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### 1. Business Support

#### 1.1 Northumberland County Council Business Support Hub

Northumberland County Council has an established Business Support Hub with a specialist team working hard to support businesses and employers through the Covid-19 pandemic. The Hub includes Government information and support available and is updated regularly.

For further information [click here](#)

#### 1.2 North East LEP - Growth Hub

The North East LEP Growth Hub provides information and support for businesses, including a Covid-19 toolkit. The North East Covid-19 Economic Response Group continues to support businesses plan for economic recovery.

For further details [click here](#)

#### 1.3 North of Tyne Growth Fund

Support for businesses looking to expand or establish new operations. The North of Tyne Growth Fund is a £4.6m programme of investment part-funded by ERDF that supports SME growth. You could be eligible for a grant of up to 30% of expenditure, if you are: a small or medium size business, planning capital investment of at least £134,000, expanding or establishing in Newcastle, North Tyneside or Northumberland.

For further information [click here](#)

### 2. Communities, Charities and Voluntary Organisations

#### 2.1 Funding for community based projects (UK and Overseas)

Grants on average of £5,000 are available to charities working at community level in the UK. Grant making activity is directed largely at supporting work at community level, this is concentrated on work that addresses issues around: Homelessness, Penal Affairs, Asylum Seekers. Hilden accepts applications at any time but the closing date for applications to be considered at the next meeting of Trustees is the 17th July 2020.

For further information [click here](#)

#### 2.2 Coronavirus Response and Recovery Fund - Community Foundation (Tyne & Wear and Northumberland)

Through the Coronavirus Response and Recovery Fund, the Community Foundation and its partners will support local charities and community organisations across Tyne & Wear and Northumberland respond to the outbreak and recover from its impact. Grants will go to small, local charities and community organisations that have previously been supported by the foundation. Grants will be focussed on those who work directly with vulnerable groups or their carers.

For further information [click here](#)

#### 2.3 Coronavirus Community Support Fund - National Lottery Community Fund (England)

The Government's new £200 million Coronavirus Community Support Fund has opened for applications. The fund which is being administered through the National Lottery Community Fund has two key objectives. To increase community support to vulnerable people affected by the COVID-19 crisis; and to reduce temporary closures of essential charities and social enterprises, ensuring services for vulnerable people impacted by COVID-19 have the financial resources to operate, and so reduce the burden on public services. Charities and not for profit organisations will be able to apply for grants of between £300 and £10,000 or for grants above £10,000. Decisions on funding will be made within weeks. Applications can be submitted at any time.

For further information [click here](#)

### 3. Young, Vulnerable, Elderly and Disadvantaged

#### 3.1 Covid-19 Next Steps Grant - Between £5,000 and £80,000

The Next Steps response programme designed to deliver support for children and young people affected by the Covid-19 pandemic. Eligible organisations will be able to apply for between £5,000 and £80,000 for work commencing in September 2020. Your organisation must be registered with the appropriate regulatory body, such as your nation's Charity Commission or Companies House (unless your organisation currently holds a BBC Children in Need grant).

For further information [click here](#)

#### 3.2 Funding for research and projects that address severe learning disabilities (UK)

Schools, voluntary organisations and charities can apply for grants to help both children and adults suffering severe learning difficulties. The grants can be used to purchase capital equipment, support capital works as well as covering project and core costs such as staff costs, general running and office costs. The next deadline for applications seeking funding in excess of £10,000 is the 1st August 2020. Applications for £10,000 and below can be submitted at any time.

For further information [click here](#)

### 4. Education

#### 4.1 School Funding: Exceptional costs associated with Coronavirus (Covid-19)

The Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) has set out the additional financial support it has put in place to ensure schools can focus on the vital role they are playing during the coronavirus pandemic. It covers support for schools up to the end of the 2019 to 2020 summer term. Mainstream schools will be eligible to claim up to £75,000 (depending on the number of pupils). Special schools and alternative provision will be able to claim up to £50,000. Claims must be submitted by the 21 July 2020 deadline.

For further information [click here](#)

### 5. Sport, Leisure and Tourism

#### 5.1 Small theatres improvement grants available (UK)

Capital grants of up to £5,000 are available to small Theatres across England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland to help fund urgent building repairs, environmental improvements or to improve physical accessibility. Applications can be made by small independent, commercial, subsidised and amateur theatres and open-air venues run by charities and not-for-profit groups. The closing date for applications to the Theatres Trust is noon on the 5th October 2020.

For further information [click here](#)

### 6. Transport, Energy and Industry

#### 6.1 Funding to accelerate the green economic recovery in Transport, Energy and Industrial sectors (England)

Businesses of any size can apply for a share of £15 million to accelerate the green economic recovery in transport, energy and industrial sectors from Covid-19. Funding comes from the UK Government's Industrial Strategy Challenge Fund Driving the Electric Revolution Challenge. The Challenge aims to accelerate the UK's ability to deliver; next generation electric vehicles, hybrid aircraft, energy generation, smart grids, robotics & industrial drives, consumer products, low-carbon off-highway vehicles for construction and agriculture, low-carbon maritime and rail supporting the realisation of Net Zero targets through clean innovation. The deadline for applications is 11am on the 29th July 2020.

For further information [click here](#)

#### 6.2 Local Digital C-19 Challenge - Ministry for Housing and Local Government (England)

The Ministry for Housing and Local Government has made funding of up to £800,000 available for data and digital projects to help local authorities in England to combat the challenges as a direct result of COVID-19 and to respond to the need for digital and data-enabled approaches to council operations post-COVID-19. The fund will be open for applications between the 1st and 15th July 2020.

For further information [click here](#)

### 7. Rural and Environment

#### 7.1 Covid-19 Equine Rescues Emergency Fund - Petplan Charitable Trust (UK)

Grants of up to £5,000 are available to help small and medium-sized charitable equine welfare organisations which have experienced unprecedented financial and operational challenges as a result of the coronavirus crisis. The Petplan Charitable Trust has joined together with World Horse Welfare and the National Equine Welfare Council (NEWC) to create a Covid-19 Equine Rescues Emergency Fund to help smaller equine welfare organisations whose primary focus is the rescue and rehoming of equines. The deadline for the first round of applications is the 24th July 2020.

For further information [click here](#)

#### 7.2 Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs (England)

Dairy Farmers in England can apply for government funding of up to £10,000 each to help them overcome the impact of the coronavirus pandemic. The aim of the fund is to support those most in need due to a decrease in demand for their products as bars, restaurants and cafes have been forced to close.

For further information [click here](#)

#### 7.3 Zoo Support Fund - Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs (England)

The Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs has announced a new £14 million fund to support Zoos and Aquariums in England in response to financial losses incurred due to Covid-19. Establishments covered by the Zoo Licensing Act will be able to bid for grants of up to £100,000 through the Zoo Support Fund.

For further information [click here](#)

### Looking for funding?

Northumberland County 4 Community is a user-friendly and professional community funding database for Northumberland which has already helped secure millions of pounds worth of support to the area.

It is an online funding database and a step-by step process which enables you to identify and select funding schemes and awards that are appropriate to your project, and:

- a convenient one-stop-shop of funding information.
- an information source with thousands of funding schemes including grants, loans and awards from local, regional and national UK government, European funding, charitable trusts and corporate sponsors.
- content ranging from modest community funds at one end of the spectrum to major, multilevel European initiatives at the other.

To access Northumberland County 4 Community you must register some basic details. Northumberland County Council funds this service, and partners and community users can access this free of charge. Registration will give you immediate, free and unrestricted access to the comprehensive database of funding opportunities and business advice services. You can browse or search for funding, generate reports, access news items in full and set up alerts to receive updates regarding suitable funding opportunities.

To register as a user - [click here](#)

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1. Simply browse the overview to each fund
2. If anything catches your interest? Simply click on the **click here** link at the end of the paragraph or the **active hyperlink** and this will take you directly to the funders website
3. You can then view and print any information from there

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