

Applications for Washington Neighbourhood Fund**Application No. 1**

Funding Source	Neighbourhood Fund
Name of Project	Clean & Green Local Action - Extension
Lead Organisation	SCC

Total cost of Project	Total Match Funding	Total NF Application
£11,000		£11,000
Project Duration	Start Date	End Date
2 years	September 2021	September 2023

ALL PROJECT DETAIL TAKEN VERBATIM FROM APPLICATIONS

Project Description: The Area Committee approved £10,000 for the Clean and Green Local Action Small Grants Scheme September 2019. Grants of £500 were to be made available to Washington based smaller grassroots organisations to become more involved in caring for the local environment. Only one round/invite has been released which resulted in only 2 applications each for £500 (November 2019). Given the impact of the pandemic and restrictions the scheme has not been advertised at all over the last 18 months. The balance remaining available is currently £9,000. The level of grant available has not attracted a lot of interest from local organisations with regards to proposals to deliver 'environmental/green improvements to the area'. The grant was originally intended to encourage the local community to help deliver the Committee's 'Clean & Green' ethos and there is an expectation that groups and volunteers would then help maintain any area improved via the grant.

Whilst there are a number of other supported mechanisms to encourage and support the community to be involved in caring for the environment and the area, the July Board requested Area Committee to consider Increasing the level of grant available per application to encourage activity and to approve additional funds to extend the original brief.

The grants will continue to be awarded via the Neighbourhood Fund 'Small Grants' processes and governance, and if approved a 'Call for Projects' will be released October 2021.

Outputs

20 community grants made by September 2023

Budget

Each round will encourage applications for local action up to £1,000 per application

Recommendation – Approve £11,000 Neighbourhood Fund (2021/22 budget)

The Neighbourhood and Community Board recommend approval of this project, which delivers to Washington Area Investment Delivery Plan Priority of Love Where You Live (Section 2).

Application No. 2

Funding Source	Neighbourhood Fund
Name of Project	Washington Can Do - Extension
Lead Organisation	SCC

Total cost of Project	Total Match Funding	Total NF Application
£10,000		£10,000
Project Duration	Start Date	End Date
2 years	September 2021	September 2023

ALL PROJECT DETAIL TAKEN VERBATIM FROM APPLICATIONS

Project Description: The Washington Can Do fund has proven to be extremely successful in engaging children and young people with some great innovative proposals being brought forward to benefit not only the groups who are applying but also the wider community. First approved by the Committee in 2016, the fund has made 34 awards – 27 to 11-19 age groups and 7 to primary school aged groups (included from March 2021). For the 11-19 applications 17 of the 27 were to academies and schools, 1 to a uniformed group, and the other 9 to youth led groups or organisation. For the younger age group all but one of successful awards have been led by a school. There is a balance of £xx remaining from the first approval.

The Neighbourhood and Communities Board requested a review of the activity and support the following amendments to the scheme:

- Both age groups are able to apply for grants to deliver any of the outcomes – originally primary school aged groups could only apply for green/environmental projects
- £500 per application is available.
- Each 'group' can only submit one application per round/invite
- All proposals should benefit the local community as well as the group applying
- All applicants will need to show what they will be doing to deliver each of the outcomes they choose – activity needs to be directly related to the chosen outcome

The grants will continue to be awarded via the Neighbourhood Fund 'Small Grants' processes and governance, and if approved the next 'Call for Projects' will be released October 2021.

Outputs: 20 community grants made by September 2023

Budget

Each round will encourage applications for local action up to £500 per application

Recommendation – Approve £10,000 Neighbourhood Fund (2021/22 budget)

The Neighbourhood and Community Board recommend approval of this project, which delivers to Washington Area Investment Delivery Plan Priority of Supporting young people (Section 14).

Washington Young People's 'CAN DO' Fund

Are you part of a children's group or a group of young people (Aged 8 -19)?

Do you have an idea or project you need funding to do?

We can help you do it

Introduction and background

The Washington Area Neighbourhood & Community Board has developed a 'CAN DO' Fund available only to groups of children and young people, who want to design and deliver a small project to benefit themselves, other children and young people, and their local community (Washington Central, Washington East, Washington North, Washington South, Washington West only).

A group is four or more people, and you must have one person in your group to act as the main contact (the applicant). You must have the support or backing of an organisation such as your school, youth club, sports club or similar who will help you to apply and will agree to receive any successful grant into their bank account on your behalf. If the application is approved, the supporting organisation will be sent an offer letter along with the full Terms and Conditions of grant. The grant will be paid within 14 days upon receipt of the signed Terms and Conditions

The attached funding application form must be completed by the group, and you will be asked to present your idea to the Washington Area Neighbourhood & Community Board. Please provide evidence of costs that you include in the application.

The deadlines for applications **xx xxxxx 2021**

All applicants will be expected to present their proposal to the next scheduled Neighbourhood and Community Board on the **xxxx xxxx 2021**

Up to £500 is available per application/group. You should be able to demonstrate value for money, the likely benefits for the group, and evidence benefits for the local community. The decision on which applications are successful will be made by the Neighbourhood and Community Board and will be final. There is no right to appeal.

The 'Can Do' Grant is available for groups of children and young people to deliver at least one of the following outcomes – in your application form please evidence what you will be doing for each of the outcomes you choose

- 1. Proposals which include 'Clean and Green' activities, environmental improvements and improve the visual appearance of the Washington area**
- 2. Proposals and activities which increase participation and bring benefit to the wider community as well as the group or other children and young people**
- 3. Proposals which improve children and young people's physical and mental health**
- 4. Proposals which help children and young people take part in activities to improve skills, increase opportunities and achieve goals**

Next Steps If you are interested in applying to the fund please complete the attached form and send it by email to Karon.purvis@sunderland.gov.uk If you have any questions about the fund or would like to discuss please contact Karon Purvis, Washington Area Community Development Lead Email: karon.purvis@sunderland.gov.uk or on 07570 573356

Application No.3

The Neighbourhood and Community Board has agreed a Project Brief and proposed Call for Projects for a new project to support young people through 'creative' activities and programmes to build confidence, aspirations and support wellbeing.

Washington Area Committee Funding Opportunity Call for Projects – Washington Creative You

Introduction and background

Washington Area Committee would like to invite interested local Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS) groups and partner organisations to submit proposals to deliver a project in the local community which supports delivery of their 'Services for Young People' (Washington Area Committee Neighbourhood Investment Delivery Plan). Wards covered by the Washington Area are Washington Central, Washington East, Washington North, Washington South and Washington West.

There is an opportunity for local VCS groups and partner organisations with a proven track record in delivering grant funded projects, to deliver this project on behalf of the Washington Area Committee. Formally constituted and 'not for profit' groups which include charities, schools, voluntary and community groups and public sector organisations can be involved. CICs can apply but must have three or more Directors that are not related. Registered organisations must be up to date with governance requirements. Applications demonstrating strong partnership working are encouraged.

Project Description:

As part of the area priority, '**Provision of services and activities for young people**' the Washington Area Committee has identified the need for a 'new offer' which not only provides a programme of creative activities and experiences but also supports young people's emotional and mental wellbeing and self-esteem and confidence to help them progress.

Project outcomes

All proposals should identify how it will achieve the following outcomes

1. A creative and innovative programme which will include a range of activities, opportunities and experiences across Washington
2. Provides activities or initiatives to reach out to young people not currently engaging in organised activities
3. Improves and supports emotional resilience, community cohesion and enables young people to make informed choices and raise aspirations
4. Ensure young people's needs are met and voices listened to
5. Uses a variety of methods to target and engage young people
6. Complements and adds value to existing young people's provision and where appropriate, works in partnership with existing initiatives
7. Deliver creative and innovative activities or schemes at locations most likely to engage young people and include an element of 'reaching into the community' in places where young people go
8. Increase the number of young people accessing creative activities by setting achievable targets/outcomes
9. Build skills and confidence amongst young people
10. Encourage young people to be active participants in their community
11. Have knowledge of relevant local provision, projects, activities and initiatives
12. All applications should be for Washington wide provision

All proposals should

- Evidence the organisations' experience in delivering both 'creative' projects and working with young people
- Compliment and add value to other initiatives being delivered across the area (not just young people's projects)
- Show how proposed actions will benefit the broader local community

The Area Committee is keen to support proposals that evidence collaboration or a partnership approach. If organisations wish to come together and deliver different elements of the brief, the application must be clear with regards to separate roles of organisations, governance, reporting, and partnership protocols.

Budget:

The budget available for this Call for Projects is **£100,000**. Washington Area Committee expect to see as a **minimum** a 2year project. All applications will be subject to formal assessment and scoring.

Assessment

Each project application will be assessed against set criteria. The results of that assessment and a recommendation will be presented to the next available Area Committee. This is a competitive process and will be scored and assessed independently

Timescale

Deadline for applications	25 th October 2021
Assessment and consultation by	8 th November 2021
Award of grant (next available Area Committee)	December 2021

Next Steps

Any interested organisation should request an application pack. These are available by contacting Karon Purvis, Washington Area Community Development Lead

Email: karon.purvis@sunderland.gov.uk or telephone 07570 573356, who will also be happy to answer any questions groups may have.

Recommendation – Approve £100,000 Neighbourhood Fund (2021/22 budget)

The Neighbourhood and Community Board recommend approval of this project, which delivers to Washington Area Investment Delivery Plan Priority of Supporting young people (Section 14).