

PROGRAMMES FUNDING NEWSLETTER

June 2021

**This month's newsletter contains
15 external funding opportunities**



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UK Accelerator Programme for Young Digital Entrepreneurs Invites Applications

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A national scholarship programme is providing grants and mentorship to people aged 18 to 24, allowing them to commit and pursue entrepreneurship as a career path and make their business dreams a reality.

Applications will be accepted from digital entrepreneurs aged 18 to 24 who have a validated concept for a technology-enabled business and a clear vision.

Grants of up to £40,000 are available to eligible entrepreneurs. Alongside the non-repayable grant, participants receive:

- A six-month programme of mentorship and support.
- Access to the programme provider's business network.
- The opportunity to take up work space in the provider's offices in Sheffield (Covid-19 restrictions and candidate location permitting).

Interested parties must contact hive@twinkl.co.uk for further information and to apply.

The deadline for applications is 11th June, 2021.

Ecclesiastical Launches £1m Movement for Good Awards 2021

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For a third successive year, Ecclesiastical Insurance is inviting nominations to its £1 million Movement for Good Awards.

The programme has two funding phases:

- Phase 1 will award 500 charities with £1,000 each.
- Phase 2 will take place later in the summer with further details to come. Charities can [register](#) to be kept up to date.

Anyone can nominate a charity to receive one of the £1,000 awards.

Eligible charities could range from smaller, volunteer-run groups to larger, well-known organisations.

A charity can win only once but they can be nominated multiple times. The more nominations a charity gets, the more likely they are to win £1,000.

The deadline for entries for a £1,000 grant is 23:59 on Sunday 13th June, 2021.

New Funding to Expand Post-16 Education Provider Capacity

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At the 2020 Spending Review the Government committed additional capital investment in the education estate to support levelling up education.

The core objectives of the post-16 capacity fund are:

- To provide additional capacity in 16-19 providers, where there is due to be a demographic increase in learners and there is not enough existing capacity to accommodate that increase
- To ensure that provision to be delivered through the additional space developed meets local and national skills requirements and is reflective of learner demand; and
- To do so in the most efficient and sustainable way possible, to ensure value for money for Government investment, and to support the target set by Government for the UK to bring all greenhouse gas emissions to net zero by 2050.

Eligible applicants must be:

- An FE college established as a further education corporation under the Further and Higher Education Act 1992 (FHEA 1992)
- A designated institution as per section 28 of FHEA 1992
- A Sixth Form College as defined by section 91(3) Further and Higher Education Act 1992
- An academy established as per s.1A(1)(a) Academies Act 2010 including and limited to:
 - 16-19 only Academies
 - 16-19 only Free Schools
 - University Technical Colleges (UTCs)
 - Studio Schools providing technical education
 - Maths Schools.

Applicants may submit multiple projects per college corporation or MAT as applicable, but only one application should be submitted per site.

The minimum project threshold is £100,000 (excluding recoverable VAT) and the maximum is £4 million

Applications must be submitted by the deadline of 14th June, 2021

Nationwide Building Society Community Grant Opens for 2021 Applications

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Nationwide Building Society is offering grants of between £10,000 and £50,000 for projects of either one year or two years.

Projects should target one of Nationwide's three outcomes:



- Preventing people from losing their home.
- Helping people in a home.
- Supporting people to thrive within the home environment.

The funding will support core costs (up to 20% of the grant amount requested); staff and volunteer costs; small-scale capital costs; activity costs; development and capacity building costs ; and building works and refurbishment costs.

Applications will be accepted until midnight on 17th June, 2021.

Woods into Management Forestry Innovation Funds Now Open

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The Woods into Management (WiM) Forestry Innovation Funds have been launched as part of the Government's Nature for Climate Fund. The Funds aim to restore England's vulnerable woodland habitats and help woodlands adapt to a changing climate and recover from the impacts of pests and diseases.

£1 million overall has been set aside for this programme, via three funding streams:

Routes to Market for Ash Timber Innovation Fund

This fund will support the development of new business models that will develop new supply chains for ash timber and help restore damaged woodlands.

Temporary Infrastructure Innovation Fund

Applicants can bid for funds to develop business models that will use temporary infrastructure to access neglected or degraded woodlands.

Regional Woodland Restoration Innovation Funds

Forestry Commission Forestry and Woodland Advisory Committees are scoping projects most likely to deliver the greatest improvement in woodland habitat condition. Once completed these projects will be put out to competitive tender.

These funds are aimed at forestry businesses and conservation organisations that are in a position to help owners better manage their existing woodlands.

Applications must be submitted by Sunday 20th June, 2021 (23.59 BST).

Waking Watch Relief Fund Re-opens to Applications

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First launched in January, the Waking Watch Relief Fund has been supporting thousands of residents in high-rise buildings with unsafe cladding. It pays for the installation of fire alarm systems, removing or reducing the need for costly interim safety measures such as a 'waking watch', where a building is continually patrolled in case of a fire.



The Fund has just re-opened to use unallocated funding from the original £30 million pot.

Residential building owners and private landlords who own high-rise buildings with potentially dangerous cladding will qualify. They must be over 18 metres in height and have unsafe cladding systems. They must currently have a waking watch in place where these costs have been passed on to leaseholders.

Applications re-opened on 26th May, 2021 for a four-week period, closing on 24th June, 2021.

Local School Grants to Support Learning in Nature

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The Learning through Landscapes Local School Nature Grants Programme, supported by the People's Postcode Lottery, is providing support to schools and early years settings to enhance learning training for staff and purchase equipment.



The fund has two elements:

- **Fully funded outdoor learning training for staff.**
- **£500 of equipment for outdoor learning.**

All schools (Infant, Primary and Secondary) are eligible to apply. Early years providers must have at least five staff and a building – either stand alone or part of a school.

Applications for Round 2 must be submitted on the Learning through Landscapes website by Friday 25th June, 2021.

Digital Skills 2021 Grants Programme Accepting Applications

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The Thomas Wall Trust marked its 100th birthday last year with a new grants programme that provided funding to not-for-profit organisations working to improve basic digital skills for people in need.



The Trust is continuing the programme again this year and is offering a limited number of grants of up to £5,000.

Priority will be given to:

- Projects that link digital skills with employment opportunities.
- Match funded projects.
- Organisations that can provide compelling evidence of impact.
- Organisations working with collaborative networks.

Not-for-profit organisations or charities established for at least three years and with an annual turnover of £500,000 or less may apply.

There is a two-stage application process.

The deadline for Expression of Interest (stage one) is 25th June, 2021.

Enterprise Development Programme Announces New Sector Partner to support BAME-led Charities

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The Enterprise Development Programme has announced a new sector partnership with the Ubele Initiative to provide support for not-for-profit organisations led by and working with Black and Minoritised communities in the Humber and Yorkshire.

Charities and social enterprises working within this sector will be able to apply for business and financial support to help them to establish new enterprise models with the objective of becoming more financially resilient. This could include feasibility or development grants of up to £30,000.

There will be a two stage application process.

Stage 1 applications will be accepted until 29th June, 2021.

Round Two of Regulator's Pioneer Fund Now Open

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The Regulators' Pioneer Fund will support projects led by regulators which aim to help create a UK regulatory environment that encourages business innovation and investment.

The Government has now expanded the Fund to include local authorities, enabling regulatory innovations to be tested at a local, as well as nationally.

There is a total budget of £3 million available to fund projects. Individual applicants can apply for grant funding of up to £200,000.

The types of proposals being encouraged are for:

- Projects that harness new thinking, new methods and/or new technological approaches in order to improve regulatory delivery and performance, benefitting innovators and businesses.
- Short research and development projects that generate new learning.
- A short trial or pilot study of a new initiative to change a regulatory approach that can enhance support for innovators or businesses.

The deadline for applications is 15th July, 2021 (12:00 BST).

Cultural Development Fund Launches Second Application Round

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The second round of the Cultural Development Fund has been launched and will include the promotion of economic and social recovery from the impact of COVID-19.

The second round will support places to achieve the following outcomes:

- Unlock local economic growth and productivity
- Become more attractive places in which to live, work, visit and invest
- Strengthen local leadership, partnerships and capability.

It is expected that applications will be from a partnership for the area, led by a local authority, Local Enterprise Partnership, or other appropriate body.

There is a budget of £18.5 million for 2021/22. This will fund projects taking place between 1 April 2022 and 31 March 2025.

Grants of a minimum of £2 million and a maximum of £5 million are available. Applicants can apply for capital (asset) activity with a limited proportion of resource activity (project activity).

Applicants can apply for a maximum of £700,000 for supporting resource activity within their total budget.

The Expression of Interest form will open on Arts Council England's online grant management system, Grantium on Thursday 27th May, 2021 (12pm midday). The deadline for submitting Expressions of Interest is Friday 23rd July, 2021 (12pm midday).

Funding for Urban Tree Planting to Benefit Health and Wellbeing

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The Urban Tree Challenge Fund has re-opened for applications and across England, 44,000 large trees will be planted in towns and cities. The aim is to support areas to improve health and wellbeing and help connect people to the outdoors.

The current round of funding is open for the planting of standard trees only, to both block bids and individual applications. A block bid is designed for organisations to apply for funding for multiple projects that can be geographically dispersed or focused in one area but submitted under one application.

Applications are accepted from community and volunteer groups, town councils and individuals wishing to plant trees in urban areas. Applicants must have full management control over the land or signed consent from those with such control.

Applications must be submitted by 25th July, 2021 (23:59 BST).

IUK Announces Young Innovators Awards 2021/22

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The aim of the Young Innovators Awards is to find young people with viable business ideas who have the potential to become future leaders in innovation and successful entrepreneurs.



Applicants can apply for a share of up to approximately £460,000. Each successful Young Innovators Award winner can claim a grant that includes £5,000 for project costs and a living allowance based on two days (15 hours) of work.

This competition is open to single applicants only and must be aged between 18 and 30 on the date of competition closing.

Applications open on 14th June, 2021. The deadline to apply is 28th July, 2021 (11:00 BST).

Garfield Weston Foundation Accepting Applications Again

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Garfield Weston Foundation is now open to applications across all its grants programmes: capital, core costs and projects.



Regular grants of up to £100,000 can be used for:

- Capital costs - for tangible things, such as a building project, repairs, equipment etc.
- Revenue/unrestricted core costs - towards the general running costs of the organisation.
- Project costs - for a very specific project or activity and would include all the costs involved in delivering the project.

Charities, Charitable Incorporated Organisations (CIOs). Schools, universities or registered educational charities, Faith-based organisations, Housing associations and Museums and galleries can apply.

Match funding is required.

There are no deadlines. Applications for grants of up to £100,000 can be made at any time and are reviewed on an ongoing basis.

UK Businesses Encouraged to Join Flexible Plastic Fund Initiative

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Businesses, retailers and recyclers are invited to access funding and support through the new Flexible Plastic Fund initiative.

The fund seeks to improve the rate of recycling of 'flexible' plastic items including bags, wrappers, films, pouches, packets and sachets.

The fund will work to deliver full traceability of exported plastics, from collection through to the creation of new products. Manufacturers contributing to the fund will then be able to access the Packaging Recovery Notes (PRNs) generated by the scheme.

The fund has a total value of £1 million to support flexible plastic recycling initiatives.

Support may be accessed at any time.

