

Funding e-bulletin

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1. North East Combined Authority (NECA)

1.1 Accelerate Ashington

Accelerate Ashington is a package of support services available to local businesses currently trading and operating in Ashington. The programme consists of two elements: digital support with funded access to the introduction of digital tools for day-to-day business activity, and start-up support providing a programme of workshops covering the key skills needed to start and establish new businesses. [click here](#)

1.2 Business Growth Fund

The Business Growth Fund is a £3.5 million programme of investment funded by the UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF). It supports business growth across the local authority areas of Gateshead, Newcastle, North Tyneside, Northumberland, and Sunderland. The Fund is delivered by UMi and will attract £11.5 million of private sector investment with an aim to create a minimum of 268 new jobs. For further details [click here](#)

1.3 Create Growth Programme

The Create Growth Programme is designed for creative businesses with high-growth potential to become investment ready. Providing high-growth businesses between the seed and scaling stages, with the support and the investment they need to grow their business and turn their innovative creative ideas into the leading creative businesses of the future. Through a suite of business support initiatives, delivered in partnership with Creative UK and Innovate UK this tailored support for high growth creative businesses aims to develop businesses knowledge, skills and access to finance, so they are able to secure investment to enable growth, turning their innovative creative ideas into the leading creative businesses of the future. For further details [click here](#)

1.4 Culture and Creative Investment Programme

The Culture and Creative Investment Programme, delivered in partnership with Creative UK, offers a combined package of financial and business support designed to grow the creative and cultural industries in the region. The package of support includes business support, masterclasses and bootcamps, open access networking events, webinars and access to finance. The programme is open to freelancers and businesses working in the culture and creative industries in North Tyneside, Northumberland and Newcastle. For further details [click here](#)

1.5 Flexible Social Finance

Flexible Social Finance has been designed with the social sector, for the social sector with the aim to provide access to affordable and flexible, repayable finance for socially trading organisations in Newcastle, North Tyneside and Northumberland looking to grow their social impacts and improve self-sustainability. For further information [click here](#)

1.6 Green New Deal

The Green New Deal Fund is a low carbon investment fund established by the Combined Authority and managed by Amber Infrastructure Group. Business interested in applying to the Green New Deal Fund should visit the fund's website for further information. For further information [click here](#)

1.7 Invest North East England

Invest North East England is the first point of contact for businesses looking to locate and invest in our region. Working alongside the region's seven local authorities, their aim is to support new inward investment and promote the region as a prime location for businesses to locate, grow and prosper. For further details [click here](#)

1.8 Northumberland Small Business Fund

The Northumberland Small Business Service, delivered by Business Northumberland, offers a comprehensive range of support for individuals looking to pursue a business idea and small and micro businesses across Rural Northumberland. The package of financial and business support is designed to grow and enhance resilience across new and existing businesses in Northumberland. The support includes grant funding, business support, masterclasses, 1-2-1 consultancy and advice and open access networking events across the whole of Northumberland. It is jointly funded by the North East CA, the UKSPF and the Rural England Prosperity Fund. For further details [click here](#).

1.9 North East Property Fund

A £20 million property fund aimed at supporting smaller scale North East construction and property development projects will provide an important boost for the construction industry. The North East Property Fund has been created in response to strong demand from small and medium-sized (SME) construction and property development companies who are unable to access mainstream finance from traditional sources and is hoped it will help kick start development in smaller scale property ventures across the North East. For further details [click here](#)

1.10 North East Commercial Property Investment Fund

A £35 million commercial property fund that supports developers in the North East.

The North East Commercial Property Investment Fund is managed by FW Capital and backed by the North East Combined Authority. The fund addresses a gap in the market and will drive economic growth and create new jobs in the North East. For further details [click here](#)

1.11 The Mayor's Opportunity Fund

Partnered with Community Foundation Tyne & Wear and Northumberland and Point North to deliver the £1million Mayor's Opportunity Fund. The Fund supports the North East's commitment to a fairer North East through creating opportunity. The first round of the Fund will invest £225,000 through grants to small charities and community organisations delivering activities that support cohesion, inclusion and resilience in the most socially and economically disadvantaged parts of the North East CA region. For further information [click here](#)

2. Northumberland County Council

2.1 The Northumberland Rural Asset Multiplier Programme (RAMP) - Call for Projects in Rural Northumberland

The Northumberland Rural Asset Multiplier Programme (RAMP) is funded by the North East Combined Authority Investment Fund and by the UK Government through the UK Shared Prosperity Fund and the Rural England Prosperity Fund, with the North East Combined Authority as the lead authority. Following the success of RAMP so far, NCC are looking to continue to fund projects in local rural areas focused on growing the economy, enhancing the environment, and supporting communities. The aim is to develop and test new, innovative, locally based approaches to tackling economic, environmental, and community challenges and opportunities in rural Northumberland. Call Opens 10th April 2025, Applicants to submit applications by the Wednesday 5pm 7th May 2025. For further information [click here](#).

3. North East Growth Hub

3.1 CITB Skills and Training Fund

CITB offer support to industry through their grants and funds. CITB grants cover day to day training and funds cover specific projects and commissions. For further information [click here](#).

3.2 Creative Enterprise Business Builder

The Creative Enterprise Business Builder is a grant initiative designed to support companies who work in moving image for storytelling, spanning film television, games, animation and immersive industries. With grants of up to £2,500, beneficiaries will be able to work with a consultant to build meaningful connections and create opportunities for business growth. For further information [click here](#).

3.3 Made Smarter Adoption North East

Made Smarter Adoption North East helps manufacturers in the region increase profits, improve efficiency and grow by investing in smart technology. For further information [click here](#).

3.4 Workplace Charging Scheme

Government support towards the up-front costs of the purchase and installation of electric vehicle charge points The Workplace Charging Scheme (WCS) is a voucher-based scheme that provides support towards the up-front costs of the purchase and installation of electric vehicle charge-points, for eligible businesses, charities and public sector organisations. For further information [click here](#).

3.5 Key Fund

Are you buying premises? Looking to grow? Wanting to launch a great business idea? The Key Fund has £4.5million to invest. The Key Fund supports social enterprises, charitable organisations and small businesses with diverse needs who want to make a real impact across the Arts, Health and Social Care, Education, Digital, Eco and Community Development. To achieve the growth of enterprise in communities, the Key Fund has £4.5million to invest. Are you buying premises? Looking to grow? Wanting to launch a great business idea? For further information [click here](#).

3.6 Energy Resilience Fund

The Energy Resilience Fund is an initiative assisting community businesses in retrofitting their buildings with energy-saving measures. The Energy Resilience Fund is an initiative assisting community businesses in retrofitting their buildings with energy-saving measures. The programme is funded by Power to Change and delivered by Key Fund with investment amounts ranging from £10,000 to £150,000. For further information [click here](#).

3.7 Business Energy Saving Team (BEST)

Save energy and money with free energy guidance and support from BEST. Rising energy costs are a significant issue for businesses and organisations of all sizes, in all sectors. BEST aims to reduce energy use and costs in small and medium-sized businesses (SMEs) and Voluntary, Community and Social Enterprises (VCSEs) in Newcastle, North Tyneside, Northumberland and Gateshead through free advice, energy efficiency audits and grant support. For further information [click here](#).

3.8 Amazon Sustainability Accelerator

Are you a sustainable start-up looking to maximise your impact? The Amazon Sustainability Accelerator is an equity-free programme supporting start-ups who are driving sustainable innovation. We're here to help entrepreneurs to grow their skills and scale their businesses so they can maximise their climate impact. For further information [click here](#).

3.9 Future Frontiers Fund

The Future Frontiers Fund (FFF) supports the generation of fresh and highly novel ideas, technologies, products and services that address challenges related to tackling climate change, protecting our environment, and delivering a Net Zero future. We are looking to support truly innovative leaps through small grants of approximately £10,000 to test 'might work' concepts. For further information [click here](#).

3.10 North of Tyne Business Support Fund

A fund designed to drive economic growth by helping businesses to access external expertise to implement business growth and improvement plans. The Fund covers up to 50% of eligible business spend and grants are available to support projects costing between £3,000 and £8,000 (excluding VAT). For further information [click here](#).

3.11 Green Seed Fund

Cranfield University Green Seed Fund gives entrepreneurs and start-ups access to capital, alongside advice and education from the Bettany Centre for Entrepreneurship to help scale their businesses. The amount of funding will depend on the nature and scope of the proposed business idea. The maximum amount is £25,000 (or up to £50,000 for sustainability-related businesses). For further information [click here](#).

3.12 Grant Investment Fund

Eligible businesses in Northumberland can apply for a grant between £10,000 - £300,000. The capital grant fund grant can support eligible businesses with clear growth plans to access direct capital investment to expand productive capacity or diversify into new markets or products. For further information [click here](#).

3.13 Create Berwick Cultural Resource Hubs

Create Berwick are inviting proposals for temporary 'pop-up' or time-limited cultural resource hubs to increase the quality and range of cultural and creative opportunities in Berwick, these hubs must act as spaces for people to see, experience and take part in creative and cultural activities. For further information [click here](#).

Size of grant/s:

One grant of £20,000 for a Cultural Resource Hub to run for 12-18 months

Two grants of £10,000 for a Cultural Resource Hub to run for 6-12 months

3.14 Life Sciences Innovative Manufacturing Fund (LSIMF)

The Life Sciences Innovative Manufacturing Fund supports businesses investing in life sciences manufacturing projects in the UK. The Government has committed up to £520m in capital grants for life sciences manufacturing, to help deliver on their mission to kickstart economic growth and build an NHS fit for the future. For further information [click here](#).

4. Grant Finder Service

4.1 Goldsmiths' Foundation – Inaugural Grants Programme

Grants are available for charities and housing associations that focus on vocational skills and technical training in the creative industries in the UK. A maximum value of £50,000 is available, the application deadline is 1st May 202. For further information [click here](#).

4.2 Royal Society of Chemistry - Inclusion & Diversity Fund

Funding is available to support projects that seek to increase inclusion and diversity in the chemical sciences community. A discretionary amount is available, the application deadline is 5th May 2025. For further information [click here](#).

4.3 Local Youth Transformation Fund (England)

A delivery partner is sought for a £750,000 pilot fund aimed at helping 10 to 12 local authorities in England begin rebuilding a high-quality youth offer and transitioning back to local leadership of youth services. A discretionary amount is available, the application deadline is 7th May 2025. For further information [click here](#).

4.4 CoSTAR Realtime Lab Call: Virtual Production Tool Box

Grants and support are available to UK creative teams with R&D projects to improve virtual production. A discretionary amount is available, the application deadline is 14th May 2025. For further information [click here](#).

4.5 CoSTAR Screen Lab Call: 5G Innovation in Screen Technologies

Grants and support are available to advance innovative 5G applications in the UK's screen and performance sectors. A discretionary amount is available, the application deadline is 22nd May 2025. For further information [click here](#).

4.6 Museum Renewal Fund 2025-26

One-off grants for regional and local museums that are owned and directly maintained by local authority funding, who hold collections of national or local significance and whose financial position is of significant concern. A maximum value of £1,000,000 is available, the application deadline is 22nd May 2025. For further information [click here](#).

4.7 Contracts for Innovation: First of a Kind (FOAK) 2025

UK organisations can apply for funding to deliver innovations to address railway priorities. A maximum value of £200,000 is available, the application deadline is 28th May 2025.

[IUK - Contracts for Innovation: FOAK 2025 – Platform Train Interface](#)

[IUK - Contracts for Innovation: FOAK 2025 – Personal Safety](#)

[IUK - Contracts for Innovation: FOAK 2025 – Bridge Strikes](#)

[IUK - Contracts for Innovation: FOAK 2025 – AI for Complex Processes](#)

5. The National Lottery Funding

5.1 National Lottery Awards for All England.

A quick way to apply for smaller amounts of funding between £300 and £20,000.

Application deadline - Ongoing. Apply at least 16 weeks before you want to start the activities or spend any of the money. For further information [click here](#).

5.2 Reaching Communities England

Offers a larger amount of funding (over £20,001) for projects that last up to five years. We're looking for projects that work with their community – whether that's a community living in the same area, or people with similar interests or life experiences. Application deadline – Ongoing. For further information [click here](#).

5.3 Climate Action Fund - Our Shared Future

With this funding we want to involve more people in climate action and we want to inspire bold and exciting change. The minimum you can ask for is £500,000. We expect to fund most projects for between £1 million and £1.5 million over 3 to 5 years. We may fund a small number of larger or longer projects. Contact us if you would like to discuss this. We aim to fund around 25 projects. You'll be able to apply until at least the end of May 2025. For further information [click here](#).

5.4 The UK Fund

Larger amounts of funding for to expand on existing work. We'll fund projects that help bring diverse communities together. We'll also fund projects that help children and young people use their voice to influence change. Application deadline – Ongoing. For further information [click here](#).

5.5 Awards from the UK Portfolio

The UK Portfolio explores new and innovative approaches, and develops and tests new ways of building a stronger civil society. Application deadline – Ongoing. For further information [click here](#).

5.6 Forces in Mind

Supporting the psychological wellbeing and successful and sustainable transition of veterans and their families into civilian life. Application deadline – Ongoing. For further information [click here](#).

6. Government Grant Service

6.1 [16-19 \(L2 or below\) English and Maths Continuous Professional Development to the Further Education Workforce \(16-19 GCSE and other level 2 and below qualifications resits\)](#)

The Department for Education is looking to invite organisations to apply to secure grant funding to support the provision of English, Maths and wider organisational working continuous professional development (CPD) to the further education workforce.

Funding organisation - Department for Education

Who can apply - Public Sector, Non-profit, Private Sector

How much you can get - From £200,000 to £1 million

Total size of grant scheme - £3.15 million

Opening date - 12 March 2025, 1:00pm

Closing date - 14 April 2025, 10:00am

6.2 [Evaluation Accelerator Fund \(Phase 4\)](#)

The Evaluation Accelerator Fund (EAF) provides funding to government departments and other organisations to improve the evaluation of policies and programmes. It supports projects that develop innovative evaluation approaches and aims to enhance the quality and use of evidence in decision-making.

Funding organisation - Evaluation Task Force

Who can apply - Public Sector, Non-profit

How much you can get - From £1 to £3.5 million

Total size of grant scheme - £3.5 million

Opening date - 6 March 2025, 12:01am (Midnight)

Closing date - 25 April 2025, 6:00pm

6.3 Heritage at Risk Capital Fund

This is a one-year special £15million fund to give grants to heritage at risk. We want to help people save historic sites in England that are most important to them. This scheme is focussed on supporting people in our most deprived communities – indices of deprivation 1-3. We can consider grants from projects outside these areas where it is clearly shown that the project is serving deprived communities. Under this scheme we will be supporting projects that have strong benefits for the local community, saving buildings and sites important to them. This is a one year scheme so the funding from us needs to be spent by the end of March 2026.

Funding organisation - Historic England

Who can apply - Public Sector, Non-profit, Local authority

How much you can get - From £100,000 to £1 million

Total size of grant scheme - £15 million

Opening date - 2 April 2025, 12:00pm (Midday)

Closing date - 30 April 2025, 11:59pm (Midnight)

6.4 What Works Centre for Children and Families

The services relate to a potential procurement of a service provider for the continuation of the What Works Centre for Children and Families, subject to ministerial agreement. The purpose of this notice is to initiate market consultation on a potential procurement for the continuation of the What Works Centre for Children and Families. It is not being used as a call for competition

Funding organisation - Department For Education

Who can apply - Non-profit, Private Sector

How much you can get - From £8.5 million to £50 million

Total size of grant scheme - £50 million

Opening date - 9 April 2025, 3:00pm

Closing date - 30 April 2025, 11:59pm (Midnight)

6.5 Local Youth Transformation Fund - Delivery Partner

DCMS is providing £750,000 of grant funding to a delivery partner to provide expert guidance and support to Local Authorities (LAs) to build back local authorities' lost capability in the youth space, sowing the seeds for a much-needed rejuvenation of local youth services as part of the Local Youth Transformation (LYT) Pilot. This grant will provide resource funding only to be utilised in the Financial Year 2025/26.

Funding organisation - Department for Culture, Media and Sport

Who can apply - Public Sector, Non-profit, Private Sector

How much you can get - From £100,000 to £750,000

Total size of grant scheme - £750,000

Opening date - 9 April 2025, 3:00pm

Closing date - 7 May 2025, 11:59pm (Midnight)

6.6 Combatting Hate Against Muslims

This grant will support the work of an organisation or a consortium of organisations who wish to map a more accurate record of hate incidents affecting Muslims across England. The reporting system should allow for, and encourage, the recording of both hate crimes and non-crime hate incidents that occur online or in the real world. Grant recipients will be expected to analyse such reports to identify the trends and drivers behind such occurrences. Grant recipients should also be able to support victims of hate, as some particularly those from minority backgrounds, may be unwilling to report incidents to the police.

Funding organisation - Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government

Who can apply - Non-profit

How much you can get - From £1 to £2.65 million

Total size of grant scheme - £2.65 million

Opening date - 2 April 2025, 2:00pm

Closing date - 18 May 2025, 11:59pm (Midnight)

6.7 [Bus Operator Accessible Information Regulation Support Grant \(2025 Application Period\)](#)

Accessible Information Grant. This grant supports small bus operators to provide audible and visible information consistent with the Public Service Vehicles (Accessible Information Regulations) 2023. This is for applications from 1st January 2025 onwards

Funding organisation - Department for Transport

Who can apply - Non-profit, Private Sector

How much you can get - From £100 to £90,000

Total size of grant scheme - £4.65 million

Opening date - 1 January 2025, 12:01am (Midnight)

Closing date - 30 June 2025, 11:59pm (Midnight)

6.8 [Tree Health Pilot](#)

The Tree Health Pilot (THP) scheme is testing different ways of slowing the spread of pests and diseases affecting trees in England. It expands on support available through the Countryside Stewardship Woodland Tree Health grant. The THP supports owners and managers of trees in woodland or trees outside woodland to deal with tree health issues. Funding from the pilot can go towards a range of measures including: felling and treating diseased or infested trees and necessary infrastructure improvements; restocking with new trees and capital items to assist this; maintenance of newly planted trees biosecurity items. There are grants available for: larch trees with *Phytophthora ramorum*; spruce trees with or at risk of *Ips typographus* (eight-toothed spruce bark beetle); sweet chestnut trees with *Phytophthora ramorum* or sweet chestnut blight; oak trees with oak processionary moth (OPM); ash trees with ash dieback. The Tree Health Pilot guidance on GOV.UK sets out the aims of the pilot in detail including eligibility and application details. The results of the pilot will help develop the future funding policy for tree health schemes. This will be rolled out through our environmental land management (ELM) schemes when the pilot ends.

Funding organisation - Forestry Commission

Who can apply - Non-profit, Personal / Individual, Public Sector, Private Sector

How much you can get - From £500 to No maximum award as it is dependent on learning objectives

Total size of grant scheme - N/A

Opening date - 1 August 2022, 12:01am (Midnight)

Closing date - 31 December 2025, 11:59pm (Midnight)

6.9 [Apply for Funding for Community Projects](#)

Find out information from your Local Authority about community-based funding and grants for projects like activities for young people, volunteer programmes and development of communal facilities.

Funding organisation - Local Authorities

Who can apply - Personal / Individual, Public Sector, Non-profit, Private Sector

How much you can get - From Various to Various

Total size of grant scheme - Various

Opening date - 1 April 2022, 12:00pm (Midday)

Closing date - 31 December 2025, 11:59pm (Midnight)

6.10 [Remediation Enforcement Support Fund](#)

This funding is only available for Local Authorities and Fire and Rescue Authorities. The funding is for them to procure legal advice on pursuing those responsible for remediating buildings.

Funding organisation - Ministry for Housing, Communities and Local Government

Who can apply - Public Sector, Local authority

How much you can get - From £5,000 to £100,000

Total size of grant scheme - £2 million

Opening date - 2 December 2024, 12:01am (Midnight)

Closing date - 28 February 2026, 11:59pm (Midnight)

6.11 [Trees, woodlands and forestry - Woodland Creation Planning Grant](#)

The Woodland Creation Planning Grant (WCPG) offers funding of up to £30,500 for the production of a UKFS-compliant woodland creation design plan. Landowners, land managers and public bodies can apply. The scheme was re-launched in autumn 2020 to enable more people to apply and help proposals move more quickly through the Environmental Impact Assessment process and future planting and establishment grant funding.

Funding organisation - Department for Environment Food and Rural Affairs / Forestry Commission - Nature for Climate Fund

Who can apply - Personal / Individual, Public Sector, Non-profit, Private Sector

How much you can get - From £1,500 to £30,500

Total size of grant scheme - £708,607

Opening date - 1 December 2015, 12:01am (Midnight)

Closing date - 31 March 2026, 11:59pm (Midnight)

6.12 [Section 17 Management Agreements](#)

We can offer funding to improve the management of monuments or access to them through agreements with the owner or occupier of the land. These agreements usually run for a term of three or five years. We can include payment for one-off repairs which would usually be carried out at the start of the term. More major repairs can be considered under our Repair Grants for Heritage at Risk grant scheme. Our priorities for funding through management agreements are be scheduled monuments at risk.

Funding organisation - Historic England

Who can apply - Personal / Individual, Public Sector, Non-profit, Private Sector, Local authority

How much you can get - From £100 to £30,000

Total size of grant scheme - £250,000

Opening date - 1 April 2025, 12:01am (Midnight)

Closing date - 31 March 2026, 11:59pm (Midnight)

6.13 [Regional Capacity Building](#)

We offer funding under this programme for activities and projects which are local or regional in coverage and which promote the understanding, management and conservation of the historic environment. Our support for building and maintaining sector capacity is focused on the sustainable management and development of the historic environment. We aim to ensure that those eligible activities and projects for which there is a lack of alternative sources of funding are our highest priorities for support.

Funding organisation - Historic England

Who can apply - Public Sector, Non-profit, Local authority

How much you can get - From £1,000 to £100,000

Total size of grant scheme - £1 million

Opening date - 1 April 2025, 12:01am (Midnight)

Closing date - 31 March 2026, 11:59pm (Midnight)

6.14 [Heritage Revival Fund](#)

The Heritage Revival Fund has been created to help communities across England rescue and repurpose neglected historic buildings. It will do this by supporting community organisations to take ownership of, adapt and reuse the local heritage assets that matter to them, transforming them into thriving spaces that meet their needs. This new programme is being delivered by the Architectural Heritage Fund in partnership with the Department for Culture, Media and Sport (DCMS) and Historic England, and forms part of the government's wider £270 million investment in arts and culture.

Funding organisation - Architectural Heritage Fund

Who can apply - Non-profit

How much you can get - From £5,000 to £350,000

Total size of grant scheme - £5 million

Opening date - 3 April 2025, 12:01am (Midnight)

Closing date - 31 March 2026, 11:59pm (Midnight)

6.15 [England Woodland Creation Offer \(EWCO\)](#)

England Woodland Creation Offer (EWCO) supports the establishment of new woodlands and is administered by the Forestry Commission. It is funded through the Nature for Climate Fund to support projects that will help us achieve Net Zero by 2050, as well as helping nature recovery and delivering other objectives in the 25 Year Environment Plan. Landowners, land managers and public bodies can apply to EWCO for support to create new woodland, including through natural colonisation, on areas as small as 1 hectare. You could receive up to £10,200 per hectare, plus up to an additional £12,700 in stackable payments when delivering wider benefits to society, nature recovery and the environment, to support your woodland creation scheme.

Funding organisation - Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs - Forestry Commission - Nature for Climate Fund

Who can apply - Personal / Individual, Public Sector, Non-profit, Private Sector, Local authority

How much you can get - From £4,000 to £2 million

Total size of grant scheme - £115 million

Opening date - 1 June 2021, 12:01am (Midnight)

Closing date - 31 March 2026, 11:59pm (Midnight)

6.16 [Repair Grants for Heritage at Risk](#)

We give grants towards the repair and conservation of listed buildings, scheduled monuments and registered parks and gardens. This includes project development actions which enable repair or improved future management. Our grants under this scheme are intended to reduce the risk faced by some of the most significant historic sites in England, as shown on the Heritage at Risk Register. We focus our grants on those sites which are most in need of repair and where, without our grant, a project would not be able to go ahead. This scheme was formerly called Grants for Historic Buildings, Monuments and Designed Landscapes.

Funding organisation - Historic England

Who can apply - Personal / Individual, Public Sector, Non-profit, Private Sector, Local authority

How much you can get - From £5,000 to £750,000

Total size of grant scheme - £9 million

Opening date - 1 April 2025, 12:01am (Midnight)

Closing date - 31 March 2026, 11:59pm (Midnight)

6.17 [Partnership Schemes in Conservation Areas](#)

Local authorities can apply for funding under our Partnership Schemes in Conservation Areas (PSICA) scheme. These schemes are run on a day-to-day basis by local authorities and are designed to target funding for the preservation and enhancement of conservation areas. They are based on a partnership between us, the Local Authority and other funding bodies and are designed to ensure the long term sustainable future of conservation areas, in particular through supporting heritage-based regeneration initiatives.

Funding organisation - Historic England

Who can apply - Public Sector

How much you can get - From £100,000 to £300,000

Total size of grant scheme - £1 million

Opening date - 1 April 2025, 12:01am (Midnight)

Closing date - 31 March 2026, 11:59pm (Midnight)

6.18 [National Highways Lorry Parking Facilities Improvements Scheme](#)

This grant provides lorry parking operators with support to improve HGV driver facilities through the provision of welfare facilities, parking and improved security.

Funding organisation - National Highways

Who can apply - Public Sector, Non-profit, Private Sector, Local authority

How much you can get - From £1 to £20 million

Total size of grant scheme - £20 million

Opening date - 6 March 2023, 12:01am (Midnight)

Closing date - 31 March 2026, 11:59pm (Midnight)

6.19 [Heritage Protection Commissions Programme](#)

The Heritage Protection Commissions and Capacity Building Scheme provides funding for strategic research and to build skills and capacity in our historic environment. The research funding from this scheme helps us to know what our historic environment comprises, which aspects of it are the most significant, how people value and interact with it, and what innovations in science and approach will help us to look after it for the future. The capacity building is targeted towards helping to reduce or avoid risk to the historic environment by building the capacity and commitment of local communities to champion the conservation and enhancement of their own local historic environment.

Funding organisation - Historic England

Who can apply - Personal / Individual, Public Sector, Non-profit, Private Sector, Local authority

How much you can get - From £250 to £300,000

Total size of grant scheme - £4.7 million

Opening date - 1 April 2025, 12:01am (Midnight)

Closing date - 31 March 2026, 11:59pm (Midnight)

6.20 [Commissioned Rehabilitative Services General Grant Scheme](#)

Commissioned Rehabilitative Services General Grant Scheme for support for people with shared protected characteristics or shared experiences or to promote rehabilitation and desistance to support the aims of Her Majesty's Prison and Probation Service (HMPPS) to protect the public and reduce reoffending. This includes the aims to improve people's engagement in, and experience of, probation and other rehabilitative activities; to support an individual's rehabilitation and desistance journey; and to improve HMPPS' knowledge of which activities work to support people and to encourage rehabilitation and desistance.

Funding organisation - Ministry of Justice

Who can apply - Non-profit

How much you can get - From £8,000 to £450,000

Opening date - 22 July 2022, 12:00pm (Midday)

Closing date - 29 March 2027, 5:00pm

6.21 [Boiler Upgrade Scheme](#)

The Boiler Upgrade Scheme (BUS) supports the decarbonisation of homes and small and medium non-domestic buildings in England and Wales. The scheme provides upfront capital grants of up to £7,500 to encourage property owners to replace existing fossil fuel heating with more efficient, low carbon heating systems including heat pumps and biomass boilers.

Funding organisation - Department for Energy Security and Net Zero

Who can apply - Personal / Individual, Public Sector, Private Sector

How much you can get - From £5,000 to £7,500

Total size of grant scheme - £775 million

Opening date - 23 May 2022, 12:01am (Midnight)

Closing date - 31 December 2027, 11:59pm (Midnight)

6.22 [Cladding Safety Scheme](#)

The Cladding Safety Scheme (CSS) will meet the cost of addressing life safety fire risks associated with cladding on residential buildings over 11m in height (11-18m in London).

Funding organisation - Homes England (England), Department for Levelling up, Housing & Communities (NI)

Who can apply - Personal / Individual, Non-profit, Private Sector, Local authority

How much you can get - From £250,000 to £20 million

Total size of grant scheme - N/A

Opening date - 24 July 2023, 12:01am (Midnight)

Closing date - 31 March 2030, 11:59pm (Midnight)

6.23 [Community and Environment Fund \(CEF\) and Business and Local Economy Fund \(BLEF\)](#)

This funding programme provides grants to local communities and economies that are disrupted by the construction of Phase One and Phase 2a of HS2 between London and Crewe.

Funding organisation – HS2 Ltd

Who can apply - Public Sector, Non-profit
How much you can get - From £1 to £250,000
Total size of grant scheme - £45 million
Opening date - 8 March 2017, 12:01am (Midnight)
Closing date - 31 March 2035, 11:59pm (Midnight)

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