

Meet the Funders 2019

To ensure you get the most out of this event, we recommend that prior to the day you research the organisations that are attending to check their criteria and your eligibility:

Ballinger Charitable Trust

The Ballinger Charitable Trust gives out grants and funding to charitable causes, with their current focus on supporting organisations in North East England. They prioritise support for:

- activities that deliver health, development and well-being to children and young people, and
- activities that deliver health and well-being to older people, particularly to people living with dementia and their carers

They have grants available up to £5,000 and over £5,000.

<https://www.ballingercharitabletrust.org.uk/>

Banks Community Fund

The Banks Community Fund (which is actually made up of a number of funds) was formally established in 1997 to provide support to community groups, voluntary organisations and environmental projects that are charitable, educational, philanthropic or benevolent in purpose and which are located within close proximity of a current or proposed Banks Group development and provide benefit to the local community.

You can only apply to the fund if you are in an eligible area. The fund is administered by the County Durham Community Foundation (CDCF).

<https://www.cdcf.org.uk/apply-for-a-grant/grants-for-groups/banks-community-fund/>

BBC Children in Need

BBC Children in Need award grants each year to organisations supporting disadvantaged children and young people in the UK.

They have main grants and small grants; both schemes are open to charities and not-for-profit organisations.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/articles/5ysD3mLQYYRPLNZ032LjM7/grants>

Believe Housing (formerly County Durham Housing Group)

Believe Housing have a community grant scheme that offers awards of up to £500 to support projects that make a real difference to people's lives and wellbeing.

Your project must benefit one or more of the areas that Believe Housing operates in – you can check this on their website.

<https://www.believehousing.co.uk/in-your-neighbourhood/believe-housing-community-grant/>

Coalfields Regeneration Trust

The Coalfields Community Investment Programme (England) is open to projects that deliver in the top 30% most deprived communities and that will make a positive difference in addressing the following themes:

- **Skills:** Growing the skills of people in order to increase their opportunities
- **Employment:** Developing pathways to increase the number of people in work
- **Health & wellbeing:** Supporting projects that increase participation in activities/services that improve the health and wellbeing of people in former coalfield communities.

<https://www.coalfields-regen.org.uk/funding>

County Durham Community Foundation (CDCF)

CDCF provides grants that make a genuine difference to the lives of local people. They manage charitable funds donated by local individuals, families, businesses and trusts, building up a source of long-term support for the community and acting as the vital link between donors and local needs, enabling people to achieve far more than they could by themselves.

They match applications to the criteria of the various funds they have available at the time and can support the activities of many types of community groups and charities; they welcome applications from any suitably constituted not-for-profit group.

<http://www.cdcf.org.uk/apply-for-a-grant>

Cranfield Trust

Cranfield Trust is a national charity taking practical action to support the development of successful voluntary sector organisations. Volunteer management consultants share their knowledge and experience with charities by providing free, independent advice and support on everything from business planning to charity governance and financial management.

<https://www.cranfieldtrust.org/>

Durham County Council

- Durham4Community – this is a funding portal set up by Durham County Council to allow you to search and apply for funding for your voluntary or community group and get advice on producing your funding application
<https://www.idoxopen4community.co.uk/durhamcc?bcr=MTIzNA>
- Community Led Local Development (CLLD) funding – this is a new way of supporting local development projects using structural funds from Europe. It aims to increase employment and skills and social enterprise, and ensures that local people are involved in developing projects. It is delivered through 2 Local Action Groups across Durham. <https://durham.gov.uk/article/17579/What-is-Community-Led-Local-Development-CLLD-funding->

- Area Action Partnerships (AAPs) – there are 14 AAP's across Durham which identify and tackle issues in local communities. Each AAP has a budget for local projects and investments. <https://www.durham.gov.uk/article/1960/About-AAPs>

Greggs Foundation

Greggs Foundation is a charitable trust aiming to make a difference to the lives of disadvantaged people within local communities. They run programmes including a Local Community Projects Fund, a Hardship Fund and a North East Core Funding programme.

<https://www.greggsfoundation.org.uk/grants>

Hospital of God

The Hospital of God makes grants to other voluntary organisations. Its area of grant making is the ancient diocese of Durham which consists of Hartlepool, Stockton, Darlington, County Durham, Sunderland, Gateshead, South Tyneside, North Tyneside, Newcastle upon Tyne and Northumberland. They aim to support charities working in lower profile areas of work that reach people who are on the edges of society. Grants can be from one to three years and up to £3,000 per year.

<http://www.hospitalofgod.org.uk/page/grants>

National Lottery Community Fund (formerly the Big Lottery Fund)

The Big Lottery fund has recently changed its name to The National Lottery Community Fund. They have several programmes running throughout England including:

- Awards for All – a quick and simple way to get small National Lottery grants of between £300 and £10,000.
- Reaching Communities England – flexible funding over £10,000 for up to five years to organisations in England who want to take action on the issues that matter to people and communities.

Other funds include Partnerships, Digital Fund, Youth Capacity Fund and the #iwill Fund

<https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes>

National Lottery Heritage Fund (formerly the Heritage Lottery Fund)

The National Lottery Heritage Fund has an open grants programme for all types of heritage projects in the UK. There are three different levels of grants: £3,000 - £10,000, £10,000 to £250,000 and £250,000 to £5million.

<https://www.heritagefund.org.uk/funding/national-lottery-grant-heritage>

Newcastle Building Society

The Newcastle Building Society Community Fund is managed in association with the Community Foundation. It makes grants available to charities and groups local to their branches which can make a real difference to these areas.

<https://www.newcastle.co.uk/community/newcastle-building-society-community-fund/>

Northstar Ventures

Northstar Ventures are looking for scalable start-ups, high growth businesses and high impact social enterprises. They currently have two core investment strategies. They are looking to invest in start-up and scale-up businesses in the North East of England, across a wide range of sectors. They are also investing the £10.2m North East Social Investment Fund, a unique fund providing impact investments to charities and social enterprises in the region.

<https://www.northstarventures.co.uk/>

Sir James Knott Trust

Sir James Knott Trust is an independent grant making charitable trust based in Newcastle upon Tyne in the north east of England. They support community projects in Tyne and Wear, Northumberland and County Durham including Hartlepool. The aim of Sir James Knott Trust is to help improve the conditions of people living and working in the North East of England.

<http://knott-trust.co.uk/applications/>

The Good Exchange

With 20% of grant applications not meeting funder's grant-giving criteria and only 30% of all applications receiving money, charity fundraisers waste hundreds of hours making unsuccessful applications. Over half of grant-givers [surveyed](#) agreed that a single, on-line, stage 1 application form would improve processes and save time and all agreed that technology could help.

The Good Exchange's charity-owned, on-line platform automatically matches charitable causes with funders' grant-giving criteria – enabling quick and effective selection, short-listing and award while cutting the time fundraisers spend making grant applications.

www.thegoodexchange.com