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)
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.

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.

The application line for Sportsmatch has been closed for a considerable period of time. The programme is under still under review by Sport England as of late February 2014.

**CONTACT:**
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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 three 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) Premier League & The FA Facilities Fund

The Premier League & The FA Facilities Fund provides grants for building or refurbishing grassroots facilities, such as changing pavilions and playing surfaces for community benefit, with money provided by the Premier League, The FA and the Government (via Sport England) and delivered by the Foundation.

The Fund, which is available to football clubs, schools, councils and local sports associations, is focused on supporting the development of new or refurbished local football facilities. Launched in January 2014, it is a three-year £102m commitment to improving the nation’s grassroots football facilities.

The new £102m investment will enable the Football Foundation to continue to support grassroots facility projects across the country, which will improve the experience of playing the national game at the lowest levels and help to increase participation in football.

Eligible projects

The Premier League & The FA Facilities Fund gives grants for projects that:

- Improve facilities for football and other sport in local communities.
- Sustain or increase participation amongst children and adults, regardless of background age, or ability.
- Help children and adults to develop their physical, mental, social and moral capacities through regular participation in sport.

The types of facilities the Foundation gives money for include:

- grass pitches drainage/improvements
- pavilions, clubhouses and changing rooms
- artificial turf pitches and multi-use games areas
- fixed floodlights for artificial pitches.

The Foundation welcomes applications from football clubs, professional clubs' community trusts, multi-sport clubs, local authorities, all educational establishments, registered charitable organisations, not for profit companies limited by guarantee, industrial and provident societies and unincorporated not for profit organisations.

All applications must have security of tenure either by freehold or leasehold. A minimum of 25 years security of tenure is required by leasehold.

Priority

Priority for applications involving professional club community programmes will be given to projects that are located within areas of high deprivation (as defined by the Governments Indices of Deprivation). For projects outside of these areas, priority will be given to those that
can demonstrate that it draws a significant proportion of its participants from neighbouring deprived areas.

Schemes that are a joint application between professional club community schemes and grassroots football will be prioritised, as will those supporting “3G AGP’s”. Applications for support are likely to exceed the capital grants available and therefore applications will be assessed and weighted towards priority projects.

**Note:** Three previous programmes; ie: “The Facilities Scheme”, “Build the Game” and the “Premier League Community Facility Fund” are now closed for applications.

c) *Grow the Game Scheme*

Grow the Game provides funding for projects that use football to:

- increase participation by both players and volunteers.

This is done by supporting the costs associated with providing new activity.

Grow the Game is an extremely popular scheme and the assessment process is competitive, therefore it is strongly recommend that before making an application organisations contact their local County Football Association’s Development Manager to discuss their project in advance of the application window opening.

Applications are welcome from organisations that are 'not for profit' and planning to set up two new football teams over the next two years. The Foundation will not fund individuals or educational establishments.

Organisations must have a signed constitution (with an appropriate dissolution clause), child protection policy, equal opportunities policy, bank statements and income/expenditure records (for all accounts held by the organisation). Note organisations that have an existing Community Small Grant or Grow the Game grant are not eligible to apply for a Grow the Game grant. Organisations can only apply for one Grow the Game grant every four years.

Grow the Game provides funding to contribute towards a combination of the following essential costs associated with providing new football activity:

- Facility hire
- Hire of FA qualified coaches
- Referees fees
- CRB checks
- Affiliation fees
- League entry
- First aid kits
- Promotion and publicity
- FA coaching courses
- Additional courses

The Foundation does not fund retrospectively and will not consider applications for costs that have already been made or are due before an offer of a grant has been awarded. There is no funding available for groups wishing to apply for charitable status, further support is available from the Charity Commission’s website.

Organisations are able to receive grants of up to £1.5k.
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:
Fields in Trust, 2nd Floor, 15 Crinan Street, London, N1 9SQ.
Tel: 020 7427 2110
E-mail: info@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”.

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Starting on 1\textsuperscript{st} April, 2009 Sport England allocated 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 allocated four year period grants to the governing bodies from 2013 to 2017. 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 1\textsuperscript{st} April, 2009. Decisions on the grants to be awarded are made nationally from Sport England’s “Service Centre” in Loughborough. A variety of funding streams have been developed, including:

- 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.

Demand can far outstrip the availability of funds and therefore it is a highly competitive process. A total of £10m National Lottery funding is available for each 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.

Eligibility criteria - The eligibility criteria determined whether organisations or projects are eligible to receive funding under a particular 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 the eligibility criteria in order to progress on to the next stage of assessment. If a projected fails 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 can theoretically apply for this funding, Sport England will often target applications from particular organisations under each theme. A detailed application prospectus for each round is available.
(b) Small Grants Programme

For this fund Sport England is looking to receive 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

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 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.

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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 – Fundraising Advice
A variety of information on fundraising can also be obtained from Sport England via their website; particularly under the “Facilities and Planning” section of the site.

CONTACT:
Sport England, 3rd Floor Victoria House, Bloomsbury Square, London, WC1B 4SE
Tel: 020 7273 1551; Fax: 020 7383 5740
Email: info@sportengland.org; Website: www.sportengland.org.uk

(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 has 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 difference at the grassroots level. Sport England intend to invest a total of £110 million National Lottery funding into this programme. To date they have helped over 1,300 projects to improve and refurbish sports clubs or transform non-sporting venues into modern grassroots sport facilities. Each funded facility from the fund will carry the London 2012 Inspire mark, a permanent celebration of its role in the legacy of the Games.

Inspired Facilities is now an open programme and will continue until 2017. This means that clubs can submit their application as soon as they are ready rather than having to rush to send it in by a specific date. Decision meetings will then take place twice a year, the first one of these will be in September 2014 when all applications received prior to the 6 June will be assessed. The second will take place in February 2015 for applications received before 3 November, 2014. Only one application per organisation can be considered at each decision meeting. Grants will be awarded to projects that make the best case in what will be a highly competitive process.

Community and voluntary organisations and parish and town councils can apply for grants worth between £20,000 and £75,000. 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.

Contact
Website: [http://www.sportengland.org/funding/inspired facilities](http://www.sportengland.org/funding/inspired facilities)

(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 initially invested £10 million of National Lottery funding in community sports projects over three years from 2011-2014. The programme was delivered via five funding rounds with up to £2 million being awarded to projects in each round. The scheme has now been extended and a sixth round is now running with a closing date of 24th March, 2014.

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 was 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 £10,000 - £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 third round was 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 Makers

This project will use the inspirational pull of 2012 to recruit, train and deploy 40,000 Sports Makers across the country. These Sports Makers 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 Sports makers 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. Sports Makers will be deployed in the areas/sports where the need is greatest, ensuring that people are matched with opportunities. Anyone aged over 16 can become a Sports Maker and thus 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 Makers launched in April 2011 and will run for just over 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 ran 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 at least 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 11 and 25. Sportivate launched in April 2011 and will run until March 2017. Wakefield District has been allocated over £47k funding per year from this programme.

Contact:
Jack Birkby, Community Sports Officer, Wakefield Council, Sport and Culture Service, Wakefield One, Burton Street, Wakefield, WF1 1EB
Tel: 07825 124176; Email: jbirkby@wakefield.gov.uk
Website: www.wakefield.gov.uk

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 for applicants. The first window is by September each year, The second window is January. Applications must be received via Governing Body contacts.

CONTACT:
Rob Clarke, Sports Aid-Yorkshire and Humberside, 5th Floor, 2 Wellington Place, Leeds, LS1 4AP
Tel: 0
Email: rob@sportsaid.org.uk or 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. 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 has now produced a paper specifically for Sport for Communities projects outlining the funds that are currently available.

Contact:
Website: www.skillsactive.com

14. 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 online 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 sport's 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](http://www.cash-4-clubs.com)

(15) 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/](http://www.yorkshirecricketboard.org.uk/)

(16) 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/](http://www.yorkshirecricketboard.org.uk/)

(17) 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 in the Wakefield
District 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 many 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) (Note £50k income cap)
- Experts Team
- Preferential insurance packages
- Regional and National Conferences/Events

To apply for support and become a member, complete the expression of interest form on the sported website. 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

(18) MCDONALD’S KICKSTART GRANTS

McDonald's is providing small grants through its new KickStart scheme to help support community football clubs throughout the UK which will help to develop their players and their local community.

Eligible clubs must be:

- Recognised by their national FA.
- Have at least one team at or below junior (U18) level.

Individuals may apply on behalf of a club as long as they are over 18 and involved with the club at some level, such as a coach, volunteer or parent. Only one application can be made per club per project application period. One-off grants of between £500 and £2500 are
Examples of eligible costs include; Club facilities, Grounds-keeping tools, Training courses, Pitch hire, Mini-vans, washing machines plus whatever the club and team could significantly benefit from. Funding cannot be used for advertising and promotions, fundraisers, kit and team wear, club trips and tours, holiday training camps, club personnel wages or expenses such as fuel. Grants will not be awarded for any work that has already taken place or will take place before the grant has been awarded.

Contact
Website:  http://www.mcdonalds.co.uk/ukhome/Sport/Football/Investment/small-grant.html?utm_l

(19) SPORT ENGLAND-INCLUSIVE SPORT FUND

The Inclusive Sport Fund has been set up by Sport England with the intention of producing a lasting community legacy from the London 2012 Paralympic Games, by growing sports participation by disabled people at grassroots level.

A total of £8 million of National Lottery Funding is available. The Fund will invest in programmes designed to grow the number of disabled young people (age 14 and over) and adults that regularly play sport. Currently, only one in six disabled adults plays a sport regularly.

Applications for revenue grants of £10,001 or more will be accepted. A wide range of not-for-profit organisations can apply, including fully constituted clubs, associations, trusts, community amateur sports clubs, community interest companies, industrial provident societies, foundation schools and colleges, independent schools and colleges, and institutes of further education and higher education.

Funding can help with revenue costs, including, but not limited to:

• Education and training opportunities.
• Salary and on-costs.
• Start-up costs; advertising costs.
• Recruitment and interview costs.
• Travel and subsistence costs for project workers, coaches, volunteers etc.
• Development costs including marketing, e.g. promotional leaflets, flyers, banners, costs of establishing a website etc.
• Training and capacity building e.g. costs for training staff / volunteers, course fees and the costs of bringing in trainers.
• Partnerships and activity development. This might involve costs for running activities and coaching courses e.g. equipment hire / purchase, staff costs etc.
• Extensions in the size of existing revenue projects.

Innovative, scalable and replicable projects that make it easier and more enjoyable for disabled people to take part in sport and physical activity more often will be supported. To be eligible projects must be targeted at increasing participation of disabled people aged 14 and above.

Contact
Website:  http://www.sportengland.org/funding/inclusive_sport1.aspx
(20) DAVY GRASSROOTS FUND
The Davy Grassroots Fund has been set up to encourage the participation of young people in sport, with an emphasis on team sports and activities. This Fund is a One Community Founder Fund and has been supported by a matching donation from The Office of the Third Sector. The founding donation was made by the Davy family, who wanted to help to give more youngsters the opportunity to get involved in sporting activities. They see this One Community Founder Fund as the ideal way of making the most effective use of the donation. Please note that this fund is only open for organisations operating in the Kirklees District. For further information please visit the fund’s website.:

Contact
Website http://www.one-community.org.uk/

(21) BARNADO’S GET STARTED GRANT - WAKEFIELD

The Barnardo's Get Started Inclusion Team has grants available to voluntary mainstream leisure providers, such as dance clubs, scouts or guides and art clubs. The grants aim to support groups to be more inclusive of disabled young people. The grants are for up to £500 and could be spent on equipment or training. They are for voluntary groups in the Wakefield District. Applications can be submitted at any time.

Contact:
Barnardo's: DSI, 'Get Started' Inclusion team, The Courtyard: Unit 1. 110-118 Church Street, Hunslet' Leeds, LS10 2JA
Tel: 0113 2720832
E-mail: christine.ashworth@barnardos.org.uk or yasmin.hanif@barnardos.org.uk

(22) Sport England - Improvement Fund

Sport England has launched a new £45 million Improvement Fund, which in the next five years will invest £45m of National Lottery funding into medium-sized projects that will improve the quality and experience of sport.

The funding will be distributed in five rounds, with the following amounts available per round:

- 2012/13 - £3 million
- 2013/14 - £9 million
- 2014/15 - £11 million
- 2015/16 - £11 million
- 2016/17 - £11 million

It is part of Sport England’s new strategy which is focused on helping more people acquire lifelong sporting habits. The Improvement Fund will award grants worth £150,000 to £500,000 into sustainable projects with a clear local need. It bridges the gap between the Iconic Facilities Fund which invests in large-scale, multi-sport facilities and the Inspired Facilities
Fund which supports small-scale community clubs. The funding is intended to deliver capital improvements through new build, modernisation or refurbishment.

Different priorities will be set for each round. In the second round launched on 1st May, 2013, Sport England sought projects that can clearly show a significant reduction in the use of energy and/or water, and reduce waste in the construction and operation of the facility. Facilities must be open to the wider community. Projects needed also to be able to address one or more of the following themes and issues:

- Mitigating the impact of climate change.
- Supporting the creation of and viability of multi-sport environments.
- Providing an exemplar for future projects by the selective use of new technologies and improvements to the building fabric.

To ensure the Improvement Fund can support as many projects as possible, Sport England require a minimum of 25% cash partnership funding towards the total project costs. This can come from either the applicant body and/or third parties.

**Assessment Criteria**

Sport England expects to receive more applications than they have funding to support. Thus the Expression of Interest will be assessed using two sets of criteria:

- Is the project eligible for this fund?
- What impact will the project make on Sport England’s strategic outcomes?

**Eligibility Criteria**

Expressions of Interest need to meet the following criteria to be eligible for the Improvement Fund.

- Be submitted by an organisation entitled to receive public funding such as sports clubs, voluntary or community organisations, local authorities and education establishments such as schools, colleges and universities
- Request a grant between £150,000 and £500,000
- Include a minimum of 25% cash confirmed and/or anticipated partnership funding
- Request funding for the development of capital infrastructure, which can contribute to the costs of new build, modernisation or refurbishment and major fixed equipment where it is an integral part of a project
- Not include costs of non-fixed equipment or revenue, as this is not covered by the fund
- Request funding for elements of a capital project which have not yet started on site
Be based on a site where the applicant holds ownership or long-term leasehold
Include recognised sporting activity of at least one national governing body of sport.

Impact criteria

The second criteria assesses whether or not the project is capable of becoming a sustainable sports facility by looking at four areas:

(a) Impact; (b) Sustainability; (c) Ability to deliver; (d) Additionality

Impact – contribution to Sport England outcomes

The Expression of Interest should set out how the proposed investment will contribute to improved outcomes for sport, in particular:

- A growth in participation in the 14-25 age range
- A growth in participation across the adult population
- A growth in participation by people with disabilities, including those with talent
- An excellent sporting experience for existing participants to keep them playing sport
- High quality talent development which creates a strong England talent pathway to link with UK Sport elite programmes

Priority will be given to projects that will deliver an increase in participation and have a collaborative approach whether that is multi-sport, multi partner, or both.

Sustainability

The Expression of Interest needed to demonstrate how your project will address one or more of the following themes/issues: mitigating the impact of climate change; supporting the creation and viability of multi-sport environments; providing an exemplar for future projects by the selective use of technologies and improvements to building fabrics. You also needed to detail what strategic need and demand exists for the facility as well as outline how the facility will be operated and funded for a minimum of 21 years.

Priority will be given to projects that can demonstrate a strategic need and demand for the facility, clearly demonstrating a significant reduction in the use of energy and/or water, and reducing waste in the construction and operation of the facility.
Ability to deliver

The Expression of Interest had to clearly show that the applicant is able to complete the capital build and draw down funding in 2014/15. It had to outline your intended programme or schedule for the delivery of the project from start to finish, and any key risks involved.

Priority will be given to applications that are in detailed development stage (design, cost, procurement), have all the relevant statutory and legal approvals in place (e.g. planning permission / security of tenure for the project site), and have confirmed partnership funding.

Additionality

The Expression of Interest had to confirm that a minimum of 25 per cent cash partnership funding has been attracted from other sources to maximise the impact of the fund. It should also had to show what difference any investment from the Improvement Fund will make to the project. Priority will be given to those projects that provide the best return on investment for Sport England.

Applicants should ensure your project adds value to community sport which includes ensuring it is not duplicating or substituting statutory funding. Sport England’s Lottery Funding should be distinct from statutory funding and only be used to fund projects, or aspects of projects, that the Government is unlikely to fund.

How to apply

The Improvement Fund is not an open application programme. Sport England invited “Expressions of Interest” from sustainable projects that are capable of making an impact on one or more of their strategic outcomes; fulfilling a strategic local need, and delivering on shared sport or partner priorities. Applicants who felt that their project was able to deliver the priorities of the fund and meet the assessment criteria, had to complete the “Improvement Check List” and email it to “improvement.fund@sportengland.org”. Sport England then decided on whether to invite the applicant to submit an Expression of Interest form.

Contact:

Tel: 08458 508 508;
Website: http://www.sportengland.org/funding

(23) The Torch Trophy Bursaries

The aim of the Bursaries is to help volunteers to improve their skills as coaches or officials but who are unable to do so without funding. The Bursaries provide financial support for those wishing to undertake training. All those associated with the Trust are committed to its aims to recognise the ‘unsung heroes’ and to enable individuals to participate and develop their
talents in their chosen activity. Recipients come from all parts of the United Kingdom and include those involved in youth sport and sport for the disabled. In most cases, the minimum Bursary would be £100 and the maximum £1000 and it would not be for more than 50% of the total costs involved. A Torch Trophy Trust Bursary is awarded to enable individuals or groups to enhance their knowledge in order to assist their club, organisation or community to develop their chosen sport, by:

- Providing funding for volunteers.
- Encouraging and helping voluntary workers at club level.
- Making grants of up to £1000 available to individuals or groups.
- Developing talent, increasing knowledge and improving skills.
- Supporting grass roots sport and recreation.

Contact:
E-mail: pat.day@torchtrophytrust.org
Website: www.torchtrophytrust.org/6

(24) Sport England – “Get Healthy Get Into Sport” Fund

Sport England launched this new pilot scheme with funding from the National Lottery. It will look at how sport can best contribute to improving health while also growing weekly participation. Sport England are focusing this funding on those who are least active and in this way plan to make a significant contribution to reducing health inequalities and producing the greatest potential health benefit in England. Voluntary and community organisations, including sports clubs, across England can apply as long as they have a bona fide legitimate constitution. Sport England expect applications to come from collaborations between deliverers and academic organisations.

Applicants will need to be able to demonstrate the following:

- either in-house expert evaluation support or evidence of strong relationships with academic providers through previous delivery
- an understanding of the needs of health & wellbeing boards, clinical commissioning groups and other public health commissioning bodies as well as their emerging priorities
- evidence of previous work targeted towards reducing health inequalities
- strong local partnerships that will ensure that any project developed meets the needs of future deliverers and is sustainable within a local delivery mode.

Funding is available for revenue projects that lead to increases in activity from those currently inactive, or provide support for those delivering projects that target this group to develop their expertise. All Sport England recognised sports that encourage moderate intensity activity or more are eligible. Projects must target people aged 14 and above. Grants will be between £30,001 and £500,000, with the larger amount going to ‘exceptional’ projects. The First stage is to complete an expression of interest form from the website. Successful bidders will then be supported in developing their applications.

Contact:
Tel.: 08458 508 508; Email: get.healthy@sportengland.org
Website: http://www.sportengland.org/funding/get_healthy,_get_into_sport.aspx
The Community Sport Activation Fund is a £47.5 million Lottery revenue fund and forms part of Sport England’s Youth and Community Strategy 2012-2017. It has been developed to support grassroots activity at a very local level. The Fund was designed in response to demand and will aim to unlock potential and resources. Sport England will not prescribe how projects will deliver but will invest in what works best in different areas, based on local evidence.

The Community Sport Activation Fund aims to do the following:

- Increase once a week participation in sport by those aged 14 and above.
- Encourage and support local partners to work together to develop new approaches to delivery.
- Invest in projects that will deliver sustainable participation increases.
- Support communities across England to help ensure sport becomes a regular part of the majority of people’s lives.

Grants of between £50,000 and £250,000 are available. In exceptional circumstances Sport England may give grants in excess of £250,000 where a project can deliver significant increases in participation. Normally projects are funded for up to three years, but applications that require funding for a longer period of up to five years will be considered if an exceptionally strong case can be made. Match funding is required to the amount of at least one third of the total project costs. At least half of this partnership funding must be financial; the other half may be contributed as ‘in-kind’. Funding that Sport England has awarded to other organisations will not be accepted as partnership funding. Speculative funding, such as projected future income generation, is also ineligible.

All projects must fit into at least ONE of these categories:

1. New projects which use local knowledge and insight to provide appropriate opportunities to meet existing unmet demand or develop additional demand for sport in a local geographical area. The project will use local activation and leadership to build a sustainable increase in participation

2. Existing projects that can demonstrate that they have previously had a significant impact on participation in a local geographical area and can deliver new and additional opportunities if Sport England invest further funding in them.

The best projects for this fund will demonstrate the following key characteristics:

- A focus on a clearly defined geographical area and community
- Demonstrable understanding of sporting needs
- Evidence of what potential participants want or need in order to take part in sport once a week
• Local partners working together to deliver and help fund the project
• A clear and robust delivery plan
• Realistic, but ambitious, numbers for increasing and sustaining once a week participation

The kinds of projects Sport England expect to fund include:

• Activities reflecting a broad range of sports
• Informal opportunities which could lead to regular participation
• Multi-sport activities which provide people with a range of choices and opportunities to suit them
• Family orientated activities with a focus on 14 plus age group
• Local activator roles that focus on directly organising and delivering new opportunities for participation.

A higher priority will be given to projects that:

• Are linked to clearly identified priorities in local plans – for example plans drawn up by the relevant local authority for the area – or strategies such as the relevant local authority Sports Strategy, the Health and Well Being Strategy or Community Strategy.
• Utilise non-traditional locations and venues for their activity.
• Have a significantly higher level of confirmed partnership funding and/or the partnership funding confirmed in writing for the whole life of the project rather than just one year.

A lower priority will be given to projects that are:

• Single sport projects
• Substantially focused on schools

The following are eligible to apply:

• Community amateur sports clubs (CASC
• Fully constituted club, association or trust with its own constitution or memorandum and articles of association.
• Local authorities.
• Local education authority – a local education authority on its own behalf, or on behalf
of a community school.

- Foundation school or college.
- Voluntary aided or controlled school.
- Independent school or college.
- Institute of further education.
- Institute of higher education (including universities).
- Other public sector statutory body - such as parish and town councils.
- Community Interest Company (CICs).
- National governing body (NGB) - a recognised governing body for sport
- Private sector company or business – a commercially-run organisation but only when it can demonstrate that any profits are ring fenced and not for private gain
- Industrial Provident Society.

Groups must:

- Be working in partnership with at least one other organisation.
- Submit written evidence with their application form which details the relationship of the different partners to each other (partnership agreement, governing document or a single letter jointly signed by all partners)
- Have funding that is confirmed in writing for at least Year 1 of their project and that can be evidenced with an application.
- Confirm that the application will deliver additional sporting outcomes.
- Demonstrate that a project will increase and/or sustain participation in recognised sporting activities

The vast majority of the fund will be awarded through **five open funding rounds** and full details are available on the Sport England website. This includes the prospectus, on line application, frequently asked questions and a pre application check list. It’s important to note that almost 90% of the funds will be allocated in Rounds 2 through to 5.

Sport England are therefore encouraging applications to only be submitted when the best strategic case backed by local evidence; secured match funded resource; a partnership approach and a delivery plan for year 1 are in place. This will mean that an organisation’s application will stand the best chance in what is likely to be a highly competitive environment. Sport England will only fund those bids which offer the best opportunity to invest in sustainable participation increases. A total of £15m was available in round 3, which closed in January, 2014.

**Contact:**

Website [http://www.sportengland.org/funding/csaf.aspx](http://www.sportengland.org/funding/csaf.aspx)
(26) Sport England- “Get Equipped Fund”

This new programme offers grants of between £300 and £10,000 to not-for-profit organisations to buy specialised sports equipment so that more disabled people (aged 14 years and older) who are regularly playing sport in England may become more active in sport.

Projects must indicate how they will help deliver Sport England's strategic outcomes:
- More people playing sport once a week.
- An increase in the number of 14-25’s playing sport once a week.
- A reduction in drop off at ages 16, 18, 21 and 24 years.
- Growth in the number of disabled people playing sport.

Formally constituted not-for-profit organisations and statutory bodies are eligible to apply. This could include registered charities, sports clubs, voluntary organisations, local authorities, schools, parish councils, town councils, and governing bodies of sport.

To be eligible, applications must:
- Fit with Sport England's Youth and Community Strategy
- Purchase additional equipment that is to be used to get more disabled people participating in sport.
- Show they have the skills needed to use this equipment; training costs for individuals involved in the project are eligible.
- Have total project costs of no more than £50,000.
- Be able to deliver projects within a 12 month period from the date of the award letter.
- For sports that are recognised by Sport England.
- Be for beneficiaries based in England.
- Have a start date of at least 10 weeks after the application deadline.
- Be for new activity and new costs associated with helping more disabled people play sport.

Contact:
Website http://www.sportengland.org/funding

(27) Sport England Flood Relief Fund

Sport England’s Flood Relief Fund will invest £5 million of National Lottery funding into sports facilities that have been damaged as a result of the floods and storms. This dedicated fund will help safeguard community sport and get sports facilities back up and running as quickly as possible.

Early indicators suggest that the biggest impact of the bad weather has been on sports such as hockey, rugby and football because of flooded and waterlogged pitches, and water sports where many clubs are on riverbanks or in coastal areas.

To help Sport England to assess the full extent of the damage and consult with the worst
affected areas, they would like clubs, charities and similar organisations to register their interest. Those needing funding to clean up and get up and running quickly can request up to £2,000 of emergency funding which could be awarded very quickly. Those with more extensive damage which will take longer to repair will be invited to apply to the fund when it opens in March. Organisations that do not qualify for the Flood Relief Fund will be given advice about other sources of funding that could help.

The new £5 million National Lottery fund has been created specifically to help with the damage caused by the exceptional weather, and is in addition to Sport England’s other grant programmes which will continue to operate as normal.

The fund will remain open until the autumn to ensure that those who are currently unable to assess the damage will not lose out.

To access the funding each organisation must complete the Interest Registration form (below) and submit it by e-mail to Sport England. Once organisations have submitted this form, Sport England will contact them to advise them how to progress their application. This could be in one of three ways:

1. The organisation will be invited to complete a short application form for emergency funding from the Flood Relief Fund of up to £2,000. This will be awarded within three weeks of completing the application form. Emergency funding is for those organisations that need minor works, such as skip hire to remove sediment and rubbish, minor electrical works to restore power or cleaning work to get showers and changing rooms back up and running.

2. The organisation will be invited to complete an application form to request larger grants from the Flood Relief Fund to rectify more extensive damage. This will be through an online portal which will be available to access to submit applications from 24th March, 2014.

3. The organisation may be advised that they are not eligible to apply to the Flood Relief Fund. Sport England will, however, provide them with advice about other organisations or streams of funding, either from other Sport England funds, NGBs or other sources that could be an option.

Contact

Tel: 08458 508 508

E-mail: floodrelief@sportengland.org; Website: http://www.sportengland.org/funding
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(Area Based Regeneration Scheme)
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 had guaranteed funding to allow it to continue this work as a primary “grant maker” up to March 2013.

Trustees considered applications for funding with the overall aim being the sustainable regeneration of coalfield areas. Projects had to 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 Level 2 programme is currently closed for applications.

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, CRT will prioritise 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 & 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 for Level 2 applications. 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.

From April 2013, the Trust has adopted a “Facilitatory” “not grant making” role within Coalfield communities. It aims to be become a financially independent social enterprise

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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.

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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 over a decade ago. 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. Grants of between £15,001 and £75,000 are available for projects with a maximum total project cost of £500,000. 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.
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”; projects must be site-based, within 25 miles of a Biffa operation and 10 miles of a licensed landfill. 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.

Funding of between £150,000 and £500,000 is available to support the following two themes:

**Rebuilding Biodiversity**

Support is available under this theme for site-based projects that protect and enhance biodiversity, particularly those concentrating on species and habitats that have been identified as a priority in Biodiversity Action Plans. To be eligible, a project must lead to a direct improvement to a habitat or species. Projects that are purely for research will not be funded.

**Cultural Facilities**

Support under this theme is available for cultural facilities that offer public access for recreation, interest and education. This could include a theatre, gallery, museum, concert hall, arts or heritage centre, lighthouse or a windmill. The facility should be open to the public for published periods each year, and attract tourists or day visitors. It must be inclusive and inspire and promote learning, creativity and participation. The majority of the costs must be for physical (capital) works on the specified site.
It should be noted that the criteria for what Biffa cannot fund under the Main Grants scheme also applies to the Flagship Scheme. From 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.

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.

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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.

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4 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 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. This 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 had 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 benefits 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 were 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 was 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 was 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.

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SECTION 3

Section 3 (Non Traditional Funding Avenues)
1. **Local Authority (Wakefield Council)- Neighbourhood Improvement Fund (formerly Community Chest)**

Each of the Council’s 21 wards has been allocated Neighbourhood Improvement Funding. The purpose of the fund is the provision of small grants (up to a maximum of £1000 per project) for community groups in recognition of the contribution they make in achieving the district’s priorities.

The Council is responsible for administering the fund which includes assessing each application to ensure it meets set criteria, making decisions on allocation of grants and monitoring the expenditure and outcomes of each agreed project. Applications will be submitted to the Neighbourhood Improvement Fund Panel for determination.

Bids are invited for the fund from any voluntary, community, recreational groups and special interest forums, based and working within the Wakefield District. Grants are available for the purchase of specific items or towards the cost of specific pieces of work.

**Eligible projects**

- Buying materials for a community art club, drama society, or similar event
- Paying for a training programme or learning opportunity for a group’s committee or its members
- Hiring or purchasing of equipment
- Paying for new groups to hire a room to hold a first meeting
- Funding a community festival, sports day or similar events
- Paying for excursions and outreach work, including any associated and necessary refreshments and equipment costs for either the excursion and/or outreach work
- Supporting fund raising activities for the applicant in order to assist with the overall sustainability of the organisation
- Buying basic IT equipment and necessary training to support its use
- Design and print of community group stationery or publicity materials
- Renovating premises or building improvements to enhance community use of a building (subject to relevant / appropriate permissions)

**Ineligible projects**

- Activities for religious or politically oriented purposes (although applications from religious groups for community activities are welcomed)
- Overheads or running costs for the group/organisation (i.e. public liability insurances, regular room hire costs, rent, rates, salaries, postage or stationery etc.)
- Any activities that may conflict with Wakefield Council policies
- Events which involve alcohol
• Retrospective applications. Any costs paid or liabilities incurred before the community chest is awarded, will not be funded. Groups need to ensure that they make themselves aware of the funding timetable and plan their submissions accordingly in advance of any project or event to allow adequate time for consultation and processing.

• The cost of work or activities that any other person/agency has a statutory duty to undertake for example school curriculum activities.

• The construction or acquisition of buildings.

• Interest/service charges or contingent liabilities.

• One day outings and lunches, except in very unusual circumstances.

It is recommended that applicants contact their local ward Councillor prior to applying. Contact details for all Councillors can be found on the Council’s website.

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Email: neighbourhoodimprovementfund@wakefield.gov.uk
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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.

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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.

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Tel: 01924 371 579; Website: [www.connexions.gov.uk](http://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](http://www.open.gov.uk)

5. **Local Authority Public Health Directorates**
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”.

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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](http://www.princes-trust.org.uk)

7. **Schools (Standard Funds)**
Under this scheme 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 programmes, some of which are UK wide; others are targeted at each of the four home countries. The following programmes with relevance to sport, recreation, and leisure projects are currently operational in England:-

(a) Reaching Communities England

Funding projects that help people and communities most in need

Reaching Communities has two strands:

- Revenue and small capital – funding from £10,000 to £500,000 for revenue projects and/or smaller capital projects up to £50,000.

- Buildings – funding of between £100,000 and £500,000 for large capital projects.

Every project the BLF fund must:-:

- Respond to need

Need is the term the BLF use to describe a problem or issue, or situation where something needs to change to make things better for a person, group of people or environment.

- Involve the people who will benefit from the project in planning and running the project

- Achieve one or more of the following four outcomes:-

1. People have better chances in life, with better access to training and development to improve their life skills.

2. Stronger communities, with more active citizens working together to tackle their problems.

3. Improved rural and urban environments, which communities are better able to access and enjoy.

4. Healthier and more active people and communities.

The following organisations can apply for funding for a revenue or smaller capital project:- voluntary and or community organisations, schools, local authorities, not for profit organisations or social enterprises.

Potential applicants should use the BLF eligibility checker to find out if they can apply for large capital funding of between £100,000 and £500,000.

Reaching Communities funds projects that help people and communities that are most in need. To support this aim Reaching Communities buildings will only support buildings or sites based in the most deprived ‘Lower Super Output Areas’ (LSOAs) in England.

Following a review of the programme in November 2011, the following LSOAs are eligible to apply:
• the most deprived 20% of LSOA’s categorised as urban
• the most deprived 20% of LSOA’s categorised as rural (town and fringe)
• the most deprived 50% of LSOA’s categorised as rural (village/hamlets/isolated dwellings)

The following organisations are eligible to apply:- unincorporated associations, incorporated associations, trusts or companies set up and registered as a charity, an unincorporated association set up as a voluntary and community group, a community interest company, a not-for-profit company limited by guarantee, a community benefit society or a town or parish council. Reaching Communities funds projects that help people and communities most in need. Projects can be new or existing, or be the core work of the applicant organisation.

(b) Parks for People

Grants for projects that regenerate public parks of national or local heritage value

Parks for People is a joint initiative between the Big Lottery Fund (BLF) and the Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF). The BLF allocated up to £6 million from their grants budget in the financial years 2011/12 and 2012/13 for funding for parks in England. This is in addition to the £20 million that HLF are committing each year for parks across in England.

The BLF vision is that everyone should have access to a local park for enjoyment and recreation. Parks for People builds on the commitment of BIG and HLF to bring real improvements to local environments by making a lasting impact on the lives of local people and the places where they live.

HLF runs Parks for People on behalf of both HLF and BIG. Grants between £100,000 and £5,000,000 are available.

For further information on the programme and details of how to apply, go to the Heritage Lottery Fund website or contact HLF:
Tel: 020 7591 6000
Fax: 020 7591 6271
E-mail: enquire@hlf.org.uk

(c) Talent Match

Supporting 18 - 24 year olds who've been out of work, education or training over 12 months

Nearly 1.5 million young people have been identified as not in employment, education or training (NEET). In the current economic climate there is a danger that more young people will become long term unemployed and move further away from being work ready.

In June 2012 the Big Lottery Fund is launched an ambitious investment of £100 million, to deliver creative ways to help young people find work or start their own enterprises.

During the design of Talent Match the BLF spoke to a group of 16-25 year olds who are helping to decide how lottery money should be spent to tackle issues facing young people. Their funding will support young people aged 18 - 24 who have been out of work, education or training for over 12 months.
To make sure their investment has a deep and lasting impact they have targeted 21 specific areas in England. The BLF have taken a range of considerations and the advice of stakeholders and young people into account when deciding where to target, and chosen the geographic areas covered by Local Enterprise Partnerships (LEP) as their start point. In each of these areas; partnerships have been formed to bring about locally owned solutions to local youth unemployment issues and to further refine the BLF chosen areas.

The local target area and contact information for the relevant partnership lead is listed below:

Leeds City Region -  talentmatch@yourconsortium.org

The BLF is interested to find out more about which approaches work best, so in 2013 they appointed a partnership to evaluate Talent Match, led by the Centre for Regional Economic and Social Research (CRESR) at Sheffield Hallam University. As well as identifying effective approaches, the evaluation will consider the potential savings and other benefits that getting young people into work can make to the wider economy. Overall, the BLF hope that learning from the programme and the evaluation will influence future policy decisions about working with young unemployed people. The evaluation began in 2013 and will run until 2019. The BLF expect to publish the first report from the evaluation in spring 2014.

**Fulfilling Lives: A Better Start**
- aiming to deliver a change to improve the life chances of children aged 0-3

The new £165m programme- “Fulfilling Lives: A Better Start initiative” aims to deliver a step change in preventative approaches in pregnancy and the first three years of life to improve life chances of babies and young children.

The key features of the programme are.

- The Big Lottery Fund (BLF) will invest £30-£50 million in 3-5 areas, each with a population of approximately 50,000 for 8 to 10 years.

- Each area runs a variety of programmes and initiatives to improve outcomes for children in three key areas of development: social and emotional development; communication and language development; and nutrition.

- There will be a ‘systems change’ in the way that local health, public services and the voluntary sector work together to put prevention in early life at the heart of service delivery and practice.

The BLF will make awards for 8 to 10 years for specific geographic areas.

- Each area should have a total population of between 30,000 and 70,000 people, and be an area where a range of health, education and social indicators provide evidence of deprivation and high levels of need amongst children. The selected area can be made up of adjacent wards or may comprise two or more separate clusters of wards.

From January-March 2013 the BLF identified a “long list” of 30-50 areas, from which they produced a shortlist of around 10-15 areas in Summer 2013. These shortlisted areas were invited to submit a stage two application and offered development grants and support to help them prepare their final proposal. Final applications will be submitted by a lead voluntary and
community sector (VCS) organisation in each of the shortlisted areas, with 3-5 awards announced by March 2014.

In January, the BLF wrote to all upper-tier local authority Chief Executives, asking them to identify an area of need, with a population of around 50,000 people, within their authority and express an interest in their area being long-listed for further consideration. In addition, BLF asked them to identify a VCS organisation willing and able to be the lead applicant if the area is invited to submit a full application. The VCS organisation must have the potential to lead a partnership within the area to ensure the best start and prevent later problems. The partnership will involve relevant local public agencies, including the local authority, local healthy agencies and local education authority.

Because local health agencies will be key partners, the local Director of Public Health must also support the application made by the local authority and approve the expression of interest.

The expression of interest form was required by 22 February 2013 by the local authority. Only one form could be submitted by each local authority. VCS organisations interested in getting involved in the application had to contact their local authority.

(e) Fulfilling Lives: Ageing Better
Reducing social isolation among older people in England

The BLF are launching an investment of £70 million in England that will improve the lives of older people.

The BLF want their funding to reduce social isolation among older people.

Successful projects will involve older people in the design and delivery of services.

The BLF are inviting 100 local authorities to submit an expression of interest to be considered for funding. They will select a shortlist of 30 areas to take forward, who will then be required to send them a full ‘vision and strategy’ for their area. At this stage each area will form a partnership led by a voluntary and community sector organisation.

The BLF expect to make awards to 15 to 20 areas of between £2 and £6 million over three to six years. Development funding of up to £20,000 will be available to those areas shortlisted.

(f) Fulfilling Lives: Supporting people with multiple and complex needs
Investing up to £100 million to improve the lives of people with multiple and complex needs

The BLF is investing to improve the lives of people with multiple and complex needs, by enabling better blended services. It aims to showcase and evidence more effective and efficient ways of organising and delivering services.

Their focus is on people with complex needs who are experiencing at least two of the following: homelessness, reoffending, problematic substance misuse and mental ill health. These may be complicated by a range of other issues.

The BLF want organisations to work in partnership to develop locally owned solutions that bring about the following outcomes:
For the individual:- People with multiple and complex needs are able to better manage their lives through access to person centred and co-ordinated services.

For services:- Services are more tailored and better connected and will empower users to take full part in effective service design and delivery.

Learning:- Shared learning and the improved measurement of outcomes for people with multiple and complex needs will demonstrate the impact of service models to key stakeholders (a strong action learning element will feature, to demonstrate the impact of this approach and influence practice and ‘system’ design)

The BLF are delighted to announce that 10 areas across England are now on their way to receiving a share of £100m to support people with multiple and complex needs. Their investment, backed by Jon Snow and Mitch Winehouse has brought together organisations and bodies that tackle issues such as homelessness, mental ill health, addiction and reoffending to improve the stability, confidence and capability of people with multiple and complex needs to lead better lives.

Each partnership will now receive £50,000 to help submit business plans on how they will improve and better coordinate services to tackle the needs of people living chaotic lives. The ten projects will each last for up to 8 years and receive grants of between £4m and £10m.

CONTACT:

The Big Lottery Fund’s England Office:-

1 Plough Place
London
EC4A 1DE

Tel: BIG advice line: 0845 4 10 20 30

E-mail: general.enquiries@biglotteryfund.org.uk; Website: www.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. Fit4funding – The 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.
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 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

15. Department of Health “Third Sector Investment Programme”
The Dept. of Health runs the 'Third Sector Investment Programme' which replaced 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 Strategic Development Fund
- The Strategic Partner Programme

The ‘Innovation Excellence and Strategic Development Fund 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.

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

CONTACT:
Tel: 0113 254 5450
E-mail: voluntarysectorgrantshub@dh.gsi.gov.uk

16. 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)
17. **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](http://www.bbc.co.uk/pudsey/grants)

18. **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

19. **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 also score some skills. 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.
20. **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 based in South Kirkby and Moorthorpe, with a set of rules or governing document, qualify for the grants.

**CONTACT:**  
Tel: 01977 642623

21. **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

22. **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

23. West Yorkshire Police - Safer Communities Fund

The Safer Communities Fund is a quarterly grant giving scheme which is designed to make funding easily accessible for projects that aim to make West Yorkshire safer and feel safer. Rounds one and three will follow a general theme to address “Police and Crime Plan” priorities, rounds two and four will be themed to a specific priority or priorities to be determined by the Police and Crime Commissioner.

Round One runs from 13 February to 14 March 2014. Round Two opens on 12 May and closes on 13 June 2014. Round Three runs from 4 August to 5 September 2014. Round Four opens on 3 November and closes on 5 December 2014. The total amount of money in the pot for round One is £150,000. Groups can apply into one of three pots. Pot 1 is for grants of up to £2,500. Pot 2 is for grants of up to £5,000 and Pot 3 is for grants of up to £10,000. Note there is no lower limit and groups can submit multiple applications.

Voluntary and Community Groups, small Charities and not-for-profit groups, National Charities working in West Yorkshire, West Yorkshire Local Authorities and Statutory Agencies including West Yorkshire Police can all apply to the fund.

The Safer Communities Fund won’t support general appeals, projects taking place outside West Yorkshire, pure academic research, educational bursaries, travel projects, individuals, work that forms part of a statutory requirement, and the replacement of statutory funding or retrospective grants.

The Safer Communities Team will contact applicant's local Neighbourhood Policing Team to ask them if they think their project will achieve its aims to make the community safer.

On submission of an application to the Safer Communities Fund applicants will be agreeing to the fund’s Terms and Conditions and are agreeing to attend the Safer Communities Fund Awards event to be eligible to receive their grant. All applications will be assessed by the Safer Communities Fund Board. The final decision on which applications will receive funds lies with the Police and Crime Commissioner. Neither the board nor the Police and Crime Commissioner will enter into any correspondence about the decisions taken.
24. **Co-op Group – Community Fund**

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 £2,000. Newly formed groups (less than three months old) can only apply for a maximum of £500.

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: http://www.co-operative.coop/membership/local-communities

25. **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 particular 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

26. **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@lloydstsbfoundations.org.uk;
Website http://www.lloydstsbfoundations.org.uk

27. **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/

28. **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

29. **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

30. **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

31. **Make Space Development Fund Grants (great clubs for young people)**
This fund is Supported by the Nestle Trust in partnership with 4 Children. 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
32. 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.

CONTACT:
Tesco Charity Trust, PO Box 980, Canterbury, CT1 9DX.
Website: www.tescocharitytrustcommunityawards-applications.co.uk

33. 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

34. 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

35. 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

CONTACT:
Website: www.citizensconnection.net

36. 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

**37. 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

38. 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

39. **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 U.K.. 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

40. **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

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;

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);

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.

CONTACT:

### 42 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

(43) 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

(44) 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 UponTyne, NE2 1TL.

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

(45) 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.

The Small Grants Programme offers funding for short-term projects that “try to make the world a better place”. Funding will be awarded to projects with one or more of the following aims:

- 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
- To prevent poverty and reduce distress and suffering.
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 Trust has announced next year’s opening and closing dates for its Small Grants Programme in England, Scotland and Wales in 2014. The programme runs quarterly funding rounds each year with different regions being eligible to apply at different times. The 2014 dates are:

- Quarter One will run from 6 January to 21 February (Scotland, Wales, North of England).
- Quarter Two will run from 5 April to 20 May (Scotland, Wales, South of England, but not London or Greater London).
- Quarter Three will run from 4 July to 19 August (Scotland, Wales, East and West Midlands).
- Quarter Four will run from 6 October to 7 November (Scotland, Wales, London and Greater London).

Contact:
Tel: 0131 555 7287; Email: info@postcodetrust.org.uk
Website: http://www.postcodetrust.org.uk/how-to-apply/.

(46) 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.

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

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.

Contact:
Tel: Social Action Fund Hotline – 0191 269 2276
E-mail: info@thesocialinvestmentbusiness.org
Website: web@thesocialinvestmentbusiness.org

(47) Boost Charitable Trust

Boost Charitable Trust was created in 2005 to Build On Over-looked Sporting Talent, 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/](http://www.boostct.org/)

**48) Comic Relief Local Communities Programme - Wakefield District 2013/2015**

There are still many communities in the UK that suffer from economic and social deprivation and the current economic climate may make this situation worse. For this reason, Comic Relief has decided that £4.5 million should be available to fund projects across the UK which are addressing these issues through the 'Local Communities' programme. Comic Relief is pleased to be working with UK Community Foundations and Community Foundations across the UK, to deliver this Local Communities programme. The Community Foundation for Wakefield District, in partnership with Leeds Community Foundation is one of the delivery partners. The Local Communities programme will run for two years and during this time, grants of between £1,000 and £10,000 will be available.

The programme aims to empower local people, enabling them to create lasting change in their communities. Projects should be run by people directly affected by the issues they are dealing with and priority will be given to small, locally based groups or organisations in areas of disadvantage that have a clear understanding of the needs of their community.

Under the programme, organisations can apply for funding to:
- increase local services,
- build skills of local people,
- increase community cohesion
- respond to local economic needs

**Who can apply?**

Community Groups
Resident Associations
Community Centres
Social Enterprises/Community Interest Companies/Community Interest Organisations
Credit Unions

**Types of activities that might be funded**

Community sport activities.
Furniture Projects.
Projects providing access to benefits advice.
Projects combating fuel poverty.
Community consultation exercises.
Community employment projects.
Food Co-ops.
Running costs; including salaries, core costs and project costs.
Committee and volunteer/staff training.

Round 1 ran from July to August 2013. For this round only, the aim was to spend at least 50% of the money available, on projects which increase access to sport and exercise for people who face social exclusion and isolation. The next round will open in March 2014 and close at the end of April 2014. Specific dates are to be confirmed.

Contact:
Website:
http://www.communityfoundationwakefield.co.uk/grant_application.htm?pID=25

(49) Charity Bank - Loan Finance
Charity Bank are the UK’s only regulated bank that is also a registered general charity. It is also the only bank that uses 100% of its depositors’ savings to support charities, voluntary organisations and social enterprises that address society’s needs. Charity Bank provides affordable loan finance and advice to enable charities, community associations, voluntary organisations, community businesses and social enterprises across the UK to grow. It often lends where banks or building societies either will not make a loan at all, or will only do so on unaffordable terms. Typical loans range from £50,000 up to £2m, with larger deals arranged in partnership with other lenders.

Interest rates and terms:

- Interest rates, depending on the size, type and length of loan, are generally between 5.5% and 7.5%. (Interest rates are not linked to Bank of England Base Rates.)

- Successful applicants will be charged a flat rate towards payment of administration costs, generally 1% of the loan amount.

Charity Bank does not take a one-size-fits-all approach and treats each case on an individual basis

Contact:
Website: http://www.charitybank.org/

(50) Yorkshire Building Society Community Investment Fund
Yorkshire Building Society’s Community Investment Fund aims to have a positive impact in local communities in which the Society operates; and to help causes that would otherwise fall outside the Yorkshire Building Society Charitable Foundation criteria. Support is targeted at local communities through a combination of financial giving, voluntary activities, linking with community groups and enterprises (e.g. schools, sports clubs and local authorities). Funding of up to £300 is available. Applicants should contact their local branch to find out more about the Fund in their area.
(51) WAKEFIELD EAST COMMUNITY PANEL

The Wakefield East Community Panel, which has been set up to assist community groups from the Wakefield East Ward to access ‘Community First Funding’, is now in a position to receive applications. The total pot of funding for this programme will be administered to community groups for projects which have a value of between £250 and £2,500 and which meet the local priorities.

Contact:

Email: for an application form; wakefieldeastcommunitypanel@hotmail.co.uk
Website: http://wakefieldeastcommunitypanel.wordpress.com/

(52) COMMUNITY FIRST – WAKEFIELD NORTH

Voluntary and community groups in Wakefield North ward are being invited to apply for grant aid. Applications for between £250 and £2,500 a year can be submitted. Groups have to match the funding by giving voluntary time and expertise and in-kind resources. Advice on how to work this out is available on the Wakefield North Community Panel’s website.

The cash is being made available through the Community First initiative, which brings people together to determine priorities for their neighbourhoods and plan for the future. Wakefield North’s priorities are:

- people have better chances in life
- stronger and sustainable communities
- improved environment
- healthier and more active communities
- support existing groups and encourage the formation of new groups.

Applications will be judged by a panel of people from the Ward 3 Community Partnership based at Balne Lane Community Centre supported by Voluntary Action Wakefield District, who will also help groups further develop their ideas. The funding will be given out to groups working at grassroots level in the ward so that it can really make a difference.

Contact:

Email Wakefieldnorthcfp@hotmail.co.uk
Website: http://wakefieldnorthcfp.posterous.com,
or call into the Balne Lane Community Centre on Balne Lane, Wakefield ( WF2 0DP)
**Your Call Your Community**

Your Call Your Community is your chance to be the change you want to see in your area. They are working in partnership with the Steve Redgrave Fund to give you the opportunity to change your community for the better.

This could be reopening a disused space to be doing something creative, promoting health and fitness through the power of sport, or running an event which brings different people in your area together. Whatever your idea, they want to hear about it. If they back your idea they will support you with a dedicated member of the Live UnLtd team and give you a cash Award of up to £2,500 to help make it happen.

**Contact:**
Website; [LiveUnLtd.com/YCYC](http://LiveUnLtd.com/YCYC)

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**Neil Hudgell Solicitors Trust – Yorkshire and The Humber**

This business has its roots in Yorkshire and to thank the community that has championed their services over the last fifteen years they have set up the trust. Grants of up to £1,000 are available. The Fund is administered by the Hull and East Yorkshire Community Foundation.

The Fund aims to support community projects that are carried out by local community and voluntary groups. Small, local groups that are based in Yorkshire are eligible to apply. Organisations must have a real community base and a turnover of less than £25,000.

Funding is available for projects that will make a big difference in their area and that will do one or more of the following:

- Support grass roots sports and inspire sporting endeavour.
- Encourage educational aspiration, especially in deprived communities.
- Develop and support community projects which support the vulnerable and needy.

Applicants must identify what contribution they will make to the total project costs. This can include other grants, other income and in-kind contributions. Applicants are encouraged to apply to other funding bodies.

Funding is not available for the following:-

- Political activity, exclusively religious activities, services which are, or should be, provided by statutory services and activities based outside Yorkshire.

**Contact:**
Tel: (01482) 320021; E-mail: leighn@heycf.co.uk
Website: [http://www.neil-hudgell.co.uk/trust/apply-for-funding.php](http://www.neil-hudgell.co.uk/trust/apply-for-funding.php) or [www.hullandeastyorkshirecommunityfoundation.co.uk/grant/show/11](http://www.hullandeastyorkshirecommunityfoundation.co.uk/grant/show/11)

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**Galaxy Hot Chocolate Fund**
The **Galaxy Hot Chocolate Fund** launched at the beginning of January and aims to help local people and small community projects. Each month between January and March 2013 they will be giving 20 awards of £300. Small charities, community groups and individuals are eligible to apply. Organisations need to tell Galaxy what they will do with the grant. An application form is available on the website. Galaxy are also donating jars of hot chocolate, email them if your group could use some.

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**SECTION 4**

Other Useful Information for Community Groups
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

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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)

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
In December 2012, a new type of “status” for “Voluntary and Community” groups, such as sports clubs, known as “Charitable Incorporated Organisations (CIO) was launched following new legislation. This alternative “status” is designed to simplify the process of such organisations becoming “charities”. Certain organisations within the Wakefield District have taken advantage of this legislation and have acquired CIO status.

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Tel: 0870 333 0123
Website: www.charitycommission.gov.uk

Secondly a specifically designed Inland Revenue tax relief package for registered CASC’s was 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 gave the CASC’s many of the benefits enjoyed by charities (outlined above) and provided real tax incentives for individuals, corporations and local businesses to support their local CASC through donations. A significant extension to the scheme was announced in November, 2013.

CASC’s can now enjoy exemption from:
- Corporation tax on interest
- Corporation tax on any trading income (including fundraising income) up to £50,000
- Corporation tax on income from property (rent) up to £30,000
- 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

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”)