



Funding Opportunities Issue 51 ~ April 2019



Bulletin on a selection of current funding opportunities

The Regeneration Funding Team provides a project development and advisory service on external funding. This involves researching and identifying opportunities to bid for funding and supporting project applications.

If you are interested in any of the opportunities published here, we will be pleased to provide more information. We can also provide advice on preparing applications and help to identify potential project partners, if required. We have access to dedicated resources such as GRANTfinder to help find potential sources of funding.

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Architectural Heritage Fund – Project Viability Grant

Details: Grants are available for organisations to carry out an initial assessment on the viability of bringing an historic building in the UK back into sustainable use. The Project Viability Grant (PVG) scheme is intended to fund short studies looking at potential uses for a building and its current condition, and produce a viability report which can be used to secure further funding. Grants of up to £7,500 are available for project development costs.

Who can apply: Applicants must be a formally constituted and incorporated charity or social enterprise whose members have limited liability; this includes parish and town councils and community councils.

What is it for: Eligible expenditure can include employment of a project co-ordinator, fees for consultants such as architects and quantity surveyors, property valuation, community engagement work and legal costs.

Deadline: No deadline specified.

Further Info: <http://ahfund.org.uk/wales>

Buttle UK – Young People Programme

Details: The Trust provides funding to enable vulnerable young people in the UK to overcome financial barriers preventing them from achieving their education, training or employment goals. Grants of up to £2,000 are available.

Who can apply: Support is available for young people who are: age 16 to 20 years; estranged or orphaned and living outside the family home with little or no support; and in financial hardship. The application must come from a lead professional in collaboration with the young person.

What is it for: The package of support will focus on three key areas:

- Support in accessing education, employment and training
- Safe and comfortable accommodation
- Maintaining positive emotional and physical wellbeing.

Deadline: Applications may be submitted at any time.

Further Info: <https://www.buttleuk.org/need-support/young-people#help>

Business Wales Brexit Resilience Fund

Details: The Welsh Government has announced additional funding to help SMEs through the challenges of Brexit. There is now £1.7 million available through the Brexit Resilience Fund, which is open for bids from businesses in Wales. Companies can apply to the fund for between £10,000 and £100,000 to cover up to 50% of project costs.

Who can apply: Small and medium-sized enterprises from across Wales.

What is it for: The Fund aims to support businesses through developing capacity, improving processes, retaining competitiveness, safeguarding jobs, and guaranteeing the trade flows between Wales and the rest of the world.

Deadline: 31st March 2020

Further Info: <https://businesswales.gov.wales/brexit/support/brexit-resilience-fund>

Coed Cymru Advisory Service

Details: Coed Cymru is funded by Natural Resources Wales and promotes the sustainable use, protection and enhancement of broadleaved woodlands throughout Wales. The scheme aims to improve the condition of Welsh woodland by offering a free advisory service on the sensitive management of woodlands and the sustainable use of woodland products.

Who can apply: Interested parties throughout Wales, including farmers, woodland owners and managers, community groups and timber businesses.

What is it for: Advice is given on topics including: woodland management visits; felling licenses; planting new woodland; sourcing timber for Welsh timber sawmills; sawing, drying and using timber; hedgerows and shelterbelts; trees and management for soil, water and flooding.

Deadline: Advice is offered at any time.

Further Info: <http://coed.cymru/index.htm>

Help the Homeless Grant Scheme

Details: Funding for capital projects is available to small and medium-sized UK charities working to assist homeless people to rebuild their lives and return to the community. Grants of up to £5,000 are available to projects that find practical ways to help disadvantaged individuals return to the community through training or residential facility provision.

Who can apply: UK registered small and medium-sized charities with an annual turnover of less than £1million.

What is it for: The funding can be used for capital items or projects. These must assist individuals in their return to mainstream society, rather than just providing shelter or other forms of sustenance.

Deadline: 15th June 2019

Further Info: <https://www.help-the-homeless.org.uk/applying-for-funding/>

Postcode Lottery Green Challenge for Entrepreneurs

Details: This international initiative aims to elicit creative ideas that will encourage the invention of new green products and services and combat CO2 emissions. The Postcode Lottery Green Challenge is a contest rewarding inventions that successfully combine sustainability, entrepreneurship and creativity. The judging panel looks for products and services that contribute to an eco-friendly lifestyle, directly reduce greenhouse gas emissions and score highly on convenience, quality and design.

There is a total of €1 million in combined prize money available for the five best start-ups, of which €500,000 is intended for the winner.

Who can apply: Would-be entrepreneurs aged 18 years or older with a well-thought-out idea to tackle climate change are invited to participate in the Green Challenge, which is open worldwide.

What is it for: The prizes, together with the assistance from leading professionals, will enable the winners to develop their inventions and present them to the world within the next two years.

Deadline: 1st May 2019

Further Info: <https://www.greenchallenge.info/>

Robert Clutterbuck Charitable Trust

Details: The Trust was established in 1992 and exists to help other charities through offering grants for specific items and projects in a variety of charitable areas. Grants are generally offered for between £1,000 and £3,000.

Who can apply: Registered charities in England and Wales.

What is it for: Grants can be used for specific items or projects that assist in the following areas:

- Personnel within the armed forces and ex-servicemen and women,
- Sport and recreational facilities for young people,
- The welfare, protection and preservation of domestic animal life,
- Natural history and wildlife.

Deadline: 30th June and 31st December annually.

Further Info: <http://www.clutterbucktrust.org.uk/>

Triangle Trust 1949 Fund – Development Grants

Details: The Triangle Trust 1949 Fund provides core funding for groups working with unpaid carers. The grant scheme supports specialist carer organisations to implement a step-change in their development and therefore build increased sustainability for the future. Grants range between £10,000 and £80,000 for a duration of six months to three years.

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 are eligible to apply. This funding is only available to specialist carer organisations rather than those with a broader remit which run carer projects.

What is it for: The grant can cover any costs incurred by the applicant in undertaking its core business. The emphasis of the Development Grant is to support the development of a solid foundation for the future. The grant could, for example, be used to enable an organisation to make a step change such as diversifying its income streams or setting up a social enterprise to help it become more sustainable in the long term.

Deadline: 7th May 2019

Further Info: www.triangletrust.org.uk/

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Innovative Housing Programme

Details: The Innovative Housing Programme has been established by the Welsh Government to support affordable housing projects to deliver new homes across Wales. The programme seeks to stimulate the design and delivery of good quality, affordable homes, and to test new approaches and technologies that help develop social housing.

The programme is supported by £90 million over its 3-year lifetime, with £35 million being allocated for the 2019-20 phase. Levels of support for individual projects have not been stipulated.

Who can apply: Social housing providers and private sector housing bodies in Wales.

What is it for: Details on eligible expenditure will be released when the fund opens to applications.

Deadline: No details as yet.

Further Info: <https://beta.gov.wales/innovative-housing-programme>