

Funding for Community Projects: Sources and Useful Resources

Where do grants come from?

- National lottery: arts, sports, community, heritage
- Statutory funds: European, government and local authorities
- Charitable trusts and foundations
- Business:
- social responsibility
- sponsorship
- offsetting environmental impact eg Landfill Community Fund, windfarm schemes

Who can apply?

- **Community organisations** (with constitution and bank account)
- **Local authorities** have more restricted options (eg excluded from Landfill Community grants, Awards for All above parish/town council tier and charitable trusts)

Useful links

- Heritage Lottery Fund: www.hlf.org.uk
- Big Lottery Fund: www.biglotteryfund.org.uk
- Awards for All: www.awardsforall.org.uk
- Biffaward: www.biffaward.org See also Entrust: www.entrust.org.uk for Landfill Community Fund overview, including list of funders and procedures for registration.
- **Grant searches, general funding advice & information sources:**
- www.fundingcentral.org.uk : includes search facility for grant sources plus links to sources of advice.
- www.grantnet.com: guidance material
- www.green-space.org.uk includes search facility
- www.funderfinder.org.uk: search facility
- www.fit4funding.org.uk: subscription search facility
- www.grantfinder.co.uk: subscription search facility
- www.trustfunding.org.uk: subscription search facility for charitable trusts. Option to take out one week subscription at reduced cost.
- www.neighbourhood.statistics.gov.uk: Includes summary feature searchable by postcode.