

# FUNDING £ALERT

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## **South Ayrshire For Funding**

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## **NORTH CARRICK COMMUNITY BENEFIT COMPANY (NCCBC)**

North Carrick Community Benefit is a community-based company (No: SC480121) with charitable recognition (No: SC045947). It has been distributing funds from Scottish Power Renewables' Dersaloch windfarm since 2015. The company focuses on the roughly 9,500 people living in the 5 community council areas in North Carrick: Crosshill, Straiton and Kirkmichael as 1, Kirkoswald, Maidens and Turnberry as 1, and then Dunure and Minishant and Maybole as the other 3 areas.

NCCBC is a membership organisation with membership open to anyone who lives in the area. It has around £300,000 available to spend on improvements in North Carrick each year.

Applications can be submitted by any constituted group that delivers benefits for people in North Carrick. Applications will be considered where they deliver new and innovative projects which promote one or more of the following priorities:

- Regeneration of our built environment for general public benefit
- Environmental Protection and improvement
- Provision, maintenance, or improvement of Public Open Space
- Projects which reduce Greenhouse Gas emissions
- Projects which promote more efficient use of scarce global resources
- Education for local residents
- Recreational activities/facilities
- Protection, preservation, or enhancement of important or significant local buildings
- Alleviating poverty



- Providing training or employment opportunities for unemployed individuals or groups
- Health benefits
- Alleviating hardship caused through health, disability, isolation or other disadvantage
- Citizenship, capacity building, engagement, volunteering and support for individuals and communities
- Arts, Heritage, or culture

## HOW TO APPLY

For more information on how to apply please contact [admin@nccbc.org.uk](mailto:admin@nccbc.org.uk).  
Or visit the website at [Apply - NCCBC](#)

## **CARRICK FUTURES**

Carrick Futures supports community projects in Carrick, South Ayrshire.

The fund supports projects primarily located within or directly benefiting one or more of the six community council areas of Ballantrae, Colmonell & Lendalfoot, Barr, Barrhill, Pinmore & Pinwherry and Girvan & District.

Some funds are also available for projects located within or directly benefiting the wider Carrick area. Priority will be given to applications which also benefit one or more of the main beneficiary communities listed above.

### What Can Carrick Futures Fund?

Carrick Futures can support charitable activities that support the rural regeneration and sustainability of Ballantrae, Colmonell & Lendalfoot, Barr, Barrhill, Pinmore & Pinwherry, Girvan & District and Carrick.

Awards can support a wide range of costs and activities.

The Board has agreed four strategic aims, which it will use to prioritise proposed projects. These are:

- Improving access to services (in particular public transport)
- Enabling a diverse and sustainable population mix (services for young people and older people, but also activities that help create opportunities for families and working age people to live in the area).
- Improving equality of opportunity (including tackling poverty and disadvantage).
- Contributing to a climate smarter world with sustainability at its core

Applicants must normally fulfil the following conditions to apply to the fund:

- The proposal is for projects or activities consistent with the charitable purposes of Carrick Futures;
- Applicants have a constitution (governing document or set of rules) and are set up on a not-for-private-profit basis. However applicants do not need to be registered charities to apply.



- Applicants must provide their latest set of accounts, signed by an independent third party, and a copy of a recent bank statement.

## HOW TO APPLY

**They welcome pre-application enquiries. For further advice or information on Carrick Futures or to discuss your project proposal informally, please contact the Foundation Scotland team on [grants@foundationscotland.org.uk](mailto:grants@foundationscotland.org.uk) before applying, to confirm the project is eligible.**

## Deo Gloria Trust

Funding body:	Deo Gloria Trust
Maximum value:	£ 10,000
Application deadline:	Not specified

**Grants are available for UK registered charities to support a range of evangelical activities that promote the gospel of Jesus Christ in the UK.**

### Background

The Deo Gloria Trust, a registered charity, has been supporting Christian evangelical work since 1965. Its property portfolio generates revenue that is given as grants to support gospel work within the UK.

### Objectives of Fund

The current focus is on providing grants for direct frontline evangelism that is spreading the good news of Jesus, for example:

- A new project / initiative for which start up funding is needed.
- Support for an on-going ministry.
- A time bounded event / project.

### Value Notes

Funding is at the discretion of Trustees. Grants tend to be in the range of £1,000 to £10,000. Most grants are one-off although in some cases monthly / quarterly payments over a three-year period are made.

### Who Can Apply

Registered charities in the UK are eligible to apply.

### Restrictions

Funding is not available for the following:

- Direct replacement of statutory funding.
- For the benefit of one or two individuals.
- Organisations that have applied for a grant less than 12 months ago.
- Work that has already taken place.
- Medical research.



- Staff salaries.
- Animal welfare.
- Endowment funds.
- General appeals or circulars.
- Building or major refurbishment projects.
- Running costs of established organisations.
- Large national charities.
- Organisations that are not UK registered charities.
- Work done outside of the United Kingdom.
- Excepted charities.
- Exempt charities.
- Community Interest Companies (CICs).

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#### Eligible Expenditure

The funding can be used to support:

- Evangelists and gospel teachers.
- Christian teaching in schools and youth clubs.
- Mission and outreach events.
- Training of evangelists.
- Creation and production of gospel resources, eg, literature, films, videos, blogs, vlogs, podcasts, etc.
- Hardship fund for gospel workers.
- Activities as a means to reaching people with the gospel.
- Channels for delivering the gospel, ie, radio stations, TV and social media.

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#### Location

United Kingdom

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#### How To Apply

Applications may be submitted at any time and are considered at quarterly meetings. The Trustees make awards in January, April, July, and October.

The Trust generally close applications for a particular award meeting one month before the meeting. Applications that miss the deadline will be included in the next meeting.

All applications must now be submitted through the Trust's online grant portal. Applications submitted by post or e-mail will no longer be accepted.

Only one application per organisation will be accepted each year as the Trust is oversubscribed. Contact Deo Gloria Trust for more information.

[Home](#)



# Allied Vehicles Charitable Trust

Funding body:	Allied Vehicles Charitable Trust
Maximum value:	£ 5,000
Application deadline:	Not specified

**Grants are available for registered charities, community interest companies, social enterprises, and other not-for-profit organisations for projects which benefit local communities in Scotland, with a particular focus on Glasgow.**

Further details

Background

Allied Vehicles Group set up the Allied Vehicles Charitable Trust in January 2022. Each month, it allocates £20,000 to the Trust to be used to support charity and community organisations across Scotland.

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Objectives of Fund

The trust supports a wide range of local and national charities across Scotland.

There is particular interest in supporting:

- Local community groups making a difference in Glasgow and surrounding areas.
- Social enterprises focused on creating sustainable positive impact.
- Health and welfare organisations supporting vulnerable individuals.
- Educational initiatives that provide opportunities for young people.
- Sports and cultural programs that enhance community engagement.

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Value Notes

The Trust allocates £20,000 per month in total.

Funding is at the discretion of the Trust.

Grants typically range from £500 to £5,000, depending on the project scope and potential impact. In exceptional cases, larger amounts may be given for projects with significant community benefit.

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Who Can Apply

Registered charities, community interest companies, social enterprises, and other not-for-profit organisations from across Scotland can apply.

Organisations should have a bank account and be able to demonstrate clear community benefit and alignment with the Trust's values.

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Previous Success

Examples of grant recipients include:

- Balornock Primary School to fund their whole school summer trips.
- Cadder Community Festival Group to help fund their annual Cadder Gala Day in August.
- Cancer Card, a Scottish charity dedicated to supporting individuals and families affected by cancer, to support their Comfort Box scheme.
- Clydesdale Food Bank
- Homeless Project Scotland.
- Honeypot Children's Charity to provide young carers with a residential break in the countryside.



- International Women's Group, a charity that supports diverse women in Scotland through education, community events, and equality promotion.
- Music in Hospitals and Care, a charity dedicated to improving the health and wellbeing of children and adults through the healing power of live music.
- SensationALL, a charity dedicated to supporting people with neurodivergent and complex conditions.
- Volunteer Tutors Organisation Ltd (VTO) to support their Learning Hubs in the Possilpark area of Glasgow. VTO provides educational support to children and young people most affected by the poverty-related attainment gap.

#### Eligible Expenditure

The funding can be used for a wide range of initiatives including but not limited to:

- Community food projects
- Support for vulnerable people
- Health and welfare programmes
- Educational initiatives
- Sports and cultural activities
- Environmental projects
- Community development programmes.

The Trust 'particularly values initiatives that create lasting positive impact and demonstrate innovation in addressing community needs'.

#### Location

Scotland with a focus on Glasgow

#### How To Apply

An online application form can be found on the Allied Vehicles Charitable Trust website.

Applications are reviewed monthly.

Organisations that have received funding may reapply after 12 months.

[Allied Vehicles Charitable Trust - Allied Vehicles Group](#)

## Henry Smith Foundation – Early Years Parenting Fund

Funding body:	Henry Smith Foundation
Maximum value:	£ 225,000
Application deadline:	01/07/2026

**Grants are available for charitable organisations based and working within the UK to improve outcomes for children aged newborn to five through effective, culturally grounded parenting support.**

#### Background

The Early Years Parenting Fund is provided and administered by the Henry Smith Foundation as part of its Getting Started funding priority, which supports families to give young children a strong start in life. In this fund, 'parents' includes any caregiver.



This fund directly addresses Getting Started priorities by targeting:

- Children in communities most at risk of poorest outcomes
- Proven parenting support models with strong, culturally grounded engagement
- Organisations capable of both improving outcomes and contributing to sector-wide learning.

This year (2026) is the first year of a five year programme where the focus is on improving children's outcomes via parenting support.

It is expected that the fund will be adapted during the next five years, for example, the next round in 2027 will focus on organisations with the same strong community connections but with developing evidence bases. Future rounds might focus on different parent groups.

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### Objectives of Fund

This Fund aims to improve the development of children most at risk of poor Early Childhood Development (ECD) outcomes, by investing in effective parenting support.

The first round is focused on communities where outcome gaps are largest.

Organisations should be working closely with and understand parents with children aged newborn to five years from:

- Black (Caribbean or African, Any Other Black), Pakistani, and Gypsy, Roma and Traveller communities **and/or**
- Growing up in the most deprived 20% areas nationally (using the official deprivation index for that nation, eg, IMD for England and Wales).

The funding aims to support organisations that are trusted by the communities they serve and that can evidence the difference their work makes.

Note "parents" for this fund refers to anyone with a primary caregiving role for a young child. This includes parents, carers, kinship carers, guardians, and other family members responsible for raising a child. The foundation recognise that families take many forms, and welcome applications from organisations supporting a wide range of caregivers of children aged newborn to five.

Organisations working with a wider age range than newborn to five years may apply but they must clearly demonstrate how the work they are planning to do benefits children aged newborn to five. If they are successful, the funding may be restricted to early years activity only.

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### Value Notes

Grants are £56,250 per year for four years (£225,000 total).

In addition, grant recipients will receive support and relationship-building beyond just funding

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### Who Can Apply

Applications will be accepted from charitable organisations registered in and working in the UK, including:

- Registered charities and Charitable Incorporated Organisations (CIOs)
- Community Interest Companies (CICs) that are not-for-profit with an asset lock
- Other not for profit charitable organisations delivering work aligned with the Foundation's object

To be eligible, applicants must:

- Have an annual income between £100,000 and £5 million (as shown in their most recent published accounts).
- Have a year's worth of accounts that have been audited or independently examined.

Priority will be given to applications that:

- Demonstrate their organisation is strongly rooted in the communities they serve, with staff, partnerships or governance that reflect those communities



- Evidence support that is culturally relevant, accessible and responsive to the lived realities of participating families
  - Show how they will use learning and data to strengthen and sustain their work and contribute to local systems change and wider sector understanding
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### Restrictions

The following are not eligible for funding:

- Activity focused on pregnancy (a maternity equity fund will open Summer 2026)
  - Work that benefits people outside the UK
  - Work that has already taken place
  - Proposals that are only for the benefit of an individual
  - Work that is not legally charitable
  - Local authorities or work usually considered a statutory responsibility
  - Activity that actively seeks to proselytise or promote any religion
  - Organisations that cannot show evidence of impact
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### Eligible Expenditure

The funding is flexible – grants can be used towards general running costs - and is to be used for work that helps achieve the following objectives:

- Improve children's outcomes across physical development, cognitive development and social and emotional development through support for effective parenting
  - More families accessing support that feels culturally relevant, safe and responsive
  - Learn what works best for groups most at risk of poor early childhood outcomes to influence public sector service and other support
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### Location

England, Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland

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### How To Apply

The guidelines, faqs, eligibility quiz, sample Expression of Interest and application form as well as other relevant documents are available on the Henry Smith Foundation website.

A live launch [webinar](#) will be held on 2 June 2026 (11am to 12pm) with a recording and transcript available for those who are unable to attend the live event.

This new fund opens for applications on 3 June 2026 (9am).

There is a two-stage application process:

- The first stage is to submit an Expression of Interest by the deadline of **1 July 2026 (17:00)**.
- Around 35 organisations will be invited to submit a full application by 21 August 2026 (17:00).

Decisions are expected in October 2026, and successful applicants must start their grant within six months of the award date.

Contact the Henry Smith Foundation for further information.

[Early Years Parenting Fund - Henry Smith](#)



# Firstport - Social Innovation Challenge

Funding body:	Firstport
Maximum value:	Discretionary
Application deadline:	20/07/2026

**Grants are available to social enterprises, unincorporated groups, and community associations in Scotland to deliver a project or activity that has a lasting social impact on communities in Scotland.**

## Background

The Social Innovation Challenge Fund is provided and administered by Firstport.

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## Objectives of Fund

This fund aims to support innovative solutions that tackle some of the most pressing modern day challenges, and will support the development of a new social enterprise solution, as well as tailored support to launch and implement the solution.

The 2026 theme is aligned with the following Scottish Government policy priorities:

- Eradicating child poverty.
- Growing the economy.
- Tackling the climate emergency.
- Ensuring high quality and sustainable public services.

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## Value Notes

In 2026, there will be three finalists.

The winner will receive a grant of £30,000.

The two other finalists will receive grants of £10,000 each.

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## Who Can Apply

The following can apply:

- Established social enterprises.
- Unincorporated groups or community associations.
- Individuals with an idea for a new project.

Groups must be incorporated and registered with the OSCR or Companies House, and have a registered office located in Scotland.

For individuals or unincorporated groups:

- The lead applicant must be 16 or over.
- The lead applicant is either a permanent resident of Scotland or has a visa/leave to remain that covers the period of the award.
- There must be an intention to incorporate an asset locked social enterprise with a registered office in Scotland (funding will be released on successful incorporation).

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## Restrictions

The following are not eligible for funding:

- Projects without potential for an income stream and have no way of continuing after the funding ends.
- Costs that are not linked to the delivery of an innovative project or idea, such as core costs



for the running of an enterprise that is already established or emergency funds to ensure the short-term survival of an organisation.

- Individuals or organisations that have received more than £250,000 in grants or loans from a public source over the last three financial years.
- Projects that have been developed without input from the communities they are hoping to help.
- Projects that are the responsibility of local authorities or statutory care providers, including essential services that are normally mandated and paid for by the government or local councils.
- Political campaigning or the advancement of religion.

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#### Eligible Expenditure

Proposed projects should demonstrate:

- An element of innovation.
- How the project or idea delivers direct social impact.
- The potential for income generation.
- Potential for scale or replication.
- That they have been co-developed with the target community.
- Environmental sustainability.

Eligible costs include:

- Start-up fees.
- Research and development.
- Salaries.
- Other essential costs such as rent or key equipment.

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Location  
Scotland.

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#### How To Apply

The deadline to submit an Expression of Interest is 20 July 2026.

Guidance and an online Expression of Interest form are available from the Firstport website.

Contact Firstport for further information.

[Social Innovation Challenge - Firstport](#)

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## ServiceNow Community Improvement Fund UK

Funding body:	ChangeX
Maximum value:	£ 25,000
Application deadline:	19/06/2026

A small number of grants are available for schools and not-for-profit groups in the UK to support community-led projects that address climate challenges with in the UK.



## Background

The ServiceNow Community Fund is provided by ChangeX, a registered charity, in collaboration with ServiceNow, the AI control tower for business reinvention, headquartered in the US but with offices around the globe.

ChangeX, established in 2015, is an international non-profit organisation, headquartered in Dublin, with teams based across Europe, the Americas, Africa and Asia. It is a community engagement platform designed to get funding and resources directly into the hands of ordinary people to lead impactful projects in their neighbourhoods. It works with social innovators to scale proven solutions to environmental, economic and social issues and partners with companies and foundations to support local communities with the necessary funding. Its funders include ServiceNow, the LEGO Foundation and Paramount, among others.

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## Objectives of Fund

The funding aims to enable communities within the UK to take meaningful local action to tackle climate challenges.

This year's funding is intended for non-profit organisations and schools across the UK to start or expand water, solar, or nature-based community projects.

Applicants can submit their own project for funding or apply for support to bring one of three proven, high-impact climate ideas to their community.

The proven ideas on offer through the fund are:

- Ecosystem Restoration Communities (ERC), a programme focused on 'regreening' the planet by rebuilding soil, fixing water systems, and increasing local biodiversity on degraded land.
  - Precious Plastic, an initiative designed to reduce plastic waste by encouraging communities to recycle plastic and turn plastic waste into valuable products.
  - Youth-Led Solar, a project that sees teenagers plan, fund and implement a real photovoltaic installation in their community.
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## Value Notes

Grants of up to £25,000 per project are available. It is anticipated that a total of three to five projects will be funded in the UK.

Grants of up to:

- £11,000 for Youth-Led Solar, from classroom to kilowatts.
  - £18,000 for Ecosystem, Restoration Communities.
  - £20,000 for Precious Plastic Workspaces.
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## Who Can Apply

Applicant must be a school or a registered non-profit organisation eligible to receive grant funding (relevant documentation will need to be provided) in the UK.

The organisation's representative submitting the application must be at least 18 years old.

Projects should include opportunities for ServiceNow employees to volunteer in the project activation or implementation.

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## Previous Success

Creation Mill, a social enterprise in Langholm in Scotland, received funding for a project to use wool to restore Tarras Valley's peatland.

The founder of Creation Mill, Emma Duncan said: "This project is changing the perception of wool as a 'bi-product'. We are using a resource that is local to our community, completely natural and



something that would have gone to waste, in a productive way. Using it instead of the normal plastic lining materials is much better for the environment we are trying to restore."

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### Restrictions

The following are not eligible for funding:

- Cost of work that has already been carried out or anything that is not related to the setup and maintenance of the community project.
- If applying to start a proven idea, payments to group members for their work on the project.
- Promotion of religious causes, non-charitable activities, sponsorship or fundraising events.
- Promotion of or engagement in criminal acts of violence, terrorism, hate crimes, money laundering, bribery, corruption, discrimination on the basis of race, national origin, religion, military and veteran status, disability, sex, age, gender identity or sexual orientation, destruction of any state, or support of any entity that engages in these activities.

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### Eligible Expenditure

To be eligible, projects must:

- Take place within the UK.
- Address the theme of sustainable infrastructure (water or solar) or nature-based solutions, with an emphasis on supporting positive, inclusive outcomes for local communities.

The funding can be used to cover direct set-up costs of the new community project. For example space rental, insurance fees, seeds and planting materials, tools, training fees; any materials needed for a project that benefits the community.

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### Location

UK

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### How To Apply

The guidelines, terms and conditions and application form can be found on the ChangeX website. The deadline for applications is 19 June 2026 (for decisions by the end of July 2026). Contact ChangeX for further information.

[ServiceNow Community Improvement Fund United Kingdom](#)

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## Heritage Crafts Association - Endangered Crafts Fund

Funding body:	Heritage Crafts Association (HCA)
Maximum value:	£ 2,500
Application deadline:	16/10/2026

**Grants are available for craft practitioners, community groups and voluntary organisations across the United Kingdom to deliver projects that protect endangered crafts and provide opportunities for makers and trainees to develop their skills.**



## Background

The Endangered Crafts Fund is supported by individual donors, the Essex Community Foundation and the Sussex Heritage Trust. Previous donors include the Pilgrim Trust, the Radcliffe Trust, the William Grant Foundation, the Ashley Family Foundation, the Dulverton Trust, the Garfield Weston Foundation, the Prince of Wales' Charitable Fund, the Benefact Trust and the Ernest Cook Trust. The fund is administered by the Heritage Crafts Association.

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## Objectives of Fund

The funding is intended to support projects focusing on crafts listed as endangered or critically endangered on the Red List of Endangered Crafts. It provides opportunities for makers and trainees to develop or share their skills in these high-risk crafts.

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## Value Notes

Grants of up to £2,500 are available.

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## Who Can Apply

Applications will be accepted from individuals and voluntary and community organisations that can demonstrate that they are working the skills and knowledge that are listed on the Red List of Endangered Crafts.

A number of grants are ringfenced for East Sussex, West Sussex, and Brighton and Hove, but those outside of these areas are also eligible to apply.

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## Eligible Expenditure

Funding can be used to support costs and activities including:

- Implementing changes that will ensure the longer-term viability or survival of heritage craft skills, for example:
  - developing a new, innovative approach to heritage craft skills;
  - investing in more efficient machinery;
  - developing new routes to market;
  - exploring the use of sustainable alternative materials while maintaining the heritage character of a practice.
- Direct and indirect skills transfer, for example:
  - taking on a trainee or apprentice;
  - preparing to teach courses, including the creation of training materials;
  - online or video content to support skills sharing and documentation;
  - specialist tools and equipment to facilitate training.
- Continuous professional development, for example:
  - acquiring the knowledge and skills required to run a successful small business;
  - acquiring the advanced craft skills or allied craft skills necessary to make a craft practice more viable, eg through a training course or self-directed learning.

In addition to the funding, successful applicants will receive support from the Grants and Awards Officer and the Heritage Crafts team. This will be unique to their project, but may include mentoring support, business support or signposting to other opportunities.

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## Location

United Kingdom

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## How To Apply



The deadline for applications is 16 October 2026 (17:00).

Application information can be found on the Heritage Crafts Association [website](#).

## [Endangered Crafts Fund - Heritage Crafts |](#)

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### Idlewild Trust

Funding body:	Idlewild Trust
Maximum value:	£ 7,000
Application deadline:	05/09/2026

### Grants are available to registered charities for arts and conservation projects in the UK.

#### Background

In 1974, Peter Minet established the Idlewild Trust to support the arts, culture and conservation in the national arena. It was founded in recognition of the importance of conserving aspects of the United Kingdom's common cultural heritage for future generations. The Trust awards around £140,000 each year.

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#### Objectives of Fund

The Trust offers grants to registered charities working in the following two areas:

- **Arts Grants:** Nurturing Early Stage Professionals – grants support training opportunities for emerging professionals, working creatively and backstage, within the performing and visual arts, post-training, and at an early stage in their career.
- **Conservation Grants:** Objects and Works of Art – grants support the conservation of cultural heritage of recognised national and international importance in museums, libraries, galleries, historic buildings, or landscapes accessible to the public.

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#### Value Notes

The maximum grant available is £7,000.

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#### Who Can Apply

Applications are accepted from:

- UK registered charities with two or more annual returns submitted on time to the Charity Commission.
- UK public exempt charities.

For Arts Grants, charities must work within the arts sector and be constituted with the purpose of delivering high quality, professional performing arts or visual arts programmes. Anticipated eligible charities include theatres, galleries, orchestras, opera, ballet, and theatre companies.

For Conservation Grants, applicants must own the object/work of art to be conserved. Applications from museums/libraries with charitable status where the object/work of art may still be owned by the local authority or university can be considered. Eligible applicants must provide a completed Conservation Report by an independent and accredited conservator or an in-house qualified conservator.



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## Restrictions

The following are not eligible for funding:

- Primary, secondary or higher education institutions, including university courses (specifically schools, colleges and conservatoires, whether state or private).
- Charities with the sole or main purpose of making grants.
- Any organisation with income of £5,000 per year or under.
- Places of worship.
- Charities or projects based outside the UK, in the Channel Islands, Isle of Man, or involving travel outside the UK.
- Retrospective funding.

Conservation grants will not fund:

- Structural repair of buildings or routine maintenance, cleaning and preventative work on objects or works of art.
- Capital projects/new facilities including extensions, redevelopments, heating and lighting.
- Environmental projects or conservation of lands.
- Large projects that are dependent on a major grant if that major grant has not yet been secured.

Arts grants will not fund:

- Charities with a primary focus other than the arts.
- Programmes for under 18 year olds or gap year students.
- Programmes with the purpose of introducing people to the arts.
- Programmes helping people prepare for entry to graduate-level training or similar. The trust considers programmes at the next stage of their development.
- Management, outreach and administrative career development.
- Programmes for just one person.
- Commissioning of new works, touring programmes, performances, productions, festivals and exhibitions unless this is as part of a programme to nurture early stage professionals.
- Programmes providing training to facilitate creative workshops.

There must be a gap of 24 months before applying for another Idlewild Trust award (measured between decision dates).

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## Eligible Expenditure

Funding is available for the following types of projects:

**Arts – Nurturing early stage professionals:** To support opportunities for professionals (working creatively) within the performing and visual arts, post training, and at an early stage in their careers. The priority is to support organisations which offer high-level training to early career participants in the performing, fine and applied arts – for example, musicians, dancers, actors, writers, artists, composers, curators, and theatre-makers. The programme should benefit participants aged 18 or over who have already completed their education to the highest available level in their chosen discipline.

**Conservation – Objects and works of art:** To support the conservation of cultural heritage of recognised national or international importance, such as objects and works of art in museums, libraries, galleries, historic buildings or landscapes accessible to the public.

The funders are interested in projects that aim to conserve historic or artistically important objects and works of art including artefacts, textiles, furniture, metalwork, manuscripts, and wall paintings. Works must be in museums, galleries, and historic buildings or their grounds, and be accessible to the public. Priority will be given to applications that include a knowledge sharing element as an



outcome of the project, such as with professional colleagues, for example a webinar, lecture, or published article. A public engagement activity that helps to improve the public understanding of conservation practice is encouraged.

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Location

United Kingdom

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How To Apply

The Trust has two annual funding rounds with meetings usually held in May and November. The next application round is open:

- 8 June 2026 to 5 September 2026 (midday).

Guidance information and online application forms are available on the Trust's website.

[Idlewild Trust | Idlewild Trust](#)

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## CPF Trust

Funding body:	CPF Trust
Maximum value:	Discretionary
Application deadline:	30/09/2026

**Grants for UK-based charities addressing health and social issues, the arts, education and animal welfare.**

Background

The CPF Trust is a small grant-making charity which offers a small number of small grants to other UK registered charities. It tends to support the same charities year on year.

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Objectives of Fund

The funding is for UK registered charities with projects that address the funder's current priorities:

- The arts.
  - Education.
  - Support for carers and older people.
  - Early intervention projects for disadvantaged children and young people.
  - Animal welfare.
  - Health and disability.
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Value Notes

One-year grants are made at the discretion of the trustees, but are usually between £1,000 and £3,000.

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Match Funding Restrictions

Match funding is not a specified requirement.

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Who Can Apply



Registered charities based and working in the UK may apply for funding. Applications should include details of the initiative and potential benefits.

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#### Previous Success

Examples of previously funded charities include:

- Age UK
  - Alternatives to Violence
  - Alzheimer's Society
  - Carers Trust
  - Children's Literacy Society
  - Compassion in World Farming
  - Friends of Friendless Churches
  - Parkinsons Disease Society
  - St Catherine's Hospice
  - Support Dogs
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#### Restrictions

The following are not funded:

- Political objectives.
  - Individuals (including sponsorship for individuals raising funds on behalf of charities).
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#### Eligible Expenditure

Revenue, capital, project and core-funding costs are supported.

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#### Location

United Kingdom

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#### How To Apply

Applications are accepted from 1 June to 30 September each year for consideration at the autumn meeting.

Submissions are **only** accepted via [email](#) and should be no more than 500 words in length. Other information required includes:

- Name of the applicant charity plus the charity number.
- A description of the charity.
- The award amount requested.
- Details of how the grant would be used and its anticipated impact.
- Contact details for the person responsible for the grant application.

Additionally, the latest annual report and accounts should be attached to the submission email. Contact the CPF Trust for further information.

<https://www.thecpftrust.org.uk/>

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# Arnold Clark Community Fund

-Funding body:	Arnold Clark
Maximum value:	£ 2,500
Application deadline:	Not specified

**Grants are available for UK registered charities and other not-for-profit organisations for projects, including those whose work directly supports those most affected by the cost-of-living crisis, which are embedded in the communities in which Arnold Clark operates.**

Arnold Clark, the UK's largest independently owned, family-run car retailer, created the Arnold Clark Community Fund in 2021 to support communities in which it operates.

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## Objectives of Fund

The Arnold Clark Community Fund offers the following support at different times of the year:

- Cost of Living Support – funding to registered charities and community group that are within a 50-mile radius of an Arnold Clark branch and whose work directly supports those most affected by the cost-of-living crisis, such as foodbanks, accommodation, poverty relief and where people/communities in the UK are the primary and immediate focus of investment. **This is currently open to support food banks, toy banks, homelessness and poverty relief.**
- Communities Support – funding to projects embedded in the communities in which Arnold Clark operates and is available to organisations who provide services widely accessible to those within Arnold Clark local communities, addressing the needs of those living within them. **This is expected to reopen in August 2026 with a focus on arts and culture and animal welfare.**
- Gear Up for Sport – 150 sports kits given to support youth sports teams across the UK. Any youth team with up to 30 members aged 4 to 15 years can apply. **This strand is expected to reopen in July 2026 for training equipment support.**

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## Value Notes

Funding is at the discretion of Arnold Clark Community Fund.

The following one-off grants are available:

- Community grants up to £1,000.
- Cost of living grants up to £2,500

All payments will be made by BACS to a bank account in the organisation's name.

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## Who Can Apply

Applications will be accepted from:

- UK registered charities
- Local community groups
- Social enterprises
- Community interest companies (CICs)
- Groups of organisations that are community or voluntary led
- Charitable incorporated organisations (CIOs)



To be eligible, applicants must:

- Have people and communities in the UK as their primary focus of investment
- Be incorporated in the UK.
- Have a bank account in the organisation's name.

Registered charity applicants must provide their charity number, current bank statement and proof of address.

Applicants from unregistered charities and community groups will be required to provide a bank statement, letter of constitution and a letter from their local councillor/MSP/MP.

The Cost of Living Support particularly welcomes applications from smaller voluntary and community organisations who are working with those most affected and vulnerable to the increased cost of living.

The Communities Support particularly welcome applications from smaller voluntary and community organisations who are working within Arnold Clark local communities.

Organisations must be based/operate solely in the UK and located within 50 miles of an Arnold Clark branch.

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### Restrictions

The following are not eligible for funding:

- Individuals
- Sole traders
- Professional sports teams
- Organisations operating outside the UK even if registered in the UK.
- Anyone applying on behalf of an organisation
- Organisations which generate profits for private distribution
- Schools, nurseries, colleges (unless this immediately impacts the wider community)
- Organisations that are asking for funding for private gain.
- Organisations that do not have a business bank account in their name.
- Religious activity (unless this immediately impacts the wider community)
- Projects that benefit an individual rather than the wider community.
- Animal welfare, though pet welfare costs will be considered.
- Political activities
- Grant-giving organisations.
- Travel applications (can only be accepted if this is for day trips in local community).
- Organisations applying to use the funding to pay for wages, loan repayments or to pay off debt.

Charities and community groups may submit one application per campaign (Cost-of-Living, Community Support and Gear Up For Sport) per calendar year. If successful in one campaign, they are ineligible to apply for any other campaign within the same calendar year. Applications to multiple campaigns are permitted, provided only one application is submitted per campaign, however, the funder will only approve a maximum of one application per organisation. Additional applications to the same campaign within the same calendar year will be disqualified.

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### Eligible Expenditure

The funding must be used for charitable or community purposes.

**Projects applying for 'Our Communities Support' need to address one of the following categories, which are open at different times throughout the year:**

- Pet welfare (to help cover costs for pet bills, animal shelters, therapy animals - reviewed on case by case basis).



- Arts and culture (music, books, art and theatre groups looking for money for transport, resources, venue hire, and special licences at arts and culture).
- Community enhancement (enhancing community, defib installation and replacements, play parks, community gardens, community galas and events).
- Disability (sensory group resources, equipment and adaptations, this could be from groups or hospitals, trips for disability groups).
- Educational training / advancement (extra resources for a PTA, school/education fayre/gala, uniform poverty. Extra curriculum resources).
- Sustainability enhancements / projects (community clean-ups, recycling programmes, urban gardening, eco-friendly initiatives).
- Mental health support (local support groups, networks end events that focus on mental wellbeing support).
- Relief support organisations (emergency service aid, cancer or illness support groups).
- Equality and diversity (programmes that promote equal access and opportunity, address discrimination and inequality and foster community cohesion).
- Youth clubs and groups, such as Brownies, Scouts, Guides, Sea Cadets, Cubs, amateur sports teams, dance groups and gymnastics (up to £750 for community trips, clubs costs materials, venue hire, transport).

Projects must have people/communities in the UK as the primary and immediate focus of investment.

Applications are also only eligible if they are made by an organisation that is based/operates solely in the UK and is located within 50 miles of an Arnold Clark branch.

#### Location

UK wide - within a 50-mile radius of an Arnold Clark branch

#### How To Apply

Applications are accepted during designated periods throughout the year.

**Cost of Living Support Grants are now open for application.**

The different funding opportunities are usually available on a monthly basis. However, it is recommended to apply as early as possible when the fund opens, as applications may close early due to high demand.

The criteria, faqs, terms and conditions are available on the Arnold Clark website.

Applications must be submitted through Blackbaud using the application form provided. Groups must create an account on Grants Connect to apply. Applications received by any other method will not be accepted.

**Please note from 2026:** Charities and community groups may submit one application per campaign (Cost-of-Living, Community Support and Gear Up For Sport) per calendar year. If successful in one campaign, they are ineligible to apply for any other campaign within the same calendar year.

Applications to multiple campaigns are permitted, provided only one application is submitted per campaign, however, the funder will only approve a maximum of one application per organisation. Additional applications to the same campaign within the same calendar year will be disqualified.

Contact the Arnold Clark Community Team for further information.

[The Arnold Clark Community Fund | Arnold Clark](#)



## Grocers' Charity Grant

Funding body:	The Grocers' Charity
Maximum value:	The Grocers' Charity
Application deadline:	15/08/2026

**One-off grants are available to small UK registered charities for work in the specific areas of: relief of hardship; children and young people; disability and inclusion; the elderly; health; military; environment and conservation; the arts; and heritage.**

### Background

The Grocers Company has a tradition of dispensing monies to charitable causes and in 1968 it founded the Grocers' Charity, through which it offers financial support a wide range of charitable causes.

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### Objectives of Fund

The Charity provides one-off grants for UK registered charities to support the following areas:

- Relief of hardship.
- Children and young people (from birth to 25 years old).
- The elderly.
- Disability and inclusion.
- Health.
- Military.
- Heritage.
- The arts.
- Environment and conservation.

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### Value Notes

The total annual fund is approximately £1 million.

Funding is at the discretion of the trustees but the one-off grants are usually for up to £5,000, with larger grants being made for more exceptional projects.

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### Match Funding Restrictions

Match funding is not a specified requirement.

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### Who Can Apply

Registered charities in the UK with a turnover below £500,000 (or medical charities with an income below £15 million) are eligible to apply.

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### Restrictions

Applications are not accepted from:

- Places of worship.
- Educational establishments (schools, colleges, universities).
- Individuals
- Charities whose beneficiaries are overseas.
- Non-UK registered charities (e.g. CICs).
- Charities with a turnover of over £500,000, except for health and medical charities (up to £15



million turnover).

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## Eligible Expenditure

The Charity supports organisations working in the the following areas:

- **Relief of hardship**
  - Providing training courses, better facilities, or parenting support.
  - Supporting and empowering those who experience or are at risk of homelessness, including domestic violence/abuse.
  - Working in areas of high deprivation.
- **Children and Young People**
  - Building children and young people's strengths and potential to empower them to participate and take action to realise their goals.
  - Supporting children and young people's wellbeing through peer support or group activities.
- **Elderly**
  - Providing services that end social exclusion.
  - Providing befriending or other programmes to end loneliness.
  - Providing services that enhance daily activities or home life.
- **Disability and Inclusion**
  - Identifying and tackling the barriers to inclusion and participation.
  - Providing front-line support for disabled people.
- **Health**
  - Undertaking ethical research into specific medical conditions.
  - Supporting people with medical conditions by purchasing a piece of equipment or other tangible project.
  - Supporting people with well-being concerns or mental health illnesses.
  - Having a turnover below £15 million.
- **Military**
  - Providing innovative programmes, education or employment for ex-service people.
  - Supporting the physical, emotional and mental well-being of current and ex-service people and their families.
- **Arts**
  - Providing opportunities, education and skills development of creative talent for artists with financing challenges or disability support requirements.
  - Engaging with marginalised audiences, e.g., disabled, BAME, and people living below the minimum poverty threshold for the appreciation of arts, performances or exhibitions.
- **Heritage**
  - Conserving and restoring historic buildings (excluding places of worship).
  - Conserving historical objects and paintings.
- **Environment and Conservation**
  - Supporting the protection and survival of plants and animals by maintaining and restoring habitats, enhancing ecosystems, and protecting biological diversity.
  - Educating behavioural changes addressing environmental issues like littering and waste.
  - Countering the effects of pollution and climate change (e.g. ideas and projects which tackle the issue of plastic waste and those to reduce carbon emissions).



Location  
United Kingdom

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### How To Apply

The closing date for applications is now 15 August 2026.

There is a two-stage application process:

- The first stage is to submit the Initial Enquiry form. Groups will receive a reply within up to three weeks after the deadline.
- The second stage is by invitation only to those who were successful at stage one. They will be sent a link to fill in an online form which they will have one week to complete.

Applicants should complete the online eligibility checklist for the relevant area to access the online enquiry form.

See the Grocers' Charity [website](#) for further information.

[The Grocers' Charity provides one off grants for charities](#)

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## Energy Redress Scheme - Main Fund and Small Project Fund

Funding body:	Energy Saving Trust
Maximum value:	£ 2,000,000
Application deadline:	23/06/2026

**Grants are available to registered charities and community energy groups that support households most at risk from cold homes and high energy bills across England, Scotland and Wales.**

### Background

The Ofgem Energy Industry Voluntary Redress Scheme, known as the Energy Redress Scheme, is funded through payments from energy companies who may have breached rules. The Energy Saving Trust has been appointed by Ofgem to distribute the funding to charities. Since its launch in 2018, the Scheme has funded more than 761 projects across England, Scotland and Wales that support vulnerable energy customers and carbon emission reduction initiatives.

The priority of the scheme is to support energy consumers in vulnerable situations and to deliver benefits to the types of consumers that were negatively impacted by the specific issues that triggered the redress payment.

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### Objectives of Fund

The priorities of the Main and Small Grants schemes are to:

- Support energy consumers in vulnerable situations.
  - Deliver benefits to the types of consumers that were negatively impacted by the specific issues that triggered the redress payment.
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### Value Notes

The amount of funding available through the scheme varies throughout the year and will be reviewed on a quarterly basis in January, April, July and October.

The scheme is now in Phase Three.



For Round 1 a total of £30 million is available under the following funding streams:

- The Main Fund, containing £19 million – aimed at projects seeking grants between £50,000 and £2 million that will support households in vulnerable situations.
- The Impact Fund, containing £1 million – aimed at projects monitoring the impact to households, of energy advice and other interventions. Applicants can apply for grants between £20,000 and £500,000.
- The Small Project Fund, containing £1 million – aimed at projects seeking grants between £20,000 and £49,999 that will support households in vulnerable situations.
- The Innovation Fund, containing £4.5 million – aimed at projects that will develop innovative products or services to benefit households. Applicants can apply for grants between £20,000 and £1 million. **(Covered in a separate entry).**
- The Carbon Emissions Reduction Fund, containing £3 million – aimed at projects that will reduce UK carbon emissions and empower households to reduce their carbon footprint. Applicants can apply for grants between £20,000 and £1 million. **(Covered in a separate entry).**
- The Just Transition Fund, containing £1.5 million – aimed at projects that will develop community renewable energy which will benefit energy consumers in vulnerable situations. Applicants can apply for grants between £20,000 and £250,000. **(Covered in a separate entry).**

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### Who Can Apply

Applications will be accepted from:

- Registered charities in England, Scotland and Wales that are registered with the Energy Redress Scheme and have passed the due diligence process.
- Housing associations with exempt charity status based in England, Scotland and Wales.
- Community energy groups (a co-operative, community benefit society or community interest company) based in England, Scotland and Wales.

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### Restrictions

Examples of activity that cannot be funded by Energy Redress include, but are not limited to:

- Energy saving measures that can be funded from another source, such as the Energy Company Obligation (ECO), other government or devolved government schemes or an organisations' own capital programme.
- Installation costs for renewable energy technologies that are funded through government schemes or would normally be covered by an organisations' own capital programme.

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### Eligible Expenditure

The grants can be used for capital or revenue costs and can provide up to 100% of the project cost. Projects lasting up to two years can be funded.

The funding is for projects that:

- Support energy consumers in vulnerable situations.
- Deliver benefits to the types of consumers that were negatively impacted by the specific issues that triggered the Redress payment.

Vulnerability can impact consumers at different points in their lives and can manifest itself in several ways, such as facing difficulty in paying energy bills or being less able to make effective choices in the energy market. A wide range of factors can exacerbate vulnerability, ranging from living on a low income to having disabilities or illness and/or a reliance on electricity for heating.

Examples of the kind of activities that can be funded through the Energy Redress Scheme include:



- Engaging vulnerable consumers with energy issues and delivering energy advice and support that does not duplicate existing services.
- Installation of energy saving or renewable energy measures that cannot be funded from other sources.
- Training and education on energy issues that are targeted at supporting vulnerable consumers.
- Crisis support, linked to energy bills or the energy efficiency of a property, only as part of a wider energy advice project aimed at providing sustainable change for a client.

#### Location

England, Wales, Scotland

#### How To Apply

Applications are reviewed on a quarterly basis in January, April, July and October.

**This is the first funding round in phase three of the scheme. Applications are accepted from 2 June 2026 to 23 June 2026 (17:00).**

The guidance notes and online application system (called the Charity Dashboard) can be found on the Energy Saving Trust website.

Before applying, organisations need to pre-register by visiting the [Energy Redress registration page](#)

Organisations that have not yet registered with the scheme must do so 10 working days before the relevant Fund closes to allow time for eligibility checks to take place.

Organisations wishing to access the Scheme must complete an online information form so that Energy Saving Trust can check whether they are eligible to apply. Charities that meet the initial criteria will be notified and will be emailed a link to create an account, through which they can apply for all subsequent rounds.

When funds become available, eligible charities will be notified to use their online account to apply for funds. The system allows charities to create, review, save and submit funding applications in multiple rounds. Charities should only set up one account, which can have multiple users.

All applicants are usually notified of the outcome of their application with 8 to 10 weeks following a funding round closing.

Organisations can reapply in the next open funding round, whether they have been successful or unsuccessful in previous rounds.

Contact the Energy Saving Trust for further information.

[About us | Energy Redress scheme](#)

## Energy Redress Scheme - Just Transition Fund

Funding body:	Energy Saving Trust
Maximum value:	£ 250,000
Application deadline:	23/06/2026

**Grants are available for charities and community energy groups in Great Britain to develop community renewable energy projects that benefit those most in need.**

#### Background



The Ofgem Energy Industry Voluntary Redress Scheme, known as the Energy Redress Scheme, is funded through payments from energy companies who may have breached rules. The Energy Saving Trust has been appointed by Ofgem to distribute the funding to charities in England, Scotland and Wales.

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### Objectives of Fund

The fund, provided by Ofgem Energy Redress Scheme and piloted under the scheme's Carbon Emissions Reductions priority, aims to build the capacity of the community energy sector and deliver impactful renewable energy projects. It seeks to demonstrate how a just transition to net zero can benefit everyone.

The funding is intended to enable greater community ownership and social benefit from the historic growth in renewable energy over the next few years as the UK transitions to net zero.

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### Value Notes

In this round, there is a total budget of £1.5 million.

Grants of between £20,000 and £250,000 are available for individual projects.

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### Who Can Apply

Applications are accepted from registered charities, Community Interest Companies (CICs), Community Benefit Societies and Cooperative Societies in England, Scotland and Wales that are registered with the Energy Redress Scheme and have passed the due diligence process.

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### Location

England, Wales, Scotland

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### How To Apply

**Applications are accepted from 2 June 2026 to 23 June 2026 (17:00).**

Before applying, organisations need to pre-register by visiting the [Energy Redress registration page](#) after which they will be able to access the online application form.

Organisations that have not yet registered with the scheme must do so 10 working days before the relevant Fund closes to allow time for eligibility checks to take place.

Contact the Energy Saving Trust for further information.

[Announcements | Energy Redress scheme](#)

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## Bupa Foundation Green Community Grants

Funding body:	Bupa UK Foundation
Maximum value:	£ 2,000
Application deadline:	30/06/2026

**Grants are available for schools, registered charities and not-for-profit organisations across the UK and Republic of Ireland for projects that make a positive difference to the health of local communities.**



## Background

The Green Community Grants scheme is provided by the Bupa Foundation as part of its Healthy Cities campaign which aims to support one million people across the globe to improve their health through restoring and regenerating nature.

The scheme is administered by Groundwork, which is a federation of charities working nationally and locally to transform lives in the UK's most disadvantaged communities.

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## Objectives of Fund

The funding is intended for registered charities, not-for-profit organisations, schools, local authorities and social housing providers for practical projects which help with both people and planet health.

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## Value Notes

Grants of between £500 and £2,000 are available.

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## Match Funding Restrictions

Match funding is not required as Bupa Foundation can fund up to 100% of the project costs. However, groups that secure additional funding can use any funding awarded by the Bupa Foundation to form part of their wider project costs.

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## Who Can Apply

Applications will be accepted from non-fee paying schools, registered charities, not-for-profit organisations, local authorities and social housing providers.

To be eligible, applicants must be able to provide their governing document (e.g. constitution, memorandum or articles of association) which must include a dissolution clause or asset lock.

Organisations that are not a registered organisation (registered charity, registered company, school or a public sector organisation) must be able to provide two forms of ID for their main contact, one for proof of name, the other for proof of address.

For projects involving a capital improvement to land or a building, organisations must complete the project consent form provided in the application form.

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## Restrictions

The following are not eligible for funding:

- Individuals.
- Community Interest Companies with shares (CIC's).
- Community Interest Companies with guarantee that are less than two years old.
- Profit-making organisations.
- Private, fee paying schools.
- Retrospective costs.
- Research projects.
- Political donations.
- Fundraising activities or challenges (such as costs for a sky dive).
- Running costs and organisation overheads.
- Conferences or seminars.
- Activities which collect funds for redistribution to other charities or individuals.
- Overseas appeals.
- Expeditions or overseas travel.
- Promotion of a religious or political cause.



- Marketing promotions.
- Projects or activities that the state has a legal obligation to provide.

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### Eligible Expenditure

Projects must be completed by 30 April 2027.

This year, priority will be given to projects that:

- Improve existing green spaces or create new ones in cities, especially in priority areas: London, Staines, Brighton, Leeds, Greater Manchester (in particular Salford), Dublin and Glasgow
- Take place in areas with the greatest need, meaning areas in the top 20% most deprived, based on official Indices of Multiple Deprivation (IMD) data.
- Have not received a Bupa Foundation Green Community Grant before
- Clearly show how they improve people's health and the health of the planet

Examples of eligible projects include, but are not limited to:

- Improving a local community garden for community use and recreational activities.
- Volunteer-led tree or flower planting to improve air quality and biodiversity.
- Creating an outdoor classroom, natural playground or 'forest school'.
- Creating a community food growing space.
- Creating or adapting a green space to make it more accessible.
- Creating a 'pocket park' to bring more greenery into a city.
- Creating green/living walls in school grounds or a community space.
- Planting to reduce flooding and increase biodiversity.

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### Location

UK (including the Channel Islands) and Republic of Ireland.

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### How To Apply

Applications are open and the deadline for submission is 30 June 2026.

It is expected that decisions will be announced by the end of September 2026.

This is typically an annual scheme with applications open during June.

The guidance notes and online application form can be found on Groundwork UK's website.

Groundwork UK use Flexi Grant, an online grant management system, which requires applicants to create an account in order to access the application form.

Contact Groundwork for further information.

[Bupa Foundation Green Community Grants - Groundwork](#)

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## Hugo Burge Foundation - Creative Grants

Funding body:	Hugo Burge Foundation
Maximum value:	£ 15,000
Application deadline:	31/07/2026

**Grants are available to support projects, individuals and organisations across the UK that promote creativity through three key areas: Creative Education, Creative Communities and Creative**



## Individuals.

### Background

The Hugo Burge Foundation provide grants to support the arts, crafts and creative industries across the UK.

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### Objectives of Fund

The funding is intended to support creativity across the UK. There are three focus areas:

- Creative Education - supporting projects that provide young people (ages 0-29) with opportunities to engage in creative activities. This includes funding for workshops in schools, field trips to cultural sites, and the purchase of materials for student engagement.
  - Creative Communities - aiding organisations, festivals, fairs and community groups that develop and deliver cultural and creative arts initiatives within their local areas.
  - Creative Individuals - providing individual artists, including those in visual and expressive arts, writers and craftspeople, with funding to support their artistic projects.
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### Value Notes

For the Creative Education and Creative Communities strands, the maximum award is £15,000. For Creative Individuals, the maximum award is £5,000.

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### Who Can Apply

The grants programme is open to a broad range of applicants across the UK:

- Creative Education - schools, local authorities, community groups, charities, museum/gallery spaces, educational institutions and arts organisations, and more.
  - Creative Communities - festivals, charities, arts organisations and community groups.
  - Creative Individuals - artists who are over 18 and may be practitioners in all creative disciplines.
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### Eligible Expenditure

Grants can be used to support a wide range of activities including individual projects, community arts festivals and cultural fairs, workshops in schools and field trips to arts or cultural sites.

The Foundation also provides an access support fund totalling £7,000, available on a first come, first served basis. The fund will go towards paying access support workers up to £300 for a day's worth of services for applicants that might face barriers applying without assistance, including being Deaf, disabled or neurodivergent.

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### Location

United Kingdom

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### How To Apply

The deadline for applications is 31 July 2026.

Guidance notes and the online application portal can be accessed can be accessed from the Hugo Burge Foundation [website](#).

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### [Grants](#)

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# Strathclyde Partnership for Transport - Community Path Fund

Funding body:	Strathclyde Partnership for Transport (SPT)
Maximum value:	£ 15,000
Application deadline:	12/08/2026

## Grants are available to community organisations in the Strathclyde Partnership for Transport area to improve local path networks

### Background

This is a new funding program delivered by Walking Scotland (formerly Paths for All) and funded by Strathclyde Partnership for Transport (SPT).

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### Objectives of Fund

Funding is intended to construct new paths to enhance network connectivity as well as to upgrade existing paths to make them more accessible.

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### Value Notes

Grants of up to £15,000 are available.

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### Match Funding Restrictions

For applications up to £3,000, 100% of project costs can be funded.

For applications between £3,001 and £15,000, applicants must provide a minimum of 25% match funding. In-kind contributions may be considered.

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### Who Can Apply

Not-for-profit organisations based and working in the SPT area can apply, including but not limited to:

- Constituted groups, clubs, and community organisations.
- Registered charities.
- Educational establishments.
- Community councils and community or development trusts.
- National Park Authorities.

Organisations must be constituted and have a bank account.

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### Restrictions

The following are not eligible for funding:

- Individuals.
- Sole traders.
- Commercial companies.
- Local authorities.
- Building paths in community gardens.
- Feasibility studies.
- Installing bins.
- Retrospective costs.
- Planning application fees.



- Legal fees.
  - Purchasing land.
  - Purchasing bikes.
  - Production of walking leaflets.
  - Projects out with the SPT area.
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### Eligible Expenditure

The following are eligible for funding:

- Constructing new paths to improve path network connectivity.
- Creating technical designs for path projects to support applicants through the tendering and construction phases.
- Upgrading existing paths to make them more accessible and easier for people to use.
- Installing seating with back and arm rests to provide rest points along routes.
- Removing barriers on paths that are restrictive for people using adaptive equipment, cargo bikes or wheelchairs.
- Installing directional signage on paths.
- Planting wildlife-friendly shrubs and trees (up to the value of £3,000) next to paths.
- Installing lighting.

Projects must be completed by 22 February 2027.

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### Location

- Argyll and Bute.
  - East Ayrshire.
  - East Dunbartonshire.
  - East Renfrewshire.
  - Glasgow City.
  - Inverclyde.
  - North Ayrshire.
  - North Lanarkshire.
  - Renfrewshire.
  - South Ayrshire.
  - South Lanarkshire.
  - West Dunbartonshire.
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### How To Apply

The deadline for applications is 12 August 2026 (**noon**).

Guidance notes are available from the Walking Scotland website.

Contact Walking Scotland for further information.

[Path Funding – Walking Scotland](#)



