

Eligibility Form

This eligibility form clearly sets out the criteria for this round of funding and will allow you to determine whether your organisation is eligible to apply. You must confirm that you meet all required criteria in order to progress to the application form.

Our Strategic Aims

In order to be considered, your application must address at least one of the following specific objectives which have been set for the 2026 round of funding to support our overarching strategic aims:

Education, Training and Research

- STEM:** Inspiring young people to pursue qualifications and a career in STEM in order to contribute to energy sustainability
- Raising aspirations:** Using innovative educational solutions to address society's needs and challenge the next generation.

Biodiversity and Climate Change

- Environmental protection or improvement:** Protecting or conserving the environment
- Habitat conservation:** Contributing to the restoration of habitats and enhancing biodiversity
- Knowledge and research:** Creating new solutions to the challenge of climate change

Art and Culture

- Restoration, development & conservation:** Safeguarding artistic and cultural heritage
- Cultural initiatives:** Celebrating diversity and cultural identity through the arts

Social Initiatives

- Economic security:** Supporting social inclusion and reducing poverty, prioritising child and in-work poverty.
- Economic opportunity:** Supporting entrepreneurship and skills development for the most vulnerable groups, in particular women and those living with disability or serious illness *

☐ I confirm that our application addresses at least one of the above specific objectives.

The Sustainable Development Goals

The United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) recognise that ending poverty and other deprivations must go hand-in-hand with strategies that improve health and education, reduce inequality, and spur economic growth – all while tackling climate change and working to preserve our oceans and forests. Your application must contribute towards at least one of the **Sustainable Development Goals**. *

☐ I confirm that our application will contribute to at least one of the Sustainable Development Goals.

Due Diligence

We will not accept an application from you if your organisation, any key partner organisation or related director/trustee/manager has ever been:

- Sanctioned or sentenced for fraud, bribery, corruption, tax evasion, human rights or other illegal activity
- Disqualified from public office or as a Company Director
- Disqualified from contracting with the public sector in the last 5 years
- ... or is currently under investigation for any of the above *

☐ I confirm that none of the above statements apply to my organisation, any key partner organisation or related director/trustee/manager.

Your Organisation

All of the following statements must apply to your organisation:

- You have an active board of at least three unrelated trustees
- You have been registered with one of the UK Charity Regulators for at least one full year. We do not accept applications from exempt charities.
- You have at least one year of published accounts covering a 12-month operating period that show as received on the relevant charity regulator website
- Your income in the last set of published accounts was greater than £75,000 but does not exceed £10,000,000.
- The bank account into which the funding is to be made is not based in a restricted country (i.e. tax haven, high corruption risk or sanctioned country) *

☐ I confirm that all of the above statements apply to my organisation.

Partnerships

We consider a partner to be an organisation involved in planning, execution and monitoring of the proposed project.

For projects delivered in partnership, we may request supporting documents from all partners should you be shortlisted.

- The lead organisation, considered to be the organisation submitting the request for funding, must be a charity registered with one of the UK Charity Regulators
- For partnerships with registered companies, there must be demonstrable evidence of in-kind or financial contributions from the partner company
- Requests for funding are limited to one per partnership *

☐ I confirm that all of the above statements apply to the partnership

☐ Our project will not be delivered in partnership with any other organisations

Your Project

We provide funding that is restricted to the delivery of specific projects, and not for general unrestricted running costs. There are certain types of activity that we are unable to fund. Your application must not request funding for any of the following:

- Unrestricted costs
- Funding that will be passed on to individuals or other organisations
- Short term interventions including conferences, galas, holidays and expeditions
- Sponsorship or funding towards an appeal
- Projects that take place outside the United Kingdom
- Medical care or medical research
- The promotion of religious or political beliefs
- Projects which are primarily based around animals, unless the main purpose of the project is aligned to one of our strategic aims
- Projects which are primarily based around sports activities, unless the main purpose of the project is aligned to one of our strategic aims
- Projects that include building work/land development in the categories of Education, Training and Research and Social Initiatives *

☐ I confirm that our application is not requesting funding for any of the above activities.

Funding

The following statements must apply to your application:

- Your application must be for at least £35,000 and must not exceed £150,000
- Your project must start between 31st March 2026 and 31st December 2026 and be completed within 12 months. We will only approve funding for a one-year period *

☐ I confirm that the above statements apply to our application for funding.

Repeat Funding

Whilst there is no limit to the number of times an organisation can apply to us for funding, we will not provide funding to the same project for any more than three consecutive years. Applications for funding for a previously supported project beyond one year must demonstrate additionality, and the evolution of the project must be evidenced within your application. *

☐ I confirm that our application is not requesting funding for a project that has already been supported for three consecutive years.

Salary Costs

You can apply for funding for salary costs, however, as above, please note that funding is awarded for a maximum of one year at a time and there is no guarantee of funding in subsequent years. Please refer to the 'repeat funding' section.

(Please tick one of the following options) *

- ☐ Our application is not requesting funding for salary costs.
- ☒ I confirm that our application is requesting funding for salary costs and we have read and understood the 'repeat funding' section.

Living Wage

We encourage our applicants to pay their staff the UK Living Wage, and require that any post directly funded from our grant is paid at no less than the current [UK Living Wage rate](#). *

- ☒ I confirm that any post directly funded from the grant will be paid at no less than the current UK Living Wage rate

Full Cost Recovery

If you are applying for funding for salary costs, your application should factor in the associated indirect overheads as well as direct costs associated with the delivery of services. *

- ☒ I confirm that our application for funding for salary costs will cover both indirect overheads and direct costs

Safeguarding

If your organisation/project works with children and/or vulnerable adults, you must have a written policy on Safeguarding that has been reviewed by your Board of Trustees within the last two years. When submitting your application, you must upload the following evidence:

- Your written policy on Safeguarding (please note that we are examining your policy in our capacity as a funder only and not in any advisory capacity. Our review of your policy should not be relied on as an endorsement of it)

- A letter from your CEO or the Chair of your Board of Trustees confirming that your Safeguarding policy has been reviewed by your Board of Trustees within the last two years

(Please tick one of the following options) *

- ☐ Neither our organisation nor the project works with children or vulnerable adults.
- ☒ I confirm that our organisation/project does work with children or vulnerable adults.
- ☒ I confirm that we have a written policy on Safeguarding.
- ☒ I confirm that the policy has been reviewed by our Board of Trustees within the last two years.

Building Work/Land Development

Applications for funding for building work/land development are not eligible in the categories of Education, Training and Research or Social Initiatives.

If your project includes building work or land development that requires planning permission, you must have all necessary consents in place at the time of applying. You must upload evidence of this when submitting your application.

(Please tick one of the following options) *

- ☐ Our project does not include any building work or land development.
- ☐ I confirm that our project does include building work or land development, and that we do not require any consents.
- ☐ I confirm that our project does include building work or land development, and that we have all necessary consents in place.

Please enter the name of your organisation *

Please enter your email address here and then click 'submit':

If you see any on-screen error messages, you have failed to meet the criteria. This means your organisation is ineligible for this round of funding and you are unable to proceed to the application form *

Submit

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