

## Funding e-bulletin

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## 1. Business Support

### 1.1 North East Growth Hub

Financial assistance and related support are available for North East based businesses in Northumberland, Tyne and Wear and County Durham undertaking business development projects. For further details [click here](#)

### 1.2 North of Tyne High streets Innovation Programme – Accelerate Ashington

Accelerate Ashington is a brand-new package of support services available to local businesses currently trading and operating within Ashington. The programme consists of two elements: Digital and Start-up. For further information [click here](#)

### 1.3 North of Tyne Inward Investment

Are you a business looking to make a first investment in Newcastle, North Tyneside or Northumberland?

The North of Tyne has £10m available to support businesses looking to invest and create jobs and may be able to contribute to up to 10% of your costs. Grants are available between £100,000 up to a maximum of £1million for foreign or UK owned businesses making a first investment in the area. For further information [click here](#)

### 1.4 Northumberland Small Business Service

The Northumberland Small Business Service (NSBS) is a fully funded service that delivers a range of business support services to individuals and micro and small sized businesses across Northumberland. The service has a particular focus on supporting rural businesses to unlock the barriers to growth as well as supporting individuals to start a new business. The friendly, approachable, and dedicated team are on hand to bridge the economic gap for rural businesses and provide a one stop shop for businesses or individuals looking for support from the service or to help them understand about the wider support available across the North of Tyne area. Included within this package of support the Programme is an enhanced rural growth and resilience support service and a £2m rural capital Grant Investment Fund as well as a farming advisory service, helping Northumberland farmers to grow and diversify. For more information or to register your interest please [email us](#) or alternatively [register directly](#)

### 1.5 Business Catalyst (Large) Grants

Grants available to jewellers, silversmiths and allied industry practitioners in the UK to help them grow their business. A maximum value of £7,000 is available, the application deadline is 15 January 2024. For further information [click here](#)

## 2. Communities, Charities, Not-for-Profit, Voluntary and Local Authorities

### 2.1 Music for All - Community Project Funding

Grants are available to UK-based community groups that aim to bring musical projects to their local communities. A discretionary amount is available, the application deadline is 18 December 2023. For further information [click here](#)

### 2.2 Adamson Trust

Grants for voluntary and community organisations and charities to help with the cost of holidays or respite breaks for disabled children (aged 3 to 17 years) with physical, mental, or emotional impairments. A discretionary amount is available, the application deadline is 31 December 2023. For further information [click here](#)

### 2.3 Britford Bridge Trust

Grants are available to UK registered charities involved in the prevention or relief of poverty; the advancement of education; the advancement of health or the saving of lives; and the advancement of the arts, culture, heritage or science. A maximum value of £30,000 is available, the application deadline is 31 December 2023. For further information [click here](#)

### 2.4 Ocado Foundation for Good

Grants are available for registered charities, community interest companies, local authorities and other organisations to support skills development or sustainability projects that bring benefit to communities across the UK. A maximum value of £1,000 is available, the application deadline is 31 December 2023. For further information [click here](#)

## **2.5 Bernicia Foundation**

Grants are available for voluntary, community and social enterprise (VCSE) sector organisations in the North East of England that are committed to delivering real community benefits, such as tackling loneliness and accessing employment opportunities, as well as providing support for young people to flourish. A maximum value of £10,000 is available, the application deadline is 2 January 2024. For further information [click here](#)

## **2.6 Veterans' Capital Housing Fund – Major Capital Grants Programme**

Grants for charities and registered social housing providers with at least five year's housing experience to support new builds and significant refurbishments, including extensions, of rental accommodation offering high quality support for veterans with a housing need. A maximum value of £500,000 is available, the application deadline is 3 January 2024. For further information [click here](#)

## **2.7 Fat Beehive Foundation**

Grants are available to small UK registered charities to help them improve their digital presence. A maximum value of £2,500 is available, the application deadline is 5 January 2024. For further information [click here](#)

## **2.8 Armed Forces Covenant Fund – Veterans' Career Development Fund**

Grants are available to not-for-profit groups across the UK for projects that deliver qualifications and training to enable veterans and their families to enter stable long-term employment. A maximum value of £70,000 is available, the application deadline is 8 January 2024. For further information [click here](#)

## **2.9 Rayne Foundation - Better Careers for Better Care Grants**

The foundation is looking for partner organisations to lead workforce development in adult social care as part of its Better Careers for Better Care funding programme supporting the career and professional development of people working in adult social care, and specifically those working with people in later life. A discretionary amount is available, the application deadline is 10 January 2024. For further information [click here](#)

## **2.10 Army Benevolent Fund – Grants to Organisations**

Grants are available to charities and organisations that support the Army community, which includes veterans, serving soldiers, their families and immediate dependants. A discretionary amount is available, the application deadline is 11 January 2024. For further information [click here](#)

## **2.11 Accelerating Reform Fund (ARF)**

Funding available to consortium of local authorities in England to support innovation in adult social care. A discretionary amount is available, the application deadline is 10 January 2024. For further information [click here](#)

## **2.12 Armed Forces Families Fund: Early Years Programme**

Grants are available to private, public and non-profit sector nursery education providers on or within five miles of an Armed Forces base to help enhance Early Years learning environments for children (under five years) from Forces families across the UK. A maximum value of £80,000 is available, the application deadline is 12 January 2024. For further information [click here](#)

## **2.13 Grocers' Charity - Memorial Grants**

One-off grants are available to small UK registered charities for work in the specific areas of: relief of youth poverty, the disabled, the elderly, health, military, and the arts and heritage. A maximum value of £5,000 is available, the application deadline is 12 January 2024. For further information [click here](#)

#### **2.14 Northumberland Community Chest**

Grants are available to not-for-profit organisations within Northumberland to help deliver community services and one-off projects that will be valuable to the area. A maximum value of £5,000 is available, the application deadline is 12 January 2024. For further information [click here](#)

#### **2.15 Whirlwind Charitable Trust**

Grants are available to not-for-profit groups for projects which improve the lives of disadvantaged people, often young people, with an additional focus on understanding and improving the marine environment in the UK. A discretionary amount is available, the application deadline is 12 January 2024. For further information [click here](#)

#### **2.16 Tyne & Wear and Northumberland Community Foundation - Wellesley Trust Fund**

Grants are available for youth projects based in County Durham, Tees Valley, Gateshead, Newcastle, Northumberland, North Tyneside, South Tyneside and Sunderland. A maximum value of £10,000 is available, the application deadline is 22 January 2024. For further information [click here](#)

#### **2.17 Armed Forces Families Fund - Supporting Partners Programme**

Grants are available to Armed Forces Bases, charities, Community Interest Companies and Universities in the UK for projects that will improve support for Service partners and spouses regarding the skills and experiences they bring to the workplace. A maximum value of £80,000 is available, the application deadline is 25 January 2024. For further information [click here](#)

#### **2.18 Lloyd's Bank Foundation for England and Wales - Funding Programme for Specialist Small Charities**

Grants are available to strengthen the capacity and capabilities of small, local specialist charities supporting people facing complex issues in England and/or Wales. A maximum value of £75,000 is available, the application deadline is 25 January 2024. For further information [click here](#)

#### **2.19 Elise Pilkington Charitable Trust**

Grants for registered equine charities or charities/hospices supporting older people in the UK. A discretionary amount is available, the application deadline is 26 January 2024. For further information [click here](#)

#### **2.20 Tyne & Wear and Northumberland Community Foundation - Bellingham Fund Grant**

Grants for charitable community activities in Bellingham and the North Tyne Valley. A maximum value of £2,000 is available, the application deadline is 28 January 2024. For further information [click here](#)

#### **2.21 Veterans' Foundation**

Grants are available for charities and not-for-profit organisations that provide support to those in need among serving Armed Forces personnel, veterans, operationally qualified seafarers and their immediate families across the UK. A maximum value of £40,000 is available, the application deadline is 30 January 2024. For further information [click here](#)

#### **2.22 7stars Foundation**

Grants are available to support young people challenged by abuse and addiction, those who are young carers, and those who are homeless or without a safe place to call home. A maximum value of £2,500 is available, the application deadline is 31 January 2024. For further information [click here](#)

#### **2.23 Childminder Start-up Grant**

Grants are available to support childminders with the costs incurred when registering a new business. A maximum value of £1,200 is available, the application deadline is 31 January 2024. For further information [click here](#)

## **2.24 UKSPF – People and Skills Year 3 Investment call for bids to deliver employment support and in work support. April 2024 to March 2025**

The North of Tyne Combined Authority (NTCA) is inviting applications from organisations for provision related to our UKSPF People and Skills 2024/2025 investment. We are interested in innovative proposals that focus on providing both economically inactive and unemployed residents with support to move towards work, into work, and within work. For further information [click here](#)

## **3. Arts, Culture, Heritage and Tourism**

### **3.1 Community Radio Fund**

Grants are available to support the core costs of running Ofcom-licensed community radio stations in the UK that are currently broadcasting. A discretionary amount is available, the application deadline is 4 January 2024. For further information [click here](#)

### **3.2 BFI National Lottery Discovery Feature Funding**

Funding is available to debut directors to support original live action and animation feature filmmaking in the UK. A maximum value of £1,000,000 is available, the application deadline is 8 January 2024. For further information [click here](#)

### **3.3 Youth Music Trailblazer Fund**

Grants are available to constituted UK based organisations to run projects in England for children and young people (aged 25 or under) to make music activity more inclusive and foster learning, creation and employment opportunities. A maximum value of £30,000 is available, the application deadline is 12 January 2024. For further information [click here](#)

### **3.4 National Archives - Resilience Grants**

Grants are available to public sector bodies, registered charities and other not-for-profit organisations in the UK to support archives to be adaptable, resilient and sustainable, and contribute to communities and the economy. A maximum value of £20,000 is available, the application deadline is 19 January 2024. For further information [click here](#)

### **3.5 Elephant Trust**

Grants are available to artists, small organisations and galleries within the UK to make it possible for artists and those presenting their work to undertake and complete projects when frustrated by lack of funds. A maximum value of £5,000 is available, the application deadline is 21 January 2024. For further information [click here](#)

### **3.6 Tyne & Wear and Northumberland Community Foundation - North East Cultural Learning Fund**

Grants for arts and culture projects for young people across the North East of England. A maximum value of £2,000 is available, the application deadline is 22 January 2024. For further information [click here](#)

### **3.7 National Lottery Grants for Heritage**

Grants to support the heritage sector in its continued recovery from the continuing impact of the COVID-19 pandemic and through the cost of living crisis across the UK. A maximum value of £10,000,000 is available, the application deadline is 31 January 2024. For further information [click here](#)

## **4. Technology, Transport, Recycling, Environment, Energy and Industry**

### **4.1 National Highways Hazard Protection on Roads Accelerator Programme**

Grants are available for UK registered small and medium-sized enterprises to support the development of innovative solutions to help protect road users and operators in England from causes of collisions and harm, including hazards. A maximum value of £90,000 is available, the application deadline is 31 December 2023. For further information [click here](#)

#### **4.2 GreenTech Fund**

Support is available for 'cleantech' start-up businesses from across the county that seek to utilise technology to restore environmental balance and biodiversity, and to tackle global warming. A maximum value of £100,000 is available, the application deadline is 15 January 2024. For further information [click here](#)

#### **4.3 Social Housing Decarbonisation Fund (SHDF) Wave 2**

Registered providers of social housing in England can bid for funding to improve the energy performance of their social homes. A discretionary amount is available, the application deadline is 19 January 2024. For further information [click here](#)

#### **4.4 Heat Network Efficiency Scheme (HNES)**

Grants are available for organisations operating across the public, private and third sectors in England and Wales to upgrade existing heat networks to reduce emissions and energy costs for households. A discretionary amount is available, the application deadline is 2 February 2024. For further information [click here](#)

### **5. Rural, Agricultural Horticultural, Animal Welfare and Fisheries**

#### **5.1 Farming in Protected Landscapes Programme**

Support is available to England's farmers and land managers in National Landscapes, National Parks and the Broads to support nature recovery, mitigate the impacts of climate change and fund nature-friendly, sustainable farm businesses. A discretionary amount is available, the application deadline is 21 December 2023. For further information [click here](#)

#### **5.2 Pets Foundation - Rescue Centre Grants**

Grants are available for charities and non-profit organisations in the UK whose main objective is the rescue and rehoming of domestic pets in the UK. A discretionary amount is available, the application deadline is 22 December 2023. For further information [click here](#)

#### **5.3 Hubbub – Nature Hubs Fund**

Grants are available for registered organisations across England, Scotland, and Wales to deliver projects and activities that create or enhance green spaces within 5 kilometres of a Starbucks store. A maximum value of £6,000 is available, the application deadline is 11 January 2024. For further information [click here](#)

#### **5.4 Slurry Infrastructure Grant**

A grant for farmers in England to improve or expand their slurry storage capacity to six months and improve the use of organic nutrients on farms. A maximum value of £250,000 is available, the application deadline is 17 January 2024. For further information [click here](#)

#### **5.5 Tree Production Capital Grant (TPCG)**

Funding is available to increase the domestic production of tree seed and saplings in England, via investments in facilities and equipment. A maximum value of £175,000 is available, the application deadline is 30 January 2024. For further information [click here](#)

#### **5.6 Seed Sourcing Grant (SSG)**

Funding is available to help to support England's tree seed production. A maximum value of £75,000 is available, the application deadline is 13 February 2024. For further information [click here](#)

#### **5.7 Natural Environment Investment Readiness Fund (NEIRF)**

Grants are available to non-profit environmental groups, local authorities and businesses to stimulate private investment and mechanisms that improve and safeguard England's domestic natural environment. A maximum value of £100,000 is available, the application deadline is 16 February 2024. For further information [click here](#)

## 6. Sport and Recreation

### 6.1 Outdoor Sport & Play Funding (Former Tynedale Area)

Grants are available for parish/town councils and non-profit making local groups and organisations to develop and improve children's play and outdoor sports facilities within the former Tynedale district area. A discretionary amount is available, the application deadline is 16 February 2024. For further information [click here](#)

### 6.2 Rowing Foundation

Grants are available for equipment that will support the participation of young people and disabled people in rowing in the UK. A maximum value of £4,000 is available, the application deadline is 22 February 2024. For further information [click here](#)

## 7. Schools and Education

### 7.1 Ogden Trust – School Partnerships Programme – Grants for Schools

Funding for primary and secondary schools to support local clusters and established collaboration partnerships who want to collaborate on projects that enhance the teaching and learning of physics. A maximum value of £2,500 is available, the application deadline is 1 February 2024. For further information [click here](#)

### 7.2 Universal Music UK Sound Foundation School Fund

Grants available to schools to support the purchase of musical instruments and equipment. A maximum value of £1,500 is available, the application deadline is 7 February 2024. 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, charitable trusts, and corporate sponsors.
- content ranging from modest community funds at one end of the spectrum to major, multilevel initiatives at the other.

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