

Funding Opportunities for the West Midlands

- *Please note, tight deadline grants are still included in case of 'ready to go' projects.*
- *Region-specific grants located first in newsletter. England and UK-wide located later.*
- *Please scroll right down for funds with no deadlines or repeats from previous month.*
 - *None of the funds listed are specifically endorsed by Natural England.*
- *Please tell me about any funding successes following my newsletter suggestions!*

Chartered Institute of Horticulture: Bursaries and grants

Directory of grants and bursaries available from organisations for horticultural projects

UK Community Foundations: Please check these for locally based Community Foundations who can offer various grants and support:

- [Worcestershire Community Foundation](#)
- [Herefordshire Community Foundation](#)
- [Heart of England Community Foundation \(Coventry, Warwickshire, Solihull, Birmingham & The Black Country\)](#)

Birmingham and Black Country Communities Fund (Birmingham & the Black Country)

The Birmingham and Black Country Communities Fund has now reopened! The fund has grants up to £3,000 and aims to support people in Birmingham and the Black Country.

Applications must meet one of the following aims:

- Promote health and wellbeing
- Tackling disadvantage
- Support local solutions to meet local needs
- Promote community cohesion
- Develop sustainable and supporting communities

Coventry, Solihull & Warwickshire (CSW) Communities Fund

The [Coventry, Solihull & Warwickshire Communities Fund](#) grants are awarded from the earnings of the Foundation's own endowment fund. There are grants of up to £3,000 available to support people in Coventry, Solihull and Warwickshire. Applications must meet one of the following aims:

- Promote health & wellbeing
- Tackling disadvantage
- Support local solutions to meet local needs
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- Develop sustainable & supporting communities

Natural Networks Programme (Malvern Hills, Wychavon or Wyre Forest)

Offering grants and advice to projects which aim to create/restore wildlife-rich habitats. It is a partnership between Worcestershire County Council and Worcestershire Wildlife Trust, offering free professional Biodiversity surveys carried out by the Trust who will assess your project site and make recommendations on how to create or enhance your land to maximise habitats for wildlife. Grants of £1,000 - £15,000 are available (up to 70% of the total project will be available to help you carry out recommendations in the survey).

- Private sector organisations will be expected to match fund at least 50% of the project
- Public or voluntary sector organisations will be expected to match fund at least 30% of the project

Applicants need to email naturalnetworks@worcestershire.gov.uk to request a link to the registration application portal.

Herefordshire Community Foundation - CPRE (Herefordshire)

The Herefordshire Community Foundation exists to benefit disadvantaged communities by making grants to support relevant charitable or voluntary organisations, which make a difference to their local communities. Through the CPRE programme the foundation provides funding to organisations working to preserve and support the tranquillity of Herefordshire's countryside. **Applications can be submitted at any time.**

Crowdfund Shropshire (Shropshire)

Crowdfund Shropshire, the new civic fundraising platform where community groups can get their projects funded by public and grant funding, is opening in the next month. Projects can bid for up to can pitch for up to £10,000 from the Shared Prosperity Community Fund and up to £20,000 from the Green Spaces and Active Travel Fund. Currently 5 projects crowdfunding at the moment. They include Rural Art Hub, Walking in Wem, Multicultural Children's Day, Little Stars in the Community and Get Crafty With Words. [Check out their projects here](#) for inspiration and donate or spread the word to help them reach their goal.

Staffordshire Community Foundation - Stafford Borough Council Small Grants (Stafford)

Through the Stafford Borough Council Small Grants programme the foundation provides grants of up to £1,000 to organisations who provide facilities or services for people in the geographical area covered by Stafford Borough Council. All projects must meet one of the following criteria; Benefit local residents; Bring about a lasting benefit to the organisations members or the wider community; Help to increase the organisations sustainability or reach. **The closing date is 29th August 2025.**

National Forest Company - Small Grants Fund (Leicestershire, Derbyshire, Staffordshire)

Through the National Forest Small Grants Scheme funding is available to support projects that contribute to the aims and objectives of the National Forest. Those who operate within the Forest area can apply for grants to support a range of projects and activities. **Applications can be submitted at any time.**

The Saintbury Trust (West Midlands, with focus on Birmingham and Worcester)

Arts, heritage, the environment and helping those with disabilities. £1,000 - £5,000. Larger grants tend to be awarded to charities of which the trustees have special knowledge or in the work of which they have a particular interest. **Ongoing**

npower Business Solutions Foundation (West Midlands)

The npower Business Solutions Foundation aims to support not-for-profit organisations and educational institutions located within a 50-mile radius of their Solihull (B91 3ES) and Leeds offices in creating sustainable communities. The foundation offers grants of up to £100,000 for projects focused on decarbonisation, responsible business growth, social innovation, and local skills/employment promotion. Projects that help to improve the environment, forge stronger community bonds, encourage responsible business and improve places and spaces. **Applications can be submitted at any time.**

Forestry Commission - Tree Health Pilot Scheme (focus on West Mids)

The Tree Health Pilot Scheme is testing ways to slow the spread of pests and diseases affecting trees in certain regions of England. Eligible trees include larch, spruce, sweet chestnut, oak, and ash affected by various diseases. The grants cover activities such as woodland management and tree maintenance. To be able to participate, the woodland needs to be located in North West England, the West Midlands or the South East and London. Applications can be made by individuals or groups. **Applications can be submitted at any time.**

The Barrow Cadbury Trust Grants Programme (Birmingham & Black Country)

Committed to supporting vulnerable and marginalised people in society. The Trust promotes social justice through grant making, research, influencing public opinion and policy and supporting local communities. Their work is divided into three programme areas: Criminal Justice - building evidence of effective interventions, primarily for young adults and women, at all stages of the criminal justice process; Migration - promoting an immigration system that is fair to both migrants and established residents; Economic Justice - supporting effective approaches to reducing economic and social injustice and assisting in building resilient communities. There is a particular focus on projects located in Birmingham and the Black Country. **Applications can be submitted at any time.**

Severn Trent Community Fund (East Midlands, West Midlands, South West)

Voluntary or community organisations in the Severn Trent Water region are eligible to apply to the £10 million Severn Trent Community Fund for funding to increase community wellbeing. This includes support for projects that help people to lead a healthier life and gain new skills; help to create better places to live in and use; and Projects that will help look after the natural environment, give people greater access to that environment or help look after water. Three sizes of grant available: £2,000 to £10,000 / £10,001 to £75,000 / £75,001 to £250,000

Who Can Apply: Charities / Organisations with a charitable purpose (not for profit status) / Publicly funded schools / Local authorities / Parish councils / Sports clubs

The proposed project must be located in the Severn Trent region and the community it is benefiting must be Severn Trent customers. **Open to applications at any time.**

UK/England wide:

Funding Available for Disabled Gardeners (UK)

Grants are available to individuals through to enable them to continue gardening despite advancing illness, age, or disability. To apply for a grant, individuals must provide a letter from their doctor or other healthcare professional indicating their disability and a copy of another official document e.g. PIP/Blue Badge certificate. The Trust offers various support measures, including adapting private gardens to meet the special needs of the disabled, making grants towards tools, raised beds, paving, and greenhouses. Preference will be given to keen gardeners who can no longer garden due to their physical disabilities. **No closing date and applications are reviewed every two months.**

National Community Lottery Fund: Reaching Communities Fund

The Reaching Communities programme has new priorities (since 1 April) which will help the funder to deliver its missions and create fairer, stronger, more resilient futures for communities - projects that: support places, people or communities experiencing poverty, disadvantage or discrimination; and support people and communities to shape the decisions that affect their lives. [Read more](#)

Bernard Sunley Foundation - Health Grants (England and Wales)

Aims to improve quality of life in England and Wales—especially for young, disadvantaged, and older people—by funding capital projects through its Health strand. Supports building works, new transport, and outdoor spaces for care homes, hospices, and similar facilities. Prioritises charities delivering excellent care. Offers small (£5,000 and under), medium (up to £20,000), and large (£20,000+) capital grants. **Applications are accepted year-round**; revenue costs are not funded.

The Matthew Good Foundation - Grants for Good (UK)

Aims to support small charities, not-for-profit groups and social entrepreneurs who are passionate about making a difference to people, their community or the environment. The Fund will share £15,000 between five shortlisted projects every three months, which will be voted for by John Good Group employees. The project that receives the most votes will receive a grant of £5,000, second place £3,500, third place £2,500 with fourth and fifth place both receiving £2,000. As well as established projects and charities, the Foundation wants to hear from people with innovative ideas that need some funding to get their projects up and running. **Closing date 15th June 2025.**

Hays Travel Foundation (UK)

Hays Travel Foundation was created in 2015. The foundation works with organisations that support people, who for one reason or another need help to achieve their potential. The foundations focus is on the following objectives: Education; Poverty; Health; Art's and Culture; Sport. Support is provided to registered charities working with young people under the age of 25 in an area where Hays Travel operates. **Closing date 22nd June 2025.**

Forestry Commission England Woodland Creation Offer (England)

England Woodland Creation Offer is one of a suite of Forestry Commission initiatives to support woodland creation and tree planting across England. Landowners, land managers and public bodies can apply to the England Woodland Creation Offer for support to create new woodland, including through natural colonisation, on areas as small as 1 hectare. The grant will cover standard capital costs for tree planting (up to a per hectare cap), as well as rewarding farmers and landowners for providing public and/or wider environmental benefits. **Closing date 30th June 2025.**

Wolfson Foundation – Funding for Charities Working in Mental Health (UK)

The Wolfson Foundation awards grants to support and promote excellence in education, science & medicine, the arts & humanities and health & disability. Through its Funding for Charities Working in Mental Health funding stream the Foundation aims to support organisations that are focused on mental illness. Grants are awarded towards capital projects with an emphasis on projects which focus on training, employment and supported housing. **Closing date 1st July 2025.**

Wolfson Foundation - Funding for Charities Working with Disability (UK)

Grants are awarded towards capital projects which encourage independence and the Foundation are particularly interested in projects which focus on training, employment and supported housing, especially when the project aids the transition from children's services to adults' services. **Closing date 1st July 2025.**

Blagrave Trust: Funding for Youth-led Organisations Working to Address Climate Injustice

Offers grants of £2,000 to £20,000 for projects running up to one year. This fund supports work led by young people (aged 16–30) or where young people have meaningful decision-making power.

Projects must be rooted in a specific place or community, and address themes including:

- Climate, environment, and nature connection
- Community engagement and power
- Health and wellbeing
- Creative expression and culture
- Care, healing, and justice

Applications are welcome from individuals, collectives, or organisations based in England. **Deadline to apply: 12 July 2025.**

Cycling UK - Big Bike Revival (England)

The Big Bike Revival aims to encourage adults to take up cycling for short, everyday journeys by providing free events that fix bikes, teach skills, lead rides, and promote cycling as a practical travel option. The programme targets adults who are returning to cycling, complete beginners, or those who do not cycle regularly. It aims to engage adults with diverse backgrounds, social, economic, or health needs. **The closing date for applications is 14th July 2025.**

The Warburton Foundation – Community Grants (England, Scotland & Wales)

Through the Community Grants scheme, the Foundation provides grants of up to £400 for projects that have a direct and tangible social impact on families and solve significant social issues in local communities. The scheme will support various activities that improve health, place, and skills for families in their community. Funding is administered by the Charities Aid Foundation and can be used to cover specific costs that will benefit the cause (eg. buying equipment to support an employability project). **The closing date for applications is 4th August 2025.**

Stanley Smith Horticultural Trust Grant (UK)

The Stanley Smith (UK) Horticultural Trust provides grants of up to £5,000 to promote horticulture; the conservation of the physical and natural environment by promoting biological diversity; the creation, development, preservation and maintenance of gardens (preference will normally, but not exclusively, be given to gardens accessible to the public); and the advancement of horticultural education. The type of activities funded include restoring gardens of historic interest; developing new gardens for public access and enjoyment; and gardeners' training schemes run by appropriate organisations; etc. **The closing date for applications is 15th August 2025.**

Inman Charity (UK)

Grants totalling £250,000 per year are available to registered charities in the UK for projects with a social welfare focus and those working with disadvantaged people. The Directors are particularly interested in supporting the following areas of charitable work: Medical research; care of the elderly; general welfare; hospices; the deaf and blind; care of the physically & mentally disabled; and the Armed Forces. **The closing date for applications is 31st August 2025.**

Woodland Trust - Free Trees (UK)

Free tree packs to give away to schools, community and youth groups, available for planting on one publicly accessible site. Packs will be awarded on a first come first serve basis. All applicants need to do is find a suitable site and supply the volunteer planters and tree protection. Tree packs for schools and communities offer the perfect opportunity to bring people together to plant trees - encouraging local wildlife, protecting our landscape against tree disease and creating beautiful wooded areas that people can enjoy for years to come. **Applications expected to close in August.**

The Kelly Family Charitable Trust (UK)

The Trust is interested in funding charities whose activities involve the whole family in initiatives that encourage and nurture a supportive structure within the family unit, and whose aims include the development of strong and supportive family bonds by helping all elements of the family unit to grow together and support each other. Applications are also welcomed from sports and health-related charities whose activities meet the trust's criteria. Grants of between £1,000 and £5,000 are available, but higher grants may be considered. **The closing date is 1st September 2025.**

Enovert Community Trust (UK)

An Environmental body which supports community and environmental projects. Providing funding to a broad range of projects that have a positive impact on local communities. The Trust is committed to supporting community and environmental projects across the UK. These include improving community halls, the creation of new play areas and skate parks, and restoring green spaces. Fundraising by applicants is looked upon favourably by the Trustees. Applicants will need to secure a 10% third party contribution which will be payable to Enovert Limited prior to the project commencing. **Closing date 5th September 2025.**

The Cruach Trust (UK)

The Trust has a preference for supporting gardeners, retired gardeners and for preserving gardens throughout the United Kingdom. Previous grants have been awarded to support horticultural apprenticeships; gardens, wildlife and the natural environment; music, the arts and cultural charities; medical research and support and to organisations working with children, the elderly and vulnerable. **The closing date for applications is 12th September 2025.**

Clothworkers' Foundation Grant Scheme - Main Grants Programme (UK)

The Clothworkers' Foundation aims to use its funding to improve the quality of life for people and communities that face disadvantage. The Main Grants Programme offers capital grants of over £1,000 and is open to charities with a turnover of under £15 million. The type of projects supported by the charity includes alcohol and substance misuse ; disability; disadvantaged young people; domestic and sexual violence, support for the elderly; homelessness; disadvantaged minority communities; helping prisoners and ex-offenders; visual impairment and textiles. **Applications can be submitted at any time.**

The Kirby Laing Foundation (UK)

Supports projects in Evangelical Christian faith, science and engineering education, youth development, dementia and stroke research, social/medical welfare, heritage preservation, arts access for young people, and overseas development. Offers small reactive grants (open to applications) and larger invitation-only grants. Most funding is for one-off capital needs or clearly defined projects not covered by statutory sources. **Applications accepted year-round.**

Denise Coates Foundation (England)

The Denise Coates Foundation was previously known as the bet365 Foundation and provides grants to registered charities in England to support their work locally, nationally or internationally. The Foundation provides funding of between £20,000 and £250,000 for charitable projects in the following areas: Health and Wellbeing; Education and Training; Medical research and development; Disaster recovery and emergency relief; Community Development; Arts and Culture. The trust does not currently maintain a website or email account. To apply, a formal application and presentation will need to be made to the Trustees. **Applications can be submitted at any time.**

Cadant Foundation (UK)

The Cadent Foundation, supported by Cadent Gas, offers grants to organisations focused on alleviating fuel poverty, promoting environmental sustainability, and supporting vulnerable people. The Foundation supports and works with charitable organisations to help households improve their financial wellbeing and become more energy efficient through advice, support and practical measures. **Applications can be submitted at any time.**

Alpkit Foundation Funding Opportunity (England)

Our trustees review applications every two months, offering small grants (£50-£500) to individuals, community groups, schools, and organisations. We fund projects that encourage outdoor activity, support environmental initiatives, promote wellbeing, and enhance outdoor education. Apply at least 3 months before your project starts. Multiple applications are welcome, provided they meet our funding criteria. We support:

- Outdoor participation & education (e.g., First Aid, Mountain Leader Training)
- Conservation & environmental projects
- Diversity, inclusion, and wellbeing initiatives

We do not fund holidays, charity challenges, or retrospective applications. **Apply at any time.**

The Health Lottery Foundation – opening to applications later in 2025.

Sign up to the mailing list if you would like to be kept informed about funding opportunities. If you are a voluntary organisation and you are working to improve the health and wellbeing of people in your community you should be able to apply, take our eligibility quiz to check. We are broad in the areas of work we support because we know that the causes of poor health, loneliness and social exclusion are complicated. This means the type of projects that improve health and wellbeing outcomes are more varied than we can imagine. We've outlined six areas we are interested in supporting; Chronic disease, Disability inequity, Healthcare IT, Health disparity, Preventative care, Young people.

Funds with no application deadline, carried over from previous month.

The Newby Trust - Social Welfare (UK)

The Newby Trust funds local, regional or national charities registered and operating in the UK within the broad categories of education, health and social welfare. Through the Social Welfare programme the Trust provides grants of up to £10,000 to improve people's quality of life in disadvantaged communities. Grants of between £2,000 and £10,000 are available. Provide small grants for short-term emergency relief, improve social support for disadvantaged groups and support cultural & physical activities to improve wellbeing. **Applications can be submitted any time.**

Parkinson's UK - Physical Activity Grants Programme (UK)

Helps fund community groups and organisations to offer more opportunities for people with Parkinson's to engage in physical activity. Grants of up to £3,000 are available to support new activities that encourage people affected by Parkinson's to participate in physical activity and sport or increase their participation in these areas. This could be anything fun that encourages people, particularly those from isolated and ethnic communities, to get moving such as a walking group, a dance class, or playing table tennis. **Applications can be submitted at any time.**

The Prospectory - Idea Fund (UK)

The 'I've got an Idea Fund' by The Prospectory supports individuals or small groups with innovative technological ideas that aim to deliver social or environmental benefits. Grants range from £250 to £3,000 and are for making and testing ideas. Only DIY projects are funded. **Applications can be submitted at any time.**

The Allen Lane Foundation - People with Mental Health Problems (UK)

To make a lasting difference to people's lives; reduce isolation, stigma and discrimination; and to encourage or enable unpopular groups to share in the life of the whole community. The Foundation aims to fund work benefitting people affected by mental health problems – lessening their isolation and feelings of stigma, improving wellbeing and promoting recovery, and enabling people to feel included in their local communities. The Foundation funds organisations that provide general services and activities to people with mental health conditions; as well as groups working with people affected by specific or particular issues – such as bipolar disorder, or depression, or self-harm, or eating disorders for example.

Applications can be submitted at any time.

ARC-Addington Discretionary Fund (England, Wales & Scotland)

One of the Farming Help charities which helps maintain the economic and social fabric of the farming community and offers grants to help viable farming businesses that experience financial hardship due to unforeseen and unexpected circumstances and have no other means of short term support. Examples include a sudden illness where paying extra staff may be a problem; extreme weather which has caused irreparable damage to crops or livestock or certain animal diseases which prevent you from moving or selling your stock. **Applications can be submitted at any time.**

Sport England - Movement Fund (England)

The Movement Fund by Sport England provides crowdfunding pledges, grants, and support for projects that aim to increase physical activity. Eligible projects can receive up to £15,000 to provide physical activity opportunities for the people and communities who need it the most. The grants can be used to cover a wide range of costs and items that will help deliver positive change, particularly for those facing barriers to activity. **Applications can be submitted at any time.**

The Crowdfunder Foundation (UK)

Supports community-driven projects through matched crowdfunding, focusing on social, environmental, and community initiatives. The Foundation aims to help individuals and organisations maximise their charitable contributions through crowdfunding. Particular emphasis is placed on local initiatives that tackle key social issues, such as poverty alleviation, nature recovery and regeneration, and supporting the growth of social enterprises. Philanthropists, high-net-worth individuals, trusts, foundations, and anyone looking to support community projects are eligible to receive the grant.

Applications can be submitted at any time.

Persimmon Community Champions (England, Scotland and Wales)

Persimmon Homes Charity Foundation is providing grant funding of up to £1000 to registered charities, clubs, schools and other organisations which have already raised vital funds themselves towards projects to enhance their local community. The type of projects supported to date have included support for foodbanks; projects within schools; and sports projects; etc. **Applications can be submitted at any time.**

Funding for Projects that Promote Better Understanding of the Environment and Countryside (UK)

UK based schools and not for profit organisations can apply for funding to the Nineveh Charitable Trust for a broad range of projects and activities that promote a better understanding of the environment and countryside, whilst facilitating improved access, education and research. Whilst the Trust does not specify a minimum or maximum grant amount that can be applied for, an analysis of previous grants would suggest a maximum of £5,000 per year for up to three years. Previous projects supported include Castlemilk Day Nursery which received a grant of £5,000 to build a multi-function shelter with provision for special needs teaching; and St Joseph's Specialist School & College, which received a grant of £4,000 towards a community garden expansion. **Applications can be submitted at any time.**

England's Community Forests: Trees for Climate grants (England)

Trees for Climate is a multi-million pound woodland creation programme. Trees for Climate is delivered by the 13 Community Forests across England, who have extensive experience in supporting landowners to establish and manage woodlands. Trees for Climate grant funding can cover the costs of woodland creation, fencing, paths and other infrastructure, and ongoing maintenance for up to 15 years. Design, planning and planting support from professional woodland advisors is also available. **Applications can be submitted at any time.**

Bernard Sunley Foundation Funding for Projects that Raise People's Quality of Life (England & Wales)

The Bernard Sunley Foundation aims to raise the quality of life in England and Wales, particularly for the young, disadvantaged and older people. Through the Health funding strand, the Foundation supports building and refurbishment projects, specialist new transport and the creation of outdoor or recreational spaces for care homes, hospices, day centres and other facilities that provide relief and sanctuary for patients, their families and those with special needs. The emphasis is on helping charities that are providing an excellent standard of care and support within their communities. There are large grants of £20,000 and above; medium grants of up to £20,000 and small grants of £5,000 and under. Funding is only available for capital items. Revenue costs are not funded.

Applications can be made at any time.

The Stobart Group Sustainability Fund (UK)

Applications need to be of a green, ecological or sustainability nature with the project benefiting the environment. For not-for-profit organisations, community groups, and educational facilities, such as schools and colleges, in transforming their local communities through projects that:

- tackle climate change
- reduce carbon emissions
- protect and enhance the environment

The fund aims to help educate communities on how they can make a difference by supporting diverse projects and initiatives making a positive change. Organisations are invited to specify the level of funding they require in their application. **No application deadline is given.**

Trusthouse Charitable Foundation (UK)

Grant making foundation that give grants to small and medium sized local organisations in the UK with a demonstrable track record of success working to address local issues in communities of extreme urban deprivation and deprived rural districts. Small grants programme provides funding of between £2,000 and £10,000 to charitable organisations with an income of less than £250,000 for projects that focus on Community Support. E.g. Community Services; Community Centres; Alternative Education; Training, mentoring, employment and volunteering opportunities; Youth; Counselling; Family Support Services; Substance Misuse. **Applications can be submitted at any time.**

Swire Charitable Trust (UK)

The Swire Charitable Trust makes grants to charities supporting some of the UK's most vulnerable people to overcome barriers and realise their potential, and to charities who are protecting the environment and heritage. **Applications can be submitted at any time.**

John Ellerman Foundation - Environment: People and Planet (UK)

Grants to charities that work to promote a healthier environment for both people and nature. The scheme prioritises projects that enhance ocean health through stronger marine protected areas and on land and in freshwater through sustainable management, habitat restoration, and landscape-scale conservation. The scheme also aims to address the impact of human activities like climate change and pollution on air, land, and water. **Applications can be submitted at any time.**

Biffa Award Main Grants Scheme (England, Wales and Northern Ireland)

Under this scheme, Biffa look to award grants to projects that provide or improve biodiversity, community spaces, cultural facilities, and places for outdoor recreation. The type of activities that could be funded could be to improve community buildings; site-based projects to protect and enhance a species or habitat; improving an open space such as a park, play area or woodland that needs transforming to benefit local people of all ages. Between £10,000 and £75,000 is available for projects of less than £200,000. Ten percent of the award needs to be third party sourced. **Applications can be submitted at any time**

HS2 Community and Environment Fund (England)

The HS2 Community and Environment Fund (CEF) has been established to offset the disruption caused to local communities throughout the construction phase of HS2. The aim of the CEF is to award grants of up to £75,000 to projects that will benefit communities along the route. Supported projects could include, for example: Pedestrian, equestrian or cycle access; landscape and nature conservation / enhancement; enhancement / replacement of sports and recreational facilities; refurbishment / re-use of historic buildings and monuments. Capital and revenue costs can be funded. **Applications can be submitted at any time.**

National Lottery Heritage Grants

Guidance and application forms to apply for a **National Lottery Heritage Grant** under their new **10-year strategy, Heritage 2033** have now launched on their website. Organisations can apply at any time for grants £10,000 - £250,000. To get feedback and advice before starting an application, applicants can submit a **Project Enquiry**. Organisations can also apply for grants £250,000 - £10million, but must first submit an **Expression of Interest** and, if successful, will be invited to apply. 4 **investment principles** guide all grant decision making and must take all principles into account:

- saving heritage
- protecting the environment
- inclusion, access and participation
- organisational sustainability

National Lottery Grant Schemes - The National Lottery has two regular community grant schemes which are ongoing (**no firm deadline**).

- **Awards for All**: Offers grants between £300 and £20,000 for up to 2 years.
- **Reaching Communities**: Offer grants from £20,001 for up to 5 years.

Both programmes fund projects or organisations that will do at least one of these things:

- bring people together to build strong relationships in and across communities.
- improve the places and spaces that matter to communities.
- help more people to reach their potential, by supporting them at the earliest possible stage.