encourage and support more people to become involved in sport and physical activity. Current priority target groups include:

- Individuals who are currently physically inactive or who have low levels of activity.
- Groups that are currently physically inactive or who have low levels of activity.
- Children and young people outside of school hours.

Small capital grants of between £5,000 and £19,999 and large grants of between £20,000 and £150,000 are available. Statutory organisations (schools, local authorities) as well as not for profit groups may apply.

Application deadline: Not Specified

Further information: <http://www.lmct.org.uk/>

The National Foundation for Youth Music – Youth Music Fund

Youth Music's vision is that 'life-changing' music-making is available to all children and young people. It offers funding to charitable and non-profit organisations in the UK with the aim of supporting:

- Developmental music-making projects for children and young people (up to the age of 25) resident in England, who face barriers to music-making as a result of the circumstances they are in.
- Strategic work supporting the development of the workforce, organisations and the wider sector to ensure that high-quality sustained music-making opportunities exist for young people.

The Foundation currently offers two levels of funding:

- Fund A - smaller grants for high-quality projects that will help to achieve the Foundation's vision for a musically inclusive England.
- Fund B - medium-sized grants for high-quality, sustained projects that expand and embed musically inclusive practice within and beyond the applicant's organisation

Match funding is required at the following rates:

- Grants of **£2,000 to £30,000**: 10% (at least 5% must be cash match funding).
- Grants of **£30,001 to £100,000**: 15% (at least 7.5% must be cash match funding).
- Grants of **£100,001 to £150,000**: 25% (at least 10% must be cash match funding).
- Grants of **£150,001 to £200,000**: 30% (at least 15% must be cash match funding).

Application deadline: 05/04/2019

Maximum Grant Value: £200,000

Further information: <https://network.youthmusic.org.uk/which-fund-should-i-apply>