

FUNDING WOKING NEWSLETTER 14 (October 2020)

NEW FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

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NB. I have categorised opportunities as best I can to reduce time hunting for grants but it's worth looking under other headings if you have time, since many funds can be difficult to categorise. Deadlines are shown in bold type where specified. Please read the eligibility, criteria, exclusions, etc. as per the linked websites very carefully before applying.

1. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Surrey County Council £100 million Capital - Community Projects Fund

Surrey CC has set aside £100 million over the next 5 years for a fund to bring community-led place-making or place-improving capital projects to life at a scale to make a significant difference to communities in Surrey. There will be 3 levels of funding (£10,000-£100,000, £100,001-£500,000 and over £500,00) and bids will be submitted through a digital platform called "Commonplace", initially in the form of a submission of ideas. The Fund is currently preparing to launch and expected to open in February 2021.

Residents and local charities are encouraged to start planning capital projects to benefit local residents in preparation for the launch of the Fund. Please also view and comment on the design of the application forms by accessing the following link <https://surreycpfcodesign.commonplace.is/overview>.

I will forward information on the Fund as soon it becomes available but please contact your local Surrey County Councillor for more details, see <https://mycouncil.surreycc.gov.uk/mgMemberIndex.aspx?bcr=1>

"Giving Tuesday"

Did you know that 1st December is "Giving Tuesday"? This is a day of generosity and giving back to balance the heady consumerism of Black Friday and Cyber Monday. So start publicising it now and
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encourage your supporters to make the most of it to raise vital funds for your activities. See link for details: <https://www.givingtuesday.org/>

2. ARTS, CULTURE & HERITAGE

Arts Partnership Surrey - Surrey Community Culture Seeds fund

This is a fund available to artists based in or working with communities in Surrey. Between £300 - £1000 is available to support applications to other sources of funding such as Arts Council Project Grants. The Fund is looking for projects that offer shared creative experiences which brings together particular communities or celebrates a place in Surrey. Activity must take place between November 2019 and November 2020 and be completed by 31st March 2021. **Applications at any time up to 30th November 2020.**

For details and to apply see: <https://www.artspartnershipsurrey.org.uk/projects/surrey-community-culture-seeds/?fbclid=IwAR27ZVsJMbVkpCJeQNliDzvnQ2qFbKvYvxMFB5mvfvG8RzLxjH8WVIZ2cXs>

Association of Independent Museums (AIM) – Biffa Award History Makers Scheme

Museums, galleries and cultural facilities can apply for funding of up to £75,000 for projects that use the life and achievements of extraordinary, lesser known historical figures to inspire and educate visitors and users. AIM will fund the creation of new exhibitions, displays and interpretation of the lives and achievements of historical figures who have made a significant impact on the industrial, scientific, commercial or social history of the UK, shaping the world we live in today. Projects based on women who made history, and history makers from diverse backgrounds are of particular interest.

Expressions of interest from AIM members must be received by 5pm on the 14th December 2020.

For more information, please get in touch with Justeen Stone, AIM Programme and Grants Officer on justeen@aim-museums.co.uk.

For details see: <https://www.aim-museums.co.uk/for-aim-members/grants/aim-biffa-award-history-makers/>

National Churches Trust - Gateway Programme.

Grants of between £3,000 and £10,000 are available to listed and unlisted Christian places towards developing a church building project. This can include Churches, Chapels and Meeting Houses. Applications are excepted from listed and unlisted Christian places of worship, of any denomination, across the UK. Grants are available to local church trusts to fund projects that support organisational development, increase their capacity to support churches in their area or that deliver new ways of supporting churches in their area. **The deadline to apply is the 21st January 2021.**

For details see: <https://www.nationalchurchestrust.org/gatewaygrants>

3. BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT, EMPLOYMENT, EDUCATION & TRAINING

Thomas Wall Trust - Literacy, Numeracy and Digital Skills

Grants of up to £5,000 are available to registered charities to assist with specific projects or core activities that support literacy, numeracy, digital and additional skills for people aged 11 or older in order to increase their employment prospects within the UK. To be eligible the applicants must:

- Be a UK charity that has been registered with the Charity Commission for at least 3 years
- Be a project or running costs for a charity that equips people (aged 11 and over) with the skills ready for employment
- Have an annual turnover of less than £500,000

Annual repeat funding for up to 3 years – subject to satisfactory annual reviews of progress and impact

The deadline for submitting expressions of interest is the 30th April 2021.

For details see: <https://www.thomaswalltrust.org.uk/grants-for-registered-charities-2/>

4. CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

Tesco – Community Grants

During October, November and December 2020 the grant scheme will provide grants of £1000 to support projects focused on local children and young people.

For details see: <https://tescobagsofhelp.org.uk/home/community-apply-bags-help-grant/>

Ernest Cook Trust - The Green Influencers Scheme

This is a funding programme for the environment and youth work sector designed to engage and inspire young people from across England to take part in environmental learning and action.

The Scheme is a project match-funded through the #iwill Fund which will fund 40 Green Mentor posts based in Host Organisations across England until January 2023 to recruit and support groups of young people in environmental social action projects. Social action involves activities such as campaigning, fundraising and volunteering, all of which enable young people aged 10-14 years to make a positive difference in their communities as well as develop their own skills and knowledge. The Scheme will fund up to £15,000 per year (around 50% of a full time salary, including on-costs) plus £3,000 for Host Organisation administrative costs. The Ernest Cook Trust would expect to be a part-funder.

The deadline for applications is 5pm on the 23rd October 2020.

For details see: <http://ernestcooktrust.org.uk/grants/green-influencers-scheme/>

DM Thomas Foundation - Central Grants Programme

Grants of up to £30,000 per year for up to two years are available to registered charities for projects that improve education and health for young people in these key areas:

- Children and young people with disabilities
- Children and young people who are sick in hospital

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- Children and young people who are life limited (requiring palliative care)
- Children and young people who suffer from mental health issues

Funding can be requested for one-off projects or for up to 2 years work. Applications from schools and hospitals are welcomed as long as they are made through an appropriate registered charity. **The deadline to apply is the 4th February 2021.**

For details see: <https://dmthomasfoundation.org/what-we-do/grants/dmtf-central-grants/>

MSE Charity – Raising the Next Generation Fund

Charities, voluntary groups and other not-for-profit organisations will be able to apply for funding for projects which will target and support the younger generation who need help to develop and learn personal financial life skills, particularly during the current difficult economic climate.

The ‘Raising the Next Generation’ funding round opens on the 1st February 2021, and closes at 5pm on the 26th February 2021. Each grant round is limited to the first forty accepted applications and applicants are encouraged to apply early in the month.

For details see: <https://www.msecharity.com/how-to-apply>

5. COMMUNITY

One Stop – Community Partnership

This programme is designed to support groups who are working to tackle food poverty or supporting the elderly within the local community. One Stop shops will support local good causes offering a tailored approach for every local partnership which may include, funding, volunteering support, fundraising and raising awareness for your group or organisation. If your group or organisation would like any support, visit your local One Stop and talk to the Store Manager.

For details and to find your local store see: <https://www.groundwork.org.uk/apply-for-a-grant/national-grants/one-stop-community-partnership/>

Ministry of Defence - Funding for Armed Forces Day

Grants of up to £10,000 are available to local councils, organisations, schools, ex-service organisations and individuals for Armed Forces Day events across the UK. The Ministry of Defence is providing funding for events such as tea parties, parades, big band concerts, civil war military re-enactments, and live and static demonstrations to be held on or in the weeks around the 26th June 2021.

Funding could be used to:

- cover road closures required to hold an event,
- decorations,
- flags and banners,
- newspaper and radio advertisements,

- security and first aid arrangements,
- insurance
- and PA and communications systems.

Grants can cover up to half the total cost of the event. **Applications can be made between the 4th November 2020 and the 1st March 2021.** To apply for this grant, applicants must first register their event on the Armed Forces Day website.

For details see: <https://www.armedforcesday.org.uk/get-involved/organise-your-own-event/apply-for-funding/>

6. DIVERSITY & EQUALITY

Esmée Fairbairn Foundation – Grants

In response to the Covid-19 pandemic and the effects of climate change, the Foundation is launching a new strategy, which will focus on three interdependent aims:

- Improving the natural world:
- Tackling injustice to deliver a fairer future;
- Creative, confident communities.

Under the new strategy, the Foundation will be providing larger and longer-term grants of over £30,000, as well as social investments of between £100,000 and £2 million to charities or initiatives with ideas working towards these aims. The new strategy is supported by the need to tackle structural inequality, racism and the causes and impacts of climate change. Funding can be used to cover core or project costs, including staff salaries and overheads. Collaborative approaches are encouraged. **Expressions of interest can be submitted at any time.**

For details see: <https://esmeefairbairn.org.uk/>

Postcode Dream Trust – The Postcode Recovery Fund

Registered charities can apply for a share of £3 million in funding to help communities across Great Britain recover from problems highlighted or exacerbated by the Covid-19 pandemic. The Fund will offer grants of between £500,000 and £1 million for projects lasting between 12-24 months which tackle a systemic societal issue related to the pandemic. Priority will be given to projects which address:

- educational inequalities,
- homelessness,
- domestic violence,
- health and wellbeing,
- social exclusion and isolation,
- poverty.

General running costs including ongoing staff costs, utility bills, council tax, rent and insurance etc are eligible for funding. **The deadline for applications is 5.30pm on the 30th October 2020.**

For details see: <https://www.postcodedreamtrust.org.uk/>

7. HEALTH & HOSPICES

Health Foundation - The Adopting Innovation programme

In response to the challenges of delivering healthcare to all who need it during the Covid-19 pandemic, the Foundation is launching a programme to build knowledge, skills and confidence within NHS providers to successfully adopt and adapt innovations and improvements. It is inviting partnerships between NHS providers and local health systems across the UK to establish four innovation hubs that will provide expertise and support within provider organisations to help them better adopt innovation, and ultimately create change to improve patient care. Each Hub will receive £475,000 in funding for two and a half years. Guidance and specialist support will also be provided.

The deadline to submit Expressions of Interest is 11th November 2020.. In early January, the Foundation will invite up to 12 teams from the Expression of interest phase to submit a full application for the programme by 12.00 (midday) on Friday the 12th February 2021.

For details see: <https://www.health.org.uk/funding-and-partnerships/programmes/adopting-innovation>

8. HOUSING & HOMELESSNESS

B & Q Foundation – Homes & Community Spaces Fund

Grants of up to £5,000 are available to registered charities across the UK & Ireland for projects that support people experiencing bad housing or homelessness, as well as community projects looking to improve their spaces. This could be a community hall or care centre, hostel or hospice.

The Foundation provides funding to support people in need including those suffering financial hardship, sickness, disability, or other disadvantage or distress. It has previously awarded grants to charities ranging from homelessness and abuse charities, to children's hospices and rehabilitation centres.

Funding can be used for projects including creating community gardens, redecorating properties, and converting rooms at hostels to additional bedrooms. **Applicants are required to submit expressions of interest through the link below and funding will be awarded before the end of the year.**

For details see: <https://www.diy.com/corporate/bandq-foundation/>

9. GENERAL

Comic Relief - Covid-19 Community Grant

Grants of up to £4,000 are available to support local grass roots organisations to respond to the needs of vulnerable individuals, families and communities during the COVID-19 crisis and recover from the impact COVID-19 has had on their services.

This programme will only support grass roots, not for profit voluntary or community organisations (including registered charities/companies) with an annual turnover of under £250,000 and include members with lived experience. They will deliver projects that provide community benefit across one of Comic Reliefs strategic themes:

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- **Children Survive & Thrive:** projects that support children under the age of five to reach their potential and have the best start in life. Please note: as of Friday 2 October we will now be accepting applications for projects that benefit children up to the age of 11.
- **Fighting for Gender Justice:** projects that improve equality for women, girls and initiatives that help people affected by domestic violence, abuse or exploitation due to their gender
- **A Safe Place to Be:** projects that support people who are rebuilding their lives because of homelessness or forced migration
- **Mental Health Matters:** projects that support good mental health in communities, improve access to support and tackle stigma and discrimination

The Fund will accept applications until the end of 2020.

For details see: <https://www.groundwork.org.uk/comic-relief-apply-for-a-covid-19-community-grant/>

Rank Foundation - Pebble Grants

Funding of between £250 and £4,000 is available to small UK registered charities and recognised churches which are raising money for projects where the total cost is less than £150,000.

Funding can be used for either:

- capital costs, such as funding for fixed, one-time expenses incurred on the purchase of land, building work, refurbishment, and equipment;
- or short breaks where funding is targeted towards annual respite breaks for disadvantaged young people, and short-term activities or programmes.

Applicants must have already raised a third of the total costs. **Deadline for applicaitons is 30th November 2020.**

For details see: <https://rankfoundation.com/pebble-grants/>