



# Funding news

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## Success Stories

### *Discover England Fund*

The [South Downs](#) is one of nine English National Parks that will benefit from £1m funding to encourage more overseas visitors. 'Make Great Memories in England's National Park's has successfully won this funding from the UK Government's £40 million [Discover England Fund](#), administered by VisitEngland.

'Make Great Memories' is a two year project, led by the Peak District National Park, which will specifically target visitors from Australia and Germany – making it easier for them to plan visits, find experiences and book their trips to England's National Parks.

This will include developing inspiring branding; showing off the world-class experiences on offer in; getting local businesses involved in enhancing the experiences available to visitors; and building partnerships with the travel trade in these countries.

England's national parks are major contributors to the tourism economy, attracting over 94-million visitors a year and accounting for almost a quarter of spending on rural tourism – currently accounting for more than £4bn of visitor spending.

[VisitEngland Contact Form](#)

### *Tescos Bags Of Help*

[Tesco's Bags of Help](#) is funded through the money raised from the bag charge in Tesco stores. The scheme offers grants of up to £4,000 to 'support local projects that benefit the community'.

See below grants awarded by Tescos Bags of Help. These were awarded when grants were awarded up to £5,000. Grants are now up to £4,000.

Groundwork UK manages the scheme on Tesco's behalf. If you have any questions about applying to the scheme, contact Ben Smitton.

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### **Eastbourne**

Outdoor Learning Environment Natural Chestnut Walkway	£5,000
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South Downs Way South Downs Way Steps and Signage	£2,000
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Eastbourne Allotments and Gardens Society Allotment Community Kitchen	£1,000
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### **Lewes**

Baxter's Field Company Boundary Fence for Field Users	£5,000
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Beechwood Hall and Rural Park Football Goals for the Park	£2,000
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Glynde & Beddingham Cricket Club Grounds Mower/Scarifier	£1,000
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### **Hastings**

17th Hastings 'Robsack Wood' Scout Group Group Camping Equipment	£1,500
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Energise Sussex Coast Science Lab on the Beach	£2,000
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AmicusHorizon Housing Association Marline Court Community Garden#	£1,000
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### **Rother**

Age UK East Sussex Walking Cricket	£2,500
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St Mary's School and College Helping Special Needs Children	£2,000
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Hastings & Rother YMCA Y Centre Revival	£1,000
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### **Wealden**

Hellingly Community Primary School IT Tools for Pupils	£4,000
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Chiddingly Primary School School Pond Phase 2	£2,000
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Arlington Village Hall Renovations for our Village Hall	£1,000
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Maresfield Village Meadows Trust Woodland Trail	£4,980
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Churchcoombe Community Association Upgrading Hughes Way Play Area	£2,000
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Instep Twirlers Carnival and Display Equipment	£1,000
St. Johns Pre School Little Helpers Ground Work Project	£5,000
Crowborough Athletic Football Club Clubhouse Improvements	£2,000
Forest Row Festival Towards the Festival	£1,000

### ***Higher Education Funding Council for England – Catalyst Fund***

Over 40 universities and colleges in England have been awarded funding totalling £1.8 million from [Higher Education Funding Council for England](#) (HEFCE) to improve responses to hate crime and online harassment on campus.

The funding of up to £50,000 for each project will support a range of activities focused on strategic and sustainable interventions to:

- Encourage greater student engagement and collaboration
- Embed more effective reporting systems for hate crime and harassment
- Train students how to combat hate and harassment
- Support international students
- Develop whole-institution and area-wide collaboration

The projects have been developed with students, who will have pivotal roles in their delivery. They cover a wide range of activity, including training and awareness-raising, digital innovation, and new approaches to prevention and reporting.

The following organisations were successful in East Sussex:

- Sussex Coast College - Expect Respect: student survey, staff training, audit of policies and procedures, educational resources and bystander training
- University of Sussex - Hate crime on university campuses: repairing the harms of hate and prejudice through student-led dialogue. Establishing a restorative justice programme including training and online resources

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## Information and Guidance

### ***Creative Health: The Arts for Health and Well-Being***

The All-Party Parliamentary Group on Arts, Health and Wellbeing ([APPGAHW](#)) was formed in 2014 and aims to improve awareness of the benefits that the arts can bring to health and wellbeing.

During 2015–17, the APPGAHW conducted an Inquiry into practice and research in the arts in health and social care, with a view to making recommendations to improve policy and practice. The partners in this Inquiry have been the National Alliance for Arts, Health and Wellbeing, King's College London, the Royal Society for Public Health and Guy's and St Thomas' Charity. The research was funded by the Wellcome Trust, Paul Hamlyn Foundation and the Arts and Humanities Research Council.

The Inquiry Report, [Creative Health: The Arts for Health and Wellbeing - Second Edition](#), presents the findings of two years of research, evidence-gathering and discussions with patients, health and social care professionals, artists and arts administrators, academics, people in local government, ministers, other policy-makers and parliamentarians from both Houses of Parliament.

### ***Henry Smith Charity - New Main Grants Strategy***

Following a review of their grant making [The Henry Smith Charity](#) has launched a new [strategy](#) for the Main Grants Programme. While there are some changes their main focus remains on funding organisations that bring about lasting change in people's lives helping them to benefit from and contribute to society. They want to work with people for whom other sources of support have failed, been inappropriate or are simply not available.

They have two programmes under the new Main Grants Strategy – [Improving Lives](#) and [Strengthening Communities](#). Improving Lives focuses on organisations achieving specific results under clearly identified priority areas while Strengthening Communities looks at supporting small organisations doing community based work in the most deprived areas of the UK.

The rest of the grants programmes remain unchanged.

Tel: 020 7264 4970

### ***The Community Business Success Guide To Room Hire***

Published by Power to Change, this [Guide](#) explores how community businesses earn money from room hire. It is based on a benchmark analysis of the Profit and Loss data of 59 community businesses across England.

The guide also supports that hard work with some concrete data to help you run a more sustainable community business.

## ***Turn2us Grants Search - Advice for Individuals in Need***

The [Turn2us Grants Search](#) is a free to use database which contains details of over 3,000 charitable funds that give grants and other support to individuals who may either:

- Be in financial need and have welfare needs, or
- Require help with the costs associated with education and training courses

Tel: 0808 802 2000

## Training

### ***Hastings Voluntary Action's AGM and Funding Fair***

Hastings Voluntary Action's Annual General Meeting and Funding Fair will take place on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2017 at Sussex Coast College, Station Approach, Hastings, TN34 1BA.

During the AGM HVA will tell you about some of their key achievements during 2016/17, and update you with some of their current and future plans. Following the formal part of HVA's AGM, they will present the latest Volunteer Awards. Throughout the day you will be able to browse the marketplace of funders, including Big Lottery Fund and Sussex Community Foundation, and in the afternoon they will run a series of workshops to increase your skills and knowledge of fundraising.

You can find out more and book yourself a place by visiting HVA's [new website](#) or by contacting HVA's Admin Team.

Tel: 01424 444010

E-mail: [admin@hvauk.org](mailto:admin@hvauk.org)

## Lottery

### ***Arts Council England (ACE) - Artists' International Development Fund***

[The Artists International Development Fund](#) award up to £5,000 to support collaboration between individual artists in England and other artists, organisations and/or creative producers in another country.

Proposals can be in any of the following artforms:

- Combined arts
- Literature
- Music
- Theatre
- Dance
- Visual arts

Round 17 is open to applications with a deadline of 13<sup>th</sup> December 2017. Round 18 will close on 7<sup>th</sup> March 2018.

Tel: 0845 300 6200

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## Government

### ***British Science Week - Community Grant Scheme***

The Department of Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS) is providing the [Community Grants for Science Activity](#) scheme to support community based groups and organisations in the UK that work directly with people who are traditionally hard-to-reach and currently not engaged in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) activity.

Grants of £500-£1,000 are available.

Community-based groups and organisations working directly with hard-to-reach groups in the UK can apply.

Hard-to-reach groups include:

- People who are Black, Asian, Minority Ethnic (BAME)
- People with low socio economic status (SES)
- Young people not in education employment or training (NEET)
- People living in a remote and rural location
- Other (This is an open definition which could include those who do not fall within one of the above categories such as young offenders or those with learning difficulties.)

The funding can be used for room hire, publicity, speakers, trainers, outreach shows, freelancers, AV hire, reasonable volunteer expenses, transport or other costs of activities or events celebrating BSW.

Examples of events and activities include, but are not limited to:

- Presentations from invited speakers on science and/or engineering topics
- Field trips to local science centres, museums or university science departments
- Arranging a talk or workshop with a local STEM ambassador
- Recruiting a freelancer to deliver an arts and science activity
- Fete, family science days, mini festivals, science fairs
- Busking displays run in public venues, such as a supermarket, park or high street
- Hands-on workshops
- Debates and discussions with scientists

The deadline to apply is 13<sup>th</sup> November 2017.

E-mail: [bsw@britishscienceassociation.org](mailto:bsw@britishscienceassociation.org)

### ***British Science Week - Kick-Start Fund for Schools***

The overarching aim of the Kick-Start Fund for schools, as set by The Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy (BEIS), is to widen access to science, engineering and technology activities to schools in challenging circumstances.

There are two types of grants that applicants can apply for:

- School Activity Grant of up to £300 for schools to run a science event or activity for students
- Kick Start More Grant of up to £700 for schools to host a science event or activity that involves both students and the local community

Eligible applicants must be a UK school and either:

- Have a high proportion (over 30%) of pupils eligible for free school meals or the pupil premium
- Have a high proportion (over 30%) of pupils who are black or ethnic minority backgrounds
- Be a small school based in a remote and rural location (remote and rural schools are considered to be a settlement of less than 10,000 people with a drive time of over 30 minutes to a settlement of 10,000 or more)

Priority will be given to schools that either meet more than one of the criteria or can provide a strong case for falling well within a single criterion.

The fund does not put limitations on the type of event/activities that schools can provide, this is entirely up to them.

School activity ideas can include:

- Carousels of activities from activity packs during lesson time/assembly/lunch time/after school
- Quizzes between pupils, classes or even teachers
- Presentations from invited speakers on science and/or engineering topics
- Field trips to local science centres, museums or university science departments.]

School community activity ideas can include:

- Student led interactive displays, demonstrations or investigations for parents or other schools
- Busking displays run by students in public venues, such as a supermarket, park or high street
- Fetes or family days
- Mini festivals or science fairs
- Extended school assemblies

The next deadline to apply is 13<sup>th</sup> November 2017.

E-mail: [bsw@britishscienceassociation.org](mailto:bsw@britishscienceassociation.org)

### ***Department for Education - Multi-Academy Trust Development and Improvement Fund***

The Department for Education (DfE) has launched a new fund, offering grants of up to £100,000 to academy trusts in order to improve schools and increase social mobility.

The new Multi-Academy Trust (MAT) [Development and Improvement Fund \(MDIF\)](#) is offering grants of between £50,000 to £100,000 to all trusts that are planning to do either of the following:

- Take on and improve schools that need help raising attainment for disadvantaged pupils
- Take on and improve Ofsted 'inadequate' and 'requires improvement' schools and/or underperforming schools (those schools not meeting the floor standard at either primary or secondary)

Regional Schools Commissioners (RSCs) will prioritise applications from trusts carrying out activity in specific geographical priority areas (Hastings and Lewes).

The funding can be used to:

- Set up or expand the academy trust and its organisational structures, including covering legal costs
- Establish robust reporting mechanisms to monitor pupil performance and identify specific development gaps
- Provide continuous professional development training for the trust's leadership team
- Pay for teaching and leadership staff to work across the trust
- Provide accountancy, finance, business management or HR advice.

MDIF grants will be awarded for activities starting before 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018.

The deadline for applications is 26<sup>th</sup> November 2017.

E-mail: [MATDevelopment.ImprovementFund@education.gov.uk](mailto:MATDevelopment.ImprovementFund@education.gov.uk)

### ***Department of Health - The Beyond Places of Safety fund***

The [fund](#) is a capital grants scheme that will focus on:

- Helping to develop new approaches to support people who experience a mental health crisis
- Preventing people from reaching crisis point in the first place

Crisis Care Concordant Groups (CCGs) can apply and bids must also be supported and sponsored by local [STP groups](#). Bids will also nominate a lead organisation within the area that will receive the funding and lead delivery of the project. For this purpose, eligible organisations are:

- NHS Trusts and NHS Foundation Trusts
- Local Authorities
- Voluntary and civil society organisations

The minimum grant for bidders is £5,000.

The next deadline to apply is 21<sup>st</sup> January 2018.

E-mail: [BPOS@dh.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:BPOS@dh.gsi.gov.uk)

## ***LEADER Programme 2015-2020 – Funding for Rural Enterprises in Wealden, Rother and Lewes District***

The LEADER scheme is part of the Rural Development Programme for England which is managed by the Rural Payments Agency and funded by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development. The fund's aim is to promote rural economic growth and it is available to rural enterprises in Wealden, Rother and rural areas of Lewes District.

- Wealden and Rother funding is administered by the [Wealden and Rother Rural Partnership](#).
- Eligible rural areas in Lewes District, fall within the [Central Sussex Local Action Group](#).

### **Wealden and Rother Rural Partnership LEADER Programme**

[Wealden and Rother Rural Partnership LEADER Programme 2015-2020](#) is open to applicants who can be farmers, growers, foresters, other small rural businesses and rural community organisations that are based in the Wealden and Rother Rural Partnership LEADER Programme area.

The minimum grant is £2,500 and the maximum is normally £50,000 or 40% of the project's eligible costs, whichever is the lesser. A higher support rate may be available for applications by not-for-profit organisations to support projects not intended to generate an economic gain.

LEADER will fund projects that:

- Create jobs
- Develop rural businesses and
- Support the local rural economy

Eligible project costs typically include capital items and associated costs such as:

- Purchase of equipment and machinery
- Costs of construction, conversion or improvements to premises
- Marketing activities such as website developments

To be successful, applications must contribute to one or more of Defra's six priorities for LEADER, which are to:

- Increase farm productivity
- Support micro and small businesses and farm diversification
- Boost rural tourism
- Provide rural services
- Provide cultural and heritage activities and
- Increase forestry productivity

You can apply anytime and LEADER funding is available for eligible projects until 30<sup>th</sup> September 2018.

Tel: 01273 892031

E-mail: [leader@plumpton.ac.uk](mailto:leader@plumpton.ac.uk)

### **Central Sussex LEADER Programme (Rural Lewes District)**

Financial assistance is available for farmers, foresters, rural businesses, social enterprises and community organisations based in the [Central Sussex LEADER Programme](#) area. Rural areas within Lewes District are eligible applicants.

The priorities for Central Sussex are as follows:

- Priority 1: A Vibrant Economy with Quality Jobs
- Priority 2: A Robust Land Based Sector
- Priority 3: A Great Place to Live, Work and Visit

Applications must contribute to one or more of Defra's six priorities for LEADER, which are to:

- Increase farm productivity
- Support micro and small businesses and farm diversification
- Boost rural tourism
- Provide rural services
- Provide cultural and heritage activities and
- Increase forestry productivity

Applications must be for at least £2,500 and no more than £75,000. Grants will usually be limited to a maximum of 40% of the project's eligible costs. A higher support rate may be available for applications by not-for-profit organisations to support projects that are not intended to generate an economic gain.

You can apply anytime, but please contact the LEADER Delivery Team to discuss your project's eligibility and indicative timetable for your application

Tel: 0330 2228001

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## Trusts and Foundations

### ***ACT Foundation***

[ACT Foundation](#) funding is for projects that make a transformational change and have a high level of impact on individuals, their families and communities.

UK registered charities that have been registered for at least three years may apply.

Funding is at the discretion of the Trustees. Although there is no upper limit, grants in excess of £100,000 will be the exception.

Grants generally fall into the following areas:

- Building - funding modifications to homes (where a Disabled Facilities Grant has already been awarded), charities, special schools, hospices, etc
- Equipment - provision of specialist wheelchairs, other mobility aids and equipment including medical equipment and technology to assist independent living
- Respite - help towards the cost of short-term respite breaks at a registered respite centre

The current priorities are:

- People with physical and mental disabilities
- The aged and those in need
- Hospices and end of life care
- Support of young carers.

Applications may be submitted at any time and are considered four times a year.

Tel: 01753 753 900

E-mail: [info@theactfoundation.co.uk](mailto:info@theactfoundation.co.uk)

### ***Andy Fanshawe Memorial Trust***

[Grants](#) are available to fund projects that allow disadvantaged young people in the UK to take up opportunities to develop an exciting interest in the great outdoors.

Eligible outdoor activities include walking, climbing, cycling, kayaking, sailing, horse riding and residential courses at outdoor centres. The scheme is open to schools and youth groups rather than individuals, but the Trust does occasionally fund an individual the committee feels would benefit from support.

This is a rolling funding programme. You can apply anytime.

[Contact](#)

## ***Balcombe Charitable Trust***

The Trust reports that given the current financial environment, it 'has no choice but to decline many worthwhile proposals. For this reason, the Trustees have decided to narrow the range of funding'.

While the Trust will continue with several long-standing project relationships during 2017/18, there will also be a new focus on funding innovative projects working with homeless and/or unemployed or not in education young people (NEETS) in the UK.

The Trust is currently running a trial scheme in which it invites competitive proposals twice per year.

A small number of [grants](#) are available through Round 2 for registered charities working with young people who are homeless or not in education or employment.

Grants for round two will range from £5,000 to £15,000.

Eligible organisations must be a UK registered charity, or a charitable organisation which is exempt from registration.

The deadline for applications to round two is 26<sup>th</sup> November 2017.

E-mail: [info@balcombetrust.org.uk](mailto:info@balcombetrust.org.uk)

## ***Boost Charitable Trust***

[Boost Charitable Trust](#) awards grants of up to £500 to charities and non-profit making organisations with a focus on sport that help disabled and disadvantaged individuals to participate in sport. Some of the projects Boost have supported include: swimming, badminton, judo, boccia and running.

You can apply anytime.

Tel: 020 7078 1966

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## ***Bright Ideas Fund***

The [Bright Ideas Fund](#) offers grants and support to new community business ideas.

This final round is only open to community organisations that have been constituted for less than five years at the time of making an application.

Grant awards are based on the stage of development of the community business idea:

- *Ideas stage* (Grants £1,000 - £10,000): You have an idea for a community business, but you may need support to engage your community or develop a proper organisational structure to take your idea forward
- *Pre-venture stage* (£1,000 - £15,000): You have developed a new service or product that meets local needs, but you may need support for feasibility testing or business planning ahead of the launch of your community business

You can read more about the eligibility criteria, the key dates and how to apply for round 3 of the Bright Ideas Fund in the updated [guidance notes](#)

The third and final round closes on 1<sup>st</sup> December 2017. There will be no further rounds within the existing programme.

Tel: 0300 020 1864

[Contact](#)

### ***Co-operative Bank Donation Fund***

Organisations such as Registered Charities, Community Interest Companies, Co-operatives and Credit Unions; etc. that have a Community Directplus account with the Co-operative Bank have until 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018 to apply for funding of up to £1,000 from the [Customer Donation Fund](#).

Examples of previous projects supported include:

- Theatre Company 20 Stories High which received funding towards three dictaphones, 12 MP3 players and the work of an experienced Technical Manager to help develop and stage a new production.
- Wiltshire Wood Recycling, a not for profit organisations, which received funding towards new tools, boots, hard hats and high-viz jackets for the workers.

[Contact Form](#)

### ***Create Charity***

[Create](#) is a Christian charity that provides small grants to projects throughout the country via the administration of two funds:

- Christian Fund: is open to local Churches and Christian projects, with priority being given to interdenominational projects that involve more than one church
- Community Fund: is open to all projects that seek to benefit their local community. Grants will be available to encourage, support and develop small projects that assist people within their local community who are suffering hardship or distress; or who are aged or sick

The maximum grant available is £500.

Charities and constituted not-for-profit groups in the UK are eligible to apply.

Funding is for groups that:

- Are seeking a grant to initiate or develop a one-off activity/project, or purchase equipment
- Explain how the project falls within the relevant fund criteria
- Demonstrate that the project has a viable plan, consisting of the identification of a problem or a need and what steps will be taken to address it
- Where appropriate, have made suitable and realistic arrangement to ensure the project continues beyond the grant-funded period

Applications may be submitted at any time and will be considered quarterly.

E-mail: [info@create-charity.org.uk](mailto:info@create-charity.org.uk)

### ***DLA Piper Charitable Trust***

The Trustees state in their accounts that they 'plan to continue the existing objectives and pattern of grant making with the aim and objective of reaching needy causes and other charities for which a grant from the Trust can make all the difference between an activity or event taking place or failing to do so'. 'In addition, the Trustees continue to consider possible new patterns of grant making and the possibility of having particular areas of interest as foci for grant making initiatives'.

The Trust allocates around £50,000 in grants each year. About 45 charities receive grants each year.

Funding is at the discretion of the Trustees. In the past grants have ranged from less than £1,000 to £5,000 with an exceptional grant made for more than £5,000.

Charitable organisations based in the UK may apply.

The Trust offers grants under the following two categories:

- Medical Research donations
- Social Welfare donations

The Trust does not have a website or a formal application form.

Applications must be made in writing to the Trust and will be considered on a quarterly basis.

E-mail: [godfrey.smallman@wrigleys.co.uk](mailto:godfrey.smallman@wrigleys.co.uk)

### ***DM Thomas Foundation for Young People - Central Grants***

The [Central Grants](#) scheme is intended to support registered charities that work with disadvantaged children and young people. The scheme aims to help young people gain skills through education projects and relieve suffering through health-related projects.

This is a highly competitive fund with only 21% of requests funded (61 grants) last year.

There is approximately £200,000 available to distribute each quarter. Grants of up to £30,000 are available.

Grants can be awarded for medium to long-term projects (ie over one year) or for one-off causes. A maximum limit of two years of support can be provided.

Registered charities in the UK and Ireland that are working with disadvantaged children and young people (babies to 25 years) that are considered to be most in need can apply.

The Foundation will prioritise support to charities that demonstrate community involvement and volunteering opportunities as part of their working practices.

The Foundation makes grants to a wide range of charities supporting children and young people up to the age of 25 that meet one of its chosen areas of focus:

- **Young People and Education** - The Foundation is investing in the future by supporting young people in the vital areas of education, awareness and training. Through targeted grant giving the Foundation aims to facilitate a better future for young people by supporting local charities. Education funding generally will be given for training/re-training, educational equipment, activity-based learning leading to accreditation and sports equipment
- **Young People and Health** - The Foundation is committed to relieving suffering and supporting young people whilst they are undergoing treatment and care. Health funding generally will be given for medical equipment, care facilities, activity based holidays, proactive health awareness campaigns and hospices.

The Foundation has a particular strategic focus on:

- Children and young people with disabilities
- Children and young people who are sick in hospital
- Children and young people who are life limited (requiring palliative care)

The Foundation prefers to fund equipment and capital costs. Outright funding for salaries will not be considered. Grants can be awarded for refurbishment and equipment, but not for capital appeals or a new construction.

The Foundation funds projects working towards accreditation or recognised qualifications for young people. This does not include teacher training. The Foundation prefers to support training programmes working directly with the young people, where they will work towards an accreditation.

The 2018 application deadlines are as follows:

- 6<sup>th</sup> February
- 8<sup>th</sup> May
- 24<sup>th</sup> July
- 9<sup>th</sup> October

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E-mail: [grant@dmfyp.org](mailto:grant@dmfyp.org)

## ***Elephant Trust***

The [Trust](#) aims to make it possible for artists and those presenting their work to undertake and complete projects when frustrated by lack of funds. It is committed to helping artists and art institutions and galleries that depart from the routine and signal new, distinct and imaginative sets of possibilities.

Grants are usually limited to £2,000, but larger grants up to £5,000 may be considered.

Funding priority is given to artists in the fine arts, small organisations and galleries within the United Kingdom.

Applicants should submit well argued, imaginative proposals for making or producing new work or exhibitions.

There are normally four deadlines each year. The next deadline for application is 15<sup>th</sup> January 2018.

Tel: 020 7922 1160

E-mail: [ruth@elephanttrust.org.uk](mailto:ruth@elephanttrust.org.uk)

### ***Ernest Kleinwort Charitable Trust***

Ernest had two great passions in life: conservation of wildlife and the natural environment, and the encouragement of youth enterprise and outdoor activity. These ideals along with the founding guideline to support the family's home county of Sussex still remain core areas of activity.

Registered charities in the UK are eligible to apply for:

- Small grants of up to £5,000
- Medium grants of between £5,001 and £10,000
- Large grants of more than £10,000

The [funding](#) is for work in the following areas:

- Wildlife and Environmental Conservation (UK and International)
- Reproductive Health (International)
- Charitable work in the County of Sussex

Projects must fall within the following areas:

- Care of the elderly
- Disability
- General welfare
- Hospices
- Medical research (particularly care of those suffering from lesser-known diseases)
- Reproductive health (international)
- Wildlife and environmental conservation (UK and international)
- Youth

The grants can be used for start-up costs, core costs or for a specific project for which applicants have requested support. This could include a contribution towards a building/refurbishment project, purchase of specialist equipment or other similar capital expenditure, or assistance with running costs.

Small grant applications can be submitted at any time.

Medium grant applications are accepted during four specific application rounds.

Large grant applications are accepted twice a year during specific rounds.

Tel: 07539 701577

E-mail: [grants@ekct.org.uk](mailto:grants@ekct.org.uk)

### ***The Finnis Scott Foundation***

[Grants](#) are available of between £500 and £10,000 to UK charities and individuals in the areas of horticulture and plant sciences, as well as fine art and art history.

Funding can be used for both capital and revenue projects. In the last five years, over one million pounds has been awarded in grants to a great variety of projects.

Preference is given to making grants to smaller charities where the grant would have a significant impact.

The next closing date for applications is 15<sup>th</sup> December 2017.

Tel: 01604 233233

E-mail: [administrator@finnis-scott-foundation.org.uk](mailto:administrator@finnis-scott-foundation.org.uk)

### ***Garfield Weston Foundation***

The [Foundation](#) supports a broad range of causes and charities, funding a wide range of projects in the areas of welfare, youth, community, arts, faith, environment, education, health and museums and heritage.

The Foundation makes Regular Grants of between £1,000 and £99,000, and Major Grants of £100,000 and above.

Grants are available for the following areas:

- Capital Costs - such as a building project, repairs, equipment etc. A grant is unlikely to be more than around 10% of the total Capital project cost
- Revenue/Core Costs - this funding is unlikely to be more than approximately 10–20% of the organisation's total annual income
- Project Costs - funding for a very specific project or activity and would include all the costs involved in delivering the project, including staff costs and a reasonable percentage of overheads if relevant. The Foundation recommends that the applicant has around half of its funding identified before applying

Eligible applicants are: UK registered charities working in the UK, Charitable Incorporated Organisations (CIOs), Educational establishments including schools and universities, Churches, Housing Associations, Museums and galleries.

Match funding is required and should be secured before applying.

This is a continuous rolling programme and you can apply anytime.

Tel: 020 7399 6565

## ***Heart of Experian Charity Fund***

[Heart of Experian](#) awards grants up to £5,000 to schools, small local groups and charities so that they can become sustainable or expand their work in their local community.

The funding is to support local projects with a charitable purpose which benefit the community as a whole.

Eligible projects must:

- Make the applicant's organisation or project more sustainable
- Relate to financial inclusion, financial education, entrepreneurship or developing skills useful in business
- Have a long-term benefit for the community
- Have a clear approach or strategy for attracting future funding or otherwise ensuring the continuation of the project.
- Demonstrate that they have a project manager with appropriate experience to be able to successfully deliver the project
- Have not received funding from the Charity Fund in the past 12 months.

Priority may be given to applicants that have secured match funding for their project. The fund does **not** tend to award grants to cover salary costs, unless the group has a clear strategy for its future sustainability

This is a continuous rolling programme. Applications are reviewed on a quarterly basis.

Tel: 0115 992 2431

E-mail: [heartofexperiancharityfund@experian.com](mailto:heartofexperiancharityfund@experian.com)

## ***Idlewild Trust***

The [Idlewild Trust](#) is a grant making trust that supports charities concerned with improving opportunities for young professionals working in the arts, particularly at an early stage in their careers; and supporting the conservation of important works of art and objects that are being lost through the lack of funds to look after these works. The Trust awards around £120,000 each year in grants and makes grants of up to £5,000.

The next closing date for applications is 8<sup>th</sup> February 2018.

Tel: 020 8772 3155

E-mail: [info@idlewildtrust.org.uk](mailto:info@idlewildtrust.org.uk)

## ***Lloyds Bank Foundation – Enable***

Lloyds [Enable](#) programme awards up to £15,000, spread over one or two years to strengthen charities and CIOs which work with people experiencing multiple disadvantage at one of the following critical points in their life:

- Offending
- Children and young people leaving a care situation
- People moving from community based or institutional care for mental ill health

- Unemployment
- Homelessness/vulnerably housed
- To independent living for those with a learning disability
- From dependency on alcohol, drugs, gambling
- From an abusive or exploitative relationship - domestic violence
- From trafficking or sexual exploitation
- To UK settlement - refugees and asylum seekers
- To parenthood for young parents
- Those taking on caring responsibilities
- For older people losing independence

Grants are for development costs. These costs can be for a wide range of activity related to the development and improvement of the capability of the organisation. Examples include:

- Business and service developments and plans
- Development of monitoring systems
- Investigation of mergers, partnerships, shared services, contract diversification
- Consultancy support
- Quality standards
- Development of new income streams and enterprise

This is a continuous rolling programme and you can apply anytime.

Tel: 0370 411 1223

E-mail: [enquiries@lloydsbankfoundation.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@lloydsbankfoundation.org.uk)

### ***Maisie and Raphael Lewis Charitable Trust***

The Trust provides resources exclusively for charitable purposes mainly to support old age homes and medical charities.

Funding is provided at the discretion of the Trustees. Depending on its income, the Trust awards around £55,000 in grants each year.

UK registered charities and medical charities can apply.

The Trust does not have a website or a standard application form.

Applicants should write to the Trust for further information.

Tel: 020 7330 0000

E-mail: [hreuben@abgggroup.co.uk](mailto:hreuben@abgggroup.co.uk)

### ***Masonic Charitable Foundation***

Registered charities can apply to the [Masonic Charitable Foundation](#) for either a Large Grant (over £5,000) or a Small Grant (under £5,000).

The Foundation encourages charities that have an annual income under £500,000 to apply for a Small Grant of £5,000 or less. They will, however, consider requests for

grants of over £5,000 if the charity can demonstrate it will be used for an innovative project or service.

Charities with an income of over £500,000 can apply for a Large Grant or Small Grant. The Foundation suggests, however, that charities with an income of over £1 million should apply for a Large Grant.

**Large Grant:** Over £5,000 can be awarded to charities for a specific purpose only. Reasons to apply for a Large Grant can include funding salary costs, specific project costs and refurbishment costs. New build or large scale capital development projects cannot be considered. Funding may be granted for up to three years, where there is evidence of an on-going need for funding.

**Small Grant:** Between £500 and £5,000 can be awarded to charities for core expenditure such as general running or overhead costs of the charity.

The next deadline for Large Grants is 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2018

The next deadline for Small Grants is 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2018

Tel: 0203 146 3337

E-mail: [charitygrants@mcf.org.uk](mailto:charitygrants@mcf.org.uk)

### ***My Community - Community-Led Buildings***

Two grants are available for the different stages of a [Community-led Buildings](#) project:

- Pre-feasibility Grant: revenue grants of up to £10,000 are available to any town or parish council, neighbourhood forum, or qualifying community group in England to assess the feasibility of a community building project before deciding whether to take it on
- Project Support Grant: revenue grants of up to £40,000 to help pay for the advice needed to progress a community-led building project to the point of submitting a Community Right to Build Order

This is a continuous rolling programme and the final deadline is 31<sup>st</sup> January 2018

Tel: 0300 020 1864

[Contact Form](#)

### ***My Community - Neighbourhood Planning Grants and Support Programme***

[My Community Neighbourhood Planning](#) awards grants of up to £15,000 (and technical support) for town and parish councils, neighbourhood forums and prospective neighbourhood forums to draw up a neighbourhood plan or neighbourhood development order.

Neighbourhood Plans gives local communities a real say in the development of their area including where homes, shops, green spaces and offices should be built and how they should look. Two forms of support are available:

- Grants of between £1,000 and £9,000 for groups writing a neighbourhood plan or neighbourhood development order. The additional funding can be used to fund the completion of their neighbourhood plan
- Specific packages of technical support where needed, and a further £6,000 in grants, for groups facing more complex issues

The deadline for applications is 31<sup>st</sup> January 2018.

Tel: 0300 020 1864

[Contact Form](#)

### ***National Churches Trust - Community and Repair Grants***

Grants are available for places of worship of any Christian denomination in the UK through the following programmes:

- Community Grants of between £5,000 and £20,000 for projects that have an estimated cost of at least £25,000. The grants are for projects which introduce facilities to enable increased community use of places of worship. All types of community projects will be considered, but should include toilets or catering facilities
- Repair Grants of between £5,000 and £40,000 to help with the cost of urgent and essential structural repair projects with estimated costs of at least £100,000

In addition there are micro grants of £2,000 for churches awarded a Community Grant to set up a social action project that meets the needs of local people.

[National Churches Trust Community and Repair scheme](#) deadlines for applications are 5<sup>th</sup> March and 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2018.

Tel: 0207 222 0605

E-mail: [info@nationalchurchestrust.org](mailto:info@nationalchurchestrust.org)

### ***O2 - The Environment Now***

[O2 – The Environment Now](#) is awarding grants up to £10,000 to individuals and teams of UK-based young people (aged between the ages of 17 and 24) for unique digital projects that have a positive and measurable environmental impact in areas such as; energy efficiency or waste and recycling.

The deadline for applications is 14<sup>th</sup> November 2017.

E-mail: [TheEnvironmentNow@o2thinkbig.co.uk](mailto:TheEnvironmentNow@o2thinkbig.co.uk)

### ***Paul Hamlyn Foundation (PHF) - Youth Fund***

PHF's [Youth Fund](#) makes grants between £10,000 and £60,000 to help not-for-profit organisations working with young people (aged 14-15), to cover their core operating costs in order to become better prepared for achieving more. Priority will be given to organisations working in areas of social and economic deprivation. Examples of eligible expenditure include:

- Part-fund the salary of a key individual, whether the Chief Executive or a post such as a Head of Operations/Finance
- Policy work
- Additional fundraising or income generation
- Capacity
- Upgrading IT systems
- Staff training or development
- Running costs such as utilities

The applicant's approach must be to seek to build on and develop young people's strengths and talents, helping them to reach their potential.

This is a continuous rolling programme.

Tel: 020 7812 3300

E-mail: [information@phf.org.uk](mailto:information@phf.org.uk)

### ***People's Health Trust – Active Communities***

Local groups and organisations with great ideas to make their communities even better places to live are invited to apply for funding to turn their ideas into reality.

[Active Communities](#) is a funding programme for community groups and not-for-profit organisations, with an income of less than £350,000 a year or an average of £350,000 over two years, seeking investment of between £5,000 and £50,000 for projects lasting up to two years. They are looking for small and local projects, genuinely designed and run by local people. By small, they mean just a small group of people on an estate, in a few streets or villages.

They are also looking for great ideas from communities of interest. By this they mean a group of people who have things in common and wish to come together to address something that is important to them. These ideas could be based in one neighbourhood, or cover a wider area.

Using money raised by society lotteries through The Health Lottery, Active Communities is currently open in different areas, including **HealthWish** in East and West Sussex, and Brighton and Hove.

The deadline to apply is 29<sup>th</sup> November, 1pm.

Tel: 020 7749 9100

E-mail: [enquiries@peopleshealthtrust.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@peopleshealthtrust.org.uk)

### ***The Reach Fund***

The [Reach Fund](#) is a two year grant programme that is testing a new model for investment readiness support. The programme is funded by Access – The Foundation for Social Investment and is open to organisations in England. Social investors are often approached by charities and social enterprises who require extra support to become 'investment ready'. Through this programme, social investors can refer these organisations to the Reach Fund to apply for grants to pay for the support they need.

Between £3 million and £4 million is available.

Grants of between £5,000 and £15,000 are available.

Applications will be accepted at any time from charities and social enterprises operating in England who have been referred to the Reach Fund by one of the Fund's [Access Points](#).

Grants must be used to implement an investment readiness plan which will be developed by an applicant's Access Point. This may involve:

- Paying an external support provider
- Paying the Access Point to deliver specific work
- Organisation's doing the work themselves

To apply for a grant, applicants must register with the Reach Fund on their website and complete the Reach Diagnostic Tool and receive their 'Investment Readiness Report' which will contain their Investment Readiness scores.

The applicant's Access Point will also receive a copy of their report which they will use to make a decision as to whether they believe the applicant should proceed in the application process. Approved applicants will be invited to apply for the fund via the Social Investment Business online application process.

Tel: 020 3096 7900

E-mail: [reachfund@sibgroup.org.uk](mailto:reachfund@sibgroup.org.uk)

### ***Rowan Bentall Charitable Trust***

The Rowan Bentall Charitable Trust offers grants to charitable organisations working in Southern England.

The funding is for charitable work in the following areas:

- Medical needs
- Churches
- Children
- Older people
- Special needs
- Education
- The environment
- National disasters
- Animal welfare

Funding is at the discretion of the Trustees. The Trust awarded a total of £45,000 in grants last year, which is down from the £59,000 of the previous year.

The Trust does not maintain a website.

The application process is ongoing and interested applicants may apply at any time.

E-mail: [rowanbentallcharitabletrust@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:rowanbentallcharitabletrust@hotmail.co.uk)

## ***Screwfix Foundation***

Grants of up to £5,000 are available to UK registered charities for projects that fix, repair, maintain and improve properties and community facilities for those in need across the UK.

You can apply to [Screwfix](#) anytime.

Tel: 01935 414100

E-mail: [foundation@screwfix.com](mailto:foundation@screwfix.com)

## ***Sky Arts - Art 50: Post Brexit Britain 'Who Are We?'***

[Art 50](#) has just launched its second call for applications. This project will fund artists and organisations to create work on the subject of being British.

Sky Arts has allocated £1 million to the Art 50 scheme, which is administered by the Hiive. Applicants can apply for up to £50,000; however, the majority of the awards will be made between £5,000 and £20,000.

The fund is open to UK-based artists, from all walks of life and genres, to create a piece of work which says something important and passionate about what it means to be British when the country leaves the European Union. The funder is looking for ideas that are bold and provocative. The applicant can be 'fearful, excited, angry or happy' on the subject.

Having commissioned a number of films and plays in Round 1, the funder would now like to see more music and visual art ideas, ie painting, sculpture, installations etc. See art funded under round 1 [here](#).

As well as the regular applications, the funder would also like to commission a number of primary and secondary schools to contribute poems from pupils aged 7 to 17, along with artwork or additional exciting pieces, about what it means to be British. These works will form the basis of a published book entitled 'School Britannia' which will provide a historic legacy of what the schoolchildren think about being British.

The funder is looking for ideas of all size that:

- Engage rather than lecture
- Relate to suburbs and rural communities as well as towns and cities
- Represent a diversity of opinion
- Include new voices as well as established artists and
- 'Make a splash', or leave a lasting legacy – or both

The deadline for the current commissioning round is midday on 12<sup>th</sup> January 2018.

[Contact](#) (scroll to the bottom of the webpage)

## ***Stanley Smith Horticultural Trust***

[Stanley Smith Horticultural Trust](#) awards grants up to £4,000 to charities and voluntary organisations for projects that are of significance to horticulture, gardening or botany with a strong horticultural element.

Typical projects are as follows:

- Gardeners' training schemes run by appropriate organisations (but not to individuals)
- Restoring gardens of historic interest
- Developing new gardens for public access
- Exhibitions, book publications, research and educational programmes relating to horticulture
- Expeditions to collect and protect plants of scientific and horticultural value
- Study-visits by horticulturists or botanists with strong horticultural links

The deadline for applications is 15<sup>th</sup> February 2018.

Tel: 0131 248 2905

E-mail: [d.rae@rbge.org.uk](mailto:d.rae@rbge.org.uk)

## ***Sussex Community Foundation***

The [Foundation's](#) deadline for round 3 2017/2018 is Friday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2018, 5pm. You can download a list of all funds available in [Round 3 here](#).

Most applications should be made on the general [online application form](#) but some funds have their application forms and criteria or a bit special in some other way, as follows:

The Little Cheyne Court Wind Farm Fund supports Sussex charities and community groups who operate within ten miles of the wind farm which lies seven miles west of Lydd on Romney Marsh. Grants of between £500 and £5,000 support environmental, educational, community and charitable activities. This fund has its own [guidance](#) and [application form](#). Deadline: Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2018.

The Westdene Fund gives grants of up to £800 to support individual, young people (16-25 years) in Sussex with outstanding musical talent. This fund has its own [guidance](#) and [application form](#).

Tel: 01273 409440

E-mail: [info@sussexgiving.org.uk](mailto:info@sussexgiving.org.uk)

## ***Sussex Learning Network: COP Innovations Fund***

SLN:COP [Innovations Funding](#) is a new approach to developing partnerships between university academics, community organisations and a wider network of further education (FE) stakeholders that can create new approaches in widening participation in target wards across Sussex.

They are seeking applications for partnerships that bring together community knowledge and action with academic perspectives in ways that can support young people from disadvantaged backgrounds with up to £8,000 available per application.

Full guidance and details of the eligible wards can be accessed [HERE](#).

E-mail: [cupp@brighton.ac.uk](mailto:cupp@brighton.ac.uk)

### ***Tech for Good***

Comic Relief and Paul Hamlyn Foundation have joined together once again to offer a funding and support package to an estimated 12 projects in 2018.

The [programme](#) is offering grant funding for nine months alongside access to technical expertise and an intensive support programme between July 2018 and March 2019. To access this support, applicants need to be not-for-profit organisations based, and providing services, in the UK with proposals that focus on Comic Relief's four strategy themes (Investing in Children and Young People; Empowering Women and Girls; Building Stronger Communities; and Improving Health and Wellbeing).

The funding is for projects at any stage of development, with solid user-centred research, a clear problem to address, and a compelling digital solution to achieving this. The technology may be simple or cutting edge. The funding is for new products and services that can be shared with the wider not-for-profit sector.

Full details will be available once the programme launches on 13<sup>th</sup> November 2017.

Applications will be accepted until 20<sup>th</sup> December 2017.

E-mail: [techforgoodfunding@gmail.com](mailto:techforgoodfunding@gmail.com)

### ***Transform Foundation***

The [Charity Website Grant Programme](#) will be providing £18,000 grants to charities to fund the redevelopment of their websites in order to:

- Increase their ability to raise funds
- More effectively serve their beneficiaries
- Raise broader awareness of their cause

The Charity Website Grant Programme is just one of many programmes the Transform Foundation is running this year. Transform Foundation has been awarding [Facebook Advertising Grants](#), which provides £5,000 grants to charities to fund Facebook Advertising campaigns. The technology company Farewill are the partner for this programme.

Tel: 020 7965 7132

E-mail: [info@transformfoundation.org.uk](mailto:info@transformfoundation.org.uk)

## ***Trusthouse Charitable Foundation***

[Trusthouse Charitable Foundation](#) awards grants up to £50,000 to charitable organisations that are working to address local issues in areas of extreme urban deprivation, or in remote and fragile rural communities.

Funding aims to improve or introduce community projects for the residents of these areas. In particular, the Foundation targets three main areas and has particular interests in each:

- Health Care and Disability
- Community Support
- Arts, Education and Heritage

Small to medium sized established charitable organisations (including CICs, social enterprises, not-for-profit registered companies, voluntary organisations) in the UK are eligible to apply.

There are several grant programmes:

- Small Grants of up to £6,000 for revenue costs such as core costs, salaries, overheads, project costs; one-off capital cost for new buildings, repairs and improvements, purchase of equipment
- Standard Grants of between £6,001 and £12,000 for revenue or one-off capital
- Large Grants of over £10,000 and up to £50,000 for one-off capital costs only
- Village halls and community centres can apply for capital grants of between £1,000 and £50,000 for new builds, repairs, improvements or extensions
- Hospices only can apply for capital grants of between £6,000 and £50,000 for new builds, repairs, improvements, extensions and equipment purchase

Trusthouse runs a continuous funding programme and you can apply anytime.

Tel: 020 7264 4990

## ***Tudor Trust***

Grants are available to support smaller groups, embedded in their communities, which work directly with people who are on the edges of mainstream society in ways which encourage inclusion, integration and independence.

There is no maximum or minimum level of grant, although it is unusual for a grant of less than £10,000 to be made. In some situations the Trust may make a short-term loan. Most grants are made over one, two or three years.

The [TudorTrust](#) is particularly interested in supporting work that develops and promotes the social connections and relationships which make such an important contribution to the well-being and quality of life of individuals, and which strengthens communities. Grants can be used for:

- Core organisational costs
- Project grants
- Capital grants for buildings or equipment
- Grants to help strengthen the organisation

The Trust is particularly interested in supporting smaller, under-resourced organisations with an annual turnover of less than £1 million.

This is a continuous rolling programme. The Trust operates a two-stage application process.

Tel: 020 7727 8522

E-mail: [applications@tudortrust.org.uk](mailto:applications@tudortrust.org.uk)

### ***Wilkinson (Wilko) - Helping Hands***

Every Wilko store has a budget to give a little helping hand to local groups and community projects. Through the [Helping Hands](#) scheme, you could get Wilko gift cards, products or volunteers to help with whatever you're doing for your community - whether it's a raffle prize to help with fundraising or tins of paint and extra helpers to do up a community centre

It's easy to apply, just by 3 steps:

1. Fill in an application form – this can be found either at your local store or on their [Helping Hands webpage](#)
2. Hand it in at the help desk at your local wilko store
3. They will be in touch to let you know how your application got on (they review applications at the end of each month but ask applicants to give them as much notice as possible prior to your event to avoid disappointment)

If you need a small raffle prize or pot of paint or even some-thing a little bigger, visit your [local store](#) and pick up an application form from the customer service desk.

This is a continuous rolling programme.

### ***Woodward Charitable Trust - Main Grants***

[Grants](#) are available to small-scale, locally-based charitable initiatives in the UK in the following areas: isolated children and young people; prisoners and ex-offenders; disadvantaged women; disability; arts outreach; and community cohesion amongst minority groups.

The Trust offers the following grants:

- Small grants of between £100 and £5,000 (around 100 grants are made per year)
- Large grants of over £5,000 (around five grants are made per year and these are usually awarded to charities already known to the Trustees)

UK registered charities with an annual turnover of less than £300,000 can apply.

The Trust is particularly interested in helping smaller organisations which offer direct services.

Funding is primarily for one-off projects, though the Trustees are willing to consider funding running costs, including core cost and salaries.

To be eligible, activities must address the Trust's current funding priorities:

- Children and young people who are isolated, at risk of exclusion or involved in anti-social behaviour
- Prisoners and ex-offenders. Projects that help the rehabilitation and resettlement of prisoners and/or ex-offenders are supported as well as requests to help prisoners' families
- Disadvantaged women, covering refuges, domestic violence and parenting
- Disability projects, which can include rehabilitation and training for people who are either physically disabled or learning disabled
- Arts outreach work by local groups involving disadvantaged people
- Projects that promote integration and community cohesion amongst minority groups, including refugees and travelers

The Trustees favour small-scale, locally based initiatives.

Applications are normally considered twice a year. The next deadline for applications is 31<sup>st</sup> January 2018.

Tel: 020 7410 0330

E-mail: [contact@woodwardcharitabletrust.org.uk](mailto:contact@woodwardcharitabletrust.org.uk)

### ***Yapp Charitable Trust***

Grants of up to £3,000 per year for up to three years are available through the Yapp Charitable Trust to small registered charities to help with their running costs and salaries and to help sustain their existing work. The funding is only available to registered charities a total annual expenditure of less than £40,000 and that work with:

- Elderly people
- Children and young people aged 5 – 25
- People with physical impairments
- Learning difficulties or mental health challenges
- People trying to overcome life-limiting problems of a social, rather than medical, origin (such as addiction, relationship difficulties, abuse, offending)
- People who are educationally disadvantaged, whether adults or children.

There are no closing dates and applications can be submitted at any time.

[Contact Form](#)

## International

### ***Erasmus+ - Joint Qualifications in Vocational Education and Training***

The specific objective of this [Call](#) is to support the preparation or setting up of joint VET qualifications including at higher level or the improvement of such existing qualifications. The transnational qualifications should comprise strong work-based learning and a mobility component, address learning outcomes, quality assurance and proper recognition while making use of relevant European tools and instruments.

Beneficiaries should undertake the two main following activities:

- Design or improve a joint qualification in VET, aimed at responding to concrete skill needs in the countries with mandatory partners, with a view to its recognition as qualification in each of these countries
- Set up new sustainable cooperation structures to ensure transparency, comparability, appropriate quality assurance systems and mutual recognition of qualifications, whilst making existing engagement more systematic and targeted

Applications must be submitted by partnerships composed of partners from at least two different Erasmus+ programme countries (at least one of which must be a Member State of the European Union). Partnerships should include at least three partners, including the two following organisations: a VET provider (at upper secondary, post-secondary non-tertiary or tertiary level) and an enterprise (public or private) or a chamber of industry, trade and crafts or a sectoral/professional organisation.

Eligible participating organisations include:

- Relevant qualification authorities or equivalent (at national, regional, or sectoral levels)
- Public local, regional or national authorities
- Social partners (employers' and workers' organisations)
- Research institutes
- European umbrella organisations
- skills councils, or equivalent
- Public employment services
- Youth organisations
- Parents' associations
- Other relevant bodies

Activities must start between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2018 and 1<sup>st</sup> November 2018. The duration of projects is 24 months.

The total budget for the co-financing of projects is estimated at a maximum of €6 million. The maximum EU co-financing rate will be 80%. Each grant will amount between €200,000 and €500,000. It is expected around 20 proposals will be funded.

The deadline for application is 31<sup>st</sup> January 2018.

[Contact Form](#)

## ***EU Growth Programme – Funding for East Sussex Rural Enterprises***

Applications are open under the [European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development \(EARDF\)](#) and made through the Rural Payments service. The Fund is available to enterprises within East Sussex as part of the South East Local Enterprise area.

The Programme has three themes: Business Development; Food Processing, and Tourism Infrastructure.

- **Business Development** is focused on micro, small businesses and farmers diversifying into non-agricultural activity, to grow and create more jobs.

Business Development supports up to 40% eligible project costs. Minimum grant value is £50,000. Grant funding can help pay for:

- Constructing or improving buildings
- Buying new equipment and machinery

- **Food Processing** supports food and drink businesses, that process agricultural and horticultural products to grow and create new jobs

Food Processing supports up to 40% of the eligible costs of a project. Minimum grant is £50,000. Maximum is £1,000,000. Grant funding can help pay for:

- Constructing or improving buildings
- Buying new equipment and machinery

- **Rural Tourism Infrastructure** supports projects that will encourage more tourists to come, to stay longer and to spend more money in rural areas.

Rural Tourism can help pay for capital expenditure on tourism infrastructure. The minimum grant for South East LEP is £50,000. Maximum grant for commercial projects is up to 40% and £170,000 de minimis. Maximum grant for other projects is up to 100% and no maximum, subject to State Aid rules

The deadline closes for Expressions of Interest (EOIs) 31<sup>st</sup> January 2018.

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## ***Great Britain Sasakawa Foundation***

Through its [grant](#) making programme cultural organisations, universities and schools; etc. that wish to develop links with Japan and Japanese schools are able to apply for funding. The Foundation's grants average £1,500 to £2,000 and do not normally exceed £5,000-£6,000 for larger-scale projects. Grants are available to support the study of the Japanese language and culture, School, Education and Youth exchanges.

In the past the Foundation has made grants towards visits the between the UK and Japan between by teachers and young people and the teaching and development of Japanese language and cultural studies in schools.

The next applications deadline is 15<sup>th</sup> December 2017.

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## ***Horizon 2020 - Work Programme for 2018-2020***

Having reached the halfway point of the €77 billion Horizon 2020 programme, the total remaining budget for the final three years (2018, 2019 and 2020) is €37.1 billion. The 2018-2020 Work Programme will focus efforts on fewer topics with bigger budgets, directly supporting the Commission's political priorities.

The new [Work Programme](#) features 'focus areas', designed around four political priorities: a low-carbon, climate resilient future; circular economy; digitising and transforming European industry and services; and security union. These focus areas are 'virtual calls' that cut across several parts of the Work Programme and have substantial budgets.

Focus areas will be expected to create an exceptional impact by addressing the following 'big ticket' challenges:

- Building a low Carbon, Climate-resilient Future: €3.3 billion
- Connecting economic and environmental gains – the Circular Economy: €1 billion
- Digitising and transforming European industry and services: €1.7 billion
- Boosting the effectiveness of the Security Union: €1 billion
- Migration: €200 million

The 2018-2020 Work Programme also introduces a European Innovation Council (EIC) that will be open to innovations in any technology or sector including novel innovations that cut across technologies and sectors. The EIC will have a budget of €2.7 billion and bring together existing instruments: the SME Instrument, inducement prizes, FET-Open and Fast Track to Innovation.

The 2018-2020 Work Programme will also pilot several other new features:

- A lump-sum pilot constituting a new approach to cost reimbursement from a control-based to a trust-based system
- A widening fellowships pilot adding to the range of tools that contribute to narrowing the 'innovation divide' in Europe and putting more places on the map of excellent research and innovation
- A disruptive innovation pilot offering dedicated support to exceptionally promising, high-impact clean energy technologies to make the crucial final step to the market
- An ICT pilot using the mechanism of ERASMUS+ to address skills mismatches, including a shortage of specialists in information and communication technologies (ICT), that have emerged as a result of the fast-paced digital transformation
- A new 50% funding rate to some innovation actions with a high technology-readiness level aims to allow larger, high-cost demonstrator projects to be funded and to leverage commitment from industry

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## Funding Diary

Fund	Deadline
<b>November 2017</b>	
<a href="#">Biffa Award – Rebuilding Biodiversity and Recreation Projects – Stage 1 deadline</a>	06/11/2017
<a href="#">Rowing Foundation</a>	06/11/2017
<a href="#">Sport England - Tackling Inactivity and Economic Disadvantage Fund</a>	06/11/2017
<a href="#">Ofcom - Community Radio Fund</a>	08/11/2017
<a href="#">Help Musicians - Transmission Fund</a>	10/11/2017
<a href="#">Macmillan - Supporting You to Help Others grants</a>	10/11/2017
<a href="#">National Youth Music Foundation – Youth Music Programme – Strand B</a>	10/11/2017
<a href="#">Royal British Legion</a>	10/11/2017
<a href="#">Transmission Fund</a>	10/11/2017
<a href="#">British Science Week – Community Grant Scheme</a>	13/11/2017
<a href="#">British Science Week – Kick-Start Fund for Schools</a>	13/11/2017
<a href="#">O2 – The Environment Now</a>	14/11/2017
<a href="#">PRS for Music Foundation - Momentum Music Fund</a>	14/11/2017
<a href="#">REC Programme 2014-2020 – Action Grants to Prevent and Combat Gender-based Violence and Violence Against Children</a>	14/11/2017
<a href="#">Henry Smith Charity – Holiday Grants for Children</a>	17/11/2017
<a href="#">Ernest Kleinwort Charitable Trust – Medium Grants</a>	19/11/2017
<a href="#">Waterloo Foundation – Water, Sanitation and Hygiene</a>	19/11/2017
<a href="#">Connecting Classrooms</a>	20/11/2017
<a href="#">VCSE Health and Wellbeing Fund</a>	21/11/2017
<a href="#">European Year of Cultural Heritage Cooperation Projects</a>	22/11/2017
<a href="#">Creative Europe – Support to Festivals</a>	23/11/2017
<a href="#">Lewes Town Council – Grants Fund</a>	24/11/2017
<a href="#">Balcombe Charitable Trust</a>	26/11/2017
<a href="#">Multi-Academy Trust (MAT) - Development and Improvement Fund (MDIF)</a>	26/11/2017
<a href="#">People’s Health Trust - Active Communities</a>	29/11/2017
<a href="#">Sylvia Adams Charitable Trust</a>	30/11/2017
<a href="#">Veolia Environmental Trust</a>	30/11/2017
<a href="#">Wealden District Council - Community Grants Programme</a>	30/11/2017
<b>December 2017</b>	
<a href="#">A B Charitable Trust (ABCT)</a>	01/12/2017
<a href="#">Baily Thomas Charitable Trust – General Grants</a>	01/12/2017
<a href="#">BBC Children In Grants – Small Grants</a>	01/12/2017
<a href="#">Bright Ideas Fund</a>	01/12/2017
<a href="#">Hospital Saturday Fund – Large Grants</a>	01/12/2017
<a href="#">Law Society Charity</a>	01/12/2017
<a href="#">Biffa Award – Rebuilding Biodiversity and Recreation Projects – Stage 2 deadline</a>	04/12/2017
<a href="#">Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust – Power &amp; Accountability, Rights and Justice, Northern Ireland, Sustainable Future and Cross Cutting</a>	04/12/2017
<a href="#">Henry Moore Foundation</a>	08/12/2017
<a href="#">National Youth Music Foundation – Youth Music Programme –</a>	08/12/2017

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<a href="#">Strand A</a>	
<a href="#">Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust – Peace and Security</a>	10/12/2017
<a href="#">Education Endowment Fund</a>	11/12/2017
<a href="#">Arts Council England - The Artists International Development Fund</a>	13/12/2017
<a href="#">Finnis Scott Foundation</a>	15/12/2017
<a href="#">Great Britain Sasakawa Foundation</a>	15/12/2017
<a href="#">Help the Homeless</a>	15/12/2017
<a href="#">The Ironmongers' Company</a>	15/12/2017
<a href="#">Leche Trust</a>	20/12/2017
<a href="#">Tech for Good</a>	20/12/2017
<a href="#">Jewish Child's Day</a>	31/12/2017
<a href="#">War Memorials Trust</a>	31/12/2017
<b>January 2018</b>	
<a href="#">Hospital Saturday Fund – Standard Grants</a>	01/01/2018
<a href="#">Help Musicians - Transmission Fund</a>	05/01/2018
<a href="#">Wolfson Foundation</a>	05/01/2018
<a href="#">UK Theatres Small Grants Scheme</a>	07/01/2018
<a href="#">ChurchCare – Paintings and Wall Paintings Grants</a>	08/01/2018
<a href="#">National Churches – Project Development Grants</a>	10/01/2018
<a href="#">Sky Arts – Art 50: Post Brexit Britain “Who are we?”</a>	12/01/2018
<a href="#">Sussex Community Foundation</a>	12/01/2018
<a href="#">Elephant Trust</a>	15/01/2018
<a href="#">Rother District Council – Community Grants</a>	15/01/2018
<a href="#">BBC Children in Need Main Grants programme</a>	16/01/2018
<a href="#">Creative Europe - Cooperation Projects</a>	18/01/2018
<a href="#">Department fo Health – The Beyond Places of Safety Fund</a>	21/01/2018
<a href="#">Lewes Town Council – Grants Fund</a>	26/01/2018
<a href="#">Anchor Foundation</a>	31/01/2018
<a href="#">Department for Communities and Local Government - Neighbourhood Planning Grants and Support Programme</a>	31/01/2018
<a href="#">Department for Environment and Rural Affairs – Food Processing</a>	31/01/2018
<a href="#">Department for Environment and Rural Affairs – Rural Business Development</a>	31/01/2018
<a href="#">Erasmus + - Joint Qualifications in Vocational Education and Training</a>	31/01/2018
<a href="#">Ernest Cook Trust</a>	31/01/2018
<a href="#">Finnis Scott Foundation</a>	31/01/2018
<a href="#">My Community – Community-Led Buildings</a>	31/01/2018
<a href="#">My Community - Neighbourhood Planning</a>	31/01/2018
<a href="#">Radcliffe Trust – Music and Heritage &amp; Crafts</a>	31/01/2018
<a href="#">UK-German Challenge Fund</a>	31/01/2018
<a href="#">Woodward Charitable Trust</a>	31/01/2018
<b>February 2018</b>	
<a href="#">Baily Thomas Charitable Trust – Research Grants</a>	01/02/2018
<a href="#">The Fidelio Charitable Trust</a>	01/02/2018
<a href="#">Music in the Community grants programme</a>	01/02/2018
<a href="#">Masonic Charitable Foundation – Large Grants</a>	02/02/2018
<a href="#">DM Thomas Foundation for Young People – Central Grants</a>	06/02/2018
<a href="#">Idlewild Trust</a>	08/02/2018
<a href="#">Stanley Smith Horticultural Trust</a>	15/02/2018
<a href="#">Sussex Community Foundation – Little Cheyne Court Wind Farm</a>	16/02/2018

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<a href="#">Help Musicians - Fusion Fund</a>	23/02/2018
<a href="#">Masonic Charitable Foundation – Small Grants</a>	23/02/2018
<a href="#">Biffa Award – Community Buildings and Recreation Projects – Stage 1 deadline</a>	28/02/2018
<a href="#">Lawn Tennis Association - Grants Programme</a>	28/02/2018
<b>March 2018</b>	
<a href="#">Baily Thomas Charitable Trust – General Grants</a>	01/03/2018
<a href="#">Kelly Family Charitable Trust</a>	01/03/2018
<a href="#">Marc Fitch Fund</a>	01/03/2018
<a href="#">Veolia Environmental Trust</a>	01/03/2018
<a href="#">MSE Charity – Living with long term challenges</a>	02/03/2018
<a href="#">ChurchCare – Grants for Clocks</a>	05/03/2018
<a href="#">National Churches Trust Community and Repair scheme</a>	05/03/2018
<a href="#">Arts Council England - The Artists International Development Fund</a>	07/03/2018
<a href="#">Biffa Award – Community Buildings and Recreation Projects – Stage 2 deadline</a>	28/03/2018
<a href="#">Help Musicians - Transmission Fund</a>	30/03/2018
<b>April 2018</b>	
<a href="#">RDPE - Countryside Productivity Scheme</a>	03/04/2018
<a href="#">Creative Europe – Support to Festivals</a>	26/04/2018
<a href="#">Childwick Trust</a>	30/04/2018
<a href="#">Jewish Child's Day</a>	30/04/2018
<a href="#">On Organ Fund</a>	30/04/2018
<b>May 2018</b>	
<a href="#">INTERREG Two Seas – Call 5 – Step 2</a>	02/05/2018
<a href="#">DM Thomas Foundation for Young People – Central Grants</a>	08/05/2018
<b>June 2018</b>	
<a href="#">The Fidelio Charitable Trust</a>	01/06/2018
<a href="#">Help Musicians - Transmission Fund</a>	29/06/2018
<b>July 2018</b>	
<a href="#">National Churches Trust Community and Repair scheme</a>	02/07/2018
<a href="#">Biffa Award – Community Buildings and Rebuilding Biodiversity Projects – Stage 1 deadline</a>	15/07/2018
<a href="#">DM Thomas Foundation for Young People – Central Grants</a>	24/07/2018
<a href="#">Radcliffe Trust – Heritage &amp; Crafts</a>	31/07/2018
<b>August 2018</b>	
<a href="#">Biffa Award – Community Buildings and Rebuilding Biodiversity Projects – Stage 2 deadline</a>	15/08/2018
<a href="#">Jewish Child's Day</a>	31/08/2018
<a href="#">Radcliffe Trust – Music</a>	31/08/2018
<b>September 2018</b>	
<a href="#">Lawn Tennis Association - Grants Programme</a>	28/09/2018
<a href="#">Help Musicians - Transmission Fund</a>	28/09/2018
<a href="#">MSE Charity – Life Changing Transitions</a>	28/09/2018
<a href="#">MSE Charity - Building and developing resilience</a>	28/09/2018
<a href="#">Wealden and Rother Rural Partnership LEADER Programme 2015-2020</a>	30/09/2018
<b>October 2018</b>	
<a href="#">DM Thomas Foundation for Young People – Central Grants</a>	09/10/2018
<b>March 2019</b>	
<a href="#">MSE Charity – Raising the next generation</a>	01/03/2019

Fund	Deadline
<b>March 2020</b>	
<a href="#">Listed Places of Worship Grant Scheme</a>	