

PROGRAMMES FUNDING NEWSLETTER

July 2019

This month's newsletter contains

12 external funding opportunities totalling over

£104 million



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Doncaster Movement Workshop – Tuesday 16th July, 2019 1.30pm at Priory Place Methodist Church, Doncaster

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The Doncaster Movement is a local crowdfunding platform for community projects. From allotments and street murals to festivals and community cafes, if you have an idea to improve where you live, create a crowdfunding project page and be part of the Doncaster Movement. We also have a fund of £50,000 - with a maximum pledge of £5,000 to put towards the projects which can show the backing of the community through their campaign.

We've already had seven local projects hit their target, with over 400 people, businesses and organisations pledging above £180k to the projects. We are eager to see many more great ideas come forward and are running a workshop on the **16th July, 2019** for those who want to hear more and for those who are ready to start their project.

We will also be running a funding round so that we can offer more structured and time specific support to projects as they progress their campaigns at the same time. The deadline to get involved will be the 16th September, 2019. Come along to the workshop for more information.

When/Where: 16th of July, sessions from 1.30pm, at Priory Place Methodist Church, Printing Office Street, Doncaster, South Yorkshire, DN1 1TR

Free registration: Register [here](#)

Whether this is your first time creating a project, you're a seasoned community organiser, or you just want to know more, please join us.

Learn more about the Doncaster Movement [here](#).

Launch of the Whole House Retrofit (WHR) Innovation Competition

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The government is calling for applications to a new competition to help accelerate a reduction in the cost of retrofitting domestic properties in the UK to the same standard as new builds. The Whole House Retrofit (WHR) Innovation Competition will support the government's ambition of halving the cost of completing this work by 2030.

Approximately £9.4 million will be available for a limited number of projects which demonstrate a cost reduction trajectory for whole house retrofit. A maximum of £4.7 million will be available for each project.

Successful projects will focus on upgrading social housing properties, given the comparative uniformity of the dwellings, and the ability to procure at scale. However, credible alternative proposals may also be considered.

Eligible project expenditure may include:

- personnel costs: researchers, technicians and other supporting staff;
- instruments and equipment;
- buildings and land;
- contractual research, knowledge and patents; and
- materials, supplies and similar products, incurred directly as a result of the project.

Bids are welcomed from any UK organisation or consortium which can meet the expected outputs; including SMEs, large enterprises, academic, financial, research, public and third sector organisations.

The deadline for Expressions of Interest is 5pm on 1st August, 2019. Full bids should be submitted by 5pm on 15th August, 2019.

Launch of Plastics Packaging and Textile Recycling Grants

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The Plastics Packaging and Textile Recycling Grants scheme is part of the £18 million Resource Action Fund, which has been established by the Waste and Resources Action Programme (WRAP) to support resource efficiency projects, with the goal of diverting, reducing and better managing waste.

Organisations can apply for funding for innovative solutions to drive up the recycling of hard-to-recycle plastic packaging such as plastic trays, pots and tubs, plastic films and pouches, as well as funding for innovative projects that boost the recycling of textiles when they have reached the end of their life.

Through the programme, WRAP will be offering grants of between £200,000 and £1 million.

To be eligible, applicants must be a legal registered entity operating or planning to operate in England. They must be able to demonstrate that they can secure a regular supply of plastic packaging waste or textiles waste materials (clothing and linens only) that can be recycled as part of their operation.

The deadline for applications to be submitted is 2nd August, 2019.

Funding for Young People to Organise Inter Faith Events

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Grants of up to £800 will be awarded to proposals for inter-faith activities by children and young people from Christian, Jewish, Muslim, Hindu, Sikh and other faiths and those of no formal faith in understanding and co-operation. The age range for young people is 11-25 years.

Projects should take place during Inter Faith Week 2019 (10th – 17th November, 2019).

The aims of Inter Faith Week are to:

- Strengthen good inter faith relations at all levels.
- Increase awareness of the different and distinct faith communities in the UK, in particular celebrating and building on the contribution which their members make to their neighbourhoods and to wider society.
- Increase understanding between people of religious and non-religious beliefs.

Priority will be given to projects which:

- Actively involve young people in planning, running, and evaluation of the project.
- Promote positive action i.e. young people from different backgrounds coming together to address shared problems like improving green spaces.
- Are run by non-statutory organisations, such as youth clubs, scout/guide groups, local voluntary and community organisations.

Grants can provide part-funding. Grants are not available for converting young people to a different faith.

The deadline for applications is Friday 23rd August, 2019.

Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust's Positive Pathways Open to Applications

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The £9 million Positive Pathways Programme is one of two funding programmes that form the Trust's Veterans' Mental Health and Wellbeing Fund which aims to give veterans more choice and control over their own personal recovery journeys.

The Positive Pathways Programme offers fixed one-year grants of £35,000 or two-year grants of £70,000 to registered charities or Community Interest Companies (CICs) that are primarily supporting past and present members of the Armed Forces and their families.

Funding can be used towards the costs of activity-based projects (such as sports, arts or outdoor activities) that will have a positive impact on the mental health and wellbeing of veterans throughout the UK. The Trust will prioritise applications from small and local (rather than national) organisations, and those whose projects are led or partly led by veterans.

Applicants will need to demonstrate:

- That veterans really want to take part and will be active participants in the activity being proposed.
- How the activity being offered will help to improve mental wellbeing.
- That they are prepared to work with other organisations that can help connect the work into wider pathways of support.

Applications are assessed on a rolling basis.

Applications submitted by 6th September, 2019 will receive a decision by the end of November, 2019.

ESF Access to Employment Call Open in Sheffield City Region

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Approximately £1,088,284 of European Social Funding (ESF) is available to run a project to reduce youth unemployment and inactivity in Sheffield City Region LEP Area. It should focus and skill residents to meet the needs and opportunities for work in new and emerging sectors within the Sheffield City Region. Projects should attract young people who are NEET or at risk of becoming NEET to growth sectors and employment opportunities.

Activities will be intensive, innovative, holistic and tailored support to those young people who are disengaged from mainstream activity offering a portfolio of individually tailored provision, priority groups identified as being at risk are:

- Young refugees and migrants.
- Care Leavers.
- Young Carers.
- Young people with a physical and/or mental health condition, and/or learning disability.
- Young people from a disadvantaged community, particularly Roma and Traveller communities and BAME groups (particularly young women).
- Lone parents.
- Ex-Offenders (provider/s will be expected to work alongside adding value to existing HMPPs provision).

Applications are encouraged from consortia or other similar types of partnership arrangements. Successful providers should:

- Demonstrate a strong track record of working with young people who are NEET or at risk of becoming NEET and a clear understanding their needs.
- Collaborate with other providers in the locality and those that work with the client group. The Provider must develop a strong working relationship with the Local Integration Boards in the areas they are delivering activity within.
- Work in conjunction with other LEP and ESIF ESF programmes and activity to reduce the number of repeat approaches to participants.
- Ensure the programme maximises mainstream provision and provides by working in partnership with other new and/or existing providers.
- Demonstrate excellent partnerships and referral mechanisms with other skills, training and specialist providers.

The Managing Authority does not intend to allocate less than £150,000 of ESF to any single project.

The deadline for applications is 9th September, 2019.

Stelios Awards for Disabled Entrepreneurs – 2019 Round Open

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The Stelios Awards for Disabled Entrepreneurs UK identify and celebrate business ability by recognising exceptional disabled entrepreneurs.



The competition is open to disabled entrepreneurs on the management board, and with ownership, of any business in the UK.

Awards are open to all forms of entrepreneurship (including pre-revenue start-ups). Applicants can be:

- businesses operated by and/or for the benefit of disabled people;
- employers whose workforce is made up of significant numbers of disabled people.

Prize money totalling £100,000 will be available in 2019. This year, the overall winner will receive £30,000 to further the growth of their business. They will also benefit from significant media coverage. Four shortlisted applicants will each win £10,000. Four prizes of £5,000 will also be available and a Judges' Prize of £10,000 to be distributed to one or more applicants at the Judges' discretion.

The money is to be reinvested in the winners' businesses. Winners can spend this money however they choose, for example they could:

- Buy a piece of new equipment that would enable them to increase production capacity.
- Fund new staff costs to expand a sales team.
- Embark upon an international operation.

The deadline for entries is 5pm on 10th September, 2019.

Applications Are Being Accepted for the Esmée Fairbairn Collections Fund

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The Fund, provided by the Esmée Fairbairn Foundation and administered by the Museums Association (MA), awards nearly £1.2 million per year to around 10 to 16 high-quality projects, focusing on collections that are typically held by accredited museums or a partnership of museums and other organisations.

Eligible projects can be up to three years in duration and must:

- Work with an existing collection or collections to improve understanding of them and increase their use; and
- Through that collections work, involve, inspire and have value for people, communities and audiences.

Projects are expected to be innovative, outward-looking and seek change, in the context and scale of the museum.

Grants can be used towards a wide range of engagement activities outside the scope of an organisation's core resources including co-curation, research, digitisation, conservation, documentation and exhibition costs.

The next deadline for applications is 11th September, 2019 (5pm).

Public Engagement Fund for UK Libraries Opens New Round

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Following the success of Phase 1 the Engaging Libraries Fund is now seeking applications to Phase 2.

Engaging Libraries Phase 2 will support public libraries to run public engagement activities on research within the themes of health, society and culture.

Phase 2 has three core aims. The programme aims to:

1. Energise and empower people through engagement with research about health, society and culture in one of the following ways:
 - Enable people to access, use and respond to research
 - Enable people to value and think critically about research
 - Enable people to play a role in formulating research
2. Enable public libraries to build upon and explore their civic role as safe spaces for participation and engagement with research.
3. Facilitate partnerships between public libraries and universities or Independent Research Organisations (IROs).

Public libraries in the UK and Ireland are eligible to apply.

This fund will offer the following:

- £12,000 – £25,000 for those applying as a single library service
- £12,000 – £50,000 for those submitting a joint application.

The Trust are aiming to support around 20 projects.

The deadline for applications to Phase 2 is 25th September, 2019.

National Lottery Heritage Fund Launches £100 million Heritage Horizon Awards

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In its first year (2020–2021), the Heritage Horizon Awards has a total funding pot of £50 million.

Individual grants of a minimum of £5 million each are available for non-profit organisations and partnerships to support projects that will reflect the ethos behind the scheme – "Backing big ideas, unlocking possibilities" – by being:

- Transformative
- Innovative
- Collaborative

All kinds of heritage projects are eligible. Heritage can be anything from the past that is valued and should be passed on to future generations and could include:

- Oral history: people's memories and experiences.
- Cultural traditions, such as stories, festivals, crafts, music and dance.
- Nature, for example, habitats, species, and geology.
- Natural and designed landscapes, such as parks and gardens.
- Community archaeology.
- Historic buildings, monuments, and environments.
- Collections of objects, books or documents in museums, libraries or archives.
- Histories of people and communities or places and events.
- The heritage of languages and dialects.
- Places and objects linked to the UK's industrial, maritime and transport history.

Projects that focus on the National Lottery Heritage Fund's current strategic priorities (landscapes and nature, and heritage at risk) will be considered favourably.

The deadline for Expressions of Interest is 11th October, 2019.

The Community Pub Business Support Programme

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The More than a Pub programme offers a flexible package of financial and business-development support to help communities to save their local pub through the purchase or long-term lease of the premises, and to grow the range of services they offer to help local people.

Support includes pre-feasibility bursary awards of up to £2,500 and a combined grant and loan package of up to £100,000 towards capital costs.

Applications will be considered from groups with the legal status of Community Benefit Society, Co-operative Society, Company Limited by Guarantee and Community Interest Company, provided that the group:

- Is incorporated or intends to incorporate.
- Is intending to take ownership of an existing pub, which has either recently been closed or has ceased trading and is for sale.
- Wants to open and run the pub as a community business, ie the business will be:
 - Locally rooted.
 - Accountable to the local community (ie democratically run with evidence of regular community input into decision making).
 - Trading for the benefit of the local community by either reinvesting surplus income in the business to run services that benefit local people or using it to support community events, training, etc.
 - Providing broad community impact by tackling specific community needs (eg reducing social isolation or increasing employment opportunities).
- Has a charitable purpose.
- Has local support and investors.

The loan and grant funding is to pay for capital costs only, such as the purchase of land, buildings, construction, and equipment.

The programme will be open for applications until all of the funding and support has been allocated. This is expected to be by September, 2020.

Places to Ride Grants Programme

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The programme will fund the development of multi-use facilities to engage with a broad spectrum of cyclists and to encourage people who have never cycled before to get on their bikes. Applications can also be made to improve existing cycling facilities and support opportunities to ride in communities across England.

Small grants of between £1,000 and £50,000 are available. It is expected that the average grant will be much less than £50,000. Larger



grants of up to £500,000 are available for larger projects. A total of £15 million is available for the three-year grants programme.

Examples of projects that might be funded include:

- New cycling facilities.
- Improvements to existing cycling facilities, such as lighting, fencing, workshop space or toilets.
- Learn to ride areas.
- Combined and co-located schemes with various cycling facility types available.
- Equipment such as bicycles, specialised bicycles, storage facilities, data-tracking monitors, coaching equipment, etc.
- Cycling kit and equipment.
- Training equipment.
- Cycle storage.
- Other items that can support innovative solutions to getting more people riding bikes, eg, using technology.

Applications will be accepted from not-for-profit organisations including clubs, local authorities, community organisations, education establishments and charitable organisations.

Applications can be submitted at any time until 15th January 2021, when the programme ends. Decisions will be made every 12 weeks.