



£1066 Small Grants Scheme 2019/20

Information for Applicants

The Big Local North East Hastings Resident-Led Partnership invites applications from local clubs, constituted groups, charities and social enterprises for grants of up to £1066 to for activities that contribute the priorities of the North-East Hastings Resident-Led Partnership (RLP).

A total fund of £20,000 is available in the financial year 2019/20 which ends on 31 March 2020, and will be distributed in two rounds. Applications are considered by the Small Grants panel which is drawn from members of the RLP.

To apply, complete a 2019/20 application form (download from our website and email it to jan@hastingsvoluntaryaction.org.uk before the published deadline.

The closing dates for applications are:

Round 1	Monday 24 June 2019
Round 2	Monday 04 November 2019

Funding Criteria

Applications must be made by constituted groups, charities or social enterprises. The funded activity should be delivered within the Big Local boundary and all beneficiaries should reside within the Big Local area.

Applications will be considered according the extent that they contribute to the Big Local vision of the North East Hastings RLP, in the opinion of the Small Grants panel. The vision is:

In 2024, North East Hastings will be a GREAT place to

- G**row up in
- R**aise a family
- E**njoy Life and keep well
- A**dvance in years
- T**rain, learn and earn a living

In addition the panel will look favourably on applications that:

- Involve volunteers (resident in the BL area) in the delivery of the project.
- Promote awareness of Big Local and encourage resident participation
- Deliver matched funding (cash or in kind) as part of the overall project budget.



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If there are more applications approved by the panel than funds available the awarding panel reserves the right to give preference to organisations that have not previously been given a small grant by the Big Local North East Hastings RLP.

Big Local North East Hastings Small Grants can be used for:

- Expanding existing activities or new activities that enhance the quality of residents' lives in the North East Hastings Big Local area
- New projects or activities that will increase residents' skills and confidence or make the area better, including one-off pilots to test new or innovative ideas
- Small capital items, e.g. equipment that will be available to and of use to residents' on a continuing basis.

We are NOT able to fund:

- Applications from individuals; political or religious activities
- Activities that do not benefit residents of the North East Hastings Big Local area
- Salaries of existing staff for activities they undertake as part of their normal employment
- Projects or activities which the state has a legal obligation to provide
- Retrospective applications for projects that have been started or completed.

Successful applicants will be asked to sign a funding agreement and complete a monitoring form, which usually includes a count of the project's beneficiaries and volunteers plus their postcodes, a simple breakdown of actual expenditure and evidence that you have promoted your Big Local grant. We reserve the right to ask for copies of invoices or receipts.

Other information

We have tried to make the application form as simple as possible. However, we reserve the right to ask for more information about your organisation/ group and your proposed activity or project. Please do not supply additional information, unless asked to do so.

If your application is successful the grant payment will be issued via BACS by Hastings Voluntary Action (Big Local's Locally Trusted Organisation).

We ask that funded organisations provide copies of any publicity their activity has generated (newspaper cuttings, flyers, posters) and photographic evidence of project delivery which we may use for Big Local promotional purposes.

Organisations may be asked to return any unspent funds or money not used for the purposes outlined in the application.



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Successful applicants must acknowledge Big Local funding in any publicity and help to promote Big Local in North East Hastings. Please tell us how you will do this in your application. There are some resources available to help – please ask.

The decision of the Small Grants panel is final and no correspondence will be entered into.

A map of the Big Local area can be found at
<http://www.biglocalnortheasthastings.org.uk/?q=node/26>

Information about the Big Local North East Hastings is at:
www.biglocalnortheasthastings.org.uk

If you have any questions or would like advice on your application, please contact our community development worker, Jan Papworth by emailing jan@hastingsvoluntaryaction.org.uk