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1. Grants to Support Children's Health and Education
The next deadline for applications to the DM Thomas Foundation Central Grants Programme is the 5 February 2020. The Foundation distributes a total of around £200,000 per quarter. Grants of up to £30,000 are available per year for up to two years to registered charities for projects that improve education and health for young people in three key areas:

- Children and young people with disabilities
- Children and young people who are sick in hospital
- Children and young people who are life limited (requiring palliative care)

The Foundation is a small charity and generally will not make awards of over £30,000 (per year). Funding can be requested for one-off projects or for up to 2 years work. Applications from schools and hospitals are welcomed as long as they are made through an appropriate registered charity. If favoured, grant applications for up to £5,000 can be approved by the Director, up to £10,000 can be approved by the Grants Committee, and applications for more than £10,000 are recommended to the Trustees for final approval. To be redirected to the funders website click [here](#)

2. The Japan Society Small Grants Programme
Educational establishments such as schools and colleges, as well as community-based organisations that wish to develop projects and events that promote an understanding of Japan and Japanese culture are able to apply for funding through the Japan Society's Small Grants programme. The awards support projects with an education or youth focus. Most awards are of £1,000 or less and should not, in principle, cover more than 50% of the total budget. Applications may be made at any time and applicants are informed of the decision within 4 weeks of receipt of the application. The Japan Society Small Grants give priority to projects:

- Which enhance understanding and awareness of Japan and its culture
- With an education or youth focus
- Which include an element of participation
- Which focus on the local community or take place in the regions

Applications may be made throughout the year; there are no deadlines. In most cases, decisions will be reached within one month or receipt of the application. To be redirected to the funders website click [here](#)

3. Building Resilient Local Economies
The next deadline for applications to the Friends Provident Foundation - Building Resilient Economies programme is 12 noon on the 20 January 2020. The programme aims to build a more resilient, fairer and sustainable economic system. Grants in the past have been up to £200,000 to cover capital or revenue funding, core costs or project costs. Activities funded will fit closely with the aims of the Foundation and deliver one of two key outcomes. These are:

- Systems Change
- Local Economic Resilience

Under 'Systems Change' the Foundation will be looking to support projects that develop and demonstrate methods that will effectively change policy and corporate behaviours in pursuit of wider social objectives. Under 'Local Economic Resilience' the Foundation is looking to support projects that share learning about effective ways for communities to create more sustainable economic systems and retain more of the value generated. This might include creating community assets or new approaches to local finance. To be redirected to the funders website click [here](#)

4. Funding for Community Radio Stations
The UK's telecommunications regulator has announced that the Community Radio Fund has been re-opened for applications until 5pm on the 5 November 2019. The Fund has been established to help support the core costs of running licensed community radio stations. Grants can be awarded to support:

- Management
- Fundraising to support the station
- Administrative support
- Financial management & reporting
- Community outreach

- Volunteer organisation and support.

Grants are available to support the funding of initiatives that are a broadcasting under a community radio licence. Grant awards in the past have ranged from £2,160 up to £19,717 with the average grant being £14,292. To be redirected to the funders website click [here](#)

5. The Rank Foundation – Pebble Grants Programme
Registered charities and recognised churches which are raising money for capital projects (building work, refurbishment or the purchase of long-term equipment) or a one-off short term activity (such as an annual respite break or holiday for disadvantaged young people) can apply for funding through the Rank Foundation – Pebble Grants programme. To be eligible to apply the total project cost must be less than £1 million, the organisation must have an annual income of less than £500,000 and the organisation applying must have the funds raised at the total costs. Applications can be submitted at any time and the Foundation currently accepts applications for the January 2020 meeting of Trustees. Organisations can only apply once every 12 months regardless of the outcome of their application. To be redirected to the funders website click [here](#)

6. Royal Society of Chemistry – Outreach Fund Small Grants Scheme
Individuals and organisations such as researchers, museums, schools, community groups, not-for-profit organisations, arts groups and libraries can apply for grants of up to £10,000 to run chemistry-based events and activities for public audiences and in schools. Applications for school's engagement activities should demonstrate how the proposed activities will:

- Enrich students' chemistry education and not solely deliver the curriculum
- Provide students with opportunities to explore chemistry through local contexts,
- Demonstrate career opportunities and develop employability skills,
- Provide opportunities which would not normally be accessible to the students taking part, e.g. for hard-to-reach student audiences.

Applications for public engagement activities should demonstrate how the proposed activities will:

- Increase chemists' visibility as approachable people
- Increase the public's confidence in discussing chemistry
- Demonstrate the relevance of chemistry to everyday interests and concerns.

The Outreach Fund is split into two categories: small grants - up to £2,000 and large grants - between £2,000 and £10,000. The closing date for both the small and large grants schemes is the 13 January 2020. To be redirected to the funders website click [here](#)

7. Grants of up to £50,000 per Year Available to Support Disadvantaged Children
Registered charities can now apply for funding of up to £50,000 per annum for 1, 2 or 3 years for projects that work with some of the most disadvantaged 0-3-year olds. Grants provided will support work which improves the life chances for young children by investing in early intervention and preventative work. The funding has been made available by the Sylvia Adams Charitable Trust and previously supported projects have included:

- Funding to investigate peri-natal mental health interventions
- Funding for a Nursery School learning mentor
- And a project to fund a specialist Family Engagement Worker at a women's prison.

The closing date for applications in this round is the 15 November 2019. To be redirected to the funders website click [here](#)

8. Funding for Artists to Develop their Artistic Practice
The next funding round of the Arts Council England's Developing your Creative Practice programme has re-opened for applications. Arts Council England is looking for exciting, ambitious proposals that allow applicants to take that important next step in the way they make their work. Applicants are encouraged to consider their long-term needs and proposals can cover research or research-led development or building skills through international exchanges, residencies and other opportunities.

- Creative media and the wider creative industries e.g. film or audio, design or gaming
- Technology, including digital technology e.g. virtual reality or live streaming
- Other non-arts organisations or settings e.g. residential-care providers, or a science organisation
- Other non-arts cultural forms or sectors e.g. health and wellbeing, social inclusion, heritage or sport

This fund is only open to individuals over the age of 18 years who:

- Are living and working in England
- Have three years' creative practice experience outside a formal education context
- Are working in Arts Council England's supported disciplines i.e. they will be dancers, choreographers, writers, translators, producers, publishers, editors, musicians, conductors, composers, actors, directors, designers, artists, craft makers, and curators.

Awards of £2,000 - £10,000 are made through applications rounds. Funded project activities can last up to one year. The closing date for applications is 12 pm on the 14 November 2019. To be redirected to the funders website click [here](#)

9. Funding for Music Making Projects for Young People in Challenging Circumstances
Schools as well as other not-for-profit organisations can apply for grants to fund developmental music-making projects for children and young people in challenging circumstances as well as for projects that support the development of the workforce, organisations and the wider music making sector. The funding is being made available through Youth Music, England's largest children's music charity, which provides funding for music-making projects. Youth Making's funding programme is made up of two separate funds. These are:

- Fund A, which offers small grants (£2,000 to £30,000) for high quality music-making projects
- Fund B offers medium-sized grants (30,001 - £150,000 per year for up to two years) for larger programmes of work.

In applying for funding schools will have to justify how the activities to be funded do not duplicate Department of Education funding. The closing dates for applications to Fund A is 5pm on the 6 December 2019 and Fund B 5pm on the 8 November 2019. To be redirected to the funders website click [here](#)

10. Funding Available to Improve Air Quality
The Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs has announced that Local Authorities can apply the latest round of funding to help local authorities improve air quality across England. Since it was established, the Air Quality Grant scheme has awarded more than £91 million for a variety of projects, benefiting schools, businesses and residents, reducing the impact on people's health and creating cleaner, healthier environments. Local authorities are encouraged to bid for a portion of at least £2 million of central government support for a wide range of projects to improve air quality. Applications in previous years have been awarded funding to install electric vehicle charging points, improve cycling infrastructure and develop local online air quality resources. Priority will be given to local authorities where Defra's national air quality assessment identified and/or projected an exceedance. Priority will also be given to local authorities that have one or more Air Quality Management Areas (AQMAs). To be redirected to the funders website click [here](#)

11. Community Shares Booster Programme
Funding is available from the £3million Community Shares Booster programme which is being managed by Power to Change. This is an independent charitable trust that supports and develops community businesses in England. The programme provides existing community businesses that are either planning to make or have recently launched community shares offers with match funding of up to £100,000 in equity investment made on equal terms with the community shareholders. Development grants of up to £10,000 are also available to help societies get investment ready and meet standards of good practice. Applications are particularly welcome from areas in greater need (in the top 30% of Index of Multiple Deprivation) and will be accepted until December 2020. To be redirected to the funders website click [here](#)

12. Funding to Integrate the Armed Forces into their Local Community
Grants of up to £20,000 are available for projects that help integrate Armed Forces and civilian communities, and/or deliver valuable physical services to the Armed Forces Community. Local authorities are encouraged to bid for a portion of at least £2 million of central government support for a wide range of projects to improve air quality. Applications in previous years have been awarded funding to install electric vehicle charging points, improve cycling infrastructure and develop local online air quality resources. Priority will be given to local authorities where Defra's national air quality assessment identified and/or projected an exceedance. Priority will also be given to local authorities that have one or more Air Quality Management Areas (AQMAs). To be redirected to the funders website click [here](#)

13. Teacher Development Fund Opens for Applications
The Paul Hamlyn Foundation has announced that the Teacher Development Fund (TDF) has re-opened for applications. Through the TDF, primary schools working in partnership with other primary schools as well as arts/cultural organisations can apply for grants of up to £150,000 to develop the necessary skills, knowledge and confidence to support the delivery of effective arts-based teaching and learning opportunities in the classroom, and to embed learning through the arts in the curriculum. Applications should focus on:

- Primary schools
- Supporting children and young people experiencing disadvantage
- Approaches which involve learning through the arts
- Long-term, inquiry-based projects which support teachers' professional development and learning
- Profiting effective and equitable partnerships between schools and arts/cultural organisations and artist practitioners
- The contributions of school leaders and artist practitioners as both professional learners and as supporters of embedding learning through the arts in the curriculum

Approaches which involve any of the following art forms: crafts; creative writing, including poetry; dance; design; film; music; opera; photography; digital arts and media; theatre and drama; the visual arts; and cross-arts practices.

The Foundation expect to make around six grants to partnerships of arts/cultural organisations and up to ten schools, who will work together for two academic years. The closing date for applications is 12 noon on the 29 November 2019. To be redirected to the funders website click [here](#)

14. Funding of up to £5,000 Available to Tackle Problems within Families
Registered charities whose activities support and encourage the family to work as a cohesive unit in tackling problems that face one or more of its members can apply for grants of between £1,000 and £5,000 for research projects undertaken as a result of a request for support from the Family Charitable Trust. The trust will consider both capital and revenue grants. The Trust is happy to support requests for core funding as well as project-based grants, and actively encourages applications from relatively new organisations to help them become established. The three areas of activity that the charity wishes to support are:

- Interventions that support families and help them in ways that prevent the fracture of the family unit, e.g. practical family support, relationship counselling, mediation
- Families where sexual abuse, physical abuse, domestic violence, alcohol abuse and drug abuse threaten the integrity of the family unit
- Prisoners and in particular their families, during and after the period of imprisonment.

The trust prefers to support charities whose income is below £500,000. However, larger charities with the pioneering pilot projects will be considered. The next closing date for applications is the 1 March 2020. To be redirected to the funders website click [here](#)

15. Grants Available to Develop New and More Efficient Ways to Produce Food
The Government has announced that up to £20 million of grant funding is available to businesses to develop new and more efficient ways to produce the UK's food. The Industrial Strategy Challenge Fund Transforming Food Production Challenge will invest in large-scale and ambitious projects that help UK food production break out of a traditional land-based model and move towards a sustainable position of net-zero emissions. Areas of work could include:

- Indoor growing systems
- Aquaculture
- New food sources such as insects and fermentation-based systems.

The project's total eligible costs must be greater than £1 million but less than £10 million and must start by 1 July 2020 and end by 31 March 2023. The closing date for applications is the 22 January 2020. To be redirected to the funders website click [here](#)

16. Grants to Support Action for Marine Conservation
Sea-Change provides grants of up to £600 (£1,000 in exceptional circumstances) to a range of marine conservation charities and not for profit organisations. The projects funded will achieve one or more of the following objectives:

- To address the root causes of marine conservation threats and challenges in the UK
- To prevent or reduce negative impacts on UK coastal and marine environments and / or species
- To add to the body of knowledge about marine conservation threats and challenges in the UK.

Sea-Change is particularly interested in grassroots projects which galvanise community action and in projects which increase the number of people taking action for marine conservation and marine conservation education. The trust is particularly at an early stage of support for funding projects that help to build up the amount of funding available to help build up marine databases when completed. The next closing date for applications is the 31 March 2020. To be redirected to the funders website click [here](#)

17. Co-operative Bank - Customer Donation Fund
Organisations such as Registered Charities, Community Interest Companies, Co-operatives and Credit Unions, etc. that have a Community Directplus account with the Co-operative Bank have until the 31 March 2020 to apply for funding of up to £1,000 from the Customer Donation Fund. The money can be used to support special projects and fundraising activities. If you are a Community Directplus account holder are eligible to apply. To be redirected to the funders website click [here](#)

18. B&Q Community Reuse Scheme
DIY store B&Q operates a community re-use scheme through all its branches, the scheme donates unsellable products and materials for re-use by local schools, other educational institutions and community groups, for the benefit of the local community and the environment. All items are donated on the understanding that they will be re-used or disposed of responsibly if they are not used. Eligible groups include community garden projects, registered charities, schools and colleges, youth groups, Scouts and Guides, hospices, preschool groups and registered child minders. B&Q also works with Community Repeat, a network of schemes that collects any surplus, re-usable paint and redistributes it within their communities to individuals and families on low income, charities and community groups. Charities, individuals and families or schools interested should get in touch with B&Q and B&Q will refer them to the appropriate details of their database of community groups. When a B&Q store has something to donate, they will use this list to get in touch with groups in their area. To be redirected to the funders website click [here](#)

19. Phase Two of the Community Housing Fund Opens for Applications
Homes England has announced that Phase Two of the Community Housing Fund is open for applications until the 31 December 2019. The fund is making £163m available for affordable homes across England. Eligible applicants include community-led groups that want to deliver new affordable housing communities. Local authorities and registered housing providers may apply on behalf of community groups to support them through this process. Phase Two bidding is now open for capital grants to fund the costs of acquiring land and building community-led affordable housing schemes. To be redirected to the funders website click [here](#)

20. Grants of up to £5,000 Available for Local Community Projects
The Charities Aid Foundation has announced that the Tourle Foundation Fund is open for applications. The CAF Tourle Foundation Fund seeks to award grants of up to £5,000 to local charitable organisations delivering services for local people. An example would be a charitable organisation set up by the community in a village, providing services to older people in isolation; a small community group on an estate providing drop in sessions for teenagers etc. To be eligible to apply, organisations must be able to evidence that the project will be delivered to local people and have an annual income of below £75,000. The closing date for applications is midnight on the 11 November 2019. To be redirected to the funders website click [here](#)

21. £1 Million Available to Help Rough Sleepers this Winter
Grants of up to £250,000 are available to frontline organisations to help end rough sleeping and to provide longer term solutions for people that are sleeping rough. Grants are available to provide additional accommodation during the period 1 December 2019 to the 31 March 2020 and / or to enhance the support provided in existing commissioned shelters to help rough sleepers secure a long-term move-on from shelters. This could include applications for training and workforce development or similar activities that enhance the quality of support provided in shelters. The funding is being made available through the £1 million Cold Weather Fund and is available to charitable organisations that are currently providing support for rough sleepers. The closing date for applications is the 9 December 2019. To be redirected to the funders website click [here](#)

22. Funding Available to Celebrate the Windrush Generation
Councils and community groups have the opportunity to bid for funding to hold their own local events to celebrate and commemorate the positive impact of the Windrush Generation on modern Britain. A total of £500,000 is available for bids from charities and community groups. Grants of £2,500 and up to £25,000 will be awarded for innovative, active community engagement projects making a positive impact in at least one of three areas: celebration, commemoration and education. The funding is being made available through the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government and the closing date for applications is the 8 December 2019. To be redirected to the funders website click [here](#)

23. Funding for Research and Projects that Address Severe Learning Disabilities
The Baily Thomas Charitable Fund is a registered charity which was established to provide both research and project funding in the area of severe learning difficulties, including autism for both children and adults. Grants are made to cover capital projects and core costs to include staff costs, general running and office costs at charitable organisations, schools and centres. Projects funded include:

- Capital works for residential, nursing and respite, care, and schools
- Employment schemes including woodwork, crafts, printing and horticulture
- Play schemes and play therapy schemes
- Day and social activities centres including building costs and running costs
- Support for families, including respite schemes
- Independent living schemes
- Support in the community schemes
- Snoezelen rooms.

Applications will only be considered from voluntary organisations which are registered charities or are associated with a registered charity. Schools and Parent Teacher Associations and Sunday Schools are not eligible. Any charity can also apply. The next deadline for applications seeking funding in excess of £10,000 is the 1 January 2020. To be redirected to the funders website click [here](#)

24. Funding to Promote Public Engagement and Teaching of Microbiology
The Microbiology Society has announced that grants of up to £1000 are available for a variety of educational outreach activities to promote public engagement with microbiology. Funding is available to support relevant science teaching or promotion initiatives, or to support developments likely to lead to an improvement in the teaching of any aspect of microbiology. Full Concessionary or Postgraduate Student Members of the Microbiology Society can apply under the Microbiology Society Education and Outreach Grants Programme. Funding is available for talks, workshops, demonstrations, posters, leaflets, broadcasts, activities at the non-traditional or audio-visual or computer-based packages. Applications relating to the teaching of any aspect of microbiology in primary, secondary or tertiary (including postgraduate) education will be considered. There are two funding rounds each year, the next closing date for applications is the 15 April 2020. To be redirected to the funders website click [here](#)

25. Cure Parkinson's Trust Grant
Commercial organisations, appropriately qualified scientists or clinicians based in an accredited university or hospital in any country worldwide can now apply for funding for laboratory or clinical research projects. Projects should have the potential to advance knowledge that might lead to a cure for Parkinson's disease or that represent a substantial advance in treatment. The Cure Parkinson's Trust has a particular interest in projects that show the potential to delay, slow, stop, reverse or prevent the progression of Parkinson's disease, and £5,000 of the research project costs can be used to fund a meeting or previous awards have been between £50,000 and £250,000 with a duration of 1-3 years. Applications are considered four times a year, the next deadline for applications is the 12 December 2019. To be redirected to the funders website click [here](#)

26. Equipment Grants for Disabled and Disadvantaged Young People
Schools and not for profit organisations have the opportunity to apply for funding through the Wooden Spoon Society's Capital Grants programme. Wooden Spoon is the British and Irish Rugby charity which supports projects help mentally, physically disadvantaged children. Each year the charity supports around 70 projects. Through the programme funding is available for:

- Buildings and extensions
- Equipment & activity aids
- Sensory room fits and upgrades
- Playgrounds and sports areas
- Soft playroom

If a project is educational or disability sports-focused, there must be a key rugby element to engage children and young people. Applications can be made at any time. To be redirected to the funders website click [here](#)

27. Funding for Sensory Equipment for Schools that Cater for Pupils with Special Education Needs
SEN Schools can apply for grants of up to £5,000 to enable them to purchase a range of sensory equipment to help enhance the pupils' experience at school. To be eligible schools need to cater for young people under the age of 19 who have a physical/sensory learning disability. Schools that cater for socially disadvantaged children or mainstream schools for children with behavioural problems are unable to apply. The funding is being made available through the Jean Sainsbury Animal Welfare Trust and is available to support the teaching of any aspect of microbiology in primary, secondary or tertiary (including postgraduate) education will be considered. There are two funding rounds each year, the next closing date for applications is the 15 April 2020. To be redirected to the funders website click [here](#)

28. Funding for Young Athletes
Talented able bodied and disabled British track and field athletes between 15 and 23 years old that are in financial need can now apply for funding from the Ron Pickering Memorial Fund. The fund exclusively supports young and deserving applicants in the sport of Athletics. Since the fund was introduced a total of £2million has been awarded in small but significant grants to several thousands young British Athletes. Each grant is designed to make a significant impact, helping the recipients make their transition from junior to senior level and to help them to continue to excel in their sport. The fund provides an opportunity to help build the athletes' confidence and self-esteem through recognition. No minimum or maximum funding amounts are specified. The closing date for applications is the 30 November 2019. To be redirected to the funders website click [here](#)

29. Funding for Community Cohesion Projects
The Allen Lane Foundation's Social Cohesion Programme, provides funding to support local communities in breaking down barriers and reduce tensions between different groups of people, and help to build a more cohesive and inclusive community. The aim of the funding is to:

- Proactively work towards building better community cohesion and trust, and encouraging respect and understanding in the local area
- Focus on the needs of marginalised or marginalised groups and individuals in the life of the local community
- Fund work which breaks down barriers and tensions in the local community thereby reducing feelings of division and 'them and us'

The Foundation is seeking applications from community-led grassroots groups and organisations which have a focus of work being at a very local community level, which could be a housing estate or distinct community. The Foundation is particularly concerned about divisions in communities that occurred around the 2016 Referendum and subsequently. Applications will be particularly encouraged from areas of high deprivation but not exclusively and the Foundation is keen to support communities in coming up with their own solutions to local issues of division. New initiatives, those that may have been tried before or are on-going, are considered as long as the work has lasting benefits for those people the projects are aimed at. Applications may be submitted at any time. To be redirected to the funders website click [here](#)

30. Asda Foundation Grants for Local Community Projects
The Asda Foundation is committed to developing stronger, better connected, sustainable communities. The Significant Local Community Projects programme allows colleagues to nominate initiatives which will make a real long-term difference, benefiting the wider community and transforming communities to improve lives locally. Awards are typically made to projects where:

- The charity or good cause has developed a relationship with the local store or home office at a grassroots level
- The work will tackle the underlying problems in the local community
- Community needs and aspirations are evident in the development of the project
- The project benefits the wider community not just a single user group
- There is a need for this facility locally
- It will make a real long-term difference and will transform the community, improving the lives of those who live there.

Grants awarded have previously ranged from £2,600 – £32,000 although no minimum or maximum grant award of £10,000 is set. Any charity group can apply for funding to support their local store or home office. To be eligible for their project to be funded the Community Champion would be willing to support. Applications can be submitted at any time. To be redirected to the funders website click [here](#)

31. New £10 Million Fund Launched to Improve Rugby League Facilities
A new fund has been launched which is dedicated to improving the environments where Rugby League takes place; giving people more and better opportunities to engage with the game and to get active. The RLWC2021 Capital Grants Programme will invest in facilities and equipment that create environments that are accessible, welcoming and build a legacy of the 2021 tournament in local communities and will aim to invest in projects that offer opportunities for people from all different backgrounds to be active, across the men's, women's and wheelchair Rugby League games. Schools can apply but the facilities will be funded up to £50,000 for each site. There are two levels of funding available:

- Small-scale awards of up to £15,000 and
- Large-scale awards in excess of £15,000.

Applications can be submitted at any time up until 23 October 2021 and decisions will be made approximately every 12 weeks. To be redirected to the funders website click [here](#)

32. EdTech Demonstrator Schools and Colleges Programme
The Department for Education has announced the launch of the EdTech Demonstrator schools and colleges programme. The programme aims to identify Demonstrator schools and colleges who are using technology effectively, and who are keen to share their experience and support other providers. This may include:

- Offering support and guidance on the effective use of technology to help reduce teacher workload
- Help create efficiencies
- Improve accessibility and inclusion
- Support excellent teaching and learning

Applications for funding are available for £150,000 of grant funding are welcome from state funded primary and secondary schools and colleges working with 16 to 19-year olds. The level of funding made available to each Demonstrator will vary depending on the intensity of proposed activity and number of schools/colleges each provider will support. The closing date for applications is the 22 November 2019. To be redirected to the funders website click [here](#)

33. Funding of Up to £10,000 Available to Tackle Social Deprivation
Registered charities exempted or excepted organisations can now apply for up to £10,000 of funding for core costs and charitable activities that:

- Ease social deprivation
- Enrich the fabric of the local community and the quality of life of individuals within that community.

The funding is being made available from the 1989 William Charitable Trust which, with the help of the Community Foundation, The Trustees are invited to prioritise projects for which the funding will represent a significant contribution to the delivery of the project. Grants here will not generally exceed £1,500. Projects that draw on the region's rich maritime tradition to deliver improvements in local quality of life or address deprivation. Gap year voluntary work through Project Trust. Grants are limited to a maximum of £500 towards expenses in undertaking a voluntary placement. Applicants must normally reside in the North East region. The closing date for applications in this round of funding is the 2 December 2019. To be redirected to the funders website click [here](#)

34. Idelwild Trust Announces Next Application Deadline
The Idelwild Trust has announced that the next closing date for applications to its grant-making programme is the 19 February 2020. The Idelwild Trust supports charities that help young people in their careers and supporting the conservation of important works of art and objects that are being lost through the lack of funds to look after these works. The Trust awards around £120,000 each year in grants and makes grants of up to £5,000. To be redirected to the funders website click [here](#)

35. New £16 Million Fund Launched to Train Thousands More Customs Experts
HM Revenue and Customs has launched a new £16 million fund to help businesses train staff in making customs declarations, and to help businesses who support others to trade goods to invest in IT. This is to ensure that trade with the EU continues as smoothly as possible after Brexit on 31 October 2019. Customs agents currently help businesses who trade outside the EU. This funding will help increase the capacity of the sector as businesses will need to invest in IT to consider the impact of the UK's leading trade experts and automation for the after-Brexit. Businesses based in, or with a branch in, the UK can apply for funding ahead of the EU leaving the EU. Grants can be used to support:

- Training costs for businesses who complete customs declarations, or who intend to in the future
- Funding for IT investment, which is available to small and medium sized employers who are currently involved in trade as an intermediary.

To ensure maximum impact, the second wave of the grant scheme allows businesses to apply for the full cost of training, within certain limits as set out in the guidance. Applications will close on the 31 January 2020. To be redirected to the funders website click [here](#)

36. Grants to Support Animal Welfare Charities
The objectives of the Jean Sainsbury Animal Welfare Trust are to donate to UK registered charities for the benefit of: **Animals**

- Benefit of or for: **Animals**
- Relieve animals from suffering
- Conserve wildlife
- Encourage the understanding of animals.

Registered charities that have independently examined up to date annual accounts and an active re-homing and rehabilitation policy for animals taken into care are eligible to apply. Organisations involved with the conservation of wildlife, the rescue, rehabilitation, and (where possible) release of animals are also eligible to apply. The funding can be used for general running costs or capital purchases. The maximum donation is £35,000. The Trust may award smaller donations between the meetings at the discretion of the Chairman and Administrator of the Trust. The next deadline to apply is the 15 January 2020. To be redirected to the funders website click [here](#)

37. IUK Pre-Call: Commercialising Quantum Technology: Technology Projects
Innovate UK (IUK) is funding the commercialisation of quantum technologies in the UK, with the aim of increasing private sector investment in the research, development and manufacture of the resulting hardware, software and services. IUK has now announced the launch of a competition, funded through the Industrial Strategy Challenge Fund (ISCF) that aims to remove technological barriers to speed up the commercialisation of quantum technologies in the UK and increase private sector investment in the research, development and manufacture of the resulting hardware, software and services. Projects must focus on one or more of the following technical barriers:

- Connectivity: techniques for securing data in storage and in flight.
- Situational awareness: autonomous systems, sensors and detectors for the built environment, transport and infrastructure; and imaging and sensing to 'see things currently invisible'.

Computing: transformational computers for solving intractable problems. Projects must start between 1st and 30th March 2020, and start by the end of September 2020. IUK has allocated up to £20 million to fund innovation projects in this competition. A project's total eligible costs must be between £4 million and £20 million, and the total grant requested must be below £10 million. The competition dates are as follows:

- Phase 1 open: Monday 28 October 2019
- Phase 1 closing date: Wednesday 27 November 2019 (12:00)
- Phase 2 open: Monday 9 December 2019
- Phase 2 open: Wednesday 5 February 2020.

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38. Funding for New Approaches to Preventing Harm from Substance Misuse
Grants are available for work that focuses on helping to