

WAKEFIELD COUNCIL SPORT & CULTURE SERVICE

SPORTS FUNDING GUIDE



Introduction to the Wakefield Council Sport & Active Lifestyles Service- Sports Funding Guide

Welcome to the Wakefield Council – Sport & Active Lifestyles Service funding guide.

The aim of this guide is to provide easy access to information about funding opportunities, programmes and advice on the application process. We have provided details of the most likely sources of funding, eligibility criteria, size of grants available and contact details.

The guide is available from Wakefield Council and can be found on our website: www.wakefield.gov.uk. It is updated on a regular basis, to ensure the information is accurate and relevant.

The guide will be of interest to a wide range of groups and organisations, but has been specifically designed to help individuals and organisations working in the area of sport, recreation and physical activity.

The guide will therefore be of particular interest to:

- Sports clubs and organisations
- Local Governing Bodies of Sport
- Sports volunteers/coaches/officials
- Schools
- Uniformed groups
- Other organisations who provide sport activities/opportunities

This list is by no means exhaustive, however, Wakefield Council is committed to the concept of continuous improvement. If you have any comments/suggestions for improvement on the advice guide please let us know by contacting the Sport & Active Lifestyles Service on 01924 307447. We hope you find the guide useful and that it helps to develop the sporting opportunities you provide.

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SECTION 1

(Traditional Sports Funders)

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1. **Sportsmatch**

In April 2009, Sport England announced an enhanced version of this popular government scheme, which is funded in England by the Department for Culture, Media and Sport (DCMS) through Sport England. It was designed to improve the quality and quantity of the sponsorship which grass-roots sport receives in Britain. It gives £ for £ matching of commercial sponsorship acquired, for grass-roots sport. A Sportsmatch award can allow a sponsor to enjoy all the commercial benefits of a sponsorship, whilst contributing only half the cost.

Sportsmatch will continue to build upon the exceptional success it has had since 1992 in leveraging private money into grassroots sport. £3 million of Exchequer funding was available during the 2009/2010 financial year.

The programme will now match sponsorship from the private sector, trusts, charities and individuals for an event, project or activity from a minimum of £1000 (£500 for schools only) to a maximum of £100,000.

Organisations concerned with sport, local authorities, voluntary youth associations or schools can apply. Charities are, however, not eligible to apply.

Sport England will look to focus investment on grassroots projects which deliver against their key outcomes of “grow, sustain and excel”. Favourable consideration will be given to projects that exhibit community involvement. Items such as coaching fees, facility hire, competition costs and publicity are all fundable. A maximum capital grant of £25,000 will be allowed for equipment projects. As from 1st April, 2009, the maximum number of private investors per application was increased from three to five

The priority target groups for funding are young people, disabled people, women and girls, minority ethnic people and deprived urban & rural areas.

Applicants will now apply online with telephone support available from Sport England

CONTACT:

**Sportsmatch, c/o Sport England, 2 Loughborough Park, Oakwood Drive,
Loughborough, LE11 3 QF**

Tel: 08458 508 508

Email: info@sportsmatch.co.uk; Website: www.sportsmatch.co.uk

2. **Football Foundation**

The Foundation is the UK's largest sports charity and is funded mainly via a proportion of the monies accruing from the contacts secured with television companies to screen Premiership & Football League matches. The three funding partners of the Football Foundation are:- The Football Association, The FA Premier League and The Government (Sport England Lottery Fund and Big Lottery Fund). Together with its sister organisation described in a) below it has significant annual funding, with four streams of funding, as follows:-

a) The Football Stadia Improvement Fund

is a limited company set up alongside the Foundation in 2000, which distributes grant aid towards those stadia improvement projects not eligible for support from the Foundation. This covers work for clubs in the Football Conference, & the National League System at levels 2,3,4 and below.

b) Junior Team Kit scheme

Grants of up to £400 are awarded to clubs and schools to be used for the purchase of football strip and equipment. The grant will be given in the form of a voucher, which is then exchanged for a selection of branded strip and/or equipment from a nominated supplier within six months of issue. Clubs/schools/representative teams at junior level may generally only receive one grant every three years, although exceptions are made for girls teams within clubs. Teams must be under 7's to under 18's, with the exception of adults with disabilities. The organization applying must have either achieved FA Charter Standard or agree to work towards this standard within a period of 12 months and must have a child protection policy in place. Additionally the applicant must have ten registered members.

a) Grassroots Funding

The aim of Grass Roots Funding is to provide opportunities for anyone of any age, background or ability to participate. Initially 75% of scheme monies will be allocated to this aspect. Grass Roots Funding primarily supports organisations who wish to build, develop or refurbish facilities in order to sustain or increase participation. Grass Roots applications may also include an element of revenue funding which enables the sustainability or increase in participation through a development plan.

Grass Roots Funding examples include: 1) changing room improvements, 2) pitch drainage, 3) artificial pitch installation, 4) floodlighting, 5) club house development and refurbishment.

An organisation can apply for funding up to £1 million. The percentage level of support is variable but will not exceed 90%. Ceiling grants will only be awarded in exceptional circumstances. The average grant awarded is 50% and applicants must be able to demonstrate that all other sources of funding have been exhausted. Revenue funding must not exceed 20% of the total Grass Roots grant.

b) Community & Education

The aims of Community and Education Funding are to: 1) increase participation and volunteering in sport by people with disabilities, black and ethnic communities, people on a low income and women and girls. 2) create more inclusive communities who play sport together and encourage and support local teams at the grass roots level. 3) encourage the adoption of healthy lifestyles and to contribute to improving the well being and quality of life of people of all ages and abilities. 4) Assist young people and particularly those from disadvantaged backgrounds to increase their education attainments and raise personal aspirations. 5) ensure that young people participating in sport do so in a safe and secure environment. 6) share ideas, research and identify best practice from schemes to enable more people to participate in sport in the community.

Examples of Community Funding include:- 1) community coaching schemes, 2) volunteer training programmes, 3) employment of development officers, 4) study support centres, 5) social inclusion projects.

Community and Education grants are available from £500 to £250,000, over a maximum of 5 years. The level of support to a project is flexible but will not exceed 90%. Ceiling grants will only be awarded in exceptional circumstances. The average grant awarded is 65% and applicants must be able to demonstrate that all other sources of funding have been exhausted.

Local authorities, all educational establishments, football clubs, multi-sport clubs, registered charitable organisations, companies limited by guarantee, industrial and provident societies, and unincorporated not for profit organisations can all apply for grants under the Grass Roots and Community and Education funding streams.

CONTACT:

The Football Foundation, 30 Gloucester Place, London. W1U 8FF

Tel: 0845 345 4555 ; Fax: 0207 287 0459

Email: enquiries@footballfoundation.org.uk

Website: www.footballfoundation.org.uk

3. Sports Governing Body Funds

Some governing bodies have their own grant schemes which often include various trusts. It is advisable to check with the governing body of your sport to ascertain whether they offer grant aid or if they know of other funding sources for your sport. Athletics for example has the Ron Pickering Memorial Trust.

CONTACT:

The relevant sports governing body; or The British Sports Trust for CSLA & other leadership schemes at:

**The British Sports Trust, 23-25 Linford Forum, Rockingham Drive, Linford Wood,
Milton Keynes, MK14 6LY,**

Tel: 01908 689180; Fax: 01908 393744

Email: contact@sportsleaders.org

4. Fields In Trust (Formerly the National Playing Fields Association)

Grants & technical advice may be available to support development & facility improvements on playing fields, but only where the club/group/owners of the land are “charities” or the land itself is designated as “charitable” and is “protected”.

CONTACT:

National Head Office:

Ground Floor South, 100 Christian Street, London, E1 1RS

Tel: 020 7264 2400; Fax: 020 7264 2410

E-Mail: info@fieldsintrust.org; Website: www.fieldsintrust.org

Regional Contact: Rocky Sharrock – Fields Manager

Tel: 0247 674 3396 (Fields Office NPFA at Nuneaton)

E-mail: rocky.sharrock@fieldsintrust.org

5. **Women's Sport and Fitness Foundation (WSFF)**

This is a registered charity committed to promoting & improving sporting opportunities for women & girls. WSF provides an advisory service & can supply resources.

CONTACT:

Women's Sport and Fitness Foundation, 3rd Floor, Victoria House, Bloomsbury Square, London. WC1B 4SE.

Tel: 020 7273 1740; Fax: 020 7273 1981

Email: info@wsff.org.uk; Website: www.wsff.org.uk

6. **Sport England Lottery Fund (SELF)**

Sport England produced a brand new strategy for sport for the nation in 2008. Part of this new strategy includes a fundamental change as to how they distribute both the resources they receive from the National Lottery and from "Exchequer Funding".

Starting on 1st April, 2009 Sport England are to allocate a considerable proportion of their funding directly to 46 sports governing bodies. Sport England are to act as a "Commissioner of Sports Development" and they will be allocating four year period grants to the governing bodies from 2009 to 2013. The governing bodies are to be given these grants based upon "Whole Sport Plans" they have produced for the development of their particular sports during this time frame. Sport England will regularly monitor the governing bodies to ensure they are delivering on the outcomes of these plans.

A smaller proportion of the Sport England funds became available for public open bidding from 1st April, 2009. Decisions on the grants to be awarded will be made nationally from Sport England's new "Service Centre" in Loughborough. A variety of funding streams are being developed, which will include:

- ❖ A regular "themed round" funding programme that meets specific needs of community sport
- ❖ A sports only "small grants programme" to replace the Awards for All Scheme
- ❖ An "Innovation Fund" for projects that identify and pilot new ways of promoting and supporting grassroots sport
- ❖ A capital funding programme for projects that promote a sustainable approach to community facilities.

(a) Themed Funding Round Programme

The themed rounds bring flexibility to the Sport England funding strategy, enabling them to take a fresh look each year at specific areas that will benefit from new ideas and additional targeted investment. The rounds will also help to ensure that Sport England's investment is effectively distributed across the country and across different communities. The minimum grant available will be £10,001.

"Active Universities" was the focus of Sport England's third themed funding round, which opened for business on 29th March, 2010. In order to focus their investment through this themed round of funding and maximise its impact, Sport England targeted the development of sporting opportunities for students enrolled at a university.

Organisations wishing to apply to the "Active Universities themed round" had to ensure that their project was strongly focused on sport for higher education students enrolled at

a university. Sport England only funded those projects which directly addressed the objectives for this round.

Demand can far outstrip the availability of funds and therefore it is a highly competitive process. A total of £10m National Lottery funding was available for this theme so unfortunately Sport England will not be able to fund every application, however justifiable and worthwhile the project may be. It is vital therefore that projects are designed specifically to address the demands of the particular theme as Sport England would prefer not to waste organisations' time, effort and money in creating and submitting applications that are likely not to be supported.

To be eligible for funding under the Active Universities theme, applications had to demonstrate that projects will raise sport participation through addressing specific barriers to participation faced by students enrolled on higher education (HE) courses at universities in England. The term 'universities' includes only the 130 higher education institutions (HEIs) who receive funding from the Higher Education Funding Council for England.

Sport England has a target of getting one million people playing more sport by 2012/13. Sport England wishes 300,000 of these additional regular participants to come from the higher and further education sector. Their aspiration for this themed round was a minimum of 100,000 additional participants from the higher education sector doing three sessions of 30 minutes of at least moderate intensity sporting activity per week. Projects needed to contribute to the delivery of this outcome. Applications had to demonstrate the opportunities for students to play more sport and how existing barriers to more higher education students taking part in sport and taking part more often would be removed.

Eligibility criteria - The eligibility criteria determined whether organisations or projects were eligible to receive funding under this theme. Eligibility is dependent both on the type of organisation applying and the aims and some details of the projects proposed. It is important to note that applications must comply with all the following points to progress on to the next stage of assessment. If a project failed to meet any aspect of the eligibility criteria then it will be rejected prior to assessment.

Whilst all bona fide and legitimate organisations with a written constitution (such as a Memorandum and Articles of Association) or statutory powers could apply for this funding, Sport England specifically sought applications from:

Universities— a maximum of one individual application could be made per university. This could be made up of interlinked components and include partnership working with local partners (for example; local authorities, community sports clubs).

A lead partner on behalf of a group of universities for a national, regional or local project, for example a regional HE body, a county sports partnership, or an NGB, which provides a collaborative approach to improving student participation. Such an

application could also include other sport delivery partners. The lead partner could only apply once, but could be a named partner within other group applications.

For clarity, a university could apply once as an individual institution and apply once as a lead partner for a group application. In addition to this application limit, a university could also be a partner in other group projects. Partners involved in a number of projects had to ensure that there are clear differences between the projects, each adding value to HE student sport. If the applicant is an unincorporated body, Sport England needed to see its constitution to ensure that it did not contain unnecessary restrictions on membership and representation. Applications from an individual, sole trader, or partnership were not eligible for funding. Note that in this context “partnership” meant an organisation that is legally constituted as a partnership, not an organisation which simply happens to use that term in its name, for example a county sports partnership.

This themed round was not designed to support major capital developments and new builds. Sport England were seeking predominantly revenue projects but also considered combined projects for the purchase of equipment or where minor structural building adaptations could be proved to be essential to enable the delivery of the project. In terms of combined projects, Sport England prioritised applications which required no more than £30,000 towards the total cost of any minor structural adaptations. Minor structural adaptations could include improvements to under-utilised facilities such as lighting or flooring, improved storage provision or better access for all HE students to participate in sport. Note that Sport England would not fund maintenance works, new builds or refurbishments or gym equipment.

A detailed application prospectus for this round was available on Sport England's website. The deadline for stage one applications was 23rd June, 2010. Sport England informed all successful stage 1 applicants by September 2010 and requested that they further develop their bids to stage 2 application level. The deadline for the submission of stage 2 full applications was 5.00pm on 1st December, 2010.

(b) Small Grants Programme

This fund has now been launched and Sport England is looking forward to receiving bids from a wide range of partners, enabling them to focus investment on grassroots projects that will deliver against their key outcomes - 'grow, sustain and excel'. The Small Grants Programme offers a simple, speedy way for grassroots sports projects to access National Lottery grants of between £300 and £10,000. The benefits include:

- ❖ An online application form, with decisions made within six weeks
- ❖ No requirement for partnership funding
- ❖ Simple conditions and measurement requirements
- ❖ £7 million available in the 2009/2010 financial year.

Note the total project cost cannot exceed £50,000

(c) Innovation Fund

This fund opened on 12th May, 2009. Sport England is challenging innovators – both within and beyond the sport sector – to come forward with ground-breaking ideas and solutions that will transform community sport over the next decade. The best innovations will benefit from expert support and investment through the new Innovation Fund.

Can you rise to the challenge? Do you have an idea that will:

- ❖ Unlock a major barrier to participation in sport?
- ❖ Exploit technology to deliver sport at new times, in new settings or to new audiences?
- ❖ Inspire more people to take up a sport by creatively adapting an existing game?

If your organisation has an innovative project - and can demonstrate how it will contribute to at least one of the Sport England outcomes by growing or sustaining sporting participation, or by improving talent pathways then why not apply.

£5 million of National Lottery funding is available each year, through a highly competitive process, with up to 20 projects expected to secure investment; with awards ranging from £10,000 up to £500,000

Sport England want to draw on the experience of other parts of the public sector with a record of successful investment in this field to help them identify, nurture and scale up the best bids. Applications will be assessed by experts in sport and innovation, including a representative from the Department for Innovation, Universities and Skills. Sport England will only invest in ideas which, if successful, could be replicated across the country in a way that is both cost-effective and sustainable.

(d) Sustainable Facilities Fund

The Sustainable Facilities Fund invests National Lottery money into innovative projects capable of transforming the places where we play or take part in sport. If Sport England is to create a world-leading community sport system, buildings and facilities need to be improved. It is not just about building new facilities or refurbishing old ones. We need to invest in facility projects that are sustainable in the long-term, not just when they open.

This means Sport England must invest in projects that are able to bring in enough revenue to maintain high standards of facility provision and customer service and a varied programme of sports opportunities and sports development outreach work. Otherwise, standards may fall leading to a decline in use and levels of satisfaction. Sport England must invest in projects that also create long lasting partnerships between public, private and commercial organisations. They will develop and promote industry best practice and they will make an impact on one or more of Sport England's strategic outcomes. *Round 4 of this programme* will consider applications for 2012/13.

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Sport England, 3rd Floor Victoria House, Bloomsbury Square, London WC1B 4SE
Tel: 0845 8508 508; Email: funding@sportengland.org
Website: <http://www.sportengland.org.uk/funding>

7. Sport England

Information on fundraising can also be obtained from Sport England and the following guides can be obtained from Sport England Publications: 1) "Financing Projects", 2) "Finding the Funds" and 3) "Raising Money"

CONTACT:

Sport England, 3rd Floor Victoria House, Bloomsbury Square, London, WC1B 4SE
Tel: 020 7273 1551; Fax: 020 7383 5740
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(8) Sport England - Places, People, Play Programme

This programme aims to provide sport related funding to local communities across the country linked to London 2012. It focusses on three funding programmes:



(a) Inspired Facilities

Sport England want local communities across the country to be touched by the magic of London 2012 in a tangible way, and this fund will bring National Lottery funding to many local groups and facilities that haven't previously benefited.

Clubs, community and voluntary sector groups and councils will be able to apply for grants where there is a proven local need for a facility to be modernised, extended or modified to open up new sporting opportunities. Through Inspired Facilities Sport England will invest in most types of improvement or refurbishment work that will help organisations develop sport in their local area. Each project will also require a sustainability plan which explains how it will cover its running costs and remain operational for years to come.

Sport England in particular are looking for projects or organisations across the country that have not previously received an individual sports Lottery grant worth £10,000 or more, offer local opportunities to people who do not currently play sport, or are the only public sports facility in the local community.

Sport England have attempted to make applying for an Inspired Facilities grant as straightforward as possible, with no specialist knowledge required. Although they are not dictating what organisations need to invest in, they have pulled together a catalogue of typical facility developments and improvements. This catalogue is based on what sports clubs have told them they need. The improvements are grouped into five areas: Building modernisation, Outdoor sports lighting, Outdoor sports surfaces and AdiZones, Modular buildings and sports equipment. The catalogue can be used to help applicants work out costs, calculate their budget and gather the information they need. Sport England has also pulled together a group of contractors who can do all the work for successful applicants, if they wish to use them.

Many clubs and facilities are facing challenges in the current economic climate, and this locally-focused fund will make a big difference at the grassroots level. Sport England will invest £50 million of National Lottery funding in up to 1,000 community sports projects between 2011 and 2014. Each funded facility will carry the London 2012 Inspire mark, a permanent celebration of its role in the legacy of the Games.

There will be five rounds with the Inspired Facilities Fund, with each round awarding up to £10 million. The dates for the first three funding rounds are: Round 1: 1 August to 28 September 2011, Round 2: 1 February 2012 to 2 April 2012, Round 3: 23 July 2012 to 17 September 2012. Rounds four and five will take place in 2013/14 and the dates will be announced after the 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games. Grants will be awarded to projects that make the best case in what will be a highly competitive process. Note Sport England increased the funding available to the first round by £7 million, making a total of £17 million in that round.

Community and voluntary organisations and parish and town councils can apply for grants worth between £20,000 and £50,000. At least 70% of the funding available is set aside for these groups. Local authorities, statutory organisations, and education establishments such as schools can apply for grants between £20,000 and £150,000. £150,000 grants will be exceptional and only given to projects that can demonstrate a strategic rationale to their application. No more than 30% of the total amount available will be invested through local authorities, statutory organisations, and education establishments.

Sport England would prefer all organisations to have some partnership funding – either cash or in kind. They do realise that funding can be difficult for voluntary or community groups to raise so they won't rule out an application if an organisation does not have any. This also applies to town and parish councils. Local authorities, schools or educational establishments, and other statutory bodies, will have to provide pound-for-pound partnership funding.

(b) Protecting Playing Fields Programme

Playing fields are vital to a vibrant grassroots sports environment, yet some are allowed to fall into a poor state and others are earmarked as future development opportunities. This programme will enhance the role Sport England already plays in protecting playing fields, by securing the future of many sites for a minimum of 25 years. As part of this, Sport England will work in partnership with "Fields in Trust" to support their programme, "Queen Elizabeth II Fields Challenge".

Delivering a mass participation legacy for sport from the 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games is a top priority for Government and Sport England. To help achieve this programme will focus on protecting and improving playing fields and developing community sport.

Through this programme, Sport England intend to fund up to 400 projects for playing field improvements that will contribute to both retaining and increasing participants in sport across England at the local level. The programme will fund capital projects that create, develop and improve playing fields for sporting and community use and offer long term protection of the site for sport. Projects are likely to involve the construction of new pitches or improvement of existing ones that need leveling or drainage works.

Sport England is investing £10 million of National Lottery funding in community sports projects over three years from 2011-2014. The programme is being delivered via five funding rounds with up to £2 million being awarded to projects in each round. Round 2 opened on 24 October 2011 and will close on 12 December 2011. Details of future funding rounds will be announced but it is anticipated that two rounds will be run in 2012 and a final round in 2013.

The aims of Protecting Playing Fields

Sport England believes that the improvement and protection of playing fields will help retain participants and achieve sustainable increases in participation. Successful projects will be those where organisations can demonstrate future management, maintenance and sporting use at the site along with the site being protected for 25 years or longer.

This means that organisations must own (or intend to own) the freehold or have a lease for the field for that length of time. Projects which can offer protection of playing fields "in perpetuity" will be further prioritised and put forward to "Fields in Trust" for dedication as a Queen Elizabeth II Field. Sport England is also particularly keen to improve and protect playing fields in community ownership. As such we will also look to prioritise and further

support those where ownership of playing fields sites are being transferred to the community from public ownership.

Why protect playing fields?

Playing fields are one of the most important resources for sport in England. They provide the valuable space required to maintain and enhance opportunities for people to participate in both formal team sports and other more informal activities. Along with sporting benefits, good quality accessible playing fields can also contribute to healthy and active communities and secure wider reaching benefits.

Sport England's statutory role

Sport England believe that the best way to protect and enhance playing fields is for all local authorities to have a robust and up to date Playing Pitch Strategy (PPS) in place for their area, backed by appropriate management and maintenance arrangements. An up-to-date Playing Pitch Strategy is a key requirement upon which applications need to be based.

Sport England has been a statutory consultee on planning applications affecting playing field land since 1996. On average they receive around 1,300 planning application consultations a year, although this figure has risen over the last couple of years.

Fields in Trust Queen Elizabeth II Playing Fields Challenge

2012 is an exciting year with two great events - Her Majesty The Queen's Diamond Jubilee and the London 2012 Olympics. The Queen Elizabeth II Fields, headed by its patron Prince William, is a programme which seeks to protect 2,012 outdoor recreational spaces in communities all across the UK as a permanent living legacy of these landmark occasions.

Sport England has entered into a partnership with Fields in Trust (FIT) to support the protection of playing fields as part of the Queen Elizabeth II Fields. Successful applicants to the Protecting Playing Fields programme who accept a "Deed of Dedication" of their playing field in perpetuity will have their project details passed to "Fields in Trust to undertake the registration and branding of the project as Queen Elizabeth II Field.

Who is eligible to apply?

Applications can be submitted by organisations entitled to receive public funding including voluntary or community organisations, local authorities, sports clubs, playing field associations and education establishments.

Is partnership funding required?

Partnership funding is required from a non-lottery source; ideally including a third party source. Local authorities will be required to match fund pound-for-pound, whilst sports clubs, community and voluntary sector projects will be required to identify an appropriate level of partnership funding.

Outcomes

- Given the importance of clubs to sport at community level, and the impact Sport England believe they can make right across the country with this investment, they are proposing to make grants of between £20,000 - £50,000

- Sport England aim to invest in and protect 400 playing field sites, creating a tangible legacy in the local community
- All projects will be required to measure their performance by monitoring sessions delivered and throughput achieved. Further details will be supplied to successful projects as part of the award process.

Contact

Website: http://www.sportengland.org/funding/protecting_playing_fields.aspx

(c) Iconic Facilities

Iconic Facilities will use the inspirational pull of London 2012 to enhance an existing, successful Sport England National Lottery funding programme. World-leading sports facilities are not simply the most attractive in terms of design, nor the most advanced in terms of equipment – they are sustainable in their operations and focused on their users.

This fund will create local beacons for grassroots sport by supporting innovative large scale multi-sport facilities' projects that are regionally significant for at least two sports. Sport England will only invest in projects that demonstrate long-term financial viability.

£30 million of capital National Lottery funding will be invested by Sport England over three years. There will be three £10 million funding rounds; the deadline for the second round is 19th December 2011. The third round will be in Autumn 2012. Each funded facility will carry the London 2012 Inspire mark, a permanent celebration of its role in the legacy of the Games.



Sports leaders

This project will use the inspirational pull of 2012 to recruit, train and deploy 40,000 sports leaders across the country. These sports leaders will embed the Olympic and Paralympic values throughout grassroots sport and become the next generation of sports volunteers to organise and lead community sporting activities.

Every leader will commit to at least 10 hours of volunteering, so the result will be hundreds of thousands of volunteer hours to support the mass participation legacy. Sport England's aim is for at least half of the leaders to remain active as sports volunteers, offering a long-term benefit for sport.

This initiative will be fully inclusive, and the scheme will make a big contribution to increasing sporting opportunities for disabled people. Leaders will be deployed in the areas/sports where the need is greatest, ensuring we are matching people with opportunities. Anyone aged 16 and over can choose to become a sports leader and be part of the legacy of London 2012.

Sport England will invest £2 million of National Lottery funding in this initiative, which will be delivered in partnership with the BOA and the BPA. Sports leaders launched in April 2011 and will run for two years.



(a) Gold Challenge

Gold Challenge is an independent initiative, which will harness the inspiration of a home Olympic and Paralympic Games to give every adult the chance to be part of the mass participation legacy. Gold Challenge will motivate people to take up some or all of the Olympic and Paralympic sports and, in doing so, raise millions of pounds for charity.

Supported by Sport England, the BOA and BPA, Gold Challenge is a call to action for those looking to challenge themselves through the pursuit of new sporting experiences either as an individual, as part of a team or as part of a corporate programme. Over 100,000 people are anticipated to take part, reaping the benefits both personally and for their chosen charity.

Gold Challenge has signed up over 100 charity partners with huge reach. It will be open to any individual aged 16 and over. Gold Challenge is an entirely self-funding organisation. However, up to £4 million of National Lottery funding will be available for Sport England to invest in the sport delivery system should sports be unable to meet the additional demand from participants created by Gold Challenge.

Gold Challenge launched on 24 November 2010 and runs until 31 December 2012.

(b) Sportivate

Sportivate will capture the excitement of London 2012 to provide attractive sporting opportunities for teenagers and young adults in a sport of their choice. With many young people dropping out of sport in their teens and early twenties, the nation needs to motivate them to give a sport another go or to try something completely new.

Hundreds of thousands of youngsters will enjoy six weeks of coaching at a local venue – and they'll get guidance on the places and people they can continue to play with when the six weeks are up. Sportivate will be open to everyone aged between 14 and 25.

Sportivate launched in April 2011 and will run until March 2015. Over this period, Sport England will invest £32 million of National Lottery funding into the programme.

Contact:

Sport England, 3rd Floor Victoria House, Bloomsbury Square, London WC1B 4SE

Tel: 0845 8508 508; Email: funding@sportengland.org

Website: <http://www.sportengland.org.uk/funding>

9. Sports Aid (Yorkshire and Humberside)

SportsAid aim to encourage sports people by giving them financial support to reach a top-level and more importantly to keep them in sport at a decisive time of their lives. It is aimed at talented sports people who are of international competition standard or have the potential to reach this level.

SportsAid is a registered charity and raises all money independently which goes directly to the individual. SportsAid Yorkshire & Humberside Grants range between £150 - £500 and can be applied for on an annual basis.

To be eligible to apply for a Sports Aid Yorkshire & Humberside Grant, applicants must meet all or part the following criteria:

- Have a permanent home address in the Yorkshire & Humberside region
- Live and train in England
- Be between 12 and 16 years old
- Special cases can be put forward by NGBs for athletes between 16 and 18.
- For disabled disciplines, there is no age restriction.
- Be a member of the GB/England team or squad member
- Not earn over £8,000 per year
- Should not be in receipt of any other funding such as "TASS" or Lottery Funding

There are two deadline windows in place for applicants. The first window is by September each year, with the second window by January. Applications must be received via Governing Body contacts.

CONTACT:

Rob Clarke, Sports Aid Yorkshire and Humberside, 4th Floor, Minerva House, East Parade, Leeds, LS1 5PS.

Tel: 0113 242 7627; Fax: 0113 242 2189

Email: yorkshire@sportsaid.org.uk

Website: www.sportsaid.org.uk

10. Talented Athlete Scholarship Scheme (TASS)

The TASS programme has been created to help hundreds to fulfil their sporting potential by maintaining a sensible balance between academic life or employment whilst training and competing as a performance athlete. TASS aims to bridge the gap between non-funding grass roots sport and world class sport.

TASS Bursaries (£1,000) are generally awarded to athletes who are 16-19 years of age (extended to 35 years for disability athletes) and are either in Further Education or are alternatively in work. TASS Scholarships (£3,000) are generally awarded to athletes who are 18-25 years of age (extended to 35 years for disability athletes) and are studying in Higher Education in England.

To apply athletes must reside at an English address or be studying at an English Educational Institute. Athletes must also hold a U.K. passport and be eligible to compete in their sport for Great Britain. Athletes do not directly receive this funding financially, but access sporting services through the educational institute delivery of their National Governing Body. There is a yearly review of the scheme from 1st August- 31st July.

CONTACT:

Talented Athlete Scholarship Scheme, City Sports Centre, Off Northumberland Road, Northumbria University, Newcastle Upon Tyne, Tyne and Wear, NE1 8ST.

Tel: 0191 243 7356 ; Fax: 0191 243 7358

Email: info@tass.gov.uk; Website: www.tass.gov.uk

11. Sport England Lottery Fund-World Class Programme

The World Class programme has been established to help national Governing bodies develop a comprehensive system through which talented Athletes can be identified and supported. The Sport England Lottery Fund can only support individuals through the governing bodies of sports, which are part of its World Class programme. The funding and the deadlines vary dependant on the sport.

CONTACT:

Sport England, 3rd Floor, Victoria House, Bloomsbury Square, London, WC1B 4SE

Tel: 0845 850 8508; Fax: 02073835740

Email: info@sportengland.org; Website : www.sportengland.org/index/getfunding

Or contact the governing body for the relevant Sport, for details of their programme. Governing Body contact details can be found by searching the Sport England website at: www.sportengland.org/resources/resource_ul.shtml

12. Lord Taverners

The Lord's Taverners since 1950 have been raising money with the mission to give young people, particularly those with special needs, a sporting chance.

They seek to do this:

- By providing incentives to play cricket in schools and clubs
- By enabling young people with special needs to participate in sporting activities
- By supplying minibuses to special needs' organisations
- By creating recreational facilities in conjunction with the National Playing Fields Association

Over the last 50 years they have given £30m away to schools, sports clubs & special needs organisations. Their annual disbursement of grant aid is broken down in the following way: 50% Youth Cricket- 35% Specially Adapted Minibuses- 15% Sport and Recreation for young people with Special Needs. They are currently allocating grants of more than £1 million annually to encourage participation in Cricket by young people.

The Taverners run a variety of programmes including:-

Free Cricket Bag Scheme

The Taverners provide hard ball equipment bags at under 16, under 13 and under 11 levels. They also provide a Girls Bag, Inter Cricket and Kwik Cricket bags. Provided the club or school meets the criteria set out on the application form these bags are free.

Non Turf Pitch Grants Scheme

The Taverners have re-opened the non turf pitch scheme. Grants are provided up to £6,000 towards the installation of non-turf pitches, practice ends and nets. All applications must be approved by the Cricket Development Manager at the applicant's local County Cricket Board.

Funding for Other Cricket Projects

Exceptionally, grants are steered towards major projects designed primarily to assist in the furtherance of youth cricket. Applications will be considered for grants toward the cost of youth cricket festivals / tournaments / regional competitions and for youth special coaching schemes. Grants towards refreshments, trophies, overseas tours, clothing or individual / team sponsorship are not available.

Table Cricket Scheme

The Taverners fund the “National Table Cricket Competition.” Table Cricket is a game which provides young people who have severe physical disabilities with an opportunity to compete in a competitive game of cricket.

CONTACT:

The Lord’s Taverners, 10 Buckingham Place, London. SW1E 6HX

Tel: 020 7821 2828; Fax: 020 7821 2829

Email: hq@lordstaverners.org; Website: www.lordstaverners.org

(Note: further details on the “Funding for Other Cricket Projects” scheme, contact the Cricket Administrator, Richard Anstey on either a Tuesday or Thursday on the Taverners main telephone number mentioned above)

13. Mars Refuel Fund

Mars Snackfood are running a promotion, whereby they will be making a donation totaling up to £10,000 each month to individual sportsmen, teams and clubs.

Individuals and organisations can apply for a maximum grant of £500 by completing a Simple on-line form. Applicants will need to describe how the fund could help them play longer and fulfill their sporting potential or achieve their fund raising endeavours. These applications will be judged monthly by an independent panel who will base their decisions on a number of factors including the purpose intended for any grant received and any fund raising activity being carried out by the applicant. A maximum of one application per person / organisation is permitted.

Contact:

Mars Snackfood, a division of Mars UK Limited, Dundee Road, Slough, SL1 4LG

Website: www.marsrefuel.com

14. Skills Active

SkillsActive is the Sector Skills Council for sport and active leisure. It supports the development of skills within the sector and one of its key roles is to identify and communicate funding opportunities, and make quality, subsidised or fully funded training available to all those wishing to further themselves, their volunteering experience or their career aspirations within the sector. Skills Active have now produced a paper specifically for Sport for Communities projects outlining the funds that are currently available.

Contact:

Website: www.skillsactive.com

15. Cash 4 Clubs

Cash 4 Clubs is a sports funding scheme which gives clubs a unique chance to apply for grants to improve facilities, purchase new equipment, gain coaching qualifications, and generally invest in the sustainability of their club. In the last year over £30,000 was given out in grants to deserving sports clubs across the UK. It's a flexible, no-fuss way to get help for clubs or teams.

The Cash 4 Clubs scheme is funded by Betfair and is supported by SportsAid, the charity for sports people. Betfair and SportsAid have worked in partnership for a number of years and both organisations understand the importance of community sport in promoting an active lifestyle and stimulating local pride. Cash 4 Clubs can play an important role in helping clubs to sustain and develop themselves.

Clubs can apply for a Cash 4 Clubs Sports Grant by filling out an on line application form. There are three tiers of grants at £250, £500 and £1,000 which are awarded on a discretionary basis. Any sports club can apply as long as they are registered with their sports National Governing Body. The clubs should play an active role in the community and encourage social interaction and fitness. Grants are awarded on a quarterly basis after selection by a specially formed committee.

CONTACT:

Website: <http://www.cash-4-clubs.com>

16 Barclays Community Sports Award 2011/12

The Barclays Community Sports Award has relaunched for the 2011/12 season! The award aims to recognise the outstanding achievements of individuals that use sport to benefit communities across the UK. The accolade is awarded each month during the Barclays Premier League football season alongside those for Barclays Player and Manager of the Month, to highlight the great efforts being made by many in community sport. Any individual can be nominated for the award in relation to a recent contribution they've made to the community through sport.

Each monthly winner receives £1,000 for their group or organisation, a limited edition trophy and is entered into the end of season award to win a further £5,000, all donated by Barclays Spaces for Sports. The end of season award winner also receives a VIP trip to London to receive their award from Gareth Southgate, the former England footballer.

Gareth Southgate heads up the judging panel which includes for this season - Ashling O' Connor (The Times, Olympics Correspondent). Any entry received after 5.00pm on the 12th of the month will be considered for the following month's award. The award is being delivered in partnership between Barclays Spaces for Sports, the Premier League's Creating Chances Programme and the Football Foundation.

Contact:

E-mail : enquiries@barclayscommunitysportsaward.com

Website: <http://www.barclayscommunitysportsaward.com>

(17) Yorkshire Cricket Board (YCB) Discretionary Development Grant

The Yorkshire Cricket Board (YCB) has re-launched the highly successful Discretionary Grant Scheme which was originally organised by the now defunct Yorkshire Cricket Association. The main aims of the grant programme are to assist clubs in starting a junior section/team (where none has been previously for at least 5 years), starting a women / girls team or section, disabilities team / section and to help a special needs individual within the club/community environment.

Clubs may claim up to 50% funding for any project, whose maximum total costs does not exceed £500. Eligible applicants must be affiliated with the Yorkshire Cricket Board, be actively working towards or achieved ECB clubmark, and have written support from the local Cricket Development Manager. Funding cannot be used for ground rent, rates, rent/hire charges, payment of players, payment of individuals, payment towards volunteers expenses. Applications can be submitted at any time:

Contact:

Website: <http://www.yorkshirecricketboard.org.uk/>

(18) Yorkshire Cricket Board (YCB) Emergency Relief Fund

The aim of this fund is to provide emergency relief to affiliated clubs (who do not pay their players). A maximum grant of £500 is available towards emergency repairs, help with insurance excess, theft of cricket equipment and vandalism. Funding cannot be used for ground rent, rates, rent/hire charges, payment of players, payment of individuals, payment towards volunteers expenses. Applications can be submitted at any time:

Contact:

Website: <http://www.yorkshirecricketboard.org.uk/>

(19) Sported.

Sported. is a charity founded by Deputy Chair of London Organising Committee for the Olympic Games (LOCOG) Sir Keith Mills. It is now offering services across West Yorkshire and is inviting applications from community organisations whom require support and funding. The charity offers services to groups, clubs, organisations and social enterprises delivering Sports for Development projects, which use sport to have a positive community or social impact. Applicants have to be engaging with young people aged 11-25 and working within disadvantaged communities.

The main service offered by sported. is capacity building support and a linked main grants programme. Successful applicants receive hands on capacity building support delivered by experienced volunteer business mentors, who have a range of corporate and voluntary sector experience, and have access to the main grants programme with an average grant of £7,000.

The aim of the funding and support provided is to improve the sustainability of the organisation as well as assisting in making the service they provide more professional. Examples of support include the areas of Business Planning, Fundraising, Marketing, Volunteer Management, Budget Planning and other areas.

With additional services offered exclusively to **sported.** members being launched shortly, the following services are intended to be available to members:

- Online Resources and Fact sheets
- One to one mentor support
- Main Grants programme (Post mentor support)
- Small Grants Programme (grants of up to £2000)
- Experts Team
- Regional Training
- Regional and National Conferences/Events

To apply for support and become a member, complete the expression of interest form on the sported. website. Note there is no cost involved in being a member or for any services provided.

Contact:.

Paul Steele, Yorkshire and the Humber Regional Manager

Tel: 07900928600

Email: p.steele@sported.org.uk

Website at www.sported.org.uk

SECTION 2

(Area Based Regeneration Scheme)

1. Coalfields Regeneration Trust (CRT)

The trust is an independent grant making body officially registered with the Charity Commissioners in March 1999, and formed with the support of government as part of its contribution to the regeneration of Britain's Coalfield Communities. The Trust has supported initiatives which help to restore healthy and prosperous communities such as Credit Unions, schemes to support training and jobs, Community and Resource Centres and projects which tackle health issues and financial exclusion. The majority of these awards went to local voluntary and community groups.

The Trust has guaranteed funding to allow it to continue its work up for a further 2 years up to March 2013. £35 Million is available across Yorkshire. Trustees will consider applications for this funding with the overall aim being the sustainable regeneration of coalfield areas. Projects should be based in an eligible coalfield community and be able to show clear and immediate benefits for a community facing high levels of deprivation. There are two grants programmes run by the Trust as follows:-

a) Main Grants Programme

The Level 2 Capital Programme offers grants between £10,000 up to a maximum of £100,000. The deadline date for the submission of fully complete applications (including match funding and planning permission is Friday 30th December, 2011.

It should be stressed that it is a highly popular programme which will remain for purely capital funding, unless revenue funding becomes available later. At present, enquiries for revenue funding will not be progressed.

The funding themes for the Main Grants Programme are:

- Access to Employment – aims to connect people living in deprived neighbourhoods to mainstream opportunities. Forward thinking and locally designed approaches that offer routes for people to get back to work. Includes IAG (no Matrix requirement), pre-employment support, work experience and transitional labour markets.
- Education and Skills – aims to support people in accessing learning opportunities and developing their skills through added value activity (not statutory mainstream) this can include: aspiration raising, engagement in formal and informal learning, out of school hour's activity. Skills for life and personal development / motivation skills are eligible as are qualifications up to Level 2 – minimum 6 hours support.
- Health and Well Being – aims to improve health and lifestyle through community based approaches and preventative projects (must be additional to statutory provision). E.g. encouraging healthier lifestyles, participation in active leisure pursuits, extra curricular activity for children and young people, awareness raising/preventative work aimed at poor diet, teenage pregnancy, substance misuse and mental health.
- Access to Opportunities – to improve access to services including, creation/improvement of facilities or acquisition of community owned assets to deliver services responsive to gaps in provision, development of transport solutions, development of new childcare provision, supporting new social enterprises, support for the third sector to build capacity, improve services and equip itself to take up procurement or commissioning opportunities.

Eligible Organisations

- Voluntary and community organisations and groups, Community Interest Companies and Social Enterprises. These organisations must have a constitution, bank/building society account and up-to-date accounts.
- Branches of voluntary and community organizations. These organisations must have own constitution and separate company registration number, a bank or building society number, and an independent management board or committee.
- Local Authorities, Health Authorities / Health Trusts, Schools and FE Colleges, and Organisations that receive public funds. Bids will only be supported when it is clear that there is no other organisation within the community with the capacity to manage and deliver the project in the target area.

b) Small Grants Programme -

The Level 1 programme offers grants between £500 up to a maximum of £5,000 for both capital and revenue projects under this Programme. Only one project can be held within any 12 month period. The funding themes for the programme are:

- The same four themes outlined above as for the main grants programme, ie “Access to Employment”, “Education and Skills”, “Health and Well Being” and “Access to Opportunities”

Plus

- An additional theme of “Cultural Activities – a finite fund has been allocated to support projects which support the cultural heritage of coalfield communities. This is on a first come, first served basis.

Within these themes, the Trust will emphasise support for projects that: increase community participation, support grassroots community organisations, provide bespoke financial inclusion, promote volunteering, encourage locally led healthy lifestyles/improvements.

Eligible Organisations

- Voluntary and community organisations and groups, Community Interest Companies & Social Enterprises. These organisations must have a constitution, bank/building society account and up-to-date accounts.
- Branches of voluntary and community organizations. These organisations must have own constitution and separate company registration number, a bank or building society number, and an independent management board or committee.

CRT funding is targeted at the top 30% areas identified within the Indices of Deprivation. This means that Wakefield has been identified as a high priority area with a particular emphasis on the following wards:

Top priority (GREEN) wards: Hemsworth, Wakefield East, South Elmsall, South Kirkby, Airedale, Ferry Fryston, Knottingley, Featherstone*, Wakefield West and Wakefield North.

Medium priority (AMBER) wards: Wrenthorpe, Outwood West, Wakefield South and Wakefield Rural

Low priority (RED) wards: Stanley and Outwood East

* Featherstone has been identified as a CRT Action Zone, which means there is a locally situated CRT Team who are working with English Partnerships to establish a Family Employment Initiative.

Application Process

It can take approximately 23 weeks to process a grant application.

Bidders are advised to initially contact the Regional Programme Manager (contact details outlined below). If the project has merit, the Manager will ask for an outline proposal on one side of A4. There may follow requests for additional information, but if agreed applicants will be then sent out an application form. Informal feedback is available and the Regional Programme Manager will visit community groups (including in the evenings) in order to ensure that the application fits the requirements of the fund and stands the best chance of scoring well at panel. However CRT does have to remain impartial and cannot write applications.

CONTACT:

Neil Topliss or Anne Hammond

Tel: 01709 765573 or 01709 765504

Email: yorkshire@coalfields-regen.org.uk

Website: www.coalfields-regen.org.uk/applyingforfunds/default.asp

2. Coal Industry Social Welfare Organisation (CISWO)

Funding may be available to projects for regeneration within Coalfield Communities, although CISWO do not have a direct grant-aid scheme.

CONTACT:

Tel: 01977 703384

3. The Landfill Communities Fund

When waste is tipped into a hole in the ground a "landfill tax" (at £11 per tonne) is paid by the disposer of the waste to the landfill operator. The tax is payable to the government through HM Customs and Excise. The Landfill Tax Credit Scheme allows the landfill operator to give 20% of its tax collected to organisations called Environmental Bodies. The aim of the scheme is to encourage more sustainable waste practices, including recycling and to deliver lasting environmental and community benefits.

The Environmental Trust Scheme Regulatory Body (ENTRUST) was set up by the government to oversee the Scheme. To become an Environmental Body organisations must register themselves and their projects with ENTRUST to ensure they comply with the scheme.

An Environmental Body is a charity style non-profit making organisation that has registered with ENTRUST to receive and manage landfill tax credits from a landfill operator.

Eligible Projects - Under the regulations of the scheme, projects must fall into one of six categories known as 'approved objects'. Category "D" is where Sport and Recreation projects meet the criteria laid down. Category "D" states: "where it is for the protection of the environment, the provision, maintenance or improvement of a public park or other public amenity in the vicinity of a landfill" (within 10 miles) – such as: i) Village halls ii) Children's play equipment.

Ineligible Projects- include Schools or private properties without general public access or membership only organisations such as a Cricket or Bowls Club. Other considerations include "public access". The minimum 'public access' requirement is 4 evenings per week or 2 days a week or 12 weeks a year (84 days). Any charges for access must not be for profit. If a new amenity is sought under the scheme, local authority support (planning permission) is required.

Third Party Funding

Applicants must name a third party contributor who will reimburse the landfill operator equivalent to 11% of the grant required. The reason for this is although the landfill operator can donate 6.7% of his total landfill tax to the Environmental Body, the Operator can only claim 90% of the amount given to Environmental Body, when claiming an allowance from the government for this. The Operator must also pay a compulsory levy to the regulator ENTRUST and the running costs of the Environmental Body, leaving an 11% 'hole' in his accounts. This transaction is not part of the grant application and must not be included in the project funding calculations. In simple terms just over £1 from a third party will release £10 of Landfill Tax Credits for the project.

Third Party Contributors

Can be private companies, public sector organisations (Local Authorities, County Councils), Charities, Voluntary organisations, or a person who shares the benefits with others - for example, a member of a church congregation or a person who uses with others a village hall or other community facility. They can not be other Environmental Bodies, private donors, any individual or organisation which is connected with the Landfill Operator, a Landfill Tax Credit Environmental Body or the applicant, or any person who might derive a unique benefit from the improvements brought about by the project, for example, the contractor carrying out the work on the project. Grants already taken into an organisation's coffers are effectively lost as a third party contribution, which will unlock landfill tax credits. ENTRUST do not allow this.

The Landfill Communities Fund Scheme was reformed with effect from 1 April 2003. New sustainable waste management and recycling projects can no longer be funded, however, individual Distributive Environmental Bodies may still have funds available for these types of projects in certain circumstances.

WREN Scheme

The Landfill Operator Waste Recycling Group PLC (WRG) has embraced the Scheme by allocating its tax credits to Waste Recycling Environmental (WREN) for use on research into better waste practices and improving the environment of the communities surrounding their landfill sites.

The application process to WREN is multi-staged involving assessments by the Yorkshire Project Manager and the Yorkshire Advisory Panel prior to consideration by the board of directors of WREN and then ENTRUST. Although there is no ceiling on

grants, it is unusual for Community Projects to receive over £50,000 (whether this be over 1 or 5 years). This maximum grant is usually only given to projects that fulfill all of the Wren and Yorkshire specific requirements and are located in the close proximity to a WRG Landfill site (maximum 10 miles). In Wakefield this site is at Welbeck. Projects must demonstrate community use/benefit and community involvement, ie consultation/work days and how they contribute to “Sustainable Development”- ie how the project addresses social, economic and environmental issues within the area and will meet the needs of future generations.

CONTACT:

WREN House, Manor Farm, Bridgham, Norfolk.NR16 2RX.

Tel: 01953 717165; Fax: 01953 718202

Email: wren@wren.org.uk

Website: www.wren.org.uk

Louise Ross (Yorkshire Administrator)

Tel: 01953 717165

Victoria Mager (Yorkshire Project Manager)

Tel: 01484 460287

Mobile: 07010 737017

RSNC – Biffaward Scheme

Biffa Waste Services agreed in December 1997 to donate landfill tax credits to the Royal Society for Nature Conservation (RSNC) to administer under the fund name “Biffaward”. Biffaward has taken the opportunity following the changes made to the Landfill Tax Credit Scheme statement to review its funding criteria. Biffaward now wishes to support projects that recognise the importance of innovation, partnership and community involvement in developing and improving the environmental, economic and social situation of communities.

Biffaward's aim is to ensure that the funds available are strategically allocated in the most cost-effective way. The principle of sustainability and sustainable development remain at the centre of Biffaward's strategy with specific focus on improving quality of life and fostering vibrant communities.

Funding will thus be directed to projects that:

- provide and improve public amenities;
- create, restore and manage areas specifically to increase biodiversity;
- enable smaller groups to access funding more easily;
- support community-led regeneration schemes of regional or national significance.

Funding is offered through three different streams:-

Main Grants Scheme

Biffaward will consider applications under their main grants scheme for two categories: “Biodiversity Projects” and “Amenity Projects”. The value of any project must not exceed £150,000.

Under the “Amenity category”, priority will be given to those projects that can demonstrate an innovative use of a community amenity to enhance, maintain or

introduce real community-led social, economic or environmental improvements as defined in Government's 'A Better Quality of Life' publication. Consideration will be given to those projects that clearly demonstrate partnership working. Additionally evidence of community involvement is now mandatory. Biffaward will do this by supporting projects that provide and improve public amenities; and create, restore and manage areas specifically to increase biodiversity.

Biffaward are aiming to provide and improve community facilities to act as mechanisms for recreation, sporting achievement, lifelong learning and community involvement. A priority for support include projects that improve the quality of, or create parks, play areas, green spaces, indoor and outdoor sports facilities, amenity green space and provision of facilities for teenagers and children in order to improve quality of life.

Projects will be assessed for the level of innovation, community involvement, partnership with relevant groups and to what extent the project meets the quality of life indicators. Projects falling under this category can apply for up to £50,000.

Small Grants Scheme

Groups can apply for between £250 to £5,000 for projects which have the primary aim of improving an amenity located within ten miles of a Biffa operation and which will help to create vibrant communities by improving the environmental, economic or social situation of a community. This includes access to sport, culture or recreation (eg purchase of play equipment or sport equipment, village green improvements, disabled access to a community-led facility).

The Small Grants Scheme allows groups to access smaller levels of funding in order to improve the quality of life in their community. Letters of support for projects are now mandatory. The following types of projects will no longer be supported: works to school grounds; works to car parks; improvements to offices or services, one-off events; allotment related projects.

Flagship Schemes

Biffaward will support certain "Flagship Projects" within ten miles of a Biffa Waste operation. The aim of this funding stream is to support community-led regeneration schemes of regional and national significance, or biodiversity projects, which will make a significant impact on the quality of life of the region.

These projects include Physical regeneration projects of regional or national significance. Priority will be given to those projects that can give evidence of significant partnership working, overcome social exclusion and increase opportunity and access. Suitably qualified organisations can apply for between £150 and £500,000 under this stream. From October, 2005, priority has been given to assessing projects that have less than £150,000 of "match funding" left to secure and those that need to start urgently.

Note: The Fund no longer accepts applications for any Disability Discrimination Act improvements unless the project is new build.

Applications for funding are considered from any organisation that is an Environmental Body enrolled with ENTRUST & is able to demonstrate an ability to complete a project as indicated.

Organisations should also:

- have an environmental policy;
- address environmental issues in all aspects of their work.

Organisations require Entrust approval for projects prior to application or must obtain Entrust registration on confirmation of funding from Biffaward

NOTE: There are Biffa Waste Operation Sites in both Wakefield & Leeds and therefore most of the District should be eligible under the 10 mile criteria.

CONTACT:

The Royal Society for Nature Conservation, The Kiln, Waterside, Mather Road, Newark, Nottinghamshire NG24 1WT

Tel: 0870 036 1000; Fax: 0870 036 0101

Email: grants@rsnc.cix.co.uk; Website: www.biffaward.org

ONYX Environmental Trust

The Onyx Environmental Trust, which is a charity, was set up in 1997 under the Landfill Tax Credit Scheme and awards monies derived from landfill tax to support a wide range of environmentally focused projects throughout the UK.

The Trust concentrates on issues that affect the quality of people's lives, help bring communities together and improve the health of future generations. Many projects have been funded in the past to fulfill these aims and they have provided a variety of developments including: educational resources; renovation of public amenities; playgrounds & parks and cycle schemes.

Projects must fall into certain general categories:

Category A

This is for the reclamation, remediation or restoration of land, the use of which has been prevented by a previous activity which has now ceased; or for any other operation intended to facilitate an economic, social or environmental use of the land. For example, a project to remove contaminated soil from an area so that it can be used for community development.

Category B

This is for the prevention or reduction of potential pollution, or the mitigation of pollution caused to any land or buildings from an activity which has now ceased. Such projects must be for the benefit of local communities, freeing previously unusable land for other purposes. For example, a project to decontaminate land at a former colliery site.

Category D

This is for projects that benefit communities by improving and maintaining public amenities and parks, offering recreational and leisure opportunities that would otherwise be unavailable. As with all other categories the projects must be within ten miles of an Onyx landfill site or waste facility. For example, a project to improve the provision of community play facilities.

Category E

This is for projects for the repairing, restoration and maintenance of buildings of great historical or religious importance and, to help improve local community facilities and

services. For Example, a project involving the restoration of a village hall. There is no minimum or maximum level of funding and the Trust may fund small local projects or larger long-term projects. The exact level of funding will depend on the individual project but the Trust has indicated that the majority of grants awarded thus far have been in the range of £50,000.

Organisations with environmental or community-based projects in the UK are eligible to apply.. All projects must be suitable for ENTRUST registration. All site-based projects (ie categories D and E) must be located within a 10-mile radius of a landfill site or waste facility owned by Onyx. The Trust have recently confirmed that the whole of the Wakefield District is eligible within this criteria.

CONTACT:

**The Onyx Environmental Trust, Ruthdene, Station Road, Four Ashes,
Wolverhampton, WV10 7DG.**

Tel: 01902 794600

Fax: 01902 794646

Email: info@onyxenvtrust.org

Website: www.onyxenvtrust.org

4. The WRG Communities Challenge

Through the WRG Communities Challenge, “WREN” will be working with Local Authorities to support the best community regeneration projects within its operating area. The Challenge will provide £1 million of funding for capital projects which breathe new life into tired or rundown facilities or provide much needed new amenities.

Organisations and groups are invited to bid for funding of between £75,000 and £250,000 for capital projects which will make a real difference to their community. Funding is available for projects which comply with Object D of the Landfill Communities Fund. Funds will be awarded to the projects which show maximum community support and benefit. Projects must be not for profit, not operate a membership policy and be open to the general public. Such projects could include:

- Recreational areas such as public parks, community gardens or Country parks
- Community centres, village halls and youth centres
- Play areas, skate parks or multi-use games areas
- Nature reserves or community woodlands
- Sports centres and recreation grounds
- Museums and visitor centres

Projects can be for the creation of new facilities or the renovation of existing facilities. Funding will not be provided for the purchase of land or buildings. Bids can only be accepted from communities that are within 10 miles of a WRG landfill site or transfer station. Organisations within a 10 mile radius of the WRG sites at Welbeck and Barnsdale Bar are therefore eligible to apply to the Challenge.

Bids can be accepted from projects which require either 100% or partial funding from WREN. The only additional funding which must be sourced is “Third Party Funding. Third Party Funding for the WRG Communities Challenge will work in exactly the same way as for WREN's main funding programme. This payment is made directly from the contributing third party to the Landfill Operator, Waste Recycling Group Ltd.

The land or building on which the project is sited must be owned as freehold by the applicant organisation, or be subject to a lease with at least 20 years remaining. Funding cannot be provided retrospectively and projects must not have started. Bids which require less than £75,000 or are not chosen for funding through the Challenge can apply through WREN's main funding programme.

The WRG Communities Challenge will not provide funding for the following:

- Purchases and Leasing of Vehicles
- Projects located on allotments
- Any work relating to Car Parks
- Any works to public highways, roads (either on or off project site, adopted or unadopted), pavements beside highways, roundabouts or any street furniture and lighting. This does not include public footpaths, bridle paths or cycle ways
- Projects located at Libraries, Schools, in School grounds or pre-schools
- Projects located on private land
- Projects involving Membership-only organisations where the general public (i.e. non members) are unable to use their facilities
- Projects involving the enhancement of single sports facilities, i.e. Cricket & Bowls clubs
- Village or town centre enhancements such as walkways, street works or signage
- Administration Posts
- Management & Professional Fees
- Projects in hospital grounds, hospices, day care centres, residential homes or sheltered accommodation
- Offices of charities, citizen advice bureaus, offices of statutory service providers and any other charity building where the primary purpose is other than the provision of community facilities

Applications can be accepted from not-for-profit groups with constitutions, such as charities, community groups or Local Authorities. The Communities Challenge offered £2 million worth of funding in 2008.

CONTACT:

WREN House, Manor Farm, Bridgham, Norfolk, NR16 2RX.

Tel: 1953 717165

Website: www.wren.org

5. European Union (EU) Funding

The European Social Fund (ESF) was set up to improve employment opportunities in the European Union and so help raise standards of living. It aims to help people fulfill their potential by giving them better skills and better job prospects.

As one of the EU's Structural Funds, ESF seeks to reduce differences in prosperity across the EU and enhance economic and social cohesion. So although ESF funding is spread across the EU, most money goes to those countries and regions where economic development is less advanced. The other main Structural Fund is the European Regional Development Fund which invests in projects to improve innovation, the environment and infrastructure.

Since 2000, the ESF has been a key part of the EU's Lisbon strategy for growth and jobs. It supports the EU's goal of increasing employment by giving unemployed and disadvantaged people the training and support they need to enter jobs. By focusing on those most in need of help, it contributes to policies to reduce inequality and build a fairer society. ESF also equips the workforce with the skills needed by business in a competitive global economy.

Over the seven years from 2000 to 2006, the ESF has helped over four million people in England. In 2007, the EU launched a new round of ESF programmes for the next seven years to 2013. The new programme will invest £4.6 billion in 2007-2013 of which £2.3 billion will come from the ESF and £2.3 billion will be national funding.

Objectives

The 2007 to 2013 ESF programme has two primary objectives:

The **Convergence Objective** aims to develop areas where the economy is lagging behind the rest of the European Union. In England, only Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly benefit from ESF funding under the Convergence Objective.

The **Regional Competitiveness and Employment Objective** covers all areas outside of the 'Convergence' objective. The whole of England is covered by this objective, except Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly. Within this objective, Merseyside and South Yorkshire benefit from transitional funding as former Objective One regions in 2000-2006.

Priorities

The priorities in the 2007 to 2013 ESF programme are designed to focus ESF spending on specific activities and to ensure that it reaches people in most need of support. There are two main priorities in England:

- Priority 1 is 'Extending employment opportunities'. It supports projects to tackle the barriers to work faced by unemployed and disadvantaged people. About £1.2 billion of ESF money is available for this priority in 2007-2013.
- Priority 2 is 'Developing a skilled and adaptable workforce'. It supports projects to train people who do not have basic skills and qualifications needed in the workplace. About £670 million of ESF money is available for this priority in 2007-2013.

Target Groups

In Priority 1 resources are focused on helping people who are unemployed or have become inactive in the labour market. In particular, it focuses on people who are most likely to face disadvantage or discrimination. Key target groups include:

- people with disabilities and health conditions;
- lone parents;
- people aged over 50;
- people from ethnic minorities;
- people without good qualifications; and
- young people not in education, employment or training.

In Priority 2 resources are focused on people in the workforce who lack basic skills or good qualifications. In particular, it focuses on those who are least likely to receive training. It also supports training for managers and employees in small firms. Priority 2 aims to help people gain relevant skills and qualifications needed for their career progression and for business growth and innovation in the knowledge economy.

Delivery

The Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) has overall responsibility for ESF funds in England. DWP manages the England ESF programme at a national level and liaises with the European Commission in Brussels. Each region has its own ESF allocation to fund projects to address its regional jobs and skills needs, within the framework of the two priorities in the England ESF programme.

At regional level, ESF funds are distributed through public agencies such as the Skills Funding Agency (SFA). These agencies are known as 'Co-Financing Organisations' (CFO). The SFA takes on co-financing responsibilities for activity supporting 14-19 year olds and over 19's with DWP. Their role is to bring together ESF and domestic funding for employment and skills so that ESF complements domestic programmes. The CFO contracts with the organisations or 'providers' that deliver ESF projects on the ground.

How to Apply

Any public, private or third sector organisation that is legally formed, and able to deliver ESF provision can apply for funding to a Co-financing Organisation (CFO). Individual and sole traders cannot apply. CFOs make ESF available through a process of open and competitive tendering. If you are successful you will receive a single stream of funding from the CFO. You do not have to find your own 'match funding' as CFOs are responsible for both the ESF and match funding.

The Skills Funding Agency and DWP are CFOs in every region of England. In some regions, Regional Development Agencies and some local authorities are also CFO's. For Yorkshire and the Humber, only the Skills Funding Agency operate as a CFO.

Skills Funding Agency

Individual SFA regions issued tenders for ESF provision to support demand in mainstream SFA provision at varying points during 2010. All current SFA funding opportunities can be found on the Bravosolution procurement portal. Any provider can still apply to pre-qualify to be eligible for invitations to tender in subsequent tendering rounds run by the SFA, as part of the Qualified Provider Framework.

Department for Work and Pensions

In the first DWP ESF Co-financing funding round 74 contracts were awarded amounting to about £265 million in total. Projects started from June 2008. On 2 March 2009, DWP published an invitation to submit Pre-Qualification Questionnaires (PQQs) for delivery of further ESF provision ("ESF Phase 2") in a number of districts. Those organisations successful at the PQQ stage were invited to a series of Invitation to Tender (ITT) events which took place during June 2009. On 28 October, 2009 DWP announced the results of the successful bidders at ITT stage.

Contact:

Wakefield Council's Strategic Funding Team; Tel: 01924 305806

Email: ascott@wakefield.gov.uk or kmorrell@wakefield.gov.uk

SECTION 3

Section 3 (Non Traditional Funding Avenues)



1. Local Authority (Wakefield M.D.C)- Community Chest

Each of the 21 wards in Wakefield has an allocation of £9,000. The purpose of the fund is the provision of small grants (up to a maximum of £1,000 per project) for community groups in recognition of the contribution they make in achieving the districts priorities. Projects for sport & recreation can be funded.

The projects must: a) benefit organisations & communities and promote voluntary effort, b) encourage community involvement, c) be in consultation with the community & local councillors, d) be a one-off with any future additional costs funded by the organisation, and e) preferably be a scheme whereby the Council's contribution helps secure grants or income from other sources, - priority will be given to such projects. Projects can cover spending of both a revenue and capital nature. Grants must meet the Council's Grant Aid Policy.

Applications must be made by residents directly to their local ward councillors in the first instance and the Councillors must support the project. Note that multi –ward or district wide applications are no longer eligible; only single ward applications will be accepted.

CONTACT:

Michelle Walker – Partnerships and Performance for details/application forms

Tel: 01924 306769; Email: michellewalker@wakefield.gov.uk

Councillors telephone numbers are available from the “Members Support Team”

Tel: 01924 305204

2. Awards for All

This well known National Lottery small grants programme is now funded solely by the Big Lottery Fund. It awards small grants of between £300 and £10,000.

The new Awards for All Programme aims to help improve local communities and the lives of people most in need. To achieve this aim, the Big Lottery Fund want to fund projects that meet one or more of the following outcomes:

- People have better chances in life - with better access to training and development to improve their life skills.
- Stronger communities - with more active citizens working together to tackle their problems.
- Improved rural and urban environments - which communities are better able to access and enjoy.
- Healthier and more active people and communities.

Until March 2009 the Big Lottery Fund ran Awards for All with the other organisations that distribute Lottery funds but there are now separate programmes for arts, sports and heritage projects. This change means that Awards for All will now only pay for arts, sports or heritage activities where the main purpose of the project meets one or more of the new programmes's outcomes. The Big Lottery Fund will not fund applications where the main purpose of the project falls within the scope of programmes run by other Lottery distributors.

CONTACT:

Tel: 0845 4 10 20 30; Textphone: 0845 6 02 16 59

Email: general.enquiries@awardsforall.org.uk;

Website: www.biglotteryfund.org.uk

3 Connexions

This is a youth support service aimed at providing personal advisors for all 13 to 19 year olds to enhance their personal/professional development opportunities. Sport can add value by attracting young people, providing personal development opportunities through leadership, training, participation & volunteering. Sport can also offer a healthy lifestyle in place of the drug misuse and crime cultures.

CONTACT:

Tel: 01924 371 579; Website: www.connexions.gov.uk

4 Early Years Development & Childcare Partnerships (EYDCP's)

EYDCP's exist in every LEA in England providing structure for local delivery of the National Childcare Strategy. They are heavily backed by government funding & are also encouraged to access NOF resources for "out of school hours childcare" resources. It should be possible to acquire funding from EYDCP's to provide "TOP START" training & support to nurseries, pre-school groups & primary schools. This could include the purchase of both "TOP TOTS" & "TOP START" equipment and the provision of a creche for parents attending the training.

CONTACT:

LEA Early Years Advisor

Tel: 01924 305630; Website: www.open.gov.uk

5. Health Authorities

These organisations are heavily involved in health promotion to prevent potential future health problems. They will support local initiatives with a focus on healthy lifestyles, for example – "Exercise on Referral schemes".

CONTACT:

Chris Wathen, Physical Activity Manager, NHS Wakefield District, Castleford & Normanton District Hospital, Lumley Street, Hightown, Castleford W10 5LT.

Tel: 07974 570549 (office hours); E-mail: chris.wathen@wdpct.nhs.uk

6. The Prince's Trust

The Trust support development work of national organisations, groups & individuals that address themselves to the needs of young people. The aim of the Trust is to be an influential source of effective encouragement to young people, who are in some way disadvantaged, by encouraging them to develop themselves fully. The maximum amount of funding available is £20,000.

CONTACT:

Tel: 0800 842 842 or 0171 543 1234

Website: www.princes-trust.org.uk

7. Schools (Standard Funds)

This scheme started in April 2002. Each school receives a Standards Fund from the Government, which is determined by local indices and the size of the school. This fund will be managed by the School Governing Body and can be used to develop a number of different areas. This will sometimes be directed by the Government (i.e. to be used towards Study Support), however it can be earmarked for training or development projects.

CONTACT:

Individual Schools

8 The Big Lottery Fund

The Big Lottery Fund is the Lottery Distributor created by the merging of the New Opportunities Fund and the Community Fund. The Big Lottery Fund has a commitment to target 60 - 70% of funds at the voluntary sector.

The new Big Lottery Fund distributes money from a variety of new programmes, which started to be launched as from late 2005. The Fund undertook a massive public consultation exercise in order to ascertain what its exact priorities for distribution should be in order to maximise the benefits for the citizens of the United Kingdom.

As a result of this a variety of programmes have been developed under three themes:

- community learning and creating opportunity
- promoting community safety and cohesion
- promoting well being

Roll out of new programmes began Autumn 05 under the following Headlines:

- Voluntary Community Sector Infrastructure
- Children's Play
- Environment
- Wellbeing
- Transformational
- International

The Young People's Fund

The Big Lottery Fund in 2005 launched its first programme – “The Young People's Fund”. This is a response to the consistent message being received from young people that they want “somewhere to go and something to do”. Young people are constantly requesting after school activities, sports facilities or places to hang out with their friends. The Young People's Fund is designed to allocate money to carry out projects that will make a lasting difference to young people's lives and their communities. It places young people right at the heart of the fund and its distribution.

This Fund will give out £200 Million to projects run by and for young people across the UK. Of this amount £157.5 million is available in England. Some of this money has been “ringfenced” for existing national programmes that will benefit thousands of young people, particularly those who are disadvantaged.

These programmes are: a) “Positive activities for young people”- £25 million; b) “Extended schools”- £14 million; c) “Out of School hours learning/schools sports co-ordinators” – “28.4 million; d) “Get real” – “Do it 4 Real” (residential summer activities) - £11.5 million (see below).

“Do It 4 Real Programme”

Do It 4 Real is an exciting week-long residential summer activities programme for young people in England. £11.5 million was made available for 2005 and 2006 to fund 21,000 young people aged between 11 and 17 to benefit from exciting, adventurous, residential experiences that will change their lives for the better. Do it 4 Real was launched in March 2005 by the Youth Hostels Association (YHA), which will run the programme.

YHA will work with experienced service providers to deliver a variety of high quality residential places, handle all the booking and travel arrangements and market the programme. They will also liaise with local agencies and service providers to ensure that at least 40 per cent of those attending the residentials come from disadvantaged groups.

The overall aim of Do it 4 Real is to:

- structure young people's summer holiday time to ensure that they learn through activities and adventures
- give them the chance to mix with other young people from a range of different backgrounds and create a memorable experience that broadens experiences and enables young people to improve their life skills.
- Do it 4 Real builds on the last two years of work carried out on the Get Real pilot programmes. In 2005, the cost to the participants was £100, unless they are from financially disadvantaged backgrounds, in which case they only paid £25.

CONTACT:

Youth Hostels Association

Tel: 0870 1188018

Website: www.doit4real.co.uk

The remaining **£78.6** million of the Young Peoples Fund is available for other activities and will be mainly distributed via three different funding streams as follows:

- i) Grants to organisations - £40 million
- ii) National Grants - £27.6 million
- iii) Grants to individuals or small groups of young people - £10 million

Young Peoples Fund outcomes:

The Big Lottery Fund will fund activities that achieve two or more of the following programme outcomes:

- Being healthy: enjoying good physical and mental health and living a healthy lifestyle
- Staying safe: being protected from harm and neglect and growing up able to look after themselves (e.g. after school clubs, self defence groups, sexual health advice)
- Enjoying and achieving: getting the most out of life and developing the skills for adulthood (e.g. theatre groups & role play, learning digital music, writing resume classes)
- Making a positive contribution: to the community and to society and not engaging in anti-social or offending behaviour (e.g. recycling programmes, "clean up your park" schemes, creative arts club)
- Economic well being: overcoming socio-economic disadvantages to achieve their full potential in life. The emphasis is on young people coming up with their own ideas and being involved from start to finish. Lots of young people face difficulties and are at a disadvantage when it comes to getting involved in activities. They are a priority for the Big Lottery Fund.

i) Grants to organisations This funding stream makes grants to voluntary and community groups to run local projects. The Big Lottery Fund want to put young people at the centre of identifying, planning and delivering projects that will make a lasting difference to them and their communities.

The “Grants for organisations” stream will fund projects that benefit young people aged 11 to 18. It can also fund projects specifically aimed at disadvantaged young people up to the age of 25 who find the transition to independent adult life difficult. Grants will only be made to community-led, not for profit organisations. Many types of voluntary and community organisations can therefore apply including charities.

Grants will range between £5,000 and £150,000 over a three year period. The Big Lottery Fund estimate that they will make around 50 to 60 grants of £75,000 in each region. The number of grants actually made will vary depending on the average grant size in the region. It is expected that more applications for good projects will be received than can be supported via this funding stream.

The Big Lottery Fund have produced a 'Young Peoples Fund -Before You Apply' Booklet, which provides more information on the factors they will take into account when deciding upon which projects to support.

All applicants will need to first submit an outline proposal form. The Big Lottery Fund will review the form to see if the project is something they would be interested in funding. They may highlight concerns or suggest where groups can get advice or support. If they think that they could support a group’s project; they will provide an application form, with some of the questions already completed with the information the group in question has already given them.

CONTACT:

Tel: 0845 410 20 30

Email: enquiries@biglotteryfund.org.uk; Website: www.biglotteryfund.org.uk

For Advice once an organization has submitted an Outline Proposal Form

Tel: 0845 000 0044 (Outline Proposal Team)

Email: opteam@biglotteryfund.org.uk

For Advice once an organisation has submitted a full application form

Tel: 0191 376 1600 (the Newcastle Operations Centre)

ii) National Grants The Big Lottery Fund wish to make several national grants to voluntary organisations that demonstrate interesting and successful ways of meeting the five main outcomes of the Young People’s Fund. They are particularly interested in projects that will help young people stay safe and be healthy. The Fund will give priority to those projects that involve disadvantaged young people. Grants up to £1 million over a three year period are available; although more may be available for exceptional projects that will benefit a large number of young people.

Projects should be for young people aged 11 to 25. Organisations wishing to apply will be requested to send an expression of interest outlining their proposal and how it meets the programme outcomes. Additionally it will need to indicate how young people are involved and the budget. A panel will review the initial expression of interest and if they

like the proposal, the group will be requested to send a full application, which will be assessed by the Fund for a final decision.

CONTACT:

Tel: 0845 410 2030

Website: www.biglotteryfund.org.uk

iii) Grants to individuals This programme was launched in October 2005 and initially ran for two years. The Big Lottery Fund wish to fund good ideas which young people have about how they can make a difference in their community and which help meet the five main outcomes of the Young People's Fund. Grants between £250 and £5,000 are available to help individuals and small groups of young people run a project in their area.

The Fund want to make sure that a wide range of young people between the ages of 11 and 25 are able to apply for money to turn their ideas into projects.

What can the projects be about?

The projects should help young people to contribute to their community or help them to set up small businesses that also improve the economic prosperity of their communities. It is essential that young people are involved in planning and carrying out projects, particularly if they involve disadvantaged young people.

CONTACT:

Tel: 0845 410 20 30

Website: www.biglotteryfund.org.uk

The Big Boost Award Programme

The Big Boost Award programme is an additional programme, which forms part of the Young People's Fund Initiative. The Big Boost Award Programme is run by UnLtd, Scarman Trust and Changemakers. The programme is funded by the Big Lottery Fund.

Big Boost awards provide cash awards and support to young people (11 to 25 years old) in England who have an idea for a project that will benefit their community and which will also help them to develop. There are two types of awards: one is for 11 to 16 year olds and the other for 16 to 25 year olds. Big Boost awards are cash awards plus support to help young people and their project have the best chance of success. The organisers of the programme can provide or find training for young people, and also offer project guidance, signposting, mentoring etc.

Awards to 11-16 year olds

- Awards range from £250 to £1000, with an average of £750
- They will be given to groups of young people (minimum of 4 young people under 16 years old)
- Over 1,800 awards will be given out over the two years that The Big Boost will run for.

These awards focus on encouraging social entrepreneurship among young people, mainly in school or youth clubs. They encourage activity based on the Citizenship and Social Enterprise (Key Stages 3 and 4 of the curriculum). The awards are intended to encourage and support new community projects coming from the young people themselves (they are not intended to support existing initiatives). The groups of young

people will be supported by an adult to apply for and deliver a project. The young people will choose their own adult advisor, who will in turn be supported by consortium staff.

Projects must NOT:

- be part of the applicant's paid employment
- involve political or religious campaigning
- involve activities outside the law or public policy
- foster ethnic, religious or commercial disharmony
- involve employing other people
- be primarily to undertake academic qualifications

There are no deadlines for the Big Boost awards. There will be 10 award rounds per year monthly except for Summer and Christmas holidays). It should take no longer than 6 weeks to get a final decision

To complete applications for a Big Boost award, there is a need to attach two written references from people who know the applicant and support their application (and the proposed project). Note that, if applying as a group, the referees should know each member of the group as well. At least one of the references should be from someone of standing in the local community, such as one of the following:

Teacher/lecturer or former teacher/lecturer, Doctor, Youth worker, Probation officer, Youth Offending Team member, Police or prison officer, Minister of religion, Asylum support worker, Employment services/job centre advisor.

Each reference letter should include the following:

- The referee's address, full name and job title
- How long the referee has known the applicant(s)
- What their connection is to the applicant(s)
- What skills the referee believes the applicant(s) possess that will help undertake the proposed project
- What opinion the referee has on the applicant(s) motivation and determination to complete the proposed project

The programme opened for applications in September 2005.

CONTACT:

Tel: 0845 4 10 20 30

Website: www.thebigboost.org.uk

Further Big Lottery Fund Programmes

Reaching Communities - BIG

The Big Lottery Fund launched in December 2005, "Reaching Communities – BIG". This England wide programme provides funding to help improve local communities and the lives of people most in need.

Communities are at the heart of Reaching Communities. The Big Lottery Fund want to fund projects that respond to needs identified by communities, and actively involve them. They want to fund projects that help those most in need including those people or groups who are hard to reach. They will give support to those projects they think best meet their communities' needs.

During 2009 –2010 the “Reaching Communities Programme” remained open to applications. This is designed to act as a ‘bridge’ between the Big Lottery Fund’s current funding programmes and the new “Open Funding” stream which will go live in 2010. The budget for Reaching Communities was £80 million, an increase of £20 million on the budget for 2008 – 2009. Reaching Communities gives grants of between £10,001 and £500,000. The Big Lottery Fund set a maximum overall project size of £750,000. They will fund projects for up to five years.

The Big Lottery Fund want to bring about the following changes as a result of the funding through this programme:

- people having better chances in life, including being able to get better access to training and development to improve their life skills
- strong communities, with more active citizens, working together to tackle their problems
- improved rural and urban environments, which communities are better able to access and enjoy
- healthier and more active people and communities.

The following organisations can apply to Reaching Communities:

- registered charities
- voluntary or community groups
- statutory bodies, (including schools)
- charitable or not-for-profit companies
- social enterprises – ie a business that is chiefly run for social objectives, whose profits are reinvested in the business rather than going to shareholders and owners.

The Big Lottery Fund has recognised the difficulties experienced by projects and communities during the current economic downturn, be it increased call on the services offered, greater need for assistance or help in accessing other services, and accepts that it should be supporting communities and people most in need where possible during this difficult time. In light of the current economic circumstances they has decided to relax the eligibility criteria and they will now consider small-scale refurbishments of up to £50K capital grant and a maximum capital project size of £200K.

CONTACT:

Tel: 0845 410 20 30 (BIG Advice Line)

Website: www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/programmes/reachingcommunities/index2.htm

Community Buildings

The Community Buildings programme, which opened on 11th July, 2006, will give communities the chance to improve their quality of life by funding buildings that are economically, socially and environmentally sustainable. The programme will pay for creating and improving facilities that offer a wide range of services and activities to a broad range of local people. The programme has a total fund available of £50 million, which it was planned to be committed by 30th June 2008.

The Big Lottery Fund want to fund buildings that will promote community interaction and self-help. They hope that these buildings will continue to serve communities in years to come while minimising their negative effects on the environment. Community Buildings is mainly a capital-funding programme to cover the cost of building a project, not running

it. Successful applicants will show that their building will be accessible to as many people as possible and that the local community will be strongly involved in using and managing the building.

The programme aims to achieve these outcomes:

- broadening access to, and more use of, existing services
- creating a greater number and wider range of new services
- improving opportunities for the community to access a wide range of learning
- improving the skills, knowledge and capacity to respond to community needs
- increasing participation by the community in decision-making processes that affect the community
- improving community relationships and networks
- improving financial viability of community premises
- premises that use less energy, pollute less, create less waste and have a reduced contribution to climate change.

Projects will be expected to meet a five or more of the above outcomes; by which the Big Lottery Fund means the changes that will improve people's lives. Under the Community Buildings programme, the Big Lottery Fund (BLF) will only make grants to:

- Voluntary or community groups, including charities, unincorporated associations, not-for-profit companies, credit unions, self-help groups or co-operatives and faith based community organisations.
- Parish or Town councils
- Church-based faith organisations. The BLF have created a separate category for church-based faith organisations but all faith organisations are eligible to apply. They have included the Church of England, the Methodist Church, the United Reformed Church, the Baptist Church in the Baptist Union of Great Britain, and the Roman Catholic Church in this category. This category is because of the way these churches are established in law, which affects the way they own land. Church-based faith organisations, like parish and town councils, need to satisfy a slightly different set of legal requirements so that the BLF would have the same security with them as with other voluntary and community organisations.

The Big Lottery Fund will not award grants to the following:

- Individuals
- Local authorities other than parish or town councils
- Schools or colleges
- NHS trusts
- Learning and skills councils
- Local enterprise companies
- Commercial companies

Organisations that cannot apply to this programme might decide to work in partnership with organisations that can. The organisation applying for the grant must hold the lease or freehold of the building and control how the premises will be managed and run.

Organisations can apply for grants of over £50,000 and up to £500,000. It is expected that most grants will be less than £250,000. If a project costs more than £250,000, an organisation will need to find match funding. A grant can pay for buying land, buildings

and equipment and for building works. The programme will also offer small grants of up to £5,000 for applicants to get training and advice about managing the building.

There is a two-stage application process. At stage one, the Big Lottery Fund will consider the need and outcomes for a project and how an organisation will run a building. Only projects successful at stage one will be invited to apply to stage two. An organisation may be offered a development grant towards the cost of developing a project to meet the stage two application requirements. Development grants will be for no more than £25,000; the combined total of the development grant and project grant funding must not be more than £500,000. Not all stage two applications will be offered development funding. The first awards were made in July 2007.

CONTACT:

Tel: 0845 410 20 30 (BIG Advice Line)

**Website: www.biglotteryfund.org.uk or
www.communitybuildings@biglotteryfund.org.uk**

9. Trusts and Foundations

There are only a limited number (some mentioned in this document) of charitable Trusts and Foundations which specifically fund sport. However, particular trusts or foundations can consider sport-related applications if they also meet the organisation's criteria for financial aid (e.g. the "Prince's Trust funds projects which benefit young people). There is a standard reference work to research such trusts by the Charities Aid Foundation entitled "Directory of grant making trusts 2001-2002"; ISBN 1-900360-82-9. Copies are available from the publisher or possibly any large public library.

CONTACT:

Website: www.trustfunding.org.uk

10. Charities Information Bureau

The CIB aim to support voluntary organisations and community groups in funding their work. They also support funding advisors and agencies who themselves provide funding advice. The CIB website contains a wealth of information and advice on a wide range of funding and project development issues. CIB also produce a low cost monthly Email Funding Newsletter providing the latest information on funding opportunities for voluntary and community organisations in England. The site provides many links to funding providers and other agencies websites.

CONTACT:

93 Lawefield Lane, Wakefield, WF2 8SU

Tel: 01924 239063; Fax: 01924 239431

Email: info@fit4funding.org.uk; Website: www.fit4funding.org.uk

11. National Council for Voluntary Organisations

This organisation can also provide publications on fundraising including "Finding the Funds".

Contact:

Tel: 020 7713 6161; Website: www.vois.org.uk

12. Funder Finder

This is a small national charity, which helps other charities, voluntary organisations & community groups be more effective. It produces software for grant seekers: to help groups identify charitable trusts that might give them a grant and also that helps individuals needing grant-aid identify charities that might help.

CONTACT:

Tel: 0113 243 3008; Website: www.funderfinder.org

Local Contact (for software): Voluntary Action Wakefield - Tel: 01924 367418

13. Government Website

The Government has set up a grants website for the Voluntary and Community Sector. The website provides information for voluntary and community organisations on the grants available from four Government Departments: the Home Office; the Department for Education and Skills; the Department for Transport, Local Government and the Regions; and the Department of Health.

CONTACT:

Website: www.governmentfunding.org.uk

14. The Camelot Foundation

The Foundation has launched "Transforming Lives", a grants programme for projects working with young people aged 11 to 25. Projects should cover one or more of the following types of activity:

- creating an ordinary life, through the social inclusion of young people and access to housing, education, health, transport, work, leisure and recreational opportunities
- giving young people a voice to express their needs and hopes, and influence the way services are provided
- basic skills development such as literacy, numeracy, IT skills and money management
- promoting freedom from fear and discrimination
- enabling young people to take part in community or civic life within neighbourhoods, local and regional areas, and nationally

Priority groups for the programme are:

- young asylum seekers
- young people with disabilities
- young people with mental health problems
- young parents, and young people at risk of becoming young parents

Registered charities or consortia led by charities who are working with young people and have unrestricted reserves of less than one year's running costs can apply. Grants will range from £10,000 to £90,000. The usual maximum grant will be £30,000 a year for up to three years.

Grants can cover: one-off project needs; pilot projects; on going costs such as salaries, running or management costs. Grants will not be given to: academic research not linked to a development project, capital building projects, general appeals, overseas travel, individuals, play schemes, holidays or after school clubs, large national charities which have an established funding base, projects where funding from local and national government has expired and to work that is the responsibility of a local authority or health authority

“Transforming Lives” will run for 7 years and replaces the “Community Support small grants programme”. There is a two stage application process including an application form and visit with the whole process taking less than 6 months.

CONTACT:

Julie Gilson, Grants Manager, The Camelot Foundation, University House, 11-13 Lower Grosvenor Place, London. SW1W 0EX

Tel: 020 7828 6085; Fax: 020 7828 6087

Email: info@camelotfoundation.org.uk; Website: www.camelotfoundation.org.uk

15. The Abbey National Community Partnership

The Partnership’s funding priorities are:

- support for equal opportunities for disabled people
- education and training, with priority for disadvantaged and socially excluded groups
- employment and job creation, for disadvantaged or socially excluded groups

Grants are for up to £250 for community groups that aren’t registered as charities; or £2,500 for local charities. The Community Partnership will look at applications for larger amounts and refer them on to the “Abbey National Charitable Trust”, if appropriate.

Grants are not available for individuals, specific religious or ethnic groups, charities working abroad, advertising space or fundraising publications. Applicants should write to the Partnership, which will contact the applicant if more information is required. Grants are decided monthly.

CONTACT:

Abbey National House, 2 Triton Square, Regent’s Place, London NW1 3AN

Email: communitypartnership@abbey.com

16. Department of Health “Third Sector Investment Programme”

The Dept. of Health has launched for the 'Third Sector Investment Programme' which replaces the Department’s long running Section 64 General Scheme from 2009/2010. The new programme will provide grants to Voluntary sector organisations that provide a service similar to that provided by the National Health service or by local authority social services. It has two funding schemes:

- The Innovation, Excellence and Service Development Fund
- The Strategic Partner Programme

The ‘Innovation Excellence and Service Development Fund is 3 year funding scheme that supports projects run by the voluntary sector with a focus on; innovation, excellence and / or service development in the health and social care field with a potential national impact. Projects with a purely local impact will not be considered.

The Strategic Partner Programme on the other hand aims to invest up to £200,000 in initially 5 – 10 strategic partner organisations who will work collaboratively with the Department of Health to advise them about key issues in the health and social care field affecting the third sector; and to develop the capability and capacity of the third sector to work with the Department of Health in achieving its strategic objectives.

The total amount available for 2009 – 2010 for new applications was approximately £7 million, although the closing date for applications has now passed.

In 2010 /2011 the third sector investment programme will also included a new volunteering investment fund that builds on the existing Opportunities for Volunteering Scheme.

CONTACT:

Website: [www.dh.gov.uk/en/Managingyourorganisation/Financeandplanning/Third Sector Investment Programme](http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Managingyourorganisation/Financeandplanning/ThirdSectorInvestmentProgramme)

17. Tudor Trusts Grants

The Tudor Trust aims to help break cycles of disadvantage and dependency. Preventing people from being drawn into these cycles is crucially important too. They are therefore interested in supporting projects that increase people's capacity to cope, build their confidence and vision and give them greater control over their future. By supporting an independent and vibrant voluntary sector they hope to unlock the potential that exists within communities, providing new opportunities to achieve lasting change.

To meet these Aims, the Tudor Trust wants to support groups with charitable objectives who are involved in work addressing the following issues:

- Youth
- Older People
- Community - includes support for refugees recently granted leave to stay
- Relationships
- Housing
- Health: mental health
- Health: substance misuse
- Learning
- Financial
- Security and Criminal Justice.

CONTACT:

Tudor Trust - 7 Ladbroke Grove, London W11 3BD.

Tel: 020 7727 8522

Website: www.tudortrust.org.uk (for information of current priorities and exclusions)

18. BBC Children in Need Appeal

This Fund welcomes applications for good quality, carefully planned, projects which show a clear focus on children in order to change their lives for the better. These applications can be from: self-help groups; voluntary organisations; or Registered charities. Applicants should be properly constituted, non-profit organisations. The children they help must be aged 18 years and under, and live in the United Kingdom. Organisations should only apply for a grant, if it will benefit children who are disadvantaged by: any kind of disability; behavioural or psychological problems; living in poverty or situations of deprivation; illness, distress, abuse or neglect.

Groups who have an element of sport or play in their work with children and young people may qualify for funding from the BBC Children in Need Appeal.

CONTACT:

BBC Children in Need Appeal, PO Box 1000, London, W12 7WJ.

Tel: 020 8576 7788

Email: pudsey@bbc.co.uk

Website: www.bbc.co.uk/pudsey/grants

19. Sport Relief UK Programme

Sport Relief is a fundraising initiative run by Comic Relief and BBC Sport. The programme aims to support projects which use Sport, activities and games to work with young people up to the age of 25 to tackle tensions and divisions within their local communities. It will not fund general youth work or sporting activities; applicants will need to show how their work aims to address community tension. The grants programme is about how the power of sport can be utilised and play a major role in working with young people to promote greater understanding and respect; and make it easier to cross social divides and change attitudes.

The programme will support projects using sport to alleviate racial tension, gang violence, sectarianism or territorialism. It wishes to assist projects which are run and managed by the local community and which will be using sport as a way of making change, rather than an end in itself. Applicants will need to identify the tension which exists in their local community and show how the work they are doing will help to tackle this. Additionally, they will have to demonstrate how young people have been consulted and involved in the project.

Sport Relief are likely to give significant contributions to a smaller number of projects and evaluate the difference they make, rather than fund lots of small grants. Applications are only accepted from voluntary organisations and self-help groups, which possess a constitution. All work funded must be charitable. Therefore groups applying must either be registered charities or the work the group is planning must have charitable aims. In this latter case, a group can then be funded through a registered charity whom have agreed to hold the money for them. Sport Relief cannot fund statutory authorities. The Programme may consider requests from community groups working in partnership with statutory bodies, provided the request comes directly from the community group.

It is unlikely that the programme will fund large capital projects. Most funding will be given for revenue costs, although capital items such as office or sports equipment will be funded. Grants from the Fund will be made for between £1,000 and £10,000 per year. Projects can apply for up to 5 years funding, although the grant is likely to be reduced in the last 2 years of such projects.

There is a two stage application process. Sport Relief will shortlist applications for stage 2 based upon the "Summary Form", which all applicants fill in at stage 1 of the process. The "Community Foundation Calderdale" administrates the funding for Wakefield.

CONTACT:

UK Grants Team: Sport Relief, Comic Relief, 5th Floor, 89 Albert Embankment, London, SE1 7TP.

Tel: 020 7820 5555; Fax: 020 7820 5500; Minicom: 020 7820 5579

Email: ukgrants@comicrelief.org.uk

Local Contact: Community Foundation Calderdale – Tel: 01422 438738

20. UnLtd Sport Relief Awards

UnLtd Sport Relief Awards provide opportunities for young people to bring communities together, to help them promote understanding and solve conflict through sport and being active. This UK wide £1 million funding programme, is specifically for 11-21 year olds, who are prepared to go the extra mile and use their passion for sport to bring respect and understanding to their communities by setting up their own projects.

Funding of between £500 and £10,000 is available for entrepreneurial young people who have great ideas and who want to make a difference. For example, the money could be used to engage young people from different backgrounds by organising an indoor cricket mini-world cup. Or perhaps to help reduce violence in an area by getting young people to channel their energies into football rather than fighting.

Alternatively a skateboarding competition for children could be organised to help reduce tensions in the local area. ...all it takes is one great idea. This programme could be the chance for young people to get their community moving and score some skills on the way!

Applicants can be either individuals or part of a group. Applicants aged between 11 and 16 will need an adult advisor to support their application. As well as a cash award, young people will also receive a tailored package of support from a dedicated Development Manager who will be on hand to provide support, guidance and mentoring in order to develop and deliver initiatives.

Three types of awards are available:

1. Try It awards of up to £1,000.
2. Shape It awards of up to £5,000.
3. Do It awards of up to £10,000.

The underlying principles of the programme are as follows:

- ❖ Creating a common vision and sense of belonging for all young people.
- ❖ Making sure the diversity of young people's backgrounds and circumstances are appreciated and positively valued.
- ❖ Understanding those from different backgrounds have similar life opportunities.
- ❖ To develop strong and positive relationships between young people from different backgrounds.

Applications for "Try It awards" can be made at any time. There are regular deadlines for the "Shape It" awards. "Do It Awards" will be made every three months with the second application deadline being 11 October 2010.

CONTACT:

the UnLtd "application hotline" ; Tel: 0845 3670 770;

Email: sportreliefawards@unltd.org.uk; Website: www.UnLtdSportRelief.com

21. The B&Q 'One Planet Living Awards'

The B& Q Awards aim to regenerate local areas, giving new life to buildings and landscapes used by local community organisations. Over the past decade, the leading DIY retailer has already donated almost £1/2 million to charities/community projects in these national awards and each year award a further £100,000 worth of products..

The B&Q's One Planet Living Awards 2009 (UK) offer to support a number of community and charity projects across the country with up to £10,000 worth of B&Q materials, to help enhance communities or help to return to the "one planet living". No cash alternative is available. Environmentalist groups, Sports Clubs, Community groups, voluntary and charitable organisations and charities are eligible to apply to the scheme.

One Planet Living aims to support activities to reduce the impact we are having on the world's natural resources. One Planet Living is based on the premise that if we continue to live as we do in the UK, we will need three planets to maintain our way of life. To be eligible, community-based projects must fall within one of the following categories:

- Save energy
- Conserve nature
- Support local culture & heritage
- Grow your own.

B&Q are looking to support 40 projects:

One project of £10,000; four projects of £5,000 and thirty five projects of £2,000.

Projects must only require renovation and refurbishment, not construction. Planning permission, building regulations and change of use of any building should be checked through your local authority and obtained prior to application. Work involving any of the above must be highlighted in the application form.

Projects should not involve the purchase of land or building and work and be completed by the end of September in the year of the application. Product purchases after this date will not be allowed. Projects involving horticultural work or cosmetic construction work (e.g. re-plastering) are acceptable. Projects must not involve major building but can involve electrical or plumbing work that includes new fittings, such as sinks and lavatories.

CONTACT:

**B & Q You Can Do It Awards, PO Box 53, Heckmondwike, West Yorkshire. WF15 8YY
Tel: 0845 300 1001; Web-site: www.diy.com/awards**

22. South Kirkby and Moorthorpe Community Project

Grants up to £500 are available to develop a community activity which benefits local people in South Kirkby and Moorthorpe. Community groups with a set of rules or governing document, which are based in South Kirkby and Moorthorpe qualify for the grants.

CONTACT:

Tel: 01977 642623

23. Bernard Sunley Charitable Foundation

The Bernard Sunley Charitable Foundation was established in 1960. The object of the Foundation is to apply its income in, "giving grants as the Trustees in their absolute discretion may select". The Foundation does not publish specific areas of interest in order to maintain a broad spectrum of charitable giving. Grants usually fall into particular categories including "Community", "Youth", "Health", "Leisure", "Welfare" & "Education".

There is no limit set on grant sizes. They can range from single payments of between £200 to £5,000 to grants made, in exceptional circumstances, through a number of payments which may total over £100,000. Grants made by the Foundation do not necessarily require match funding. The grant given may be used as match funding for a

project and, if match funding is required, this may be in the form of a grant from another organisation or, volunteer time.

Registered charities including schools in the United Kingdom can apply. Individuals cannot apply to the Foundation. Applications must be made in the form of a covering letter to the Director of the Foundation:

CONTACT:

Dr Brian Martin, Bernard Sunley Charitable Foundation, 20 Berkley Square, London, W1J 6LH

Tel: 020 7408 2198; Fax: 020 7499 5859

Email: asstdirbsunleycharfund@ukgateway.net

24. The Dickie Bird Foundation

The foundation was established by Dickie Bird in March 2004 . The vision of the Foundation is to assist financially disadvantaged young people under 18 years of age to participate, to the best of their ability, in the sport of their choice irrespective of their social circumstances, culture or ethnicity and to ensure that, in doing so, they improve their chances both inside and outside sport.

The Foundation's objective is to provide or assist the provision of facilities which enable young people in schools, universities and other educational establishments, local clubs and community groups to participate in sporting activities in the interests of healthy recreation or the advancement of physical education.

The Foundation's fervent hope is that, through the efforts and the grants they make, more young people will be able to access sport and fulfill their ambitions as sportsmen whilst at the same time improving their prospects in life. Individuals, school groups, clubs, university/college sporting society or sports associations who meet the criteria of the Foundation can apply. Every application will be given fair and equal consideration. Individuals or the whole of a group whom an applicant makes a grant bid on behalf of must be under 18 years of age at the time of application. Individuals will need to find two independent referees to support their application. Anyone representing a group, will need to be a current officer of the group (e.g. a Chairman or Secretary).

Individuals only will be considered for a grant if they are unable to raise the necessary finance required as a result of impoverished circumstances. It will be necessary to demonstrate that circumstances are such that the applicant is unable to raise the finance necessary through any other means.

Contact: The Grants officer, The Dickie Bird Foundation, 47 Ripon Road, Earlsheaton, Dewsbury, West Yorkshire, WF12 7LG.

Tel: 01924 430593 or 01924 417391; Mobile: 07904 440367

Email: dbfgrants@btinternet.com or info.dbf@btinternet.com

25. West Yorkshire Police Community Trust

The aim of the trust is to provide grants to voluntary and community groups across West Yorkshire. The Trust's primary income is money and assets seized from criminals and the Police Property Act Fund which is monies received by the Police from property confiscated by Order of Court and then sold.

West Yorkshire Police Community Trust is a small Trust. Grants are available of up to £2,500 but most grants are for less than £1,000. Applicants should clearly indicate how their project contributes to the particular grant round theme and the aims of the Trust. The theme for the 2019 / 2011 grant round is: "Projects/activities that address the Police Pledge priorities identified by local communities".

Local priorities for this funding are identified and agreed by members of the community at local PACT (Police and Communities Together) meetings. Information on the priorities is available on the Neighbourhood Policing Team website.

Voluntary and community groups, small charities & not-for-profit groups can apply to the Trust. The Trust will not support National charities or general appeals, work outside West Yorkshire, pure academic research, educational bursaries, travel projects, individuals, or work that forms part of a statutory requirement. Applications must be endorsed by their local Neighbourhood Policing Team, contact details are available on the website or via local Police Stations. The deadline for applications is Friday 10th September 2010. All applicants will be notified of the outcome by mid October 2010.

CONTACT:

**West Yorkshire Police Community Trust, Applications, West Yorkshire Police HQ,
PO Box 9, Laburnum Road, Wakefield WF1 3QP**

Tel: 01924 292230

Email: communitytrust@westyorkshire.pnn.police.uk

Webpage: www.westyorkshire.police.uk/communitytrust

Local Neighbourhood Policing Team: www.westyorkshire.police.uk/npt

26. Co-op Group – Community Dividend Scheme

Grants are available through the Co-operative Group's "Community Dividend Scheme" to fund special projects, new equipment and general activity for organisations in the Wakefield District. Around £100,000 is available annually to support worthy causes in the region. Applications are sought from charities and voluntary organisations in the vicinity of Co-op stores. The scheme aims to help communities to help themselves by providing local groups committed to enhancing community life with grants, ranging from £100 to £5000.

It is part of the Co-operative Group's popular Dividend customer loyalty card scheme, which offers cardholders cash back on every pound spent in-store. Payments are made twice a year in full pounds with shoppers given the option of rolling over the spare pennies to the next payment or donating them to the Community Dividend fund for distribution to worthy causes.

Local Co-op members allocate the awards based on principles such as self-help, social responsibility and caring for others; which apply to many organisations from environmental and animal welfare to those involved with children and the disabled. Projects which provide equipment, a physical benefit to a group or training and education have been funded. Priority is given to projects which target disadvantaged groups or areas within the community and which seek to address community issues such as health, safety or poverty relief and which show imagination in its approach.

The Co-op is committed to returning resources to the communities it serves. It has always supported large numbers of charities and community groups but with the help of

its shoppers it is now able to make a greater contribution which it hopes will be of real and lasting value to local communities.

CONTACT:

The Co-op's Northern Region membership team; Tel: 0161 246 2224/13

Website: www.co-op.co.uk/community_dividend

Alternatively leaflets are available in local Co-operative Group stores.

27. The Co-operative Foundation Community Support Programme

Local community and grass root groups that want to make a positive difference to their local community can apply for grants of between £500 and £30,000 through the Co-operative Foundation. The Co-operative Foundation is keen to support community and voluntary sector activity through grants to local groups and organisations across its trading area. It is particularly interested in locally led and run groups which can demonstrate evidence of co-operative values and principles: self-help, equality, democracy, concern for the community. In particular the Foundation wants to support projects that focus on specific geographic areas such as a village, town or housing estate - or it could be a community of people brought together to address a specific issue which affects them.

To be eligible applicants will need to be located in the Co-operative's trading area (Yorkshire, South Cumbria, North Wales, Northern Ireland, North West, North Midlands & Staffordshire). The Trustees meet four times a year to consider applications.

CONTACT:

Website: <http://www.united.coop/Foundation.asp>

28. Lloyds TSB Foundation

The Lloyds TSB Foundation for England and Wales, provide grants and support to clubs holding charitable status. The Foundation regularly publishes its regional priorities. These vary from region to region and are of key importance to charitable organisations wishing to apply to the Foundation for regional or local projects. The Lloyds TSB Foundation for England and Wales is one of the UK's largest grant-making trusts. In particular, grants are provided to under-funded charities that work to improve the lives of people in local communities, especially those who are disadvantaged or disabled.

CONTACT:

The Yorkshire Regional Office, Lloyds TSB Bank, St Helens Square, York, YO1 8QW

Tel: 01904 628200; Fax: 01904 627251

Email: guidelines@lloydtsbfoundations.org.uk;

Website <http://www.lloydtsbfoundations.org.uk>

29. Charles Hayward Foundation (UK)

The Charles Hayward Foundation makes grants of up to £20,000 to charitable organisations in the UK. It supports a wide range of community and social welfare initiatives, including, helping young people at risk, support for those with physical and learning disabilities, improving the local environment, victim support services & the rehabilitation of offenders, the elderly and the provision of community facilities such as community centres & village halls. Applications can be made at any time.

CONTACT:

Tel: 020 73707063 or 020 73707067

Website <http://www.charleshaywardfoundation.org.uk/>

30. UK Villages Community Kitty

This 'kitty' from 'UK Villages online' - the online directory of local information on villages, parishes, communities, towns and cities - awards grants of between £50 - £500 for small local community projects. The kitty has been supporting small community projects since its inception in April 2001. To date they have supported various projects across the UK ranging from a knitting circle, to a playgroup needing toys, sports equipment for cubs, and support for several village halls and playing field committees, as well as a number of heritage projects. The following is a list of potential community projects, which would be eligible for funding under this programme:

- Playgroups / Playgrounds initiatives
- Community / Village Halls projects
- Environment programmes
- Old peoples needs or causes
- Young People or Youth initiatives
- Fetes / Festivals
- The funding of technology for local usage
- Local heritage organisations activities

There are certain general exclusions from the UK Villages Community Kitty including:

- political, religious or military organisations (ex-service charities may be supported in some cases)
- overseas charities (although a funds collection service is available where appropriate)
- sponsorship of individuals
- arts sponsorship;
- third-party funding (donations to a person or organisation for onward transmission to a charity)
- general NHS funding

The project must be identifiable - UKVillages will not offer grants to cover running costs. The Kitty has a straightforward on-line application process, one page only.

CONTACT:

Website: www.ukvillages.co.uk/articles.nsf/content/ukvkitty

31. Argos

Argos focuses on charities and groups that help young people get the best opportunities in life, for better health, education and environment – especially projects that offer support to local communities in both the UK and the Republic of Ireland.

The criteria that they use when deciding to provide support is as follows:

- Support is only given to registered charities and non-profit making organisations
- The charities supported must focus on children in the areas of health related issues, education, disadvantaged groups, or improve environment conditions
- Applications by charities or non-profit groups are restricted to one per year. National charities are restricted to requests from their head office only.

All charitable requests must be made using the “Argos Charitable Donation Application Form”.

CONTACT:

Website: www.argos.co.uk

32. VolResource

This service provides information for voluntary and community organisations. VolResource aims to make it quick and easy to get to useful information on anything to do with running a voluntary organisation (whether a community group, charity or other non-profit body). The website provides access to guides and “How To” resources on a wide range of issues relevant to anyone involved in community or project development work. The Website includes much useful information on Fundraising and Grants.

CONTACT:

Website: www.volresource.org.uk/index.htm

33. Halifax Bank of Scotland Foundation

The Foundation provides assistance for voluntary and community groups in the development and improvement of local communities. The Foundation operate a structure of Regional

Co-ordinators enabling the Foundation to work more closely with local communities and respond to local issues.

To apply groups must be a charity or community group (not for profit). The Community Action Programme provides local grants of up to £10,000 to support a diverse range of projects. Groups can apply for under £50,000 by completing the HBOS Foundation funding application form. To acquire a grant of over £50,000, groups need to write a 2 page “Project Outline” indicating how the project meets the HBOS Foundation criteria. The Foundation operates a rolling programme.

CONTACT:

Halifax Bank Of Scotland, Po Box No. 5, The Mound, Edinburgh, EH1 1YZ

Tel: 0131 243 7193

Website: www.hbosfoundation.org/index-community.html

34. Make Space Development Fund Grants (great clubs for young people)

This fund is Supported by the Nestle Trust in partnership with 4Children. The aim of the fund is to make individual grants of up to £10,000 to support a number of clubs at various stages of the Make Space development process. The aim is to help clubs achieve the highest possible levels of excellence according to the Make Space criteria.

To be eligible to apply for a grant from the Development Fund an organisation MUST be a member of Make Space. The Make Space membership number will be required. The essential core criteria of a Make Space club are as follows:

- Dynamic place offering social opportunities, activities and development for young people between the ages of 11 – 16 in a safe environment
- Provision of chill out, activity and quiet spaces, or access to these facilities
- Consultation from beginning to end with young people

There are two levels of grant that may be applied for by Make Space members.

4. Make Space Kick-Start Grant of up to £5,000

5. Make Space Path to Excellence Grants between £5,000 and £10,000

There are two deadlines per year.

CONTACT:

The Development Fund application forms are available from the Make Space Office

Tel: 020 7522 6960 (To obtain more information about the FREE membership scheme)

Email: information@makespace.org.uk; Website: www.makespace.org.uk

35. Tesco Charity Trust Community Award Scheme

Tesco aims to help local and national charities as well as community and voluntary organisations to provide practical support for children, the elderly, and people with disabilities. These Community Awards benefit charities that deliver practical benefits to children's welfare, children's education, the welfare of elderly people and people with disabilities.

This scheme distributes some £600,000 each year to charities in communities where Tesco has stores. Grants generally range between £500 and £4,000. The next application round for projects that support children's welfare and educational projects runs from 1st December, 2010 to 31st January, 2011. The current round for applications for projects that support the elderly and adults and children with disabilities runs from 1st August to 30th September, 2010.

CONTACT:

Tesco Charity Trust, PO Box 980, Canterbury, CT1 9DX.

Website: www.tescocharitytrustcommunityawards-applications.co.uk

36. Tesco Community Gift Vouchers

Each Tesco store holds a number of Community Gift Vouchers to support local groups requiring support for their fundraising events, such as raffle prizes. Tesco Community Gift Vouchers may be redeemed at checkouts at any Tesco store in the same manner as ordinary Tesco Gift Vouchers, but they may not be exchanged for cash. Charities should apply in writing to the Customer Service Manager at their local Tesco store, explaining about their charity, the event they are organising and how they intend to use the vouchers.

CONTACT:

Website: www.tesco.com/everyLittleHelps

Customer Service Manager at local Tesco Store

37. The Voluntary Action Training Programme – (Self-Reliance Funding)

This programme offers a range of training for volunteers & members of sports and community groups within the Wakefield District. Groups can acquire help; to develop a constitution, develop a small business plan, with their financial planning or with fund raising.

CONTACT:

Tel: 01924 367418

38. CitizensConnection.net – Common Purpose’s Website

This website has a very useful and comprehensive section on fundraising. It includes:

- funding news
- sources of funding
- good practice
- projects plans
- funders on the web
- jargon buster

39. Help Yourself : British Gas and Save the Children

Anyone with a great idea for a project that gives young people the chance to improve their communities might qualify for a “here to HELP Award”. Over three years, British Gas and Save the Children have sought to fund 300 unique projects that make a real difference to the places where young people live, play and socialise. Here to HELP Awards are designed to give children and young people in Great Britain much more of a say in changing their communities.

The initial aim of the fund in October 2005 was to fund 50 projects that are...

- Youthful - driven by and for young people
- Original - new and inspirational
- Dynamic - positive and challenging solutions for the needs of your community
- Lasting - great ideas that could keep growing even when our funding stops

Potential applicants will need to consult the fund's guidance notes prior to completing a “here to HELP Award” application. Children and young people linked to an adult led group or organisation can apply to the fund. Additionally any organisation that works with young people, or wants to involve them in their work may apply.

The fund can only assist projects that support young people up until the age of 18. It is very important that children and young people have been involved in putting together any project idea and application. The fund can support groups and organisations that have a statutory duty to provide facilities/set up projects, but will only fund projects that aren't already covered by other sources of funding. Funding of up to £1,000 can be accessed for projects that help make communities a healthier, more engaging, safer place to be

The funders want to help develop communities through supporting health, play/leisure and safety projects, as these are key areas that affect both individuals and communities in general. They regard an individual's voice in these areas as essential!. The funders wish to champion people's right to be healthy in their own community, their right to education & their right to be protected in their community. They specifically wish to improve access to play and leisure in the community & improve health support and advice for children and young people.

The funders want to fund projects that address:

- sexual and mental health;
- drugs, alcohol and solvent abuse;
- skill development through play and leisure;
- Improve play and leisure opportunities in the community or school for children and young people.

The funders want to support projects that help children and young people develop skills through play and leisure activities and give them a voice in their community. They wish to enhance opportunities, facilities and places to play in communities and improve the safety of areas for children and young people. Individuals and groups who reside in the Wakefield District are eligible to apply to the fund.

CONTACT:

Anne Carey Save the Children, 5th Floor, Hawthorns House, Halfords Lane, Smethwick, West Midlands, B66 1BB

E-Mail: helpyourselves@savethechildren.org.uk:

40. Wakefield Healthy Activity Grants

The aim of the fund is to support physical activity initiatives across the Wakefield District by providing small amounts of money to enable new or existing groups to develop physical activity opportunities, which benefit local communities.

The aims of the fund are based around the following principles:

- Reducing inequalities in health – to increase the opportunities for different sections of society to enjoy good health.
- To improve the health of the population of Wakefield district by increasing and sustaining levels of participation in moderate physical activity.
- Community participation– to support & enable people to play an active informed role in the decision making processes about services which affect their lives and health.

The fund has been set up in the realisation of the importance of physical activity. Increased participation in physical activity can contribute greatly to health improvement, both physically and mentally, and can help in the prevention and management of some of the major diseases experienced in the UK. To benefit health, adults should achieve a total of at least 30 minutes a day of at least moderate intensity physical activity on 5 or more days of the week.

The scheme will award grants from £250 up to £500. Grants can be awarded for both revenue and capital costs. Awards can be for up to 100% of costs of a project. Projects should take less than 12 months to complete. Groups can apply more than once in the funding round as long as they apply for no more than £500 in any 12-month period. Grants are awarded to voluntary and community organisations which operate on a “not for profit” basis. Ineligible organisations include; Statutory organisations; Town, Parish & Community Councils and National organisations or their local branches.

A project may be eligible if it is from a new group or from an existing group wanting to develop new activities. The project must provide opportunities for participants to engage in a physical activity and also actively involve members of the community. The project must also address an identified “need” in a community and be looking to develop other activities when the initial funding ends.

The following will not be funded from the scheme; individuals, clothing, catering for one-off events, political / religious promotion or activities, general appeals, medical or research equipment, animal welfare activities, fees for professional fundraisers, social travel, deficit or retrospective costs, school fees, funding for staff costs, bank charges, depreciation and projects that are the responsibility of statutory funding.

CONTACT:

**Chris Wathen, Physical Activity Manager, NHS Wakefield District, Castleford & Normanton District Hospital, Lumley Street, Hightown, Castleford W10 5LT.
Tel: 07974 570549 (office hours); E-mail: chris.wathen@wdpct.nhs.uk**

41. IB-Long

IB-Long offers sports club members the opportunity to link with an innovative but simple free service for the benefit of their club. Club members can register with IB-Long and state that they wish the proceeds from their shopping to go to their club. The IB-Long website is a "portal" through which club members can access over 350 household name retailers (including M&S, Argos, Tesco & Debenhams). The retailers will acknowledge that their customer (ie the Club Member) has arrived on their website from IB-Long and will therefore pay a percentage of their transaction sales from the club member back to the club and also to the individual member themselves.

For every £100 spent, £1.25 would go to the club and £1.25 back to the member. The member may be encouraged to allow their own share to go straight to the club as well, which would make £2.50 for the club for each £100 spent. In addition if the club has registered (or decides to register) as a Community Amateur Sports Club (CASC), it will be eligible for Gift Aid Status and can therefore claim an extra 28% back from the Inland Revenue. Clubs will receive a royalty cheque every quarter.

CONTACT

**Andrew Thomas (LTA Commercial Manager); Tel: 020 7381 7131
Email: andrew.thomas@lta.org.uk; Website: www.ib-long.com**

42. The Keepmoat Fund

The Keepmoat Foundation has been established by the Keepmoat Group which includes Frank Haslam Milan, Haslam Homes, Bramall Construction and Keepmoat Plc. Keepmoat plc are specialists in delivering community regeneration in projects across the North of England. They have set up a number of special geographical funds in locations where the majority of their work takes place; including a fund in the Wakefield district.

The Keepmoat Fund will make grants of between £500 and £1,500 which can be for capital costs and / or running costs. The fund will prioritise projects that:

- Support people in greatest need
- Are locally led and run
- Respond to local communities' needs
- Involve people who face particular discrimination or disadvantage e.g. Black and Minority Ethnic Communities, Young People, people with disabilities or mental health problems, and carers.
- Work well with other local community initiatives
- Give real value for money
- Projects which benefit more than one individual

Groups must be based in or working for the benefit of communities in the following areas

- Pontefract: Featherstone, Harewood Park and Kirkthorpe
- Normanton: Alftofts and Beckbridge
- Knottingley
- Castleford: Ferry Fryston
- Wakefield: Belle Vue

Groups do not need to be registered charities to apply but must have charitable aims and a structure in place to show they are properly run. Groups must possess a bank account with at least two signatories and be able to provide simple activity and financial reports to the Foundation.

The following groups or projects cannot be supported:

- Groups that have substantial unrestricted funds
- National charities (unless identified as a strategic project with local and regional benefits)
- Activities promoting religious or party political causes. Faith groups can apply, but they will need a separate set of rules ensuring that their project is open to all people in the community
- Projects that would normally be funded from statutory sources i.e. schools, colleges
- Small contributions to large projects
- Projects for personal profit or individual benefit
- Minibuses or other vehicle purchases
- Work which has already been done before the application has been submitted
- Animals
- Sponsorship, fundraising events or advertising

CONTACT

Tel: 01924 306758

Website: www.communityfoundationwakefield.co.uk

43. The Peter Harrison Foundation

The Foundation gives grants to people with disabilities and people who are disadvantaged. They have various programmes including 'Opportunities through Sport'. Opportunities through Sport is a nationwide programme and applications are accepted from charities throughout the United Kingdom. The Trustees wish to support sporting activities or projects which provide opportunities for people who are disabled or otherwise disadvantaged to fulfil their potential and to develop other personal and life skills.

Grants will often be “one off” grants for capital projects. The Foundation will, however, also consider revenue funding for a new project or if funding is key to the continuing success or survival of an established project.

The Trustees welcome applications for the following types of project:

- Projects which provide a focus for skills development and confidence building through the medium of sport
- Projects that have a strong training and/or educational theme within the sporting activity
- Projects that provide sporting equipment or facilities for disabled or disadvantaged people
- Projects with a high degree of community involvement
- Projects that help to engage children or young people at risk of crime, truancy or addiction

CONTACT

Tel: 01737 228000

Website: www.peterharrisonfoundation.org

44. Key Fund Yorkshire

The Key Fund's aims are to further economic, social and environmental regeneration in deprived and disadvantaged communities throughout Yorkshire and the Humber. Key Fund does this by giving financial and enterprise development support to local people involved in social enterprises, charities, community and voluntary groups. Key Fund Yorkshire has money available now to support the development and growth of social enterprises across the whole of Yorkshire and the Humber.

Groups with ideas that could benefit their community, may be eligible for funding and support from the fund. To help groups, the fund has a dedicated development team, with proven knowledge and experience in helping third sector organisations to grow and achieve sustainability.

The fund supports organisations whose main aim is to help their community rather than just to make a profit. The Fund provides grants and loans, investment, and support for social enterprises, charities, community & voluntary organisations. The fund may support any of the following:

- A community and voluntary organisation seeking to develop ideas for generating your own income.
- An individual or group starting up a Social Enterprise.
- A Social Enterprise looking to grow and develop.
- A Social Firm which employs a significant number of staff with a disability, and use income generated from the provision of goods/services to pursue their social mission.
- A Credit Union or other community saving and credit scheme.
- A Cooperative, where a group of individuals with shared economic, social and cultural goals form a jointly owned and democratically controlled enterprise.

Whether an organisation is starting up or looking to expand the fund can offer a unique mix of flexible and accessible finance packages specifically tailored for organisations within the Third Sector. These packages include:

- Up to £10,000 for the early stage development of social enterprises
- £10,000 to £30,000 for the on-going development and growth of social enterprises
- Up to £100,000 for social enterprises with an established track record

CONTACT:

Key Fund Yorkshire, Unit G2, 12 Leeds Road, Sheffield, S9 3TY

Tel: 0845 140 1400

Email: info@keyfundyorks.org.uk; Website: www.keyfundyorks.org.uk

45 European Commission – Youth in Action 2007-13

The Aim of this European funding is to develop a sense of personal responsibility, initiative, concern for others, citizenship and active involvement at local, national and European level among young people aged between 13 and 30. The programme will also help to improve support systems for youth activities.

The Programme Objectives are:

- to promote young people's active citizenship in general and their European citizenship in particular;
- develop solidarity and promote tolerance among young people, in particular, in order to foster social cohesion in the European Union;
- foster mutual understanding between young people in different countries;
- contribute to developing the quality of support systems for youth activities and the capabilities of civil society organisations in the youth field; and
- Promote European cooperation in the youth field.

The Permanent Priorities of the programme are:

- ❖ European citizenship – to encourage young people to reflect on European topics and to involve them in the discussion on the construction and future of the European Union;
- ❖ Participation of young people in the civic life of their community, in the system of representative democracy and to provide greater support for various forms of learning to participate;
- ❖ Cultural diversity - to develop the intercultural learning of young people to help them fight against racism and xenophobia;
- ❖ Inclusion of young people with fewer opportunities;
- ❖ Overcoming obstacles – social, economic, disability, educational, cultural difficulties, health problems, geographical;

The Priorities for the programme for 2009 are:

- European Year of Creativity and Innovation;
- Young people's active participation in the European Parliament elections;
- Combating violence against women;
- Sport as a tool to promote active citizenship and social inclusion of young people;
- Promoting the inclusion of young people with disabilities;
- Awareness-raising to global challenges (such as sustainable development and climate change);
- Young people's involvement in the revision of the European framework of cooperation in the field of youth policy
- Intercultural dialogue.

Eligible Activities under the programme include:-

Action 1 - Youth for Europe

- ❖ Youth Exchanges of between 6 and 21 days
- ❖ Youth initiatives (duration 3-18 months) with young people playing key roles
- ❖ Youth democracy projects - with a view to developing new approaches to their active participation in democratic Europe (duration 6-18 months)

Action 2 – European Voluntary Service

- Young volunteers taking part in non-profit making, unpaid activity to the benefit of the general public in a country other than his or her country of residence. Also supports groups of young people to take part collectively in local, regional, national or European or international level activities in a range of fields including, sport, culture, civil protection, the environment or development aid.

Action 3 – Youth in the World

- ❖ Cooperation with the neighbouring countries of the EU
- ❖ Cooperation with other countries of the world

Action 4 – Youth support systems

- Support for bodies active at a European level in the field of youth, activities must contribute young people's participation in public life and society and the development and implementation of European cooperation activities in the field of youth in the broad sense;
- Support to the European Youth Forum;
- Training and networking of those active in youth work and youth organisations (exchange of experiences, expertise and good practice);
- Projects encouraging innovation and quality (projects aimed at introducing, implementing and promoting innovative approaches in the youth field);
- Information activities for young people & those active in youth work and youth organisations;
- Partnerships – for the funding of partnerships with regional or local bodies in order to develop over the long-term projects which combine various measures in the Programme.
- Support for the structures of the Programme – to fund the structures at European, national & possibly regional or local level required to implement the programme (National Agencies);

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Action 5 – Support for policy cooperation in the youth field

- ❖ Meetings of young people and those responsible for youth policy - to support policy cooperation and structured dialogue between young people, those active in youth work and youth organisations. Covers European Youth Week, Open Method of Coordination in the youth field and the European Pact for Youth.

The Funding Body for the programme is the European Commission. The Funding Period is from 2007 to 2013 with periodic deadlines. Eligible Organisations include local, regional public bodies, non-profit or non-governmental organizations, Informal groups of young people; bodies active at European level in the youth field; International governmental non-profit organizations, profit making organisations organising an event in the area of youth, sport or culture. The Funding Available is 885 million Euros. - The 2009 call for proposals (applications to the programme) was launched on the 23rd December 2008 with the following deadlines:

- National level projects: 1st February, 1st April, 1st June, 1st September and 1st November.
- European level projects: 1st February, 1st June and 1st September .

CONTACT: Website: http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/youth/index_en.html

46 COMMUNITY BUILDERS FUND

The Government's Community Builders Fund is a £70m investment fund which takes forward a commitment within the "Communities in Control: real people, real power" White Paper to build more cohesive, empowered and active communities.

Community Builders will invest in the sustainability of multi-purpose, inclusive, community-led organisations (sometimes known as Community Anchors). These organisations can be the platform to support empowered communities by:

- providing a place for community activities to take place
- providing and running local services
- stimulating community involvement and enterprise
- generating independent sources of income

The fund has opened for applications, the Adventure Capital Fund (ACF) has announced. The ACF, which manages the scheme on behalf of the Communities and Local Government department and the Office of the Third Sector, has also announced the criteria that organisations must meet in order to be eligible for funding from the scheme. The Communitybuilders fund will provide loans and grants to help community-based organisations in England that boost interest in local democracy and improve community cohesion.

There are three elements to the Community Builders programme: Development which provides grants, one-to-one mentoring and business support; Feasibility which provides grants and business support; and Investment which provides loans and grants and business support. The three different elements to the fund described in more detail below are designed to meet the needs of organisations at different stages in their journey to sustainability. The fund recognises that all organisations will be at different stages of development, and that some will need more support than others.

Development

Bespoke business support based on an initial needs assessment and leadership grants of £2,000 for staff development and training. Each organisation will be assigned a Supporter to lead them through an honest exploration of the health of the organisation; help develop foundations around governance, financial systems, and leadership as well as core functions.

Feasibility

Further business support of up to 5 days and grants of up to £20,000 to use towards project development of a growth plan. Grants of up to £75,000 and 30 days of support will be available for larger projects.

Investment

Tailored for organisations who are ready to develop, grow and expand their role within the community. Investment will consist primarily of loans between £50,000 and £2,000,000 offered at 5% for an initial three year period of a ten year loan term.

Organisations could, but are not required to, progress through the stages in order, or depending on their level of development, could move directly to Feasibility or Investment. The fund's Business Development team will help tailor the elements to the exact requirements of each organisation.

Contact

Tel: 0191 2692278; Email: info@communitybuildersfund.org.uk

(47) The Youth of Today “Scaling Up Fund”

Round Two of the Youth of Today Scaling Up Fund has been launched. The Youth of Today “Scaling Up Fund” invites applications from small third sector organisations in England to address key challenges of how to scale-up innovative youth leadership programmes and reach out across communities. In total, £500,000 will be distributed, equating to 30 grants of between £5,000 and £20,000 to take the work of small organisations to the next level.

The grants aim to:

- Help more young people take on leadership roles in their community.
- Create more opportunities for young people to influence the decisions affecting them.
- Raise the quality of youth leadership opportunities.
- Enable small organisations to grow.
- Fund innovative projects that are unlikely to find funding from other sources.

The grant should be used to develop and expand youth leadership programmes – including delivery costs, staff costs and small capital items (for up to 20% of the grant awarded).

Contact:

E-Mail: fund@theyouthoftoday.org; **Website:** <http://www.theyouthoftoday.org/scaling>

(48) Greggs Foundation

The Greggs Foundation operates a regional grants programme to support charitable organisations through the provision of small grants of up to £2,000. The regional grants programme is administered by committees of volunteers from shops, bakeries and offices who are based in the regions the company operates in around England, Scotland and Wales. They use their knowledge of the local area to make small grants to local organisations. The committees can also provide freshly produced Greggs products for community events and activities.

The regional grants programme can support charitable organisations that are not set up to make a profit. These can include charities, charitable companies, churches and schools. The Greggs Foundation prioritises local organisations that help people in need in their local area. Many charitable causes can be supported through the programme. Most of the grants are to support an identifiable cause such as trips, activities and equipment.

The mission of the Greggs Foundation is to: "Make a difference to people in need in the heart of Greggs' local communities"

Applications must be able to prove that they can achieve the above stated mission. Additionally the Foundation prioritises the following people:

- People with caring responsibilities
- People with disabilities
- Homeless people
- Older people

To apply organisations must complete a simple letter of application, not to exceed two sides of A4 to the Foundation. Applicants must include a copy of their most recent accounts with their application.

Contact:

Greggs Foundation, Fernwood House, Clayton Road, Jesmond, Newcastle Upon Tyne, NE2 1TL.

Website: <http://www.greggsfoundation.org.uk/regionalgrants.html>

(49) The People's Postcode Trust

The People's Postcode Trust is the grant giving independent charitable trust of People's Postcode Lottery. Applications can be made for £500.00 - £10,000. Community groups, charities, not-for-profit organisations and community interest companies are eligible to apply. Only registered charities can apply for up to £10,000. Other organisations can apply for up to £2,000. All funding decisions are made by an independent board of trustees.

The People's Postcode Trust is solely funded by People's Postcode Lottery. 40p from every £2 ticket goes to charity, and to date over £8 million has been raised for good causes in the UK. The People's Postcode Trust has received over £1 million to date from The People's Postcode Lottery, which has been distributed to 220 organisations across the country.

Funding will be awarded to projects with one or more of the following aims:

- To prevent poverty
- To promote, maintain, improve and advance health
- To advance citizenship or community development
- To advance public participation in sport
- To promote, improve and advance human rights, conflict resolution or reconciliation
- To promote and advance environmental protection or improvement

Funding Criteria and Guidelines

Following feedback from applicants, the funding criteria and guidelines, and the application process has been changed substantially. Before applying, organizations should ensure that they have read all of the revised information. It is vital that the application fits within the new eligibility criteria, and that the form is filled in correctly, or it will not be accepted.

All projects must still be a maximum of three months in duration, but organisations will now have **six** months from receipts of award in which to spend all awarded funds.

The application process for projects under £2,000 will now be a rolling monthly decision process. The application process for projects over £2,000 is slightly different. Decisions for these projects will still be made on a quarterly basis.

Regions

For an England application, The Trust will now only accept applications from the following areas:

- Yorkshire and the Humber
- North East England
- Liverpool and Merseyside
- The Midlands

Contact:

Website: <http://www.postcodetrust.org.uk/how-to-apply/> .

(50) Social Action Fund

The Social Action Fund is a new grant fund of over £20 million managed by the Social Investment Business on behalf of the Office for Civil Society. The Fund aims to inspire organisations to create new social action opportunities; encouraging people to give what they have, be it time, money, assets, knowledge or specific skills.

The Fund supports activity in three areas:

- ❖ Social action in the community – projects that will encourage people to come together in their neighbourhoods to support each other.
- ❖ Social action inspired by the Olympics and Paralympics – projects that will capitalise on the momentum and enthusiasm generated by the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympics Games to create a legacy of social action. The funders are particularly interested in proposals in the sports volunteering area, such as community games and in funding existing local or regional programmes that are able to scale up to national level.
- ❖ Social action for all ages – projects that motivate people across all generations to get involved in volunteering and charitable giving – from school children and students, to working professionals and those near or of retirement age.

If you have an ambitious but realistic proposition that will encourage social action or are looking to scale up a successful local project in a big way then apply to the Social Action Fund. Whatever amount you need whether its £500k or over £1 million, if it's a great proposal that the funders think could make a significant difference to the numbers of people taking social action in England, they will fund it.

The Social Action Fund is open to the following organisations

- Properly constituted Civil Society Organisations (this could be an unincorporated association, company limited by guarantee or Community Interest Company for example) which may, or may not, be a registered charity.
- Public sector bodies, for example hospital trusts, schools, universities and local authorities.
- Businesses with a social mission or clear objectives in their corporate social responsibility policy towards increasing social action, or a business involved in the delivery of public services. (This could be private companies, public companies, or Limited Liability Partnerships)

Preference will be given to large scale proposals, usually covering a region, or a number of regions as well as those that can offer match funding. Evidence of cash or in-kind match funding will strengthen any application but there will need to be proof that it is in place before December 2011.

The fund will not accept applications from

- Sole traders or small partnerships.
- Organisations with an annual turnover of less than £100,000
- Proposals of work outside England

All applications must arrive by 12 noon Wednesday 2 November 2011. Any proposal seeking funding must not be either religious or party political in nature. The applicant will be directly responsible for delivering the majority of the project. Grants will be for a minimum of £100,000 and be used primarily to fund revenue costs, with no expenditure on capital items with a value in excess of £5,000. Expenditure on projects must begin in December 2011.

In addition, a second application window will open in early 2012, exact dates of which will be confirmed in due course.

Contact:

Tel: Social Action Fund Hotline – 0191 269 2276

E-mail: info@thesocialinvestmentbusiness.org

Website: web@thesocialinvestmentbusiness.org

(51) Boost Charitable Trust

Boost Charitable Trust was created in 2005 to **B**uild **O**n **O**ver-looked **S**porting **T**alent, to champion the disabled and disadvantaged and to inspire them to overcome their challenges through the power of sport. Like many other Trusts, they receive many more applications than they can fund. The Trust will only support charities or non-profit making organisations with a focus on sport. Applicants should send or email a letter, no more than two sides of A4, informing the trust of the following details:-

- The name of your organisation - what you do and who your beneficiaries are
- Funding - why you need funding, details of the project and approximate funding requirements

All letters are studied by the Administrator and at least one Trustee who determine the outcome of the proposal, which will be one of the following:-

1. The application is unsuccessful.
2. The organisation will receive a small award, up to £500.
3. The proposal will be discussed at the following Trustee meeting, and a meeting arranged to find out more about the applicant, with a view to a larger grant being awarded

Note, even if the proposal goes before the Trustees, there is no guarantee of success.

Contact:

Website: <http://www.boostct.org/>

SECTION 4

Other Useful Information for Community Groups



DIRECTORY OF SOCIAL CHANGE



1 **Sponsorship and Fundraising**

Your club/organisation may be considering the idea of sponsorship from either large companies or local businesses. The website www.sponsorshiponline.com offers a database of potential sponsors and organisations looking for sponsorship.

There are various key commercial sponsorship guides that help people to obtain sponsorship. Some of these are available in local libraries.

The following publications will assist in the identification of the appropriate companies to approach:

- Major Companies Guide – covering the UK's top 400 corporate donors.
- A guide to Company Giving – covering 1400 companies within the UK.
- Hollis Sponsorship and Donations Yearbook – profiling 900 of the UK's top spending sponsoring companies.
- Sporting GB UK's Guide to Trade – contains details of manufacturers who may assist with clothing or equipment or other in kind help rather than money.
- The Directory of Social Change publishes a number of general guides related to fundraising including the following:
 - Raising money from companies
 - The Complete fundraising handbook
 - The educational grants directory
 - The sports funding guide
 - A guide to grants for individuals in need
 - The guide to UK Company giving, giving a guide to funding from government departments and agencies
 - Raising money from trusts
 - A guide to major to the major trusts

CONTACT:

Tel: 020 7209 5151

Website: www.d-s-c.demmon.co.uk

Information on local companies will also be available from your Regional Development Agency or Chamber of Commerce

Important considerations when applying for sponsorship:

- It is advised to follow 'warm leads' rather than cold (i.e. someone you know at a company or someone who can introduce you to a company) as this will make for a more successful sponsorship agreement.
- Firstly, explore opportunities within your club. The individuals in the club will influence the types of sponsorship and who has certain contacts and networks either outside the club or as part of the club. For example, the managing director of a local company may have a child playing at your club, could they be influenced to provide sponsorship?
- Outline the importance of in-kind sponsorship at a local level, for example, provision of kit provided free by sports shops or free cleaning at the launderette.
- Emphasize that sponsorship is not just about branding and names on kit. Be creative with types of benefits you offer as a club.

Some examples are:

- Logo's on mail outs

- Information on club website
 - Newsletters
 - Club links to school (target audience young people)
 - Hospitality (depending on clubs size)
 - Tickets to games (depending on size of club)
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- Find the right person to speak to in the sponsor company. In many companies this will be the marketing manager.
 - The sponsorship arrangement should be a partnership, so sell the benefits of the links between your club and the sponsor, using any facts and figures that you have to support your claims.
 - The amount you get will not be based, in most cases, on what you need, rather on the value of the sponsorship to the sponsor.
 - If the company has an in-house magazine or newsletter, or is featured on a local website or in the local press, suggest to the company that they publicise the sponsorship arrangement
 - You should look at your sponsorship as a long-term venture and a partnership, not just 'your sponsor's name on the shirt'. You need to maintain effective communication between your club and your sponsor.
 - Most people equate sports sponsorship with national teams, multi-national sponsors and big budgets. This will scare off many sponsors. The fact to keep in mind is that most sponsorship pledges are below £10,000.
 - When looking for a local sponsor, look at the local press to see who is a regular advertiser. This will tell you that they have a sizeable promotional budget.
 - Once you get a successful sponsorship, publicise it. This will help you attract further sponsors
 - Think of your club's ethics – what sort of companies would you not want to be associated with?
 - Remember local as well as multinational companies sponsor clubs
 - Finally, be persistent and don't give up!

2 **Tax Exemption**

The 2002 budget included two provisions to benefit Community Amateur Sports Clubs (CASC's). Firstly improved Charity Commission guidance to enable more sports clubs to apply to the "Charity Commission" to obtain "registered charitable status", and thus obtain the beneficial tax treatment that accrues from it including:

- 80% mandatory rate relief (with the remaining 20% at the discretion of local authorities)
- relief on gifts of land and buildings
- relief on gifts of shares
- payroll giving
- disposals assets exempt from capital gains tax
- gift aid on individual donations
- gift aid on company donations
- inheritance tax relief on gifts
- gifts of assets on no-gain, no-loss basis for capital gains
- business relief on gifts of trading stock

CONTACT:

Tel: 0870 333 0123

Website: www.charitycommission.gov.uk

Secondly a specifically designed Inland Revenue tax relief package for CASC's has been set up for those which cannot, or do not wish to, obtain charitable status. It is available to CASC's that:

- are open to the whole community
- are organised on an amateur basis
- have as their main purpose providing facilities for, and promoting participation in one or more eligible sports

The tax relief package will give the CASC's many of the benefits enjoyed by charities (outlined above) and provide some incentives for individuals to support their local CASC through donations.

CASC's will enjoy exemption from:-

- Corporation tax on interest
- Corporation tax on any trading income (including fundraising income) up to £15,000
- Corporation tax on income from property (rent) up to £10,000
- Capital gains tax on disposals of assets

Donors to CASC's will be able to give using the following reliefs:-

- Gift Aid for individuals
- Inheritance tax
- Gifts of assets to a CASC on a no gain/no loss basis for capital gains purposes for both individuals and businesses
- Gifts of trading stock and plant and machinery by businesses

CASC's will be required to provide annual accounts to the Inland Revenue on request and will be subject to audit. Full guidance for CASC's on how to take advantage of the new Government tax package for local sports clubs and how to register with the Inland revenue, is available on the Inland Revenue Website:

CONTACT:

Website: www.inlandrevenue.gov.uk/casc/index.htm

Also in the 2002 Budget, an allocation of £20 million was made (from the Capital Modernisation Fund in 2003-04) for the renovation and improvement of community sports facilities. Sport England will distribute this £20 million investment.

Information on both the above options and related issues are on a Sport England Information Sheet:

CONTACT:

Website: www.sportengland.org/taxbreaks.htm

or alternatively visit the Central Council for Physical Recreation Website on www.ccpr.org.uk

3 Free Banking for Clubs

Alliance and Leicester are offering free bank services for clubs and societies; there will no Charges.

CONTACT:

Tel: 0800 587 0800

Website: www.alliance-leicestercommercialbank.co.uk (click on "clubs & societies")