

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: Lucy Ashdown, External Funding 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

BEIS – Heat Networks Funding Stream

Grants are available to support local authorities in England and Wales in overcoming early stage barriers to establishing Heat Networks. Closing date for applications 31 December 2018.

Further information: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/heat-networks-delivery-unit>

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.

Further information:

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

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.

Maximum value of grant £4,750,000

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

HM Treasury - GovTech Catalyst (GTC) Challenge Fund

A challenge fund inviting public sector organisations to identify and work with cutting edge technology firms to define, develop, test and access innovative and creative solutions to complex operational service and policy delivery challenges. Closing date for applications 12 November 2018

Further information: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/how-to-submit-a-govtech-catalyst-challenge>

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.

Applicants can submit one claim with a value of between £500 and £1,000 (excluding the VAT paid) in any 12-month period. Applications are accepted at any time until March 2020.

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

Department of Health (DH) - Research grants for applied health and public health research

The DoH provides funding through the National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) to enable the NHS and partner organisations to undertake applied research.

- [NIHR Health Technology Assessment \(HTA\) Programme](#) – to assess the effectiveness of different healthcare treatments and tests for those who use, manage and provide care in the NHS.
- [NIHR Programme Grants for Applied Research](#) - all areas of applied health research
- [Research for Patient Benefit programme](#) for projects researching the NHS and public health in England.

Non-academic or clinical organisations are advised to work in partnership to develop research proposals. See website for deadlines.

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. Maximum value of £100,000.

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

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. Level of grant available is discretionary

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

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

The Rights, Equality and Citizenship Programme (REC) promotes gender equality, children's rights and Roma inclusion; and funds projects are aimed at combating all forms of discrimination and racism and fighting violence against women, young people and children. The following calls for proposals are open and will co-fund up to 80 per cent of costs for national and transnational projects:

- [Call for proposals to prevent and combat gender-based violence and violence against children.](#) Budget: €13 million and deadline: 13 November 2018

GLA/European Regional Development Fund - Calls for Proposals launched

The Department for Communities and Local Government (DCLG) has launched calls for ERDF funding in London for:

- Priority Axis 1: 'Promoting Innovation & Research' - £11.3 million available
- Priority Axis 2: 'Developing Information and Communications Technology (ICT) products and services, e-commerce, and enhancing demand for ICT' - £1.2million available
- Priority Axis 3: 'Enhancing the Competitiveness of SMEs' - £11.4 million available
- Priority Axis 4: 'Supporting the Shift Towards a Low Carbon Economy in All Sectors' (£14.9 million ERDF available)

The minimum request for ERDF is £500,000. Applicants must provide an equivalent amount of match funding. Projects can run for up to 3 years.

The closing date for the submission of Outline Application forms is Friday 23 November 2018.

Further information https://www.gov.uk/european-structural-investment-funds?keywords=&fund_state%5B%5D=open&location%5B%5D=london.

GLA Adult Education Budget

The GLA expect to procure a range of adult training services amounting to approximately £130million. Successful providers will enter into individual contracts to deliver a range of education and training services to both in-work and out of work London residents aged 19 or above. Deadline for submission 21 December 2018.

Further information <https://www.london.gov.uk/what-we-do/business-and-economy/skills-and-training/adult-education-budget-aeb>

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.

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

Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government (MHCLG) – Private Rented Sector Access Fund

Funding available to local authorities to create new private rented sector tenancy schemes for people who are, or at risk of becoming homeless. Value of grant is discretionary and closing date for applications 21 November 2018.

Further information: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/private-rented-sector-access-fund-prospectus>

MHCLG – Troubled Families: Supporting Families Against Youth Crime

Funding available to support initiatives that align with the Programme's focus on early intervention and scaling up whole family working. The fund will support a range of initiatives, from expanding existing good practice approaches that have an evidence base, through to new or innovative interventions that an area is developing in response to the issue. Maximum grant value if £500,00. Deadline for submission 7 December 2018.

Further information: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/troubled-families-supporting-families-against-youth-crime>

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.

Grants of £1,500 are available. The next available round is open for applications on 28 January 2019 with deadline of 1 March 2019 round two deadline is Friday 20 October 2017.

<http://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.

Grants of up to £100,000 are available for a wide range of arts activities Rolling programme apply at any time.

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

Big Lottery Fund (BLF) Awards for All small community grants programme

Awards for All offers funding from £300 to £10,000 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.

Further information: <https://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/global-content/programmes/england/awards-for-all-england>

BLF Reaching Communities Programme

This is the BLF's open (general) programme that supports projects that improve the quality of life of communities, offering help where it is most needed. Grants of between £10,000 and £500,000 are available (including up to £100,000 for capital projects).

Note Local Authorities can apply for this programme however, there is a strong preference is for voluntary and community organisations if they are also better placed to meet identified need. There is a two-stage application process; apply at any time.

Further information:

http://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/prog_reaching_communities.htm?regioncode=-uk&progStatus=open&status=theProg&title=Reaching%20Communities

Heritage Lottery Fund grants – introduction

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.

They have mixed portfolio of open and targeted programmes with grants that start at £3000 for communities wishing to explore their heritage.

[Heritage Grants Programme](#) - £100,000k for projects that make a lasting difference for heritage, people and communities in the UK. The deadline for applications 18 January 2019.

HLF Resilient Heritage Programme - capacity building for heritage organisations

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

Activities supported include enabling income diversification, asset transfers, feasibility studies, new fundraising, and audience research. A wide range of not-for-profit organisations are eligible. Apply up to 18 January 2019

Further information: <https://www.hlf.org.uk/looking-funding/our-grant-programmes/resilient-heritage>

HLF Sharing Heritage Programme – small grants for community heritage projects

Grants are available for projects which explore, conserve and share local, regional or national heritage. Heritage might include natural environment, parks, build heritage or the history of different communities – anything people value and want to conserve for future generations.

Projects should have positive outcomes for heritage and communities. ‘People will have learned about heritage’ is a priority outcome for this programme. Grants of between £3000-£10,000 are available.

A wide range of not-for profit organisations can apply. Apply up to 18 January 2019.

Further information: <https://www.hlf.org.uk/looking-funding/our-grant-programmes/sharing-heritage>

HLF Young Roots programme - for projects that enable young people to explore heritage

Apply for a grant of £10,000-£50,000 to help young people aged 11 to 25 to explore their heritage, from green spaces, museums, and historic sites to language, local memories and youth culture. Partnerships of heritage and youth organisations may apply.

The project should include opportunities to celebrate the young people’s achievements in the project, for example with an award or certificate, and share their learning with the wider community.

Further information: <https://www.hlf.org.uk/looking-funding/our-grant-programmes/young-roots>

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.

Grants of between £300 to £10,000 are available. Applications can be made at any time.

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

OTHER FUNDING HIGHLIGHTS – TRUSTS AND FOUNDATIONS

Education Endowment Fund to raise educational attainment

Established in 2010 with a grant from the Department of Education, the overall objective of the programme is to break the link between family background and educational achievement. £200 million will be allocated over a 15-year period. The expected minimum grants size is £50,000.

Current round open for applications of Improving outcomes for pupils with SEND. Deadline is 14 January 2019 . Check website for future deadlines.

Further information: <https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/get-involved/apply>

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. Rolling programme apply at any time.

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.

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.

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

National Churches Trust Relaunches Grant Programmes for 2018

The National Churches Trust offers funding for projects that are in line with its aims which are to help maintain the UK's heritage of church buildings and to enhance their ability to serve local communities.

Applications are currently being accepted to the following grants programme:

- Cornerstone Grants of between £10,000 and £50,000 for structural repairs/maintenance issues costed over £100,000; installation of kitchen and toilets over £30,000. Deadline for applications 5 November 2018;
- Foundation Grants of between £3500 and £3,000 for maintenance works; items identified as required within a Quinquennial Inspection Report/survey reports/other sort of report; small investigative works/surveys. Projects should cost no more than £10,000. for project.

Churches, chapels and meeting houses that are open for worship and which are part of a denomination belonging to Churches Together in Britain and Ireland are eligible to apply. Applications from both listed and unlisted places of worship are welcomed.

Further information: <http://www.nationalchurchestrust.org/choosetherightgrant>