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NORTH CARRICK COMMUNITY BENEFIT COMPANY (NCCBC)

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

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

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

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



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

HOW TO APPLY

For more information on how to apply please contact admin@nccbc.org.uk.
Or visit the website at <https://nccbc.org.uk/about/>

CARRICK FUTURES

Carrick Futures supports community projects in Carrick, South Ayrshire.

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

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

What Can Carrick Futures Fund?

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

Awards can support a wide range of costs and activities.

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

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

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

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



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

HOW TO APPLY

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

Triangle Trust 1949 Fund

Funding body:	The Triangle Trust 1949 Fund
Maximum value:	£ 80,000
Application deadline:	22/05/2025

Grants are available for charities, not-for-profit social enterprises and community interest companies in the UK that are working to support young people with criminal convictions or young people at high risk of offending for the first time. In 2025, the focus is specifically on young women and girls who have been in the criminal justice system or who are at a high risk of being drawn into it.

Background

The Triangle Trust 1949 Fund is an independent grant making trust that operates across the UK. This charitable trust was set up in 1949 by Sir Harry Jephcott, when he was managing director of Glaxo Laboratories Ltd.

Objectives of Fund

The Trust holds two grants rounds per year:

- The Spring round is for proposals wanting to work with young people who already have a criminal conviction.
- The Autumn round is for proposals focused on targeted work with high-risk young people on the edge of the criminal justice system.

This year both rounds will once again be focused on funding for organisations working with vulnerable young women and girls who have been in the criminal justice system or who are at a high risk of entering it. Applicants must demonstrate significant expertise working with vulnerable and challenging young women and girls.

Value Notes

Grants of between £10,000 and £80,000 for a duration of 12 months to two years.

A maximum of £40,000 per year can be requested.



The amount of funding must be proportional to the project being undertaken.

Who Can Apply

Registered charities, not-for-profit social enterprises and community interest companies that are working within the UK and have a UK office can apply.

Only organisations exclusively led by and for women and girls are eligible to apply.

To be eligible, applicants must:

- Have previous experience of working with vulnerable young women or girls either on the edge of the criminal justice system or who already have criminal convictions.
- Be requesting funding for a project working exclusively with young women and girls aged between 11 and 30 years. It is unlikely that the Trust will fund a project across the whole age range.
- Work solely with women and girls.
- Have a proven track record of running projects working with young women and girls that is both gender and trauma informed.
- Be proposing a project with targets that are specifically linked to either reducing the number of young women or girls who reoffend or reduce the number of young women and girls who receive a first conviction.
- Have an average annual income over the past three years of less than £1.5 million.
- Be a registered charity or an organisation set up with a clear social purpose and appropriate governing documents stating this.

Social enterprise and community interest companies must have a governing document which shows the name, aim/purpose, objects of the group, including a dissolution clause. This clause should show that the organisation is a not-for-profit group by confirming that any assets remaining after all debts are paid will be given to another voluntary group with similar aims. This document should also include details of the organisation's Trustees or management committee.

The Trust particularly welcomes applications from organisations working in Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales.

Restrictions

The funding will not cover core costs; however, the Trust will consider reasonable contributions to the running of the organisation as part of the overall budget developed for the funded project.

Eligible Expenditure

The funding is designed to support projects working directly with young people and the criminal justice system.

Although the Trust does not solely support an organisation's running costs, it will consider reasonable contributions to the running of the organisation as part of the overall budget being developed for their project.



Most of the funding is likely to be allocated to organisations who want to build on work that they are already doing, either by increasing their capacity or developing a criminal justice focused programme.

Location

United Kingdom

How To Apply

There are two funding rounds per year.

There is a two-stage application process.

- Stage one is to complete the online application form on the Triangle Trust website.
- Stage two will involve a visit from the Trust's Director to the shortlisted applicants (usually between six and eight organisations).

Applications for the:

- First round open on 15 April 2025 and close 22 May 2025. All applicants notified if shortlisted on 1 July 2025.
- Second round open 16 September 2025 and close 28 October 2025. All applicants notified if shortlisted on 18 December 2025.

Full details and the online application form can be found on the Triangle Trust website.

Contact the Triangle Trust for further information.

[The Triangle Trust](#)

Benefact Trust – Community Impact Grants

Funding body:	Benefact Trust
Maximum value:	Discretionary
Application deadline:	Not specified

Grants are available for churches, cathedrals, denominational bodies, Christian charities, schools, and theological institutions across the UK to deliver projects and activities that have a positive impact on communities.

Background

The Community Impact Grants Programme is provided and administered by Benefact Trust.



Objectives of Fund

This fund aims to support Christian organisations to deliver projects that will make a positive and transformative impact on lives and communities and contribute to the following objectives:

- Growing congregations and Christian communities.
- Addressing social challenges facing communities.
- Enabling wider community use of church buildings.
- Empowering Christian education.

Value Notes

Funding is awarded at the discretion of the trustees.

Multi-year grants of up to three years are available.

Match Funding Restrictions

Groups are expected to have secured at least 30% of their total project costs before applying.

Who Can Apply

Churches, cathedrals, denominational bodies, Christian charities, schools, and theological educational institutions with a clear Christian ethos can apply.

Restrictions

The following are not eligible for funding:

- Existing salary costs, clergy posts, posts in schools or other educational institutions, and staff costs do not directly meet the programme's objectives.
- Training for individuals that does not have a clear community benefit aligned with one of the programme objectives.
- Ongoing 'business as usual' costs.
- Indirect costs, such as overheads and staff costs not directly related to project delivery.
- Retrospective costs.
- Significant volunteer expenses that represent a disproportionate amount of the overall project budget.
- Significant marketing and promotion costs that represent a disproportionate amount of the overall project budget.
- Most repair work.
- Tablets and phones to be given or loaned to users of new services being provided.
- Phones for staff or volunteers.

Eligible Expenditure

Funding is available under the following programme areas:

- Growing congregations and Christian communities – Projects that focus on growing church congregations and communities across all ages, including:



- Outreach and wider engagement focused on mission, growth, and faith development.
- Projects aiming to engage more young people with faith and the church community.
- Delivery of training programmes focused on faith development.
- Church planting projects.
- Construction of new chapels for hospices or other charities.
- Addressing social challenges facing communities – Projects focusing on the following types of issues:
 - Food poverty.
 - Debt/financial issues.
 - Mental health and wellbeing.
 - Children and families.
 - Young people.
 - NEET (Not in Education, Employment or Training).
 - Older people's needs.
 - Homelessness.
 - Refugees & asylum seekers.
 - Offenders / Ex-offenders.
 - Addiction/substance misuse.
 - People with disabilities.
 - Modern Slavery/human trafficking.
 - Inclusion.
- Enabling wider community use of church buildings – Projects that result in a clear increase in the use of church buildings by the wider community beyond the immediate congregation, such as:
 - Redevelopment, expansion, or improvement projects resulting in new or improved facilities for wider community use.
 - Work that includes the provision of disabled access, facilities, or equipment.
 - Other activities or resources to support a sustainable transition to increased community use.
- Schools and educational institutions - For schools and theological educational institutions with a clear Christian ethos, the following types of projects will be considered:
 - New spaces or facilities to improve collective worship or spiritual reflection among students (eg chapels, outdoor worship spaces, prayer gardens, etc).
 - Repairs/refurbishment of a chapel or other worship space used by students for worship or spiritual reflection.

Funding can be used to cover direct capital and/or revenue costs.

Funding can be used for new projects or to expand preexisting work.

Location

United Kingdom and Ireland

How To Apply

Applications can be submitted at any time.



The average decision time for small grants (up to £10,000) is two months. Larger grants (over £10,000) take between four and six months and are considered at grants committee and board meetings held throughout the year.

Guidance notes and an online application form are available from the Benefact Trust website.

[Community Impact Grants | Community Grants & Funding](#)

Inspiring Scotland – Autistic Adult Support Fund

Funding body:	Scottish Government
Maximum value:	£ 500,000
Application deadline:	21/05/2025

Grants are available for not-for-profit organisations in Scotland to deliver projects and activities that provide support to adults with an autism diagnosis, self-identified autistic adults, and their families and carers.

Background

The Autistic Adult Support Fund is provided and administered by Inspiring Scotland. It aims to build upon the work of the projects funded by the Scottish Government between 2023 and 2025 to provide support to autistic people.

Objectives of Fund

This fund aims to help adults with an autism diagnosis, self-identified autistic adults, and their families and carers understand what neurodivergence means for them and improve their well-being.

Value Notes

A total of £2.5 million is available for projects running from October 2025 to March 2028.

Grants of between £100,000 and £500,000 are available.

The amount requested per year must not be more than 30% of the organisation's annual income.

Match Funding Restrictions

Match funding is not a requirement.



Who Can Apply

Incorporated Scottish not-for-profit organisations working closely with autistic people can apply, such as:

- Companies that are limited by guarantee.
- Scottish charitable incorporated organisations.
- Community interest companies.

Groups must have a bank account registered in the name of the organisation with two signatories.

Collaborative applications made in partnership with other organisations are encouraged. Projects might link up services on a geographical basis, provide complementary services or other new ways to combine strengths to support autistic peoples' diagnostic journeys.

Where a partnership includes a statutory service, the lead applicant and primary funding beneficiary must be a third-sector organisation.

Applicants must provide:

- A project budget.
- A copy of their organisation's constitution.
- A copy of their most recent annual accounts.
- A copy of their partnership agreement (for partnership applications).

Only one application per organisation is permitted.

Restrictions

Statutory services are not eligible to apply.

Eligible Expenditure

Funding is for projects and activities that meet all the following requirements:

- The project supports autistic adults.
 - Support for adults aged 18 years and over who have received an autism diagnosis, who are awaiting assessment, or who self-identify as autistic. Projects supporting the families and carers of autistic adults are eligible.
- The project meets a need or fills a gap in provision.
 - Provide evidence of need for the project, such as how it fills a gap in current service provision or knowledge base. Services should be provided free of charge to autistic adults and their families and carers.
- Autistic people are meaningfully involved.
 - Projects involve autistic lived experience in the development of the projects. All projects will be strengths-based and focus on making the most of and building upon the skills and experiences of autistic people, as well as assets within communities.
- The organisation works in partnership.



- Groups are not required to be part of a formal partnership but must demonstrate a good understanding of what others are doing locally and have good working relationships.
- The project supports the programme outcomes:
 - Adults who have received an autism diagnosis or who self-identify as autistic access support to help with their understanding of autism and their next steps.
 - Autistic adults who access this support feel that it helps their well-being.
 - Scottish Government obtains additional insight into what works for autistic people and how to address gaps in support.
 - Teams in local Health and Social Care Partnerships (HSCPs) know about and refer autistic adults to the projects.
- The project will measure progress to understand the difference being made.
- The project is inclusive of all autistic people.
 - Projects should consider the physical, social, or economic challenges people might have in accessing support, and if there are ways to overcome these challenges to ensure the widest range of people can participate.
- Projects must have a robust safeguarding framework and practice.
 - Groups should demonstrate best practices on safeguarding adults, and a clear commitment to relevant professional standards, accreditation, governance, and training requirements for safe, appropriate delivery. Proposed work must also be trauma aware.

Successful projects will:

- Meaningfully involve autistic people in the development, design, and delivery of the activity.
- Be strengths-based, making the most of, and building on, the skills and experiences of autistic people and assets within communities.
- Work in partnership, with a good understanding of what others are doing locally, complementing, and adding value to other relevant activities in the area.
- Be evidence-based. Projects must deliver support that is autism-informed and have a credible evidence base.

Eligible costs include:

- Revenue costs: day-to-day operational costs associated with project delivery. Requests for small amounts of capital funding to purchase or upgrade physical items essential to the delivery of the project will also be considered.
- Core costs: full cost recovery will be considered, including overhead costs as well as direct project costs (up to a 10% contribution to core overhead costs).
- Evaluation costs: costs to help review progress and monitor or map the journey of the project, including a contribution towards salary costs or reasonable costs toward external evaluation.
- Participation costs: accessible venue spaces, communications materials, childcare, transport, refreshments etc.

Funding is available for projects taking place from October 2025 until the end of March 2028.

Location
Scotland.

How To Apply

The deadline for applications is 21 May 2025 (**noon**).

There is a two-stage application process:

- Groups must first submit an online expression of interest form.
- Successful groups will then be invited to submit a full application.

Applicants will be notified of any decisions made in July 2025.

Guidance notes and an online expression of interest form are available from the Inspiring Scotland website.

[Apply to the Autistic Adult Support Fund - Inspiring Scotland](#)

Sports Facilities Fund

Funding body:	Sportscotland
Maximum value:	£ 250,000
Application deadline:	01/09/2025

Grants are available for the provision or upgrading of sports facilities in local communities throughout Scotland.

Background

SportScotland is the national agency dedicated to promoting sporting opportunities for all Scottish people at all levels, whatever their interest and ability. Set up by Royal Charter in 1972 as the Scottish Sports Council, the name changed to SportScotland in 1999.

Objectives of Fund

The Sports Facilities Fund aims to support capital projects that provide opportunities for people to get involved in and participate in sport and physical activity in Scotland.

Value Notes

Grants of to 50% of eligible project costs up to a maximum of £200,000 may be awarded.



A higher percentage of investment can be awarded to community led projects within or serving the most deprived areas (Deciles 1 and 2 on the [Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation](#) up to 75% of eligible project costs, up to a maximum of £250,000

Match Funding Restrictions

The remainder of the project finance should come from the organisation's own cash, fundraising, in-kind contributions or can be sourced from other grant funders. Local authority applicants should meet at least 25% of the total project cost from their capital budget.

Who Can Apply

Applications will be considered from any non-profit distributing, constituted organisations whose membership is open to all sections of society.

Eligible organisations include:

- Clubs (existing and new).
- Local authorities or leisure trusts.
- Charitable and third sector organisations.
- Community organisations.
- Community sport hubs.
- Scottish governing bodies of sport(s).
- Educational establishments providing access for clubs or community use.

Applicants should demonstrate:

- How the project will deliver key local outcomes and what measures will be used to demonstrate the impact on local communities.
- A clear demand for the facility development.
- A clear financial need for our investment, our funding cannot be used to replace other investment.
- The project is financially viable in capital and revenue terms. This must be supported by a fully costed plan and funding profile for the project.
- Security of tenure for at least 20 years (from the date of project completion).
- A sustainable operational plan for the facility (including management, programming, and staffing).
- A safeguarding policy for the organisation and operations.

Restrictions

The following are not eligible for funding:

- Projects with a value of less than £40,000.
- Repairs, renewals, replacement, or maintenance.
- Construction of dining rooms, bars, social space, administration, committee rooms, residential or spectator accommodation.
- Buildings with a life expectancy of less than 20 years.
- Minibuses or vans.



- Floodlighting of the main match grass pitch.
- Projects led by commercial organisations and limited companies unless there are exceptional circumstances.
- Personal equipment or general sports equipment with a life expectancy of less than seven years.
- Feasibility studies and design competitions.
- Speculative purchase of land or facilities as a means of saving on payment of rent.

Eligible Expenditure

Funding is for projects that achieve the following outcomes:

- Provide opportunities for more people to be more active more often.
- Widen access, provide opportunities, and remove barriers to participation for some or all the following groups:
 - Those who currently do not participate in sport or physical activity.
 - Those who share any protected characteristics (age, disability, gender reassignment, race, religion or belief, sex, sexual orientation, marriage and civil partnership and pregnancy and maternity).
 - Those living in areas of socio-economic disadvantage, poverty, or low income.
 - Those living in rural communities.
 - Young people.
 - Older adults.
 - Women and girls.
 - Care experienced young people.
- Provide high quality and diverse opportunities that develop participants, athletes, volunteers, coaches and officials.
- Promote the physical and mental health, and wellbeing benefits of sport and physical activity and the wider social benefits.
- Are designed to the highest possible standard for sport and physical activity, inclusion and accessibility.
- Are designed to use sustainable construction methods, materials or energy systems and form part of a wider organisational sustainability strategy or plan.

Support is available for the following types of activities:

- New, upgraded or extended sports facilities.
- Inclusive changing facilities.
- Facilities that provide or improve access for outdoor sport and adventure activities.
- Floodlights that increase capacity at appropriate sports facilities.
- Facilities that support [community sports hubs](#) or community activity within schools.
- Facilities that enable [sportscotland institute of sport](#) or UK sport performance sport programmes.
- Major items of non-personal sports equipment.

Priority will be given to projects that have a strong, clear, and embedded focus on the promotion of equality, diversity, and inclusion in sport and physical activity, as well as applicants that demonstrate how their project is environmentally, economically, and socially sustainable.



Location

Scotland

How To Apply

There are two annual deadlines: 1 April and 1 September **(17:00)**. SportScotland aim to make a decision within three months from the submission deadline date.

Applicants are advised to contact the facilities team at Sports Scotland and to discuss their project with the relevant local authority and governing body of sport.

Guidelines and the online application forms can be found on the SportScotland website.

Contact SportScotland for further information.

[Sport Facilities Fund - sportscotland the national agency for sport in Scotland](#)

Leeds Building Society - Fund 150

Funding body:	Leeds Building Society
Maximum value:	£ 30,000
Application deadline:	16/05/2025

Grants are available to not-for-profit organisations across the UK supporting those in need of a safe and secure home.

Background

This programme has been introduced to mark Leeds Building Society's 150th anniversary in 2025.

Objectives of Fund

Funding is intended for work that supports vulnerable people to find a place to belong through housing and their community.

Value Notes

A total of £150,000 is available.

One-off unrestricted grants of up to £30,000 are available.

Who Can Apply

To be eligible, organisations must be a not-for-profit organisation based and delivering work in the UK, this includes but is not limited to:



- Registered charities.
- Charitable Incorporated Organisations.
- Community Benefit Societies.
- Community Interest Companies.

Organisations must have:

- A governing document.
- An organisational bank account.
- A turnover of £5 million or less.

Applicants must provide a full year's audited or independently examined accounts.

Restrictions

The following are not eligible for funding:

- Individuals or personal bank accounts.
- Political organisations.
- Charities who are currently in receipt of a grant from Leeds Building Society or Leeds Building Society Foundation (organisations that have previously received funding from either organisation but their grant period has ended can apply).
- Profit making organisations
- Organisations based outside of or doing work outside of the UK.

Eligible Expenditure

The unrestricted funding is intended to allow organisations to use the funding in the way they feel to be most beneficial.

Organisations must align with aim of supporting vulnerable people to find a place to belong through housing and their community.

Work should demonstrate the following:

- Solution-focused way of addressing social issues.
- Identified beneficiaries and an understanding of the challenges they face.
- A measurable way of demonstrating impact.

Location

United Kingdom

How To Apply

The deadline for applications is 16 May 2025. Decisions will be made by a panel of Leeds Building Society colleagues at a meeting on 18 June 2025.



Potential applicants must send an email to fund150@leedsbuildingsociety.co.uk to receive a copy of the guidance notes and a link to the online application portal.

Contact Leeds Building Society for further information.

[#charity #community #funding #itsbettertobelong | Leeds Building Society](#)

Jaguar Land Rover - Defender Awards

Funding body:	Jaguar Land Rover Automotive PLC
Maximum value:	£ 100,000
Application deadline:	16/06/2025

Awards are available to registered charities and not-for-profit organisations for projects focused on humanitarian work, and environmental and conservation activities.

Background

The Defender Awards is a new programme launched by Jaguar Land Rover (JLR), a British multinational automobile manufacturer that produces luxury vehicles.

The Awards represent an extension of the Defender vehicles' brand support of humanitarian and conservation organisations. Defender has worked with global partners The Red Cross and Tusk for several years. This programme will allow Defender to support smaller organisations.

Objectives of Fund

The Awards are intended to facilitate the work of small charities and organisations working to meet the needs of vulnerable communities and to conserve the natural environment.

Value Notes

One award is available to UK organisations.

The winner will receive:

- £100,000 (or local country equivalent). £50,000 in year one and £50,000 in year two.
- The use of a Defender vehicle for two years.

Who Can Apply

In the first phase of the programme, applications will be accepted from the United Kingdom, Australia, France, Germany, Italy, Japan and South Africa.



Small registered charities and registered non-profit organisations with an annual income of below £500,000 (or local currency equivalent) that focus their work on humanitarian and conservation activities in these countries can apply. There are four categories against which applications can be made: Land, Sea, Wild, Humanity.

Eligible Expenditure

Work must fall within the following four categories:

- **Defenders of the Wild**
 - Protecting endangered and at-risk species.
- **Defenders of Humanity**
 - Meeting the needs of vulnerable communities. To help vulnerable communities prepare for, respond to, and recover from crises such as food poverty or flooding.
- **Defenders of the Land**
 - Preserving natural habitats and promoting biodiversity.
- **Defenders of the Sea**
 - Safeguarding marine life and coastal areas.

Location

United Kingdom, Australia, France, Germany, Italy, Japan and South Africa.

How To Apply

The deadline for entries is 16 June 2025.

Groups must submit an initial online application form before being invited to submit a full application. As part of the full application organisations must submit a 60 to 90 second video about their project.

A panel of experts will review the final shortlisted applications and select the winners.

FAQs and an initial online application form are available from the Defender website.

Contact Jaguar Land Rover for further information.

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The DPO Centre – Charity and Community Fund

Funding body:	DPO Centre
Maximum value:	£ 10,000
Application deadline:	01/05/2025



Grants are available for not-for-profit organisations across the UK to support a range of data protection advice and consultancy services.

Background

The DPO Centre is a Data Protection Officer resource centre delivering data protection and privacy advice and access to skilled and experienced resources to clients across a range of sectors, to help organisations identify how data protection legislation will affect them, how to ensure compliance, and how compliance builds trust, confidence, loyalty, and engagement.

Objectives of Fund

This fund aims to provide charities and not-for-profit organisations with access to data protection consultancy advice and services that ensure they run efficiently, remain compliant with the law, and achieve the following outcomes:

- Provide immediate access to subject matter experts and a broadly experienced team of data protection professionals.
- Remove 'unknowns' experienced when conducting a similar process internally.
- Decrease the potential for compliance failure across an organisation.
- Provide a substantial reduction in regulatory and reputational risk.
- Lead to improved trust, increased engagement, reputation, and organisational value.

Value Notes

A total of £100,000 is available across two application periods throughout the year.

Grants of up to £10,000 are available to put towards any of the consultancy services the DPO Centre provides.

Match Funding Restrictions

Grants can be used to cover up to 80% of the total costs.

Who Can Apply

Charities, voluntary and community groups, and not-for-profit organisations can apply.

Applicants must:

- Be based in the UK.
- Have a management committee in place of at least three people.
- Have a bank account in the organisation's name.
- Be willing to carry out a case study once the consultancy work has been completed.

Groups can only submit one application within 12 months.



Restrictions

Organisations that are political in nature are not eligible for funding.

Eligible Expenditure

Funding can be used for projects and activities such as:

- Information asset registering and data mapping.
- Policy drafting and review.
- Impact assessments and gap analysis.
- Data protection training.
- Data sharing and international transfers.
- Privacy-by-design.
- Data protection readiness.

Location

United Kingdom

How To Apply

The next deadline for applications is 1 May 2025.

There is a two-stage application process:

- Applicants should first submit a brief online application through the DPO Centre website.
- Applicants will then receive a confirmation email and the DPO Centre will get in touch to request further information to complete the application.

Guidance notes are available from the DPO Centre website.

[Charity Support Fund | DPO Centre](#)

NFU Mutual Charitable Trust

Funding body:	The NFU Mutual Charitable Trust
Maximum value:	£ 50,000
Application deadline:	23/05/2025

Grants are available to large charitable groups and organisations in the UK for projects that further the objectives of the NFU Mutual Charitable Trust, particularly those that educate young people in rural areas and the relief of poverty in rural areas.



Background

The NFU Mutual Charitable Trust is the charitable arm of the National Farmers Union Mutual Insurance Society (NFU Mutual) and receives its funding from NFU Mutual.

Objectives of Fund

The Trust offers grants to charitable organisations working in agriculture, rural development and insurance in the UK.

Currently, the Trust's main objectives are to:

- Advance the education of the public by means of research and dissemination of information in relation to agriculture.
- Advance the education of young people within rural areas.
- Relieve poverty within rural areas.
- Promote the benefit and social welfare of inhabitants of rural communities by associating together with the inhabitants and local authorities, voluntary and other organisations to advance education and leisure.
- Advance the education of the public by means of research and dissemination of information in relation to agriculture.
- Promote research into agricultural associated activities.
- Advance the education of the public by means of research and dissemination of information in relation to insurance.

Priority will be given to larger initiatives that would have a significant impact on rural communities, as well as initiatives in the areas of education of young people in rural areas, relief of poverty within rural areas, and support for the next generation of farmers.

Value Notes

Funding is at the discretion of the Trust. Most grants fall within the range of £1,000 to £50,000.

Larger grants are used to support organisations which have a significant impact on rural communities at a national level.

Match Funding Restrictions

Match funding is not required but it is welcomed.

Who Can Apply

Charitable organisations based and working within the UK seeking funding for charitable initiatives in the areas of education, research, social welfare and poverty relief can apply.

It is not necessary to be a registered charity to apply as long as the funding is for charitable purposes.

The Trustees generally provide support to organisations that have strong farming and insurance backgrounds.



Restrictions

Funding is not available for the following:

- University fees.
- Salaries.
- Overseas appeals.

Eligible Expenditure

The funding will support the running costs of various projects and services, particularly those larger initiatives, which would have a significant impact on the rural community.

Location

United Kingdom

How To Apply

The trustees currently meet twice a year (in June and December) to consider applications.

The next deadline is 23 May 2025 for consideration at the June 2025 trustee meeting.

The Trust's standard application form is available to download from the Trust's website.

The completed application form should be submitted by email to the NFU Mutual Charitable Trust.

[NFU Mutual Charitable Trust: What do we do | NFU Mutual](#)

Pink Ribbon Foundation

Funding body:	The Pink Ribbon Foundation
Maximum value:	£ 6,000
Application deadline:	30/05/2025

Grants are available to breast cancer charities in the UK that assist people affected by breast cancer and organisations that work on breast cancer research and prevention.

Background

The Pink Ribbon Foundation is a grant making trust.



Objectives of Fund

The Foundation's mission is to fund projects and provide financial support to UK charities which relieve the needs of people who are suffering from, or who have been affected by breast cancer or who work to advance the understanding of breast cancer, its early detection and treatment.

Value Notes

Grants of up to £6,000 are available for projects delivered within 12 to 18 months.

Groups are advised to apply for the level of funding the project or project specifics require, rather than the maximum level of funding available. Applications for just the sum of £6,000 will be considered as 'poor'.

Applications for above £6,000 may be considered at the discretion of the Foundation.

Who Can Apply

Registered charities working in the field of breast cancer in the UK may apply.

Social enterprises and Community Interest Companies can apply as long as they are legally constituted and their proposed project is clearly for public benefit.

Partnership bids will be accepted.

The Foundation will consider applications from general cancer charities if any grant made will be used to benefit at least 50% of patients that suffer from Breast Cancer or for research into, or the dissemination of information about, breast cancer.

The Foundation welcomes applications from all ethnic and minority groups.

For the 2025 grant period, and with requests for assistance growing, the Foundation will focus in the main on organisations with limited financial resources to deliver their services.

Restrictions

The following are not eligible for funding:

- Individuals or causes that benefit just one person.
- Business as usual or core costs (however, if the core costs are vital to the continuity of the organisation they may be considered).
- Work that does not fall within the scope of the Pink Ribbon Foundation's charitable purposes
- Work that is not clearly aligned with the stated funding priorities.
- Projects delivered outside of the UK.
- Long-term projects and initiatives – the vast majority of projects funded are delivered within 12 to 18 months.
- Work being delivered by NHS Trusts and local authorities.
- Work which might reasonably be eligible for funding from statutory bodies.
- Some general awareness and information campaigns.
- Sponsorship of or attendance at meetings, events and conferences.



- Large fundraising appeals, including requests for contributions to capital or equipment costs.
- Unrestricted funding.
- Educational bursaries or grants for university or postgraduate education, school trips or projects, gap year or elective year projects.
- Academic research, including funding for educational or research posts.

Eligible Expenditure

The Pink Ribbon Foundation funds projects and initiatives that make a direct impact on individuals with breast cancer in the UK.

Application should relate to a specific project, not 'business as usual' or core costs. However, the Foundation has 'helped out' with core costs should the need be vital to the continuity of an organisation.

Location

England, Wales, Scotland, Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man and the Channel Islands

How To Apply

Applications for 2025 funding are now open with a deadline of 30 May 2025.

Grants are awarded annually in mid to late July.

Applicants are encouraged to submit their application well before the deadline 'to make registration and evaluation easier'.

The application form, frequently asked questions and information on monitoring, evaluation and reporting can be found on the Foundation's website.

Grant applications must be made in hard copy and include a set of accounts.

The Pink Ribbon Foundation will only accept one application per organisation for each year.

Contact the Pink Ribbon Foundation for further information.

[The Pink Ribbon Foundation](#)

Three Guineas Trust – Access to Justice for Disabled People in the UK

Funding body:	Three Guineas Trust
Maximum value:	£ 50,000
Application deadline:	12/06/2025



Grants are available to not-for-profit organisations for projects providing better access to free legal advice and representation for Disabled or neurodivergent people in the UK.

Background

The Three Guineas Trust is a grantmaking trust that currently works to support the autonomy, liberty and civil rights of autistic, neurodiverse and disabled people. Three Guineas is one of the Sainsbury Family Charitable Trusts (SFCT).

Objectives of Fund

The funding is intended for projects supporting Disabled or neurodivergent people to exercise their rights on:

- Income, welfare benefits or debt
- Housing and homelessness
- Community care
- Personal liberty
- Equal access to goods and services

This programme is for work that helps people in England, Wales, Scotland or Northern Ireland.

Value Notes

A total of £1.5 million is available for the 2025 grant round.

The maximum annual grant will be £50,000 a year. Grants can run for one to three years.

Who Can Apply

Applications will be accepted from not-for-profit organisations for work to provide legal advice, advocacy, or overcome barriers to access advice and advocacy services for Disabled or neurodivergent people as follows:

- Lexcel accreditation
- Legal Aid Agency Specialist Quality Mark
- Advice Quality Standard
- Money and Pensions Service Debt Advice Quality Framework
- Scottish Legal Aid Board for Type 2 (casework) or Type 3 (advocacy, representation and mediation at a tribunal or court action level) advice
- Northern Ireland Advice Quality Standard

Advocacy for individual people:

- Accredited to the Advocacy Quality Performance Mark
- Delivered using a recognised set of principles, standards and code of practice that includes training and supervision (for example the standard set out by the Scottish Independent Advocacy Alliance)
- Delivered using equivalent in-house standards, including training and supervision



Overcoming barriers to access - organisations that work to help Disabled or neurodivergent people to overcome barriers to access to goods and services or to exercise their rights must demonstrate that they provide services to the standards set out above, or work with organisations that do (for example a Deaf-led advice organisation that partners with a law centre).

Applications that include campaigning and policy advocacy as part of the work must demonstrate that this will be done ethically and include ways to look after the people taking part.

Restrictions

The following are not eligible for funding:

- Organisations that currently have a grant from the Trust (except a holiday scheme grant).
- Organisations with an income or expenditure over £1 million.
- Organisations with unrestricted reserves worth more than a typical year's expenditure.
- Organisations that offer residential care of any kind.
- Advice and advocacy that is not intentionally designed to help Disabled people. This funding is not targeted at general advice services that sometimes includes Disabled people among the people they help.
- App and website development.
- SEND advice and advocacy.
- Immigration advice and advocacy.
- Services provided by statutory services or as part of a partnership with one.
- Statutory advocacy.
- Work outside the UK.

Eligible Expenditure

There are no restrictions on what resources the grant can be used to pay for provided the work furthers Disabled or neurodivergent people's access to justice.

Location

UK

How To Apply

Applications are now open with a deadline of 12 June 2025 (18:00).

Guidance notes are available on the Three Guineas Trust website.

The first step is for groups to express an interest and this can be done by sending an email to the Trust with their name, the name of their organisation, their role, their email address and a phone number.

Applicants will need to show that they either:

- Provide legal advice to an accredited standard



- Offer advocacy services to an accredited standard, or using a high quality in house supervision and training programme
- Support people to overcome barriers to accessing legal advice or advocacy of this standard

An application form, guidance notes and a budget worksheet will then be sent to eligible applicants.

Joint applications and partnership projects are welcome.

Contact Three Guineas Trust for further information.

[Access to justice for Disabled people | Three Guineas Trust](#)

Barclays Community Sport Fund 2025 to 2027

Funding body:	Sported Foundation
Maximum value:	£ 1,000
Application deadline:	22/06/2025

Grants are available for not-for-profit organisations operating in an area of high deprivation in the UK to make football, cricket, or tennis more accessible to women and girls.

Background

The Barclays Community Sport Fund, delivered in partnership with Sported, aims to reduce inequalities in sport – with a focus on football, tennis, and cricket.

The three year funding programme, running from April 2025 to December 2027, will provide £1.4 million each year.

Objectives of Fund

The funding supports community groups and grassroots sports organisations who are working within the most deprived areas of the UK and are making sport more accessible to women and girls, as well as engaging people from other under-represented groups including people with disabilities, from racially diverse communities and from the LGBTQ+ community.

Value Notes

The following funding is available:

- **Grants of £1,000** to help sustain and increase access to football, tennis, and cricket for women and girls (as well as engage people from other underrepresented groups, such as people with disabilities, those from racially diverse communities and those from the LGBTQ+ community). Only one £1,000 grant will be awarded per organisation. The grant can be split across football, tennis or cricket activities.



- Female Coaches for Girls Grants to support football, tennis, and cricket coaching courses to help increase the number of female coaches delivering sport to girls. Two coaching grants per club to cover the cost of, or a contribution towards, a Level 1 or equivalent introductory qualification and any additional safeguarding and first aid requirements for the chosen sport. This is to upskill up to two female coaches at the club or group.
 - **Level 1 coaching grants: Football - £160 grant; Tennis - £200 grant; Cricket - £200 grant**

The Fund also offers:

- Exclusive match tickets, mascot places, and promotional opportunities.
- Access to advice and support and signposting to training and resource.

Who Can Apply

Applications will be accepted from not-for-profit organisations including community groups, youth groups and traditional sports clubs.

To be eligible, applicants must:

- Deliver football, cricket, or tennis activities for women and girls – or are applying for funding to start.
- Operate in an area of high deprivation. The Government Indices of Multiple Deprivation (IMD) are used to establish eligibility and only organisations located in or supporting people from IMD areas 1-3 are eligible to apply.

Disability applications from groups that sit outside of IMD areas 1-3 will be considered as long as they groups offer activities for women and girls.

Restrictions

The following are not eligible for funding:

- Trips abroad.
- Costs associated with elite football or talent development.
- Talent development.
- Schools and other educational institutions. (Charities that support schools may be considered if they are inclusive of young people from the wider community and not just pupils from that school.)
- School curriculum-based activities.

Eligible Expenditure

The funding is unrestricted and can be used for anything that will support delivery of football, cricket, or tennis activities for women and girls.

Typical examples of costs might include a contribution towards:

- Venue hire including floodlights and heating.



- Coaching costs
- Volunteer expenses
- Equipment
- Kit
- Marketing and communications
- Training and qualifications
- Insurances and affiliation.

Ideally the funding should be spent within a six month period.

Location

UK

How To Apply

Applications open on 22 April 2025 and close on 22 June 2025. The fund may close early if heavily over-subscribed.

The Sported team will let groups know the outcome of their application or request additional information by the end of August 2025.

The FAQs, application guidance, and online application form can be found on the Sported website.

Groups who are not a Sported member or existing grantee will need to create an account to start their application.

Please note it is anticipated that the fund will be 'extremely popular' and thus applications may close earlier than the deadline. Groups should apply early to avoid disappointment.

Contact Sported for further information.

[Barclays Community Sport Fund - Sported](#)

Association of Independent Museums (AIM) – Museum Fundamentals Grant Programme

Funding body:	Julia Rausing Trust
Maximum value:	£ 20,000
Application deadline:	08/08/2025

Grants are available for small-to-medium sized museums across the UK to support core museum activities such as conservation, collection care, and exhibition development.



Background

The Museum Fundamentals Grants Programme is delivered by the Association of Independent Museums (AIM) with funding from the Julia Rausing Trust and the Pilgrim Trust.

This Grant Programme combines collections care and conservation support from the Pilgrim Trust with new funding from the Julia Rausing Trust to replace the following schemes in 2025:

- [Association of Independent Museums \(AIM\) Remedial Conservation Scheme](#)
- [Association of Independent Museums \(AIM\) Collections Care Scheme](#)

Objectives of Fund

This fund aims to support museums with core activities, enabling them to care for collection's more effectively and efficiently and to meet the standards required for Accreditation.

Value Notes

Grants of up to £20,000 are available.

Who Can Apply

To apply, groups must:

- Be an AIM member.
- Be a UK registered charity, an organisation with exempt charitable status, or a recognised public body, ie a local authority museum.
- Be a small or medium museum with fewer than 50,000 visitors per annum.
- Own the collections that are the focus of the project.

Eligible Expenditure

Funding is for core museum activities like collections care, documentation, research, and exhibition development. This can include:

- Collections documentation and research.
- Collections review.
- Development of new exhibitions or other access to collections.
- Purchase of new equipment and software.
- Small-scale building work to support collections care.
- Improvements to heating, lighting, and other building services.
- Staff time.
- Volunteer recruitment and expenses.

Applicants are encouraged to develop projects based on their collection needs which improve knowledge, care, and access to heritage collections.

Proposed projects will be assessed against the following criteria:

- Collection significance.



- Urgency.
- Improve.
- Skills development.
- Impact.

Funded projects will need to be completed and claimed within twelve months of the grant award.

Location

United Kingdom.

How To Apply

There is a two-stage application process:

- Group must first submit an expression of interest (EOI) form. The deadlines to submit an EOI are as follows:
 - Spring Round - 7 February 2025
 - Autumn Round - 8 August 2025.
- Successful applicants will then be invited to submit a full application. The deadlines to submit a full application are as follows:
 - Spring Round - 28 March 2025.
 - Autumn Round - 26 September 2025.

Guidance notes and an EOI form are available from the AIM website.

Groups should contact Fiona Woolley (AIM's Grants and Programmes Officer) to discuss their project further.

[Museum Fundamentals - AIM - Association of Independent Museums](#)

Chamber Music Scotland - Concert Series Fund

Funding body:	Chamber Music Scotland
Maximum value:	£ 2,000
Application deadline:	30/05/2025

Grant are available to support the delivery of chamber music concerts across Scotland.

Background

Chamber Music Scotland is a registered charity and is supported by Creative Scotland.

Chamber Music Scotland supports chamber music across the country, plus fosters a network of over 50 volunteer-run music organisations across Scotland, particularly to communities in more rural areas where access to the arts is limited.



Objectives of Fund

The funding is intended to support local promoters in providing audiences from communities across Scotland with access to live, high-quality chamber music.

Value Notes

Grants of £2,000 are available.

Who Can Apply

Local promoters who can stage live chamber music concerts across Scotland are eligible to apply.

Concerts must:

- Feature professional chamber musicians.
- Be open to the public to attend.
- Form part of a series in which the majority of the programmed concerts are classical or contemporary classical chamber music.
- Platform multiple chamber musicians/ensembles.

Applications must demonstrate how there will be:

- A high-quality series of concerts.
- Support for Scottish-based musicians/ensembles/composers.
- Music by historically underrepresented composers within their series.
- Innovation and experimentation in programming or repertoire.
- Development and diversification of audiences, and engagement in the wider community.

Restrictions

The following are not eligible for funding:

- Organisations/individuals already in receipt of funding from Creative Scotland for the specific activity.
- Series which do not platform multiple chamber musicians/ensembles (eg applications from musicians/ensembles producing their own series in which they are performing in every concert).
- Festivals and one-off events.

Eligible Expenditure

A range of costs are supported to help to promote chamber music across Scotland. Examples of eligible projects include (but are not limited to):

- Establishing a relationship with a specific local community group and their members.
- Initiatives to attract new audiences, in particular to those with limited access to the arts.
- Trying a new event space which may help attract new/different audiences.



- Collaboration events with other promoters/organisations/community groups to share resources and audiences.

Location

Scotland

How To Apply

The deadline for applications is 30 May 2025 (11:00).

An application pack is available to download from the Chamber Music Scotland website.

<https://www.chambermusicscotland.com/promoters>

The Eloise and Katie Memorial Trust

Funding body:	Eloise and Katie Memorial Trust
Maximum value:	Discretionary
Application deadline:	Not specified

Background

The Eloise & Katie Memorial Trust is a registered charity established in 2003 in memory of Eloise and Katie Plunkett - two sisters who both died of cancer. The Trust relies on fundraising to provide their grants and thus the amount of money they can offer varies from year to year.

Objectives of Fund

The funding is intended for organisations and charities in England and Scotland that:

- Make a real difference to young people including education, disability, recreation, music and sport.
- Support causes important to the Plunkett family - particularly cancer and Parkinson's disease.

Value Notes

Funding is at the discretion of the Trustees.

The total amount given in grants last year was around £23,300. The largest grant was £7,000.

Who Can Apply

Local charities based and working in England or Scotland can apply.



The Trust prefers to support smaller organisations and individuals where relatively modest grants make a real difference.

Previous Success

Recent grant recipients include:

- Home Start.
- Mulberry Bush School in Oxfordshire for new iPads.
- Women's Community Matters in Barrow-on-Furness to enable vulnerable teenagers to take part in additional activities at WCM's summer camp in the Lake District.

Eligible Expenditure

The funding is for organisations in England and Scotland that:

- Make a difference to the lives of children and young people. These grants focus on small projects where a relatively modest sum can make a significant difference. Preference is given to support specific projects and, where possible, the Trustees will visit organisations as part of their due diligence.
- Research areas of medicine, particularly cancer and Parkinson's disease, or provide support for patients during diagnosis and treatment. These grants are usually made to larger organisations and have included University College London Hospital (UCLH) Radiotherapy Fund, Macmillan Cancer Support Scotland, Ataxia UK and the Functional Neurotherapy Fund at Southmead Hospital, Bristol.

Location

England and Scotland

How To Apply

Groups should submit the initial expression of interest form which can be found on the Trust's website.

Contact the Eloise and Katie Memorial Trust for further information.

<https://eloiseandkatie.com/>



