

Sheffield City Council Grant Aid 2017-2020

Eligibility Criteria: Tackling Inequalities and Better Health & Wellbeing and Infrastructure Funds

Applications for Tackling Inequalities and Infrastructure grants can only be considered from organisations that meet the eligibility criteria below and are not excluded.

Organisations **must be**

- either a
 - Registered charity or,
 - Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) or,
 - Limited company with charitable status or
 - Industrial and provident society
- based in Sheffield or accountable at a local level within Sheffield to users, stakeholders or residents. Organisations with a registered base outside Sheffield must demonstrate how they are locally accountable in both service delivery and governance.
- in full compliance with the document filing requirements of the Charity Commission or Companies House.

Types of organisation not eligible for funding

- Other City Council departments.
- Public bodies such as Parish or Town Councils, hospitals or health bodies.
- Educational establishments including schools, universities and colleges.
- Registered social landlords.
- Businesses other than not for profit enterprises with charitable status
- Consultants.
- Arts organisations.
- Animal charities.
- Organisations whose core function is to provide training.
- Organisations whose annual turnover is under £10,000.

Types of activity or costs that will not be covered by a grant

Certain activities or costs cannot be met by a Tackling Inequality grant or an Infrastructure grant. If proposals are submitted that include ineligible costs or ineligible activity, either the application will be rejected or the ineligible costs will not be considered when considering a grant award

- Activity not in Sheffield
- Activities or services restricted to a particular geographical area of Sheffield rather than offered on a city wide basis or as part of a citywide offer.
- Activity not consistent with an organisation's stated charitable purposes
- Set up costs for new organisations
- Economic development and employment training activities.
- Activities aimed at promoting religious or political beliefs.
- Activities for children and young people.
- Activities that are a statutory obligation or replace statutory funding.
- Applications to support activity already being delivered by another organisation unless there is a clear need for additional capacity.
- Capital or equipment costs including works or repairs to buildings, community minibuses, etc.
- Festivals and any one off events.
- Costs already covered by another funder or income stream.
- Costs that appear to be unreasonably high.
- Costs which have already been incurred.
- Loans, debts or endowments.

Other reasons applications are unlikely to be successful

- Applicants with current unrestricted reserves equal to or more than 12 months running costs.
- Applications for less than £15,000
- Applications that are incomplete (i.e. with questions unanswered, requested documents not included, or with vague budgets) – if you cannot supply all the required information please state why in your application or phone us to discuss this prior to submitting your application.
- Applications that do not demonstrate existing effective measuring of client outcomes.

If you have any queries regarding these eligibility criteria and how these may affect your application please contact us to discuss this. Please read this information in conjunction with other information about the fund on our webpages.

Contact us by email to vsit@sheffield.gov.uk or by telephone on 273 4631.