South Ayrshire Council

External Funding Alert

The external funding alert from South Ayrshire Council provides details on new funding opportunities available and approaching deadlines of various programmes. More detail on these opportunities can be obtained by clicking on the links provided or by contacting the External Funding Team. If you wish to be added to our mailing list, email: externalfunding2@south-ayrshire.gov.uk.

You can also conduct your own external funding search at: www.open4community.info/southayrshire/Default.aspx

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News

Programme News

Transport Scotland’s Pre-Application Support Fund (PASF) is now open for applications

This fund is offering funding of up to £10,000 to help public, community and third sector organisations develop ideas for the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) Low Carbon Travel and Transport (LCTT) Challenge Fund.

The LCTT Challenge Fund is expected to go live in November/December 2016 and will provide capital funding to support the development of ‘hubs’ which focus on active travel or low carbon transport (and associated path networks) or which offer an integrated approach to both.

- **Active Travel Hubs** will provide focal points for cycling and walking routes. The specifics of each Hub will be tailored to the location and based on need, but will typically include bike library initiatives/bike hire, safe and secure facilities for personal bikes, bike repair/maintenance facilities, improved links to public transport, local path networks, travel information and associated outreach activity.

- **Low Carbon Transport** hubs will provide refuelling facilities for a range of alternative fuels and transport modes. We envisage that the locations and composition of these hubs will be determined by local circumstances and demand but typically are likely to include a mixture of low carbon vehicle refuelling infrastructure, such as electric vehicle charging points, hydrogen refuelling stations and gas refuelling facilities.

To assist organisations in developing strong bids for the LCTT Challenge Fund, this fund can provide eligible organisations with up to £10,000 to support a range of development activity, such as:

- Scoping or feasibility studies
- Business plan development
- Technical report and scheme design studies
- Community engagement
- Identifying sources of eligible match funding
- Identifying suitable sites for hubs, including landowner engagement
- Investigating links with existing active travel infrastructure and provision
- Advice on technical specifications for low carbon vehicle hubs e.g. power supply required or source of alternative fuels
- Identifying research and data sources
- Establishing baseline evidence

Detailed guidance on PASF, including eligibility criteria and an application form are available here. The deadline for submission of PASF applications is midnight, 17 August 2016, and expect to notify applicants during the week beginning 5 September 2016.
CELEBRATE SCOTLAND
On 6 July 2016, Celebrate Scotland opened. This is funding between £500 and £5,000 to celebrate a community’s history, or to bring people together.

Applications will be assessed on a first come first served basis until all funding has been awarded. The organisation have £575,000 available. Please note that Celebrate Scotland is different from Celebrate that ran in 2013/14 as part of the Commonwealth Games.

COASTAL COMMUNITIES FUND
On 4 July 2016, round 4 of Coastal Communities Fund opened to eligible coastal local authority areas. Page 5 of the guidance notes confirms the eligible areas. Funding can go between £50,000 and £300,000.

We recorded two webinars with information on this funding. Both sessions are the same format. You can listen to the webinar by entering your name, email address and organisation name through:
10.30am webinar
1.30pm webinar

The deadline to apply to Coastal Communities Fund is 17 August 2016 at 12 noon.

THE ROBERTSON TRUST
The Robertson Trust has now published its Giving Strategy 2016-2019 which can be accessed by following this link.

The document sets out the Trust’s future priorities when awarding funds through to their open grants programme and describes their three newly-developed funding strands:

• Care and Wellbeing
• Strengthening Communities
• Realising Potential

The strategy has been developed in consultation with the Third Sector and the organisation has asked if you could spread the word in your own networks, either directly or through social media. You can also follow the Trust on Twitter for updates.

The strategy went live on Monday August 1, at which time the online application form and guidelines were refreshed to reflect the changes.

If you have any further questions, please refer to our website or get in touch directly.

BIG LOTTERY LAUNCH NEW COMMUNITY ASSETS PROGRAMME
This scheme aims to empower people to create strong and resilient communities by helping them to acquire, manage or develop assets such as buildings or land.

They also want to fund work that is people-led, strengths-based and connected. Further information about understanding these ‘three approaches’ is available, including case studies.

They’ve found that talking with applicants earlier in the process can lead to stronger applications. Because of this, there is no application form. The first step is to talk to them about your idea so they can give you advice on whether or not this funding is right for what you want to do. If they think your idea potentially fits with Community Assets they will then normally arrange to visit you.

Through Community Assets they are looking for strong applications which:
• Are rooted in the community, are genuinely community-led and give the community a stake in local decision-making
• Are connected to other organisations and services in the community
• Show clearly the changes that will take place and why this is the best way to deliver these changes
• Show the developments will be economically sustainable once our grant has ended.

They want to focus their funding where it will have the most impact so will prioritise applications that address disadvantage and inequality. Some real-life examples, can be found on their blog at https://bigblogscotland.org.uk/category/community-assets-case-studies/

You can apply if your organisation is community-led, has open membership, and a social purpose. Your organisation must have a governing body such as a committee or board. Your governing body must have at least three unrelated people on it and a written governing document, for example, a constitution. The governing document should be clear that the organisation has:
• A social purpose – the organisation must have a clearly stated purpose which benefits your local area in some way
• Open membership – everyone living in your area should be able to get involved in your organisation and the work that it does
• Community control – the majority of people serving on your governing body should be from the local area and make the decisions

If your organisation doesn't meet the above criteria but you feel it is representative of the people in your area they are still interested in hearing from you.
Please note that they can’t accept applications from one organisation applying on behalf of another. Existing Big Lottery Fund grant holders can apply but you can only have one Community Assets grant at a time.

They want to provide longer term funding that offers community-led organisations stability to deliver great work, so you can apply for up to five years funding. You can apply for capital funding (such as building or refurbishment costs), revenue funding (such as salaries and running costs) and the cost of acquiring an asset.

Although they encourage match-funding in applications, they can fund up to 100 per cent of activity costs including staff, training, volunteer expenses, equipment, premises costs, evaluation and overheads.

You may also be interested in the learning they’ve picked up from groups doing community asset transfer projects which could help in developing your project. This is available on the BIG website via the link below.

Please contact BIG Lottery Advice Team to discuss your project.

Link: https://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/research/communities-and-places/community-assets
### Programme Updates

**BAIRDWATSON CHARITABLE TRUST – IMPENDING DEADLINE**

This scheme makes grants for charitable work related to getting unemployed people into work, employment programmes, social enterprise, supported employment, employment training for young people, or vocational skills. It has a particular interest in Ayrshire, and North Lanarkshire.

The trust has a grants programme of around £80,000 per annum and meets 3 times a year. The next meeting of trustees will be in September 2016. Grants are usually between £3,000 and £15,000 a year and funding may be for up to 3 years.

Further information and application forms are available to download from the trusts website; however, applicants are encouraged to phone or email on 07982 915 666 linda@bairdwatson.org.uk/info@bairdwatson.org.uk before making an application.

The next deadline for applications is Friday 26th August 2016.

[Link](http://www.bairdwatson.org.uk)

**SOUTH AYRSHIRE CHARITABLE TRUST**

**Applications now open**

The South Ayrshire Charitable Trust has been set up to assist and improve the lives of South Ayrshire residents who are in need because of poverty, age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage.

What funding is available?

The South Ayrshire Charitable Trust has almost £760,000 of funding available to help tackle poverty and assist those in need. The funds are split geographically:

- **Ayr** – £563,500
- **Barr** – £50
- **Girvan** – £50,000
- **Coylton** – £7,000
- **Maybole** – £3,395
- **Prestwick & Monkton** – £126,000
- **Troon** – £9,500

Please note:

There is maximum award of £10,000 for applications to the Ayr, Prestwick & Monkton fund. A limit of £5,000 is in place for applications from Girvan. The maximum amounts will be reviewed annually by the trustees who oversee the fund.

Who can apply for funding?

Funding is available to groups, organisations and individuals provided they can demonstrate to trustees that the funding will be used to help those in need living in South Ayrshire.

Possible activities the trust may support could include, but are not limited to:

- Providing grants to local clubs or organisations which support the poor, the disadvantaged, the disabled, the elderly or the sick
- Providing grants to purchase items for projects that will benefit local residents and patients of hospitals and care homes

How do I apply?

There is a group application form and an individual application form for each geographical area. Applicants will be required to show that the funding will be used for the benefit of the residents of the specific geographical area.

For more information or to get help filling out an application form use the following contact details:

**Phone:** 01292 612 626

**Email:** marion.young@south-ayrshire.gov.uk

**Registered Charity Number** SCO45677

[Link](http://www.south-ayrshire.gov.uk/funding/south-ayrshire-charitable-trust.aspx)
South Ayrshire Waste and Environment Trust (SAWET) is a registered Approved Body with the Scottish Environment Protection Agency (SEPA) set up to give out money through the Scottish Landfill Communities Fund (SLCF) to approved projects.

The aim of the Trust is to help organisations, groups and communities to make practical improvements to their environment by providing funding for environmental projects.

For further information regarding SAWET please contact Marion Young on 01292 612 626 or email sawet@south-ayrshire.gov.uk

**Resources**

**SUPPORTING COMMUNITIES PROGRAMME PHASE 3 – 2016/17**

The Supporting Communities programme is delivered by SCDC and this year offers support to community anchor organisations who want to improve their community engagement practice. We want to find out about how you engage with your community, and to help you deal with common issues such as:

- Finding out the needs of your community, and planning how to address these
- Engaging with your whole community in an inclusive way
- Methods and skills for community engagement
- Planning for community engagement activity, and demonstrating impact

For further information, please contact david.allan@scdc.org.uk or Embedding and sustaining good practice in community engagement

**BT – COMMUNITY WEB KIT**

This scheme is open to small charitable voluntary and community groups in the UK that provide a clear benefit to the local community. A simple-to-build website may be constructed from simple on-screen instructions on the Internet.

As part of the BT Community Web Kit applicants will receive the following:

- Free website hosting
- Free website addresses
- The choice of eight templates with five or 15 colour themes depending on the template selected
- One free format template
- Enough space for unlimited pages and up to 500 pictures
- Templates and colour options for all content
- An easy-to-use Page Editor or an HTML Editor for technically minded applicants
- Free technical support

To qualify, organisations must be based in the United Kingdom and provide a clear benefit to the local community. They should be registered charities, non-profit-making groups or volunteer-led organisations. Users are advised to contact the sponsor for details of any specific criteria that may apply.

Applications may be made at any time.

**OPEN4COMMUNITY (O4C) DATABASE**

Search for funding using the O4C Database, which is funded by South Ayrshire Council. It provides a valuable resource for individuals and organisations, in both the private and public sector, looking for funding.

Registration on the system is free, quick and easy. Once registered, you can search the database for the funds that are most appropriate to your organisation or need, and will then be able to view and print any of the results. O4C is updated every month and offers all the information required to identify appropriate funding.

**Link:** [http://www.idoxopen4community.co.uk/southayrshire](http://www.idoxopen4community.co.uk/southayrshire)
SCVO – FUNDING AT YOUR FINGERTIPS

Funding Scotland
Find funding for your charity, community group or social enterprise using their free online search engine. From small grants to funding for big capital projects, they can help you track down the funding you need to make a difference in your community. They have more than 800 records of funds which help Scottish projects.

Link: http://www.fundingscotland.com

IDENTIFYING OTHER SOURCES OF FUNDING
If you are looking for funding you may also find these other links helpful:

2. https://www.family-action.org.uk/what-we-do/grants/ (Educational Grants Advisory Service for post – 16 students studying at specific colleges or universities)

VOLUNTARY ACTION SOUTH AYRSHIRE (VASA) – SOUTH AYRSHIRE’S VOLUNTARY SECTOR INTERFACE
VASA are the development agency for third sector organisations in South Ayrshire. VASA are the point of contact for information, advice and support on voluntary action, and represents the sector in strategic dialogue with community planning partners.

Operating from offices in Ayr, VASA are open to third sector organisations across the local authority area.

If you have any funding questions you can contact VASA on 01292 432 661 or visit the website.

Link: http://www.voluntaryactionsouthayrshire.org.uk

Web Resources

1. Sources of Guidance and Advice
   Cranfield Trust
   Link: http://www.cranfieldtrust.org
   Pilotlight
   Link: http://pilotlight.org.uk

2. Networking/Advocacy Support
   Social Enterprise Scotland
   Link: http://www.socialenterprisescotland.org.uk/
   Link: https://www.facebook.com/socialenterprisescotland
   Link: https://mobile.twitter.com/signup

   SENSOCOT
   Link: http://www.senscot.net
   Link: http://www.facebook.com/ThematicSENs
   Link: https://twitter.com/senscot
   Link: http://www.senscot.net/networks1st/notices.php

   Community Recycling Network
   Link: http://www.crans.org.uk/
   Linkedin
   Link: https://uk.linkedin.com

3. Capacity Building
   FirstPort
   Link: http://www.firstport.org.uk/
   Link: https://www.facebook.com/FirstportScotland
   Link: https://mobile.twitter.com/Firstport
   Link: http://www.youtube.com/user/Firstport1

   CEIS
   Link: http://ceis.org.uk/
   Development Trust Association
   Link: http://www.dtascot.org.uk/
   Link: http://www.dtascot.org.uk/content/learning/events/e-bulletin

   Just Enterprise
   Link: http://justenterprise.org/
   UNLtd
   Link: http://unltd.org.uk/path/

4. Training
   Social Enterprise Academy
   Link: http://www.theacademy-ssea.org/
   Link: https://mobile.twitter.com/signup
   Link: https://www.facebook.com/SocEntAcademy?sk=wall

5. Tendering Opportunities
   Supplier Development Programme
   Link: http://www.sdpscotland.co.uk
   Public Contracts Scotland
   Link: http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/

6. Industry Trends
   The Guardian
   Link: http://www.theguardian.com/social-enterprise-network
   Link: https://twitter.com/GuardianSocEnt
   Glasgow Social Enterprise Network
   Link: http://www.gsen.org.uk/
   Third Force News
   Link: http://thirdforcenews.org.uk/
Information

COMMUNITY SHARES SCOTLAND

Crowdfunding offers both commercial and non-commercial ventures the opportunity to raise a sum of money by offering shares to people who put forward small amounts of money. Community Shares Scotland connects not-for-profit groups and investors looking to provide money for social good. People buying shares in the projects promoted through the site will recoup their investment through improvements to their community rather than profit. Social businesses can offer interest to be paid on the shares if the profit from trading is sufficient.

Community Shares Scotland hopes it can provide organisations such as community groups looking to save a local shop or start a local food scheme with access to funds.

The programme is scheduled to run for three years and its partners include the Plunkett Foundation, Co-ops UK and Rocket Science. It is funded by the Big Lottery Fund and Carnegie UK Trust through an award of £800,000.

A series of Community Shares Scotland road shows will take place across Scotland providing local groups with more information about how to get involved. Although dates have not been released yet, information will be available from their website when they are.

Link: http://www.communitysharesscotland.org.uk

IDENTIFYING OTHER SOURCES OF FUNDING

If you are looking for funding you may also find these other Links helpful:

1. www.guidestar.org.uk
2. www.fundingcentral.org.uk
4. www.gov.uk/government/organisations/charity-commission/services-information

JUSTGIVING

Online fundraising platform JustGiving is expanding its services to enable any business to fundraise online for charity. This will enable businesses to showcase their employees’ achievements, and match their donations with company funds if they choose.

The new tools offer:

• The facility for employees to form teams to compete against each other and link their JustGiving individual fundraising pages to their company page
• Leader boards featuring the most successful fundraising staff to encourage competition and reward success
• The option for companies to match-fund the sums raised by their employees and to display this total publicly on their company profile
• Measurement and reporting of fundraising data

Perhaps you know of a local company that would like to raise funds for your group in this way.

Further details are available via the web link below.

Link: http://www.justgiving.com/companies

PEER-TO-PEER MENTORING SCHEME / INSPIRING STUDY VISIT SCHEME

The Plunkett Foundation have secured funds from the Prince’s Countryside Fund to deliver a Peer-to-Peer mentoring scheme and an Inspiring Study Visit scheme for Scotland.

This programme gives groups the opportunity to learn from another established shop group. A substantial amount of time is spent discussing the details of community enterprise. In addition a Plunkett mentor or adviser assists the visit and a tour of the shop is generally given and travel expenses are paid.

To find out more contact the Frontline Team on 01993 810 730 or email Hannah.barrett@plunkett.co.uk

REDUCE TECHNOLOGY COSTS

Through this programme, eligible UK-based charities are able to request donated technology products from partners such as Microsoft, Symantec and Cisco.

The products include operating system software and server software, security software and hardware products such as switches, routers, wireless equipment and firewalls.

Although there is an administration fee for charities the CTX programme still gives savings of 92-96% on typical retail prices. For further information visit

Link: https://www.ctx-exchange.org/

RESOURCE EFFICIENT SCOTLAND

This scheme is a Scottish Government funded programme delivered by Zero Waste Scotland. It works to engage Scottish business, the public sector including local authorities and housing associations and third sector organisations on the benefits of using resources more efficiently and to help them implement resource efficiency actions within their organisation.
There are three main elements to the programme:

1. **Advice and support service:**
   (Tel: 0808 808 2268) this service provides free advice, support, training and access to funding to help organisations implement resource efficiency measures.

2. **Sector Programmes:**
   These programmes provide a strategic sector focused approach with activities tailored around specific resource-use ‘hotspots’.

3. **Innovation:**
   This area of work involves the development of new resource efficient products and technologies, business models, working practices and de-centralised renewable energy infrastructure – providing solutions for the sector support and advice services. Support for local authorities is provided through one of the sector programmes.

   For more information contact Warren McIntyre, Programme Area Manager – Public Sector Resource Efficient Scotland, 01786 433930 or email warren.mcintyre@resourceefficientscotland.com

   **Link:** [http://www.resourceefficientscotland.com/](http://www.resourceefficientscotland.com/)

**WAYS TO PAY**

The Payments Council has confirmed that banks have delivered on the promise to extend the ways charities can authorise their payments if they are reliant on more than one signatory. Nominated signatories will be able to authorise payments using either online banking or, in some cases phone banking facilities, with a range of Payments Council members. Cheques will still be continued to be used and banks have committed to carrying on using and accepting cheques for as long as needed.

Further details can be obtained from your bank or the Payment Council website.

   **Link:** [http://www.paymentsuk.org.uk/](http://www.paymentsuk.org.uk/)

**EVENT ORGANISERS’ GUIDE**

The Can-Do guide is an interactive guide to organising community events. Published by the Cabinet Office the guide aims to dispel a raft of inaccurate myths leading, it is hoped, to a surge in community events in the coming year.


**SUPPLIER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME**

This scheme delivers a range of specialist business support activities including advice, training and information with the aim of assisting businesses to become more capable of accessing and competing for contracts.

The annual Meet the Buyer event can help businesses make contact with public sector buyers, while the popular workshops provide in-depth advice on helping companies to compile winning tenders.

For free registration visit the Supplier Development Programme website via the link below.

   **Link:** [http://www.sdpscotland.co.uk](http://www.sdpscotland.co.uk)

**Publications**

**BIG DIRECTORY OF SOCIAL INVESTMENT**

Social investment is a term used to describe many different forms of finance – like loans, bonds and equity – all of which involve some kind of financial return to the investor, as well as helping to achieve social impact.

The Big Lottery Fund achieves its mission of bringing improvements to communities and people most in need primarily through making grants. But they recognise that there are circumstances when social investment can be the right path to growth and sustainability for third sector organisations.

This directory aims to provide a single source of information that third sectors organisations in Scotland can use to find out what sorts of social investment finance are available to support their social enterprise activities and aspirations.

New Funding Opportunities

Arts, Culture & Heritage

HISTORIC SCOTLAND – HISTORIC BUILDING REPAIR GRANTS SCHEME
This scheme provides funding for the repair and conservation of historic buildings in Scotland assessed as being of outstanding architectural or historic interest.

Grants, up to £500,000 are awarded primarily for urgent repairs that need to be done within two years to prevent loss or damage to important historic fabric.

Owners must insure and maintain the building and allow some access to the public in return for financial help.

You must be legally responsible for the repair of a historic building to apply for a Building Repair Grant.

Individuals and organisations (public and private) may apply for a Building Repair Grant. This includes:

- Private homeowners
- Trusts
- Commercial enterprises
- Local authorities

Applicants must have legal responsibility for the repair of a historic building and must usually either:

- Own the building; or
- Hold a full repairing lease, which has at least 21 years to run

Applications for Building Repair Grants throughout the year are accepted throughout the year and are considered in three batches. Applications should be made through their Grants Online Portal. New users must register with the portal first.

The next deadline for receipt of applications is 30 September 2016.


MICHAEL TIPPETT MUSICAL FOUNDATION
This scheme makes grants available for the development of group music-making in the UK, especially involving young people in projects incorporating composition and creative ideas.

This is a small foundation with funds from the royalties generated by performances, broadcasts and publication of the works of composer Michael Tippett (1905-98). When he set up the Foundation, Tippett said he wanted the funds to go towards young musicians and composers, not towards promoting his own works.

Applications for grants ranging between £500 – £4,000 should include a short introductory letter (maximum one page of A4) clearly identifying the organisation and individual/s applying, the sum requested, the names and contact details of two referees willing to support the application; and a Project Description (maximum two single-sided A4 pages) for presentation to trustees, covering the following areas:

- **Title:** Organisation applying, project title and sum requested
- **Musical aspirations, aims, content and intended outcomes** – see points above
- **Numbers and ages of participants** with names of schools or other organisations which will benefit/participate in the project and a plan for recruitment if not working with pre-existing groups
- **The artistic leadership of the project** – named and with experience detailed
- **Project plan** including the start date, time frame, number of sessions and where it will take place
- **The management of the project** and plans for evaluation
- **The project budget**

Applicants are asked to note that overlong applications will be cut and the trust cannot fund instruments, equipment, recordings, individual study costs, retrospective applications.

The deadline for receipt of applications is 30 September 2016.

Link: [http://www.tippettfoundation.org.uk/index.htm](http://www.tippettfoundation.org.uk/index.htm)
ON ORGAN FUND

This scheme makes funding available for the provision and restoration of pipe organs in the British Isles.

An application can be made only if and when all of the following conditions have been met:

• The project is for the main organ in the church
• A fund has been set up and at least half the amount required (including VAT if applicable) has been raised
• A contract has been signed with the organ builder
• A faculty (if applicable) has been granted

The fund receives many applications and most grants are currently between £100 and £1000.

It is only necessary to send in one copy of the application form and of any supporting paperwork. Please send your application to the Secretary:

Dr Alan Thurlow,
8 Old Bakery Gardens,
CHICHESTER,
West Sussex,
PO19 8AJ.

The next deadline for receipt of applications is 30 September 2016.

Link: http://www.onorganfund.org.uk/apply.html

Children & Young People

GANNOCHY TRUST

This scheme makes grants available across Scotland for work that aims to inspire young people under 25 years of age, and for projects in Perth and Kinross that aim to improve the quality of life for local people.

The Gannochy Trust was founded in 1937 by Arthur Kinmond Bell, whisky distiller of Perth, who built the Gannochy Housing Estate in Perth consisting of 150 houses which was completed in 1932. This model scheme was a significant element in the foundation of the Trust.

After undertaking a review of its grant making procedure, the Gannochy Trust has decided to focus on two priority areas for 2015-18. These are:

• Inspiring young people
• Improving the quality of life of the disadvantaged and vulnerable

The following levels of funding exist:

• Both funding streams:
  - Small grants of up to £10,000 per annum or £25,000 over three years. The average grant is £5,000 per annum
  - Main grants of up to £30,000 per annum or £75,000 over three years. The average grant is £15,000 per annum

• For Perth and Kinross only:
  - Major grants of over £30,000 per annum up to a maximum of £120,000 over three years. The average grant is £40,000 per annum
  - Capital grants with no limit

As a general rule, the trust will not make donations which, for revenue grants, exceed 50% of the salary costs of one member of staff or 50% of project costs.

For capital costs, the trust expects applicants to have at least 40% of project costs secured before submitting an application. The trust will normally fund 10-25% of the cost.

Organisations recognised by the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR) may apply. Community groups and village halls that are not registered charities should contact the Trust prior to applying.

Only one application per charity will be considered in any 12-month period. Applications must be specific and preferably for a project with a defined outcome, not general running costs. Applications will seldom be considered for more than a three-year commitment.

Business

BARCLAYS £100 MILLION AGRICULTURE LOAN FUND

This scheme is a fund designed to boost the UK’s agriculture sector. The bank is launching the dedicated loan fund to secure the future of the industry, improve efficiency and create additional revenue streams to limit effects of market volatility.

The fund is in addition to the ongoing support that Barclays offers to the sector.

Loans will have fixed fees starting at 0.6% for a loan term of 0-5 years, 0.75% for loans that are 6-10 years and rising to 0.90% for loan terms of 11-15 years.

The fund will be available for farmers looking to modernise their infrastructure, helping to streamline their farming processes and increase efficiency.

The fund will also assist farmers looking to reduce their farm’s exposure to market volatility by providing funds to invest in viable diversification projects, either within agriculture or from non-agriculture sources.

Further information will be published when it becomes available.

Link: http://www.barclays.co.uk/business-banking/sectors/agribusiness
The trust has identified two priority areas it wishes to focus on for 2015-2018:

• **Theme 1:** Inspiring Young People (Scotland wide) – including projects working with young people under 25 which:
  - Create positive change in the lives of young people
  - Raise aspirations and help to realise full potential
  - Develop talent
  - Enhance social, personal and leadership skills
  - Develop training, skills and knowledge to increase employability
  - Encourage and develop young leaders
  - Increase participation as active citizens

Applications under this theme should have a strong focus on supporting and empowering young people in communities that are experiencing economic or social disadvantage.

• **Theme 2:** Improving the Quality of Life of People (currently restricted to projects taking place in Perth and Kinross) – including projects which:
  - Support the disadvantaged and the vulnerable
  - Increase the availability or quality of facilities for wide community use
  - Make Perth and Kinross a better place to live and work

Further information and guidance is available download from the trust’s website.

Applications may be submitted at any time.


**NATIONAL VOLUNTARY YOUTH ORGANISATIONS SUPPORT FUND**

This scheme, administered by YouthLink Scotland, the National Voluntary Youth Work Organisations Support Fund has been established by the Scottish Government to support national voluntary youth work organisations contributing to the achievement of Scotland's national priorities relating to young people.

Applications are accepted from all national voluntary youth work organisations involved in the management and delivery of youth work leading to one or more of the following outcomes being achieved:

- Improved support and engagement of volunteers
- Increased access to workforce development opportunities for paid staff and/or volunteers
- Increased access to leadership development opportunities for senior managers and/or senior volunteers
- Improved strategic leadership

**ASDA FOUNDATION**

This scheme assists charities, people and projects in the UK that require financial assistance. The Foundation can only support a limited number of requests that have the direct support and involvement from ASDA colleagues.

The ASDA Foundation is set up to assist charities, people and projects within the UK that require financial assistance.

While there are no minimum of maximum amounts stipulated; the foundation can only support a limited number of requests which have the direct support and involvement from ASDA.

Funding is available for projects that will make a significant difference to local communities and the people who live there and meet the following criteria:

- Identified opportunities, initiatives and new ways to support local communities
- Charity/good cause has developed a relationships with local the local store, depot or home office at a grassroots level
- Tackling the underlying problems in the local community
- Can apply evidence from programmes of community needs and aspirations to develop their existing model
- Benefits the wider community and is not just supporting a single user group
- There is a need for this facility locally
- Will make a real long term difference
- Would transform the community, improving the lives of those who live there

Applicants should complete the online eligibility checker. If this fits the Foundation's guidelines and criteria, applicants should then contact their local store, depot or home office Community Life Champion to see if they are able to support the cause proposed.
The donation will be made directly to the charity on receipt of the relevant invoices.

Further information and guidance is available by contacting the foundation at Asda House, Southbank, Great Wilson Street, Leeds, LS11 5AD.

Applications may be submitted at any time.

Link: http://www.asdafoundation.org/applying-for-funding/significant-local-community-projects

ASDA FOUNDATION COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAMME

This scheme makes grants available for not-for-profit organisations to develop stronger better connected communities across the UK by targeting the key social issues that are affecting local communities.

Grants of between £5,000 and £10,000 are available for constituted not-for-profit organisations in the UK. Projects should be located within five miles of an Asda store.

Funding is available for projects that will make a significant difference to local communities and the people who live there and meet the following criteria:

• Identified opportunities, initiatives and new ways to support local communities.
• Charity/good cause has developed a relationship with local the local store, depot or home office at a grassroots level.
• Tackling the underlying problems in the local community.
• Can apply evidence from programmes of community needs and aspirations to develop their existing model.
• Benefits the wider community and is not just supporting a single user group.
• There is a need for this facility locally.
• Will make a real long term difference.
• Would transform the community, improving the lives of those who live there.

Applicants should complete the online eligibility checker. If this fits the Foundation’s guidelines and criteria, applicants should then contact their local store, depot or home office Community Life Champion to see if they are able to support the cause proposed. The donation will be made directly to the charity on receipt of the relevant invoices.

Further information and guidance is available by contacting the foundation at Asda House, Southbank, Great Wilson Street, Leeds, LS11 5AD.

Applications may be submitted at any time.

Link: http://www.asdafoundation.org/

Disabled

ACT FOUNDATION (ACT)

This scheme provides grants to individuals and other charities, principally in the UK, with the aim of enhancing the quality of life for people in need, specifically the mentally and physically disabled and the aged.

To be eligible charities should have registered for at least three years; funding is at the discretion of the trustees with no upper limit on awards. Previous grants have been for between £100 and £4 million. Grants generally fall into the following areas:

• Building – funding modifications to homes (where a Disabled Facilities Grant has already been awarded), charities, special schools, hospices
• Equipment – provision of specialised wheelchairs, other mobility aids and equipment including medical equipment to assist independent living.
• Financial assistance – towards the cost of short-term respite breaks at a registered respite centre

Charities and Overseas Charitable Organisations must submit a letter on the organisation’s headed paper and should:

• Give a brief description of the organisation including any statutory or voluntary registration
• Provide a summary of the work the organisation plans to undertake with the grant, together with a cost breakdown, plans and/or specification if available and a summary of the key milestones for the work
• Provide information on why the organisation needs to do this work and what would happen if not able to do it
• Give details of any other UK-based support received or pledged for the project
• Specify what the organisation expects the results of the work to be and the number of beneficiaries helped
• Detail if the work will require capital and/or ongoing operational funding and if so how the organisation plans to meet these costs

Applicants must attach the following financial information to the letter:

• A cashflow projection of income and expenditure budget for the work
• Details of any income already raised for the work and income outstanding and where the organisation plans to raise it from
• The organisation’s latest annual report and accounts

Successful applicants must keep a financial record of the spending of the grant and retain a copy of any appropriate invoices and receipts, and submit these to ACT if requested.

The support of ACT must be acknowledged in all publications concerning the project as well as in presentations (oral or written) and interviews.

Applications may be submitted at any time.

Link: http://www.theactfoundation.co.uk/

Environment

PATHS FOR ALL (SCOTLAND) HEALTH WALK GRANTS

This scheme comes from the Scottish Government and is managed by the Paths for All Partnership. The funding is for initiatives in Scotland that increase the health and well-being of less active people by promoting regular walking to work, school or the shops.

As well as investing in community projects which build local capacity and improve physical health levels, the grants are aimed at businesses who wish to implement a workplace walking initiative to improve their employees’ health.

There are two levels of grants available:

• Small grants of up to £5,000
• Large grants of up to £30,000 (maximum of £20,000 for organisations that have already received a grant)

Only constituted groups and organisations based in Scotland are eligible to apply, and the work which the grant will support must be carried out in Scotland.

Applications will be accepted from workplaces, voluntary and community organisations, registered charities, public sector bodies and private sector organisations as long as they can show that their project will benefit inactive people.

Projects should meet all of the following objectives:

• Deliver volunteer led health walks in communities
• Demonstrate evidence of local need
• Work in partnership to increase reach involving local and/or national partners
• Contribute to organisational outcomes
• Demonstrate competency in project management
• Have considered how the project will show success through monitoring and evaluation

Large grant applicants that are considering applying for the maximum grant should plan for a project delivering across at least two years which involves a dedicated post which would promote walking.

Grants may be used to cover staff salaries, running costs of projects, materials, training and volunteer expenses.

Applications for funding to support the continuation of existing projects may be considered, if applicants are able to demonstrate the current achievements of the project and the impact that the funding will have on continued development and sustainability.

Applications may be submitted at any time on a rolling basis until the total funding has been allocated.

Link: http://www.pathsforall.org.uk/pfa/support/health-walk-grants.html

Health & Welfare

COTTON TRUST

This scheme offers grants to support registered charities in the UK working in the following areas:

• Relief of suffering
• Elimination or control of disease
• Assisting people with disabilities and disadvantaged people of all ages

The majority of grants are between £250 and £2,000; however a small number of larger grants are made in response to emergency appeals and a limited number of more substantial grants are made where this enables a favoured charity to finance a specific project or activity.

Funding is not available for:

• Purchasing buildings
• Construction
• Administration costs

Grants are primarily awarded for capital costs of identified charitable projects or for items of specialist equipment. Although they are occasionally awarded for running costs where the trustees are provided with details and predicted budget costs for an identified project.

Interested applicants must apply in writing and include copies of the organisations:

• Most recent audited accounts
• Project budget
• Project timetable
Application guidelines are available on request by contacting the trust directly on 01455 440 917 or writing to them at the following address:

**Mrs J B Congdon**  
Trustee  
The Cotton Trust  
PO Box 6895  
Earl Shilton  
Leicester  
LE9 8ZE

**Tel:** 01455 440 917  
**There are no published deadlines.**  
**Link:** None

**Miscellaneous**

**ALLEN LANE FOUNDATION**

This scheme makes grants available to small registered charities, voluntary groups and charitable organisations in the UK for work that makes a difference to people’s lives as opposed to simply alleviating the symptoms or current problems and should aim to reduce isolation, stigma and discrimination.

The Allen Lane Foundation is a grant-making trust and was set up in 1966 by the late Sir Allen Lane, founder of Penguin Books, to support general charitable causes. The foundation has no connection with the publishing company, but five of the trustees are members of the founder’s family.

One-off grants of between £500 and £15,000 are available. The average grant is between £5,000 and £6,000.

Grants repeated for more than one year vary from around £500 per annum up to £5,000 per annum, for a maximum of three years. Registered charities are eligible to apply as well as other organisations which are not charities, but which seek funding for a charitable project.

To make sure its grants have an impact, the foundation will not fund larger organisations. If an organisation works in a relatively local area – a village, or estate or small town – to be eligible it will have an income of less than about £100,000. At the other end of the spectrum, an organisation which works across the whole of the UK will be eligible if it has an income of not more than about £250,000.

The foundation makes grants for work all over the United Kingdom but not where the beneficiaries of the work all live in London. Organisations which have their offices in London would still be eligible provided the people who benefit from their work are not only in London.

The foundation will not normally make grants to organisations which receive funding (directly or indirectly) from commercial sources where conflicts of interest for the organisation and its work are likely to arise.

It aims to help organisations to become sustainable. The funding will support running and core costs to enable them to have flexibility, security and longevity.

Eligible work must benefits adults from the following groups, or generalist work which includes significant numbers from more than one such group:

- Asylum seekers and refugees (but not groups working with a single nationality)
- Gay, lesbian, bi-sexual or transgender people
- Gypsies and Travellers
- Migrant communities
- Offenders and ex-offenders
- Older people
- People experiencing mental health problems
- People experiencing violence or abuse

The following types of activities are eligible for support:

- Provision of advice or information
- Advocacy
- Arts activities where the primary purpose is therapeutic or social
- Befriending or mentoring
- Mediation or conflict resolution
- Practical work, such as gardening or recycling, which benefits both the provider and the recipient
- Self-help groups
- Social activities or drop-in centres
- Strengthening the rights of particular groups and enabling their views and experiences to be heard by policy-makers
- Research and education aimed at changing public attitudes or policy
- Work aimed at combating stigma or discrimination
- Work developing practical alternatives to violence

Grants may be used for start-up, core or project costs, for example:

- Volunteers’ or participants’ expenses
- Venue hire
• Part-time or sessional staffing costs
• Work aimed at strengthening the organisation such as trustee or staff training

The foundation is particularly interested in unusual, imaginative or pioneering projects which have perhaps not yet caught the public imagination. If an applicant has any queries about making an application, they are advised to contact the foundation direct. Applications should be sent to the Foundation’s office where processing an application tends to take between two and six months.

While there is no formal application form; requests should include a completed registration form (available from the foundation’s website). An application should be no more than four sides of A4 and should be accompanied by the budget for the work, plus a copy of the budget for the whole organisation, the organisation’s latest annual report and accounts.

Application may be submitted at any time.

Link: http://allenlane.org.uk

ALLIANCE FAMILY FOUNDATION

This scheme distributes grants to UK charitable organisations undertaking social welfare, education or religious activities.

The Alliance Family Foundation offers grants to charitable organisations working throughout the UK and abroad.

The scheme aims to fund a wide range of projects, including those focusing on:
• Education
• Relief of poverty and hardship
• Religious activities

Funding is at the discretion of the trustees; however previous grants have been for up to £177,000 for costs associated with eligible projects.

Further information and guidance is available by contacting the foundation directly at:

Alliance Family Foundation
Spencer House
27 St James’s Place
London
SW1A 1NR

Email: aff@alliance.me

Applications may be submitted at any time.

Link: None

CRUDEN FOUNDATION LIMITED

This scheme distributes grants to registered charities in Scotland working for the support and improvement of the community.

Funding is available for activities that support the main purposes of the trust as follows:
• The advancement of education
• The advancement of health
• The saving of lives
• The advancement of citizenship or community development
• The advancement of the arts, heritage, culture or science
• The advancement of public participation in sport
• The provision of recreational facilities, or the organisation of recreational activities, with the object of improving the conditions of life for the persons for whom the facilities or activities are primarily intended.
• The advancement of environmental protection or improvement
• The relief of those in need by reason of age, ill health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage
• The advancement of animal welfare

Applications are considered by the Board three times per year: November, February and June.

Applications must be submitted in writing and must demonstrate need and purpose of support coupled with annual accounts.

Further information and guidance is available by contacting the secretary at the following address:

The Secretary
Cruden Foundation Limited
Baberton House
Juniper Green
Edinburgh
EH14 3HN

Applications may be submitted at any time.

Link: None

DISCOVERY FOUNDATION

This scheme, formerly The Santander Foundation, has streamlined all its grant programmes into the new Discovery Grants.

Grants are available to UK registered charities, Community Interest Companies and Credit Unions for local projects that benefit disadvantaged people in the UK.

Grants of up to £5,000 are available to help with the cost of part time salaries, equipment and materials that are directly related to
projects that benefit disadvantaged people in the applicant’s local area.

Activities must support one or more of the following three priority themes:

- **Explorer – improving knowledge and insight:** examples include a series of Money Management workshops to help people understand how to budget and identify the affordable credit choices available to them; a Freedom Training course giving abused women knowledge of how to regain control over their lives.

- **Transformer – developing skills and experience:** examples include work-based training and mentors to help socially isolated people develop skills to get back into work; sign language training for parents with hearing impaired children; teaching young people with autism vocational skills.

- **Changemaker – innovative solutions to social challenges:** examples include a new social networking program for visually impaired young people which uses specially developed braille laptops to access the internet; an inclusive cycling social enterprise which adapts bicycles to enable people with disabilities to enjoy the outdoors.

The Discovery Foundation wants to fund an entire element rather than make a contribution to a larger budget.

A simple nomination form can be picked up at a local Santander or a form can be downloaded online. The completed form should be dropped into the special nomination postbox provided at a local Santander branch. (Please note that the completed form should NOT be sent to the Discovery Foundation.)

Nominations can be made by organisations and members of the public as well as Santander customers and staff.

**Applications may be submitted at any time.**

[Link](http://thediscoveryfoundation.org.uk/discovery-grants.aspx)

### Rural Communities

**PLUNKETT FOUNDATION**

This scheme provides support for rural communities in the UK that are considering setting up or diversifying community-owned services to help turn the tide on rural decline.

The Plunkett Foundation helps rural communities to take control of the issues affecting them through community-ownership.

The foundation has been awarded over £450,000 from long-term supporters the Esmée Fairbairn Foundation to create a new comprehensive support service for rural communities.

Rural communities across the UK are eligible to apply for a combination of adviser support and opportunities for networking with other community enterprises.

The support is specifically focused at the early stage of a community’s ideas, and will help them progress to the next stage.

The foundation can be contacted at any time to discuss eligibility. Alternatively interested applicants should complete the initial contact form on the foundation’s website.

**There are no published deadlines.**

[Link](https://www.plunkett.co.uk/gettingstarted)

### Social Enterprise

**ASDA COMMUNITY CAPITAL FUND**

This scheme provides flexible loans for Scotland based social enterprises in the early stages of running their organisation.

The ASDA Community Capital scheme is administered by Social Investment Scotland. Social Investment Scotland provides loans for charitable organisations such as social enterprises with the intention of generating significant social impact.

The scheme provides loans worth up to £50,000 for early stage social enterprises, in order to assist them with their growth and development. These loans may be paid back over a period of up to six years and there will be a fixed interest rate of 5% from the second year onwards. Candidates should note that during the first year, no repayments are required and there will also be no charge for interest. No security is required and there is no arrangement fee.

Candidates will be assessed and prioritised according to the following criteria:

- New enterprises that have been running for less than two years
- Enterprises that are practicing social investment for the very first time
- Enterprises that wish to take a step change in the delivery of significant social impact

Applicants should be able to show how taking on this loan investment will enable them to become more financially sustainable after the investment has been paid back.

Around 10-20 organisations per year will be chosen to receive funding. Candidates should be able to show that their enterprise would benefit significantly from this loan investment which is intended for the purposes of innovation, asset purchases/improvements and for growing the organisation.
Application forms are not available for this scheme. Instead, prospective candidates should contact Social Enterprise Scotland directly in order to establish the next steps via telephone at 0131 558 7706 or email Communitycapital@socialinvestmentscotland.com

There are no published deadlines.


CADOGAN CHARITY

This scheme makes grants available for registered charities based or working in London or Scotland for general charitable activities.

There are no criteria or guidelines as the trustees use their discretion to decide which projects to fund. The charity does not maintain a website.

Although the application process is ongoing and interested applicants may apply at any time, applicants should be aware that Cadogan Charity does not keep reserves for funding because it allocates all resources as it gets them.

Although the trustees make some grants with no formal applications, they normally require organisations to submit a request saying how the funds could be used, what would be achieved, and how this would add to public benefit. This should be done by writing to the Cadogan Charity at the following address:

Secretary to the Trustees
The Cadogan Charity
10 Duke of York Square
London
SW3 4LY

Tel: 0207 730 4567
Email: paul.loutit@cadogan.co.uk

Applications may be submitted at any time.

Link: None.
SCOTTISH CIVIC TRUST – MY PLACE AWARDS

This scheme actively encourages community groups to nominate new buildings, restoration projects, landscape designs and other placemaking projects across Scotland for the annual My Place Awards.

The Scottish Civic Trust is the national body for the civic movement in Scotland. It engages proactively with local civic groups across Scotland and regularly comments and campaigns for the improvement of Scotland’s individual buildings and areas of distinction. The trust seeks to encourage active interest in all aspects of the built historic environment and liaises with many organisations, bodies and individuals in the pursuit of its objectives.

Scottish Civic Trust My Place Awards scheme is a unique national celebration of good local design and conservation in Scotland as nominated and evaluated by local people.

The aim is to identify projects or buildings that have had a positive impact in a local neighbourhood and have delivered positive benefits to that community. Entries will be assessed on their architectural, heritage and/or place-making benefits and award winners and commended entries will be presented at a special ceremony.

Nominations can be made by community groups including:
- Civic societies and other local groups affiliated to the Scottish Civic Trust
- Community councils
- Development trusts
- Local history societies
- Community arts groups
- Other community-based voluntary groups

The nominating body must have agreed entering the competition with the building owner, architect/designer, in advance of submitting the application.

Nominations will be considered of the following:
- New buildings
- Historic buildings that have been reused or refurbished
- Designed public realm schemes such as streetworks, parks etc

The judging panel will be looking for excellence in terms of:
- Build and design quality: appropriateness, innovation and sustainability
- Preservation or enhancement of local historic built environment
- Community involvement, benefit and impact
- Achievements of the project: difficulties faced and challenges overcome

Nominations can be made online at the Scottish Civic Trust website. After completing a nomination, an email will confirm that the entry has been received. The nomination will be reviewed by the Scottish Civic Trust before being published online.

The deadline for receipt of nominations is 31 January 2017. Link: http://www.myplaceawards.org.uk/how-to-enter.aspx

EUROPEAN MOBILITY WEEK AWARD

This scheme seeks to recognise local authorities’ activities in the framework of the annual European Mobility Week, to promote experiences and successes in organising the week, and to raise awareness for the need of local and individual action in the field of sustainable urban mobility.

The European Mobility Week has been running since 2002 and is organised from 16 to 22 September each year. It is dedicated to sustainable mobility. The Mobility Week, and Mobility Week Awards are run with the political and financial support of the European Commission (DG ENV).

Objectives of Fund

The awarding ceremony will be organised in Brussels in the presence of the European Commissioner for Environment. The winning local authority will be awarded with a free promotional video (up to three minutes clip in English and in the native language) to highlight its achievements as a champion of sustainable urban transport in Europe.

The award scheme is open to all local authorities having signed the European Mobility Week Charter.
To enter the competition, local authorities must register their activities online and fulfil the three criteria of the week:

1. Organise a week of activities
2. Implement at least one new permanent measure
3. Organise a ‘In Town Without My Car!’ event

Local authorities in the following areas are eligible to apply: EU Member State, EU candidate countries, potential EU candidate countries that are part of Stabilisation & Association Process (SAP), European Economic Area countries (EEA) or European Free Trade Area countries (EFTA)

Evaluation criteria for the independent expert jury are as follows:

• The quality of activities taking up the focal theme of the European Mobility Week
• The comprehensiveness of the action plan regarding events, individual activities and involvement of citizens
• The strategic approach in communicating and promoting the Week towards citizens and the media
• The innovativeness of the permanent measure(s) implemented on the occasion of the Week, regarding its/their public awareness-raising impact and its/their effectiveness in terms of sustainable mobility
• The quality and scope of the partnerships with local stakeholders for organising the European Mobility Week

The theme is 2016 is ‘Smart and sustainable mobility – an investment for Europe’. The theme invites people to reflect on mobility habits and to consider the positive economic impact that smart and sustainable transport modes can have on households, the economic actors in cities, and society as a whole.

Local authorities wishing to participate in the Award must complete the application form in English, providing details about:

• The local authority
• EMW events and activities
• Alternative transport modes and implemented permanent measures and nature
• Contributions from local partners
• Include a digital copy of the signed charter and a map of the area that was closed for motorised traffic
• Email the application form together with a digital copy of the EMW Charter – signed by a local politician – to the European coordination before the deadline
• Send supporting materials (communication aids and tools, press clippings and CD-ROMs and DVDs with videos and images) before the supporting materials deadline

The deadline for receipt of submissions is before 1 November 2016.

Link: http://www.mobilityweek.eu;
Trusts

ALBERT HUNT TRUST
This scheme makes grants available for charities registered in the UK that are carrying out projects that improve physical and mental welfare.

The trust provides approximately £2 million in charitable grants each year.

Funding is at the discretion of the trustees although most grants are for between £1,000 and £3,000 for costs associated with eligible projects, in the past higher amounts have been awarded in exceptional circumstances.

Examples of previously funded charitable organisations include:
• Crossroads Care
• Cruse Bereavement Care
• Cumbria Youth Alliance
• Daylight Christian Prison Trust
• The Debt Advice Network
• Dementia Pathfinders
• Depaul UK
• Dorset Blind Association
• Dunedin School
• Friends of Claremont School
• Glasgow City Mission
• Homestart UK
• HospiceCare Northumberland
• Housing for Women
• Jewish Women’s Aid
• John Taylor Hospice
• The Lesbian & Gay Foundation
• National Gulf Veterans and Families Association
• Nordoff-Robbins Music Therapy in Scotland
• Pendragon Community Trust
• Prisoner’s Advice Service

The trust does not maintain a website nor does it have a formal application form. Charitable organisations are asked to submit appeals to the Trustees by letter containing the following:
• Aims and objectives of the charity
• Nature of the appeal
• Total target if for a specific project
• Contributions received against target
• Registered charity number
• Any other relevant factors

The trustee’s grant making policy is to react to appeals received and these are considered by the trustees on a monthly basis. Letters should be addressed to:

The Albert Hunt Trust
c/o Director, Tax Trust & Estate Planning
Coutts & Co
Trustee Department
440 Strand
London
WC2R OQS

There are no published deadlines.

Link: None

STAFFORD TRUST
This scheme makes grants available to support registered charities in the UK, with a preference towards charitable organisations operating in Scotland.

The Stafford Trust was set up in 1991 by the late Mrs Gay Stafford of Sauchie Estate near Stirling. During her lifetime, Mrs Stafford made substantial gifts to the trust and, on her death in 2005, the residue of her estate was bequeathed to the trust.

Grants vary, but most are between £500 and £5,000 for projects, including capital, running costs and salaries and have previously been made for projects in the following areas:
• Children and youth
• Medical research
• Animal welfare
• HM Services personnel
• Sea rescue
• Local community projects
• Overseas support
• Adult welfare

Application forms are available to download from the trusts website. Completed forms must be returned by post to the Trust administrators together with a copy of the charity’s latest Report and audited Accounts. Unsigned application forms will not be progressed or returned.

The deadline for receipt of applications is 30 December 2016.

Link: http://www.staffordtrust.org.uk/
STANLEY SMITH (UK) HORTICULTURAL TRUST
This scheme seeks to further the advancement of horticulture in the UK and abroad, grants are available for projects in support of horticultural research, the creation, preservation and maintenance of public gardens, publication of books on horticulture, study visits, plant collecting expeditions and training schemes for gardeners.
**DEADLINE:** 15th August 2016
**MAX GRANT:** £5,000
**Link:** http://www.grantsforhorticulturists.org.uk/Smith.html

BRITISH RECORD INDUSTRY TRUST (BRIT TRUST)
This scheme provides grants for UK charitable organisations undertaking projects that encourage young peoples’ involvement in music.
**DEADLINE:** 31st August 2016
**MAX GRANT:** Discretionary
**Link:** http://www.brittrust.co.uk/funding/

ERANDA FOUNDATION
This scheme provides grants for charities undertaking projects for research into medicine and education, encouraging the arts and supporting social welfare in the UK. Further information and guidance is available by contacting Evelyn de Rothschild, The Eranda Foundation, PO Box 6226
Wing, Leighton Buzzard, Bedfordshire, LU7 0XF, Tel: 01296 689157 or E-Mail: eranda@btconnect.com.
**DEADLINE:** 31st August 2016
**MAX GRANT:** Discretionary
**Link:** None given

INMAN CHARITY
This scheme makes grants available for registered charities in the UK carrying out medical, social welfare or general welfare activities.
**DEADLINE:** 31st August 2016
**MAX GRANT:** Discretionary
**Link:** http://www.inmancharity.org/

SYLVIA AITKEN CHARITABLE TRUST
This scheme makes grants available for charitable organisations in the UK, preferably Scotland, for a wide range of projects, but particularly for medical research. Further information and guidance is available by contacting the Administrator, The Sylvia Aitkens Charitable Trust, c/o Fergusons, 24 Woodside, Houston, Renfrewshire, PA6 7DD, Tel: 01505 610 412.
**DEADLINE:** 31st August 2016
**MAX GRANT:** Discretionary
**Link:** None given

WEIR CHARITABLE TRUST
This scheme makes grants available to groups and individuals in Scotland for activities in the categories of Sport; Recreational Facilities; Animal Welfare; Health; and Culture.
**DEADLINE:** 31st August 2016
**MAX GRANT:** £25,000
**Link:** http://www.weircharitabletrust.com/

WILLIAM AND JANE MORRIS FUND
This scheme makes grants available for places of worship undertaking restoration projects in the UK.
**DEADLINE:** 31st August 2016
**MAX GRANT:** £3,000
**Link:** http://www.nationalchurchtrust.org/william-jane-morris-fund

CASHBACK FOR COMMUNITIES SMALL GRANTS SCHEME
This scheme makes grants available to support local volunteer-led groups or units in Scotland to enhance their programmes for young people aged 10 to 19 years. Each group or project should apply directly to the organisation of which they are a member. Applicants will be informed whether or not their application has been successful within 21 days of the closing date.
**DEADLINE:** 1st September 2016
**MAX GRANT:** £2,000
**Link:** http://www.cashbacksmallgrants.org/help-applying/apply-for-a-grant/
BBC CHILDREN IN NEED – SMALL GRANTS PROGRAMME
This scheme makes grants to not-for-profit organisations that are working with disadvantaged children and young people who are 18 years old and younger living in the UK.

**DEADLINE:** 1st September 2016
**MAX GRANT:** £10,000
**Link:** [http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b008dk4b/features/cin-grants-small-index](http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b008dk4b/features/cin-grants-small-index)

KELLY FAMILY CHARITABLE TRUST
This scheme provides grants for UK charities whose activities nurture and support family life.

**DEADLINE:** 1st September 2016
**MAX GRANT:** £5,000
**Link:** [http://www.kfct.org.uk/apply.html](http://www.kfct.org.uk/apply.html)

WOODLAND TRUST TREE PLANTING PACKS
This scheme provides tree planting packs are available to community groups, schools and youth groups to help them to plant more trees, hedges and copses in their local shared spaces.

**DEADLINE:** 7th September 2016
**MAX GRANT:** not applicable
**Link:** [http://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/plant-trees/in-your-community/](http://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/plant-trees/in-your-community/)

THE IDLEWILD TRUST
This scheme makes grants available for projects in the UK that encourage the performing/fine arts and preserve buildings, objects of beauty and items of historic interest or national importance for public benefit.

**DEADLINE:** 8th September 2016
**MAX GRANT:** £5,000
**Link:** [http://www.idlewildtrust.org.uk/how-to-apply.htm](http://www.idlewildtrust.org.uk/how-to-apply.htm)

WREN
This scheme awards grants for community, biodiversity and heritage projects from funds donated by FCC Environment through the Landfill Communities Fund and Scottish Landfill Communities Fund.

**DEADLINE:** 28th September 2016
**MAX GRANT:** £50,000
**Link:** [http://www.wren.org.uk/](http://www.wren.org.uk/)

AGE SCOTLAND GRANTS PROGRAMME TACKLING LONELINESS AND ISOLATION
This scheme provides grants to its member organisations in Scotland working to tackle loneliness and isolation amongst older people and improve later life.

**DEADLINE:** 30th September 2016
**MAX GRANT:** Discretionary
**Link:** [http://www.ageuk.org.uk/scotland/](http://www.ageuk.org.uk/scotland/)

FAITHS IN SCOTLAND COMMUNITY ACTION FUND
This scheme works with local faith groups in Scotland to build hope and fight against poverty by providing grants and support in Scotland’s most fragile urban and rural communities.

**DEADLINE:** 30th September 2016
**MAX GRANT:** £15,000

FEMINIST REVIEW TRUST
This scheme provides grants for projects in the UK and internationally that transform the lives of women.

**DEADLINE:** 30th September 2016
**MAX GRANT:** £15,000
**Link:** [http://www.feminist-review-trust.com/](http://www.feminist-review-trust.com/)

HISTORIC SCOTLAND – HISTORIC BUILDING REPAIR GRANTS SCHEME
This scheme provides funding for the repair and conservation of historic buildings in Scotland assessed as being of outstanding architectural or historic interest. Grants are awarded primarily for urgent repairs that need to be done within two years to prevent loss or damage to important historic fabric.

**DEADLINE:** 30th September 2016
**MAX GRANT:** £500,000
**Link:** [http://www.historic-scotland.gov.uk/index/heritage/grants/building-repair-grants.htm](http://www.historic-scotland.gov.uk/index/heritage/grants/building-repair-grants.htm)

MICHAEL TIPPETT MUSICAL FOUNDATION
This scheme makes grants available for the development of group music-making in the UK, especially involving young people in projects incorporating composition and creative ideas.

**DEADLINE:** 30th September 2016
**MAX GRANT:** £4,000
**Link:** [http://www.tippettfoundation.org.uk/index.htm](http://www.tippettfoundation.org.uk/index.htm)
ON ORGAN FUND
This scheme makes funding available for the provision and restoration of pipe organs in the British Isles.

**DEADLINE:** 30th September 2016

**MAX GRANT:** £1,000

[Link](http://www.onorganfund.org.uk/apply.html)

RS MACDONALD CHARITABLE TRUST
Funding is available for registered charities in Scotland in the following areas: child welfare, visual impairment, neurological conditions, medical research and animal welfare. Applications for awards of £10,000 or less may be submitted at any time. Deadlines for awards of more than £10,000 are: 31 March 2016 for Child Welfare, Medical Research: Charities, Animal Welfare and Neurological Conditions; and 30 September 2016 for Medical Research: Universities and Visual Impairment.

**DEADLINE:** 30th September 2016

**MAX GRANT:** Various

[Link](http://www.rsmacdonald.com/)

THOMAS WALL TRUST
This scheme makes grants available for registered charities undertaking educational and social welfare projects in the UK.

**DEADLINE:** 30th September 2016

**MAX GRANT:** £1,000

[Link](http://www.thomaswalltrust.org.uk/)
Forthcoming Deadlines –
October – November 2016

THE CAUSEWAY YOUTH EXCHANGE – PROJECTS BETWEEN 1 JANUARY AND 30 JUNE 2017
This scheme offers grants for youth groups in Ireland and the UK to participate in educational group exchanges between the two countries.

DEADLINE: 1st October 2016
MAX GRANT: None specified
Link: http://www.causewayyouth.org/index.html

ERASMUS+ PROGRAMME – YOUTH (2014-2020)
This scheme supports activities in education, training, youth and sport across all sectors including Higher Education, Further Education, adult education, schools and youth activities. The aim is to boost skills and employability as well as to modernise education, training and youth work across Europe.

DEADLINE: 4th October 2016
MAX GRANT: None specified

MUSEUMS GALLERIES SCOTLAND CAPITAL FUND
This scheme provides financial assistance for projects which will both support the strategic development of Scotland’s museums and contribute to the delivery of the aims of the National Strategy.

DEADLINE: 7th October 2016
MAX GRANT: £40,000
Link: http://www.museumsgalleriesscotland.org.uk/

NATIONAL EVENTS PROGRAMME (SCOTLAND)
This scheme provides support towards cultural and sporting events, designed to showcase specific towns and regions across Scotland, outside of the key metropolitan areas of Glasgow and Edinburgh.

DEADLINE: 7th October 2016
MAX GRANT: £25,000
Link: http://www.eventscotland.org/funding/national-events-programme/

VIRIDOR CREDITS
This scheme distributes grants up to £50,000, through the Scottish Landfill Communities Fund in Scotland.

DEADLINE: 10th October 2016
MAX GRANT: £50,000
Link: http://www.viridor-credits.co.uk/apply-for-funding/scotland/

HLF – SKILLS FOR THE FUTURE
This scheme makes grants available to help not-for-profit organisations in the UK deliver paid training placements to meet skills shortages in the heritage sector and to help diversify the workforce.

DEADLINE: 13th October 2016
MAX GRANT: £750,000
Link: https://www.hlf.org.uk/community/skills-future-community

ROWING FOUNDATION
This scheme makes grants to support rowing in Britain with preference shown to encouraging participation in rowing by the young or disabled through the provision of equipment.

DEADLINE: 17th October 2016
MAX GRANT: £3,000
Link: http://www.therowingfoundation.org.uk/forms-deadlines/

THEATRES PROTECTION FUND UK SMALL GRANTS SCHEME
This scheme awards small capital grants to theatres in the UK that are run by charities and not-for-profit groups that can clearly demonstrate the value capital improvements to their theatres would make to their work with local communities.

DEADLINE: 26th October 2016
MAX GRANT: £5,000
Link: http://www.theatrestrust.org.uk/
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE – COVENANT FUND
This scheme makes grants available for registered UK charities, community interest companies, local authorities, schools, and armed forces units that support the armed forces community and meet the Ministry of Defence’s priorities.

**DEADLINE:** 27th October 2016

**MAX GRANT:** None specified

**Link:** [https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/covenant-fund](https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/covenant-fund)

AUSTIN AND HOPE PILKINGTON TRUST
This scheme awards grants to charities registered in the United Kingdom that undertake projects in a variety of fields. The trust works on a three-year rotation system, with different fields of interests being funded each year.

**DEADLINE:** 1st November 2016

**MAX GRANT:** £10,000

**Link:** [http://www.austin-hope-pilkington.org.uk](http://www.austin-hope-pilkington.org.uk)

WESSEX YOUTH TRUST
This scheme makes funding available for projects that provide opportunities to help support and advance children and young people up to the age of 21 years in the UK.

**DEADLINE:** 1st November 2016

**MAX GRANT:** None specified

**Link:** [http://www.wessexyouthtrust.org.uk/](http://www.wessexyouthtrust.org.uk/)

LOCAL FILM FESTIVALS OPEN ACCESS FUND (SCOTLAND)
This scheme makes grants available to support local film festivals and audience development activities in Scotland.

**DEADLINE:** 7th November 2016

**MAX GRANT:** £3,000

**Link:** [http://regionalscreenscotland.org/what-we-do/](http://regionalscreenscotland.org/what-we-do/)

THE STRATHMARTINE TRUST
This scheme awards various grants and awards to individuals and bodies in the United Kingdom, to support the completion of research projects and the publication of works associated with Scottish history.

**DEADLINE:** 15th November 2016

**MAX GRANT:** £5,000

**Link:** [http://www.strathmartinetrust.org/index.htm](http://www.strathmartinetrust.org/index.htm)

WRITERS’ PROJECTS FUNDING FOR PLAYWRIGHTS IN SCOTLAND
This scheme makes funding available to professional playwrights in Scotland to help them develop their projects.

**DEADLINE:** 18th November 2016

**MAX GRANT:** £3,200

**Link:** [http://www.playwrightsstudio.co.uk/resources/writers-projects/how-to-apply.aspx#.V49O2k0UdX](http://www.playwrightsstudio.co.uk/resources/writers-projects/how-to-apply.aspx#.V49O2k0UdX)

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