

ReNew Community Fund Application Guidance Notes

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Introduction

Hull CVS is pleased work in partnership with [ReNew](#), to offer grants of up to £5,000 to third sector charities, voluntary and community groups and other not for profit organisations that run activity to support people in their recovery from substance misuse and improve social activity.

We expect that activities funded through the ReNew Community Fund will encourage people to feel supported throughout their recovery journey, tackle loneliness in adults and promote alcohol free social activity.

Grants can be used to pay for items required to deliver the identified project, activity or event.

Who can apply for a grant from the ReNew Community Fund?

Charitable and not for profit voluntary and community and faith groups societies, community associations and clubs can apply for a grant from the ReNew Community Grant.

Faith organisations can apply providing the activities for which they are seeking funding does not promote religion.

Who can't apply for a Grant from the ReNew Community Fund?

Organisations and groups that cannot show that their project, activity or event delivers at least one of the following aims: helping people to feel supported throughout their recovery journey, tackling loneliness in adults or promoting alcohol free social activity.

Groups or organisations without constitutions in place (we can help to develop these with organisations and support around wider governance for free as part of the application).

Groups cannot apply for anything that is about promotion of religion.

Groups whose main object is to benefit animals, or that run activities that are war-like or for anything political.

Paid workers making applications on behalf of a group they support. For example; Development Workers cannot apply on behalf of groups they are helping - although they can give support to group to help them apply.

Groups cannot apply for something for an individual.

Individuals cannot apply for something for themselves.

How much can we ask for?

You can ask for a small grant of up to £1,000 or a large grant of up to £5,000. A maximum of two large grant applications will be available per funding round.

What can a grant from the ReNew Community Fund pay for?

Both the small and large grants can be used to pay for the things you need to run your project, activity or event.

That might include things like - equipment that your group needs to do its work, an activity or event, routine bills to keep your group running e.g. venue, marketing, contribution to staff costs, paying bus fares or mileage allowance for volunteers, or buying resources to run your project, activity or event.

The large grant can be used towards suitable match funded, but you need to prove you have the additional funding in place and/or agreed prior to the ReNew Community Fund grant being paid.

Do we need to have a Constitution?

We will need to see a copy of your governing document or a set of rules if your group has them.

We recognise that small self-help groups are often very informal and do not always have a constitution. We also understand that this often means that it can be very difficult to access other grant funding; we are keen to support these types of groups.

If you need help with developing your constitution or set of rules then our Sector Support Team can assist you. To request support email help@sectorconnect.org.uk or call 01482 324474.

What about a bank account?

Your organisation will need to have a bank account in the name of the group, which requires two signatures on a cheque or to draw money out of the bank. If your group does not have an account of this nature and your application for a grant is successful, we will contact you to discuss the grant payment options.

We will need to see a copy of your group annual accounts, if you have them prepared. If your group needs help preparing annual accounts, Hull CVS can help you with this. You will need them in the future if your group is going to apply for grants from other funders.

If your group does not have annual accounts we may ask to see a copy of a recent bank statement in the name of the group.

The Application

The fund will have three funding rounds over the next 12 months and a maximum of two large grant applications will be available per funding round.

The deadlines to apply and be considered for a funding round are:

Friday 10th June 2022

Friday 7th October 2022

Friday 24th February 2023

To apply complete the [online Application Form](#). Once you have completed the form remember to click the submit button at the end of the form. If you are unable to apply on-line contact the Membership Service Team on Enquiries@hull-cvs.co.uk or [01482 324474](tel:01482324474).

What happens once you have completed our application?

We will contact you within 5 working days to advise you that we have received your application. Eligible applications are considered by a ReNew Community Grants Panel which is made up of people who work at ReNew and also service users. You will be told the outcome of your application within one week of the panel meeting which will be usually be held two weeks after the application deadline.

If your application is successful, you will be asked to call into our offices on Beverley Road to verify the identity of two of your committee members and also sign a grant agreement, before we can send you your grant payment.

The grant agreement will include monitoring arrangements and agreeing to work with Renew and Hull CVS on maximising marketing opportunities linked to the grant.

Once you have received your grant you will also be asked to sign a grant receipt.

Once you have completed the project, activity or event you will be asked to complete a brief report outlining how you used the ReNew Community Fund grant. Failure to do so could result in a request to repay the grant.

If your application is unsuccessful you will be told why and offered information about other grants that your group may be eligible to apply for.

Any personal details which you give us as part of this application process are solely for the purpose of administering the ReNew Community Fund and our accounting; unless you ask to receive other mailings from Hull CVS.

What can we do if we think the decision was unfair?

If you are unhappy with the decision regarding your application for a grant, and you think it was not given fair consideration, you must contact the Grants Officer at Hull CVS. Your reasons can be taken to the next meeting of Hull CVS Trustees who will make a final decision.

If you are unhappy with any other aspect of the way your application is treated, you can complain in writing. Your complaint will be considered in line with Hull CVS complaints policy.

If you would like any further help or assistance to apply for grants for your group, or if you would like help to set your group, please get in touch with us.