

Additional Sources of Funding May 2022

Grant Details	Grant Amount	Deadlines	Comments
<u>Arts Council National Lottery Project Grants</u>	Max £100,000 +	Rolling programme – no deadlines	Support a wide variety of arts-related activities, from dance to visual arts, literature to theatre, and music to combined arts. Also, buildings and infrastructure. Open to: Individuals, organisations, libraries, and museums.
<u>Architectural Heritage Fund</u> Transforming Places Through Heritage Project Viability Grants Project Development Grants Crowdfunding Challenge Grants Transformational Project Grants Community Shares Booster	Up to £15,000 Up to £100,000 Up to £25,000 Up to £350,000 Up to £50,000	Open Open Open Closed Open	Supports organisations that contribute to the regeneration and reimagining of England's high streets and town centres through the reuse of historic buildings. For early viability and feasibility work For capital project development costs To match fund crowdfunding campaigns For transformational capital projects Supporting Community Share schemes
<u>Barchester's Charitable Foundation</u> This year the focus is about connecting or re-connecting people with others in their local community. Applications that combat loneliness and enable people to be active and engaged	From £100 to £5,000	No deadline advertised	The Foundations is focus is for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Older people 65+ • Adults (18+) with a physical or learning disability • Adults (18+) with mental health problems The Foundation can fund individuals and groups as well as trips

<p><u>BBC Children in Need</u></p> <p>Various grants including: <u>Small Grants</u> <u>Main Grants</u></p>	<p>Up to £10,000 Over £10,000</p>	<p>Closed Closed</p>	<p>Registered Charities and not – for –profit organisations. Supports children aged 18 and under who are disadvantaged through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Illness, distress, abuse, or neglect. • Any kind of disability. • Behavioural or psychological difficulties. • Living in poverty or deprivation
<p><u>BBC Children in Need</u></p> <p><u>Emergency Essentials</u></p>	<p>Funds critical items like: Cookers Fridge Freezers Clothing Children’s Beds</p>	<p>Open</p>	<p>Supports individual children and young people living with severe poverty, a lack of the basic facilities and additional pressures such as domestic violence, disability, or poor health in the family. Applications must be completed by a registered referrer who is part of an organisation that is supporting the family or young person and capable of assessing their needs. The referrer’s organisation should also be able to administer and supervise the grant on our behalf.</p>
<p><u>Bernard Sunley Charitable Trust</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Small grants under £5,000 • Medium grants £5,000 to £20,000 • Large grants over £20,000 	<p>Open all year</p>	<p>Funding is available for capital projects including building works, recreational spaces, and minibuses. For registered charities and other “exempt” organisations including places of worship; hospices; heritage centres and specialist schools. There are four categories: Community – village halls, youth-based organisations Education –special schools assisting those with SEND Health -residential care, treatment centres, equipment Social Welfare –housing for homeless, day centres, projects supporting ex armed forces and emergency services</p>

<p><u>Biffaward</u></p>	<p>Two stage process Main grants - £10,000 to £75,000.</p>	<p>Rolling Programme</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are five themes: Rebuilding Biodiversity, Community Buildings, Recreation, Cultural Facilities and Partnership. • Projects must generally be within 5 miles of a Biffa operation and 10 miles of an active Biffa landfill site – please use the on-line postcode checker as advised. • Total cost must be under £200,000
<p><u>Community Foundation – Leicester, Leicestershire, and Rutland</u> 0116 262 4916 Grants vary though out the year: <u>Making Local Life Better Fund</u></p>	<p>Max £3000</p>	<p>Open</p>	<p>The Leicestershire, Leicester and Rutland Community Foundation administers various funds Grants are available to support grassroots community groups and small-medium sized charitable organisations who are aiming to improve the lives of the people in their local communities.</p>
<p><u>Co-op Community Fund</u></p>	<p>Funding allocation is decided upon by Co-Op members. Average grant between £1,000 and £3,000</p>	<p>Re-opens May 4th 2022</p>	<p>New priorities/organisations are chosen and supported over a 12-month period</p>
<p><u>East Midlands Airport Community Fund</u></p>	<p>Grants of up to £2,000</p>	<p>4 closing dates per year – please check website</p>	<p>In order for an application to be successful it must be in the <u>area of benefit</u> and meet at least one of the following objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide help to community groups which are supporting vulnerable people during the COVID-19 outbreak • To bring the community closer together through facilities for sport, recreation, and other leisure time activities. • Support young people to prepare for the world of work • Offer environmental improvement and/or heritage conservation.

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve awareness of environmental issues through environmental education. • Encourage and/or protect wildlife.
Esmee Fairbairn Foundation	Grants range from £2,000 to £1.5million	None	<p>The funding aims are to Improve the Natural World, Secure a Fairer Future and have Creative Confident Communities. Grants can be for up to 5 years. It also provides and social investment as repayable finance.</p> <p>Grants are for core and project costs including salaries and overheads, not building or equipment costs.</p>
FCC Communities Foundation FCC Community Action Fund <p>Projects must be within 10 miles of an eligible FCC Environment waste facility.</p>	From £2,000 to £100,000 (total project cost £500,000)	<p>Rounds:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opens 16th March closes 8th June 2022 • Opens 22nd June 2022 closes 7th Sept 2022 • Opens 21st Sept closes 7th Dec 2022 	<p>It can fund projects at the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Village Hall or Community Centre • Play Area, skate park, multi-use games area • Sport or recreation ground including pavilions and clubhouses with full public access • Community space within a church • Nature Reserve • Public garden, park, country park or woodland with at least dawn to dusk access
<p>Florence Turner Trust Florence Turner Trust, Shakespeares Martieau, Two Colton Square, Leicester, LE1 1QH Tel: 0116 2574462 Email: helen.pole@shma.co.uk</p>	Grant amount not specified.	None	<p>Strong preference for Leicestershire and Rutland.</p> <p>General charitable purposes supported. Support people in need of all ages, particularly at-risk groups and those that are socially isolated, disabled, or poor.</p>
Football Foundation Grant schemes vary.	Grant amounts vary	Open	<p>Funded items include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Replacement of unsafe goalposts • Portable floodlights • Storage containers • Changing pavilion/clubhouse

			refurbishment and external works <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grounds maintenance equipment
<u>Garfield Weston Foundation</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regular grants typically under £100,000 • Major Grants over £100,000 	None but must allow 4 months for a decision.	For Charities. It can support a range of activities including: Arts, Education, Environment, Community, Faith (inclusive activities), Youth, Welfare, Museums and Heritage. Capital - community buildings, repairs, or equipment and Revenue - core costs can include rent, utilities, and salaries but not more than 10% of the total cost Project – for a specific project or activity.
George Ernest Ellis Foundation Further information and written applications to: Mathew Ellis (Secretary) GEE Foundation Stone Cottage 4 Green Lane Ashley Market Harborough Leicestershire LE16 8HD E-mail: <u>matthew.ellis@fairstone.co.uk</u>	£100 to £1,500	Applications by end of May each year	Activity within Leicester and Leicestershire is supported. Supported activities should: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mobilise voluntary activity • Be clearly inclusive • Foster good relationships in a complex society • Seek to address disadvantage or neglect.
<u>Help the Homeless Grants</u>	Up to £5,000	Deadlines: 15th March 15 th June 15 th Sept 15 th Dec	Grants for small/medium sized charitable organisations with the aim of helping people return to the community and enable them to resume normal life. Capital costs only.

<p>Henry Smith Charity Various grants including:</p> <p>Henry Smith Holiday Grants for Children</p>	£500 - £2,500	Open	<p>Applications can be made for revenue funding (projects, running costs) and capital expenditure (buildings, equipment). Recreational trips and holidays for groups of children aged 13 and under who are disabled or disadvantaged. For schools, small charities, and not-for-profit organisations, - priority to the 20% most deprived areas in the UK deprivation</p>
<p>Henry Smith Charity County Grants</p>	£500 - £20,000	Open	<p>You must be a not-for-profit organisation or UK registered charity with an annual income of under £250,000 (up to £1 m if operate county-wide) to be eligible. Grants can be used towards running costs, salaries, project costs, or one-off capital expenditure such as building refurbishment or equipment.</p>
<p>Homeless Link Social Investment Fund</p>	Unsecured loans of between £25,000 and £150,000	Open	<p>For Charities and Social Enterprises.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase the homelessness sector's knowledge and experience of social investment. • Develop new models for income generation and funding. • Improve their long-term sustainability
<p>The J Reginald Corah Foundation Fund 20 Welby Road, Asfordby Hill, Melton Mowbray. LE14 3RB Telephone: 01572 824000 Email: jrcfoundationfund@gmail.com</p>	Grants range from a few hundred pounds up to £10,000.	None	<p>Grants for general charitable purposes in the city of Leicester, Leicestershire, and Rutland, including support for a range of charitable purposes, including, youth initiatives, education, and training.</p>
<p>Leicester Charity Link</p>			<p>Administer a number of funds that cover Leicestershire as well as Leicester City.</p>

<p>Leicestershire County Council SHIRE Community Grants</p> <p>Contact: Andy Hayes on 0116 3057269 shiregrants@leics.gov.uk</p>	<p>Small Grants max £3,000 Large Grants max £10,000</p>	<p>3 rounds: 1. Open 6th April closes 8th June 2022 2. Open 6th July closes 7th Sept 2022 3. Open 5th Oct closes 30th Nov 2022</p>	<p>For community-based projects and activities that are specifically focused on supporting vulnerable and disadvantaged people and communities in Leicestershire. It is particularly interested in funding services, projects and activities that will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • improve the lives, health and wellbeing of vulnerable or disadvantaged people and communities in Leicestershire • provide community-based early intervention and prevention solutions which help to reduce demand on Council and other public services • complement existing services
<p>Leicestershire County Council SHIRE Environment Grant</p>	<p>Up to £3,000</p>	<p>24th June 2022 28th Oct 2022 24th Feb 2023</p>	<p>Particularly interested in funding new and innovative projects that will meet one or more of the grant scheme outcomes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To reduce the amount of household waste produced in Leicestershire • To reduce the amount of greenhouse gas emissions within communities • To improve biodiversity and support the creation, protection, enhancement, and management of sustainable green spaces • To raise awareness and understanding on the above outcomes as well as providing necessary training and skills to manage and support projects.

<p><u>Lloyds Bank Foundation</u></p> <p>The Lloyds Bank Foundation invests in charities supporting people to break out of disadvantage at critical points in their lives and promote practical approaches to lasting change.</p> <p>Registered Charity or CIO's that have income between £25,000 and £1 million in their previous accounts can apply.</p>	<p>£50,000 over 2 years</p>	<p>Open</p>	<p>For Charities that work in the following areas of work; addiction and dependency, asylum seeker and refugees, care leavers, domestic abuse, homelessness, learning disabilities, mental health, offending, prison or community service, sexual abuse and exploitation, trafficking and modern slavery and young parents.</p> <p>Unrestricted funding over two years and tailored support.</p>
<p><u>Lutterworth Area Community Fund</u></p> <p>Projects must be within close proximity of Magna Park and fall within the administrative Parish boundaries of: Ashby Parva; Bittewsell & Bittesby; Claybrooke Parva & Magna; Cotesbach; Lutterworth Town and associated parishes; Misterton & Walcote; Monks Kirby; Pailton; Ullesthorpe; Wibtoft and Willey.</p>	<p>£2,500 to £175,000</p>	<p>Quarterly panels</p>	<p>The fund aims to support a wide range of projects and organisations. Including education, commercial, well-being and health, sport and recreation, environment, community connectedness and youth activity.</p>
<p><u>Market Harborough Building Society Charitable Foundation</u></p> <p><u>There is an online map showing the preferred areas of support</u></p>	<p>Grants between £250 and £5,000.</p>	<p>No application deadlines. But has 4 annual decision meetings</p>	<p>The Foundation provides support for charitable and voluntary organisations in Leicestershire. Grant funding is normally for capital expenditure, i.e. to acquire or upgrade physical assets such as buildings, fixtures and fittings, machinery, furniture, and other equipment.</p>
<p><u>Market Harborough & the Bowdens Charity</u></p> <p>Tel: 01858 419128</p>	<p>Grant amounts not disclosed</p>	<p>Decision meetings are held every 6 weeks. Please check the website</p>	<p>Supports the geographical area of Market Harborough/ Little Bowden and Great Bowden</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grants to individuals in need (Relief in Need) • Funding for clubs and organisations <p>It has the following areas of interest: Education / Arts / Social Welfare / Heritage and Environment.</p>

<p><u>Mick George Community Fund</u></p>	<p>Grants of between £10,000 and £50,000</p>	<p>Next closing dates: 31st August 2022</p>	<p><u>Projects must be within a specific boundary line which is on the website.</u> Total project cost needs to be under £100,000 Grants will be available for capital improvement works to public amenity projects, such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Village halls • Village greens • Public playgrounds • Sports fields and facilities • Nature reserves • Cycle paths • Country parks
<p><u>Money Saving Charity (MSE)</u></p>	<p>Max grant £7,500</p> <p>Building and Developing Resilience</p> <p>Raising the Next Generation</p>	<p>Open between 1st Sept 2022 and 30th Sept 2022</p> <p>Open between 1st Feb 2023 and 28th Feb 2023</p>	<p>Each round will focus on delivering financial life skills to different defined groups. Please check web site for details of specific rounds. Building financial capability skills assisting groups who support mental health, well-being, cook well for less, training others, independent living skills, peer mentoring</p> <p>Building financial capability skills assisting groups who support children, youth and families: schools-based work, migrants, lone parents, victims and survivors of domestic abuse, family outreach services.</p>
<p><u>Morrisons Foundation</u></p>	<p>Grants up to £25,000 and Match funding available</p>	<p>Not specified</p>	<p>Grants are available to registered charities for new projects which directly improve the lives of local people or communities, especially those that are vulnerable or disadvantaged, in England, Scotland or Wales. Match Funding – supports the charities that Morrisons colleagues fundraise for and provides a cash boost to their efforts.</p>

<p><u>Moto in the Community Trust</u> Community Grants scheme</p>	<p>Average grant £1,000</p>		<p>The programme is intended to support charities and community schools wishing to conduct community projects within a 15-mile radius of a Moto site. The scheme is particularly keen to fund projects or activities that provide opportunities for Moto employees to get involved.</p>
<p><u>National Churches Trust</u> A range of grants including: Cornerstone Grant Gateway Grant Foundation Grant</p>	<p>Cornerstone Grant £10,000 and £50,000</p> <p>Gateway Grant £3,000 -£10,000</p> <p>Foundation Grant £500 - £5,000</p>	<p>4th July 2022</p> <p>12th May 2022</p> <p>Open (but closes on 31st Oct 2022)</p>	<p>Towards the cost of urgent and essential structural repairs with estimated costs of at least £100,000</p> <p>Projects which introduce facilities to enable increased community use of places of worship. Should include toilets or catering facilities</p> <p>For churches, chapels, and meeting houses. For project development and investigative work in preparation for a major project</p> <p>For small urgent maintenance issues and repairs identified as high priority within a recent Quinquennial Inspection or Survey Report. Also, small investigative works and surveys.</p>
<p><u>National Forest Programme Development Fund</u> There is a range of funding opportunities to support projects that help to create or sustain the National Forest.</p>			<p>Please note that only projects which directly benefit The National Forest are eligible for grant assistance.</p> <p>Projects that may be suitable for funding include works relating to site development, access, and conservation (e.g. orchards and hedgerows), heritage, communities, tourism, partnerships, and management.</p>

<p><u>The National Lottery Community Fund</u> There are a range of National Lottery grant programmes currently available to Voluntary and Community groups, including:</p> <p><u>Grants Under £10,000</u></p> <p><u>Grants Over £10,000</u></p>	<p>£300 to £10,000</p> <p>£10,001 to £300,000</p>	<p>Ongoing application process</p> <p>On-going application process</p>	<p>For voluntary and community organisations including schools and Parish/Town Councils.</p> <p>NLCF is still supporting projects and organisations supporting communities most adversely impacted by COVID-19.</p> <p>Aims:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To bring people together • Improve places and spaces that matter • Enable people to fulfil their potential <p>Funding is for up to 5 years. It can fund project activities, operating costs, organisational development, and capital costs.</p> <p>Three Funding Priorities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • bring people together • improve the places and spaces • enable more people to fulfil their potential
<p><u>The National Lottery Heritage Fund</u> There are a range of grants available</p>	<p>From £3,000 up to £5 million</p>	<p>Open</p>	<p>Prioritise heritage projects that will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • boost the local economy • encourage skills development and job creation • support wellbeing • create better places to live, work and visit • improve the resilience of organisations working in heritage
<p>Parish Councils</p>	<p>Variable</p>	<p>None</p>	<p>Potential small contributions for community projects.</p>
<p><u>P C Hickinbotham Charitable Trust</u></p>	<p>Generally, from £250 to £1,000</p>		<p>Grants for charities in Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland, North Wales, and Northern Ireland. Projects include disability, social deprivation, homelessness, substance and alcohol abuse, prisoner education and rehabilitation, asylum and immigration</p>

			issues, rehabilitation of prostitutes, the arts, cultural projects, historical projects, youth, community development, environmental improvements.
<u>Persimmon Community Champions</u>	Community Champions Up to £1,000 Building Futures Prizes range from £1,000 to £100,000	Monthly announcements Closed	Their charity match programme gives donations to local UK groups and charities, which have already raised vital funds themselves. Supporting young people under the age of 18. There are 3 categories: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health • Sport • Education
<u>Screwfix Foundation</u>	Up to £5,000	Applications reviewed quarterly	Support projects that will fix, repair, maintain and improve properties and community facilities specifically for those in need in the UK.
<u>Martin Trust For Young People</u>	£100 - £250 for individuals Up to £1,000 for organisations	Closing dates are middle of March, May, August, and December.	For individuals and voluntary youth organisations. Supporting young people aged 12 to 25 in Leicester, Leicestershire, and Rutland
<u>Sport England</u> Various funds including: Queen's Platinum Jubilee activity Fund	£300 to £10,000	Open	Celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee year by supporting projects that bring a community together and provide opportunities for people who may be less physically active
Return To Play Active Together	£10,000	Open	Part of a support package to help clubs and organisations set up and run crowdfunding campaigns related to Covid-19, such as for a loss of income due to the pandemic.

<p><u>SUEZ Community Trust Landfill Communities Fund</u></p> <p>Please use the <u>post code checker</u></p>	<p>Smaller projects fund grants up to £20,000 with total cost under £40,000</p> <p>Primary fund grants up to £50,000 with total cost less than £250,000</p>	<p>No application deadline. Two stage application process</p>	<p>Not for profit organisations. For projects which are for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public amenities – leisure and recreation • Biodiversity – habitat restoration or creation • Historic Buildings, Structures or Sites - repair and restore <p>Project needs to be within 2.5 miles of a qualifying SUEZ recycling and waste processing site.</p>
<p><u>Tesco Community Grants</u></p>	<p>Grants up to £1,500</p>	<p>Open</p>	<p>Projects are voted on in Tesco stores over a 3-month period using blue tokens and then changed.</p>
<p><u>Veolia Environmental Trust</u> Please use the <u>postcode checker</u> to check if eligible.</p> <p>Environmental Improvement Grants</p>	<p>Min of £10,000 up to £75,000 (Total cost under £250,000 incl vat)</p> <p>Min £75,000</p>	<p>Two stage application process, Next round opens 26th May and closes 7th July 2022</p>	<p>The Trust funds projects in the following schemes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Grants - buildings and outdoor spaces for the benefit of the community • Habitat and Biodiversity Grants – physical works to a single site to improve habitats and or biodiversity • Environmental Improvement Grants – ambitious and imaginative projects which have a local, regional, national, or even global positive impact on the environment
<p><u>War Memorials Trust</u></p>	<p>Up to £20,000</p>	<p>30th June 2022 31st Oct 2022</p>	<p>Up to 50% of eligible cost of repair and conservation projects. Open to anyone to apply; individuals or organisations, including councils.</p>

DISTRICT/BOROUGH SPECIFIC FUNDS			
Grant Details	Grant Amount	Deadlines	Comments
<p><u>Blaby District Council Community Grants</u></p> <p>Capital Green Grants Revenue Green Grants Large Capital Grants Small Capital Grants Revenue Grants Everyone Active Grants</p>	<p>£4,000 £500 £4,000 £500 £500 £500</p>	<p>4 rounds 1st June 2022 7th Sept 2022 30th Nov 2022 1st March 2023</p>	<p>The scheme supports the local voluntary and community sector (VCS) to develop and strengthen community facilities and activities.</p> <p>Specific criteria apply to each grant scheme.</p>
<p><u>Melton Borough Council Community Grants</u></p>		<p>closed</p>	<p>Projects should:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promote excellent service which will positively impact our communities • Promote improvement of physical health in our communities • Promote improvement of Mental Wellbeing in our communities • Enable children, young people and older people to make a positive contribution to their communities • Promote access of local people to green spaces
<p><u>Charnwood Borough Council</u> Charnwood Community Grants</p> <p>Community Facilities Grant</p> <p>Member Grants</p>	<p>Max £5,000</p> <p>Up to £20,000, to a maximum of 50% of project cost.</p> <p>Min £250 Max £500</p>	<p>13th May 2022 16th Sept 2022</p> <p>13th May 2022 16th Sept 2022</p> <p>31st Jan 2023</p>	<p>This scheme provides revenue funding including organisational running costs for community bodies, one-off contributions of equipment costs for projects with community benefit.</p> <p>The Community Facilities Grants scheme provides capital funding for voluntary organisations, to assist with the renovation, improvement, and provision of community buildings.</p> <p>Grants are available per Electoral Ward. Groups should discuss their project with their Borough Councillor. Applications can be made to more than one Member/</p>

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<p><u>North West Leicestershire District Council</u> Small Grants Fund</p> <p>Coalville Special Expenses Community Chest</p> <p>Zero Carbon Grants</p>	<p>Grants of up to £500</p> <p>Max £250</p> <p>£50 to £500</p>	<p>Open</p> <p>Open</p> <p>Open</p>	<p>For new projects to try something different or for one off pieces of expenditure for projects, equipment, and other items.</p> <p>Community activities and initiatives in Coalville, Bardon, Snibston, Thringstone and Greenhill</p> <p>For environmentally focused community projects.</p>
<p>Oadby and Wigston Borough Council</p>	<p>TBC</p>	<p>TBC</p>	<p>TBC</p>
<p>Hinckley & Bosworth Borough Council <u>The Parish and Hinckley Community Initiative Fund</u></p> <p><u>Queen's Platinum Jubilee Fund</u> Funding is available for Jubilee activities via the following two schemes: <u>Making a Difference Fund</u></p> <p><u>Community Volunteering fund</u></p>	<p>Maximum grant of £12,000 per Parish area or to groups based in the town of Hinckley</p> <p>Up to £3,000</p> <p>Up to £500</p>	<p>Re-opens September 2022 for projects in 2023</p> <p>Both close 20th May 2022</p>	<p>These grants fund a wide variety of capital projects such as play areas, village hall improvements, landscaping projects, new pathways, heritage trails and village signs.</p> <p>To kickstart new projects or boost the impact of VCS groups</p> <p>To support grassroots volunteering and community activity across the Hinckley & Bosworth Borough.</p>

<p>Harborough District Council <u>Community Grant Fund</u></p> <p><u>Section 106 Grants</u> Please contact grants@harborough.gov.uk if you wish to apply for Section 106 funding</p> <p><u>Platinum Jubilee Capital Grant fund</u></p>	<p>Max grant £2,500</p> <p>Not disclosed</p> <p>10 grants of £70,000</p>	<p>Closed</p> <p>Closed</p> <p>Open 11th April 2022 Closes 31st July 2022</p>	<p>Open to voluntary and community groups in Harborough District.</p> <p>Focus on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improving spaces and places that are important to the community. • Projects that support young people aged 11+ around mental health issues related to anxiety and self-image and projects that help combat childhood inactivity or provide a diversionary activity. <p>Projects must meet all of the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be creative • Be a new project • Have a long-lasting impact/ legacy of Jubilee • Enhance the local place • Have a demonstrable public benefit and be freely available to the local community
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Support with identifying funding for your organisation/project

Voluntary Action LeicesterShire

Leicestershire County Council has a contract with [Voluntary Action LeicesterShire](#) (VAL) to provide support to voluntary and community sector organisations in Leicestershire, including help with identifying and securing funding. If you are a VCS organisation who is seeking to apply for funding, or bid for contracts, please contact VAL's Sector Support Team for assistance, advice, and guidance. VAL can provide assistance with searching for funding opportunities, checking the relevance of the fund to your funding aspirations, and a read and review of your bid. You can also [sign up for further e-bulletins from VAL](#), including news, events, funding opportunities, job vacancies and updates from the Government and Charity Commission.

Contact Details:

Website: www.valonline.org.uk/contact

Tel: 0116 2575050

Email: helpline@valonline.org.uk

Leicestershire Funding Toolkit

In addition to the above selected possible funding sources the [Leicestershire Funding Toolkit](#) website effectively provides advice and information to community/voluntary groups and charities around accessing funding. Moreover, the website contains a searchable funding database, which can be used to identify sources of funding.

Active Together (formerly Leicestershire & Rutland Sport)

For sports groups and projects, specialist funding advice is available from [Active Together Funding and Insight](#) or from their Sports Development Officer, Annette Kendrick, tel: (01509) 564858, email: A.Kendrick@active-together.org

My Funding Central

Funding can also be searched via the [My Funding Central web site](#)

In Kind Direct

Donated products can be acquired from [In kind Direct](#)

CASE – Support for Social Enterprises in Leicestershire

Co-operative and Social Enterprise Development Agency ([CASE](http://case.coop/)) is a social enterprise and co-operative which provides advice, guidance and support to existing and emerging co-operatives, social enterprises and community enterprises in Leicester and Leicestershire. CASE supports co-operatives and social enterprises to develop and grow, through the promotion of co-operative ways of working.

Leicestershire County Council has a contract with CASE to provide support to people currently running (or thinking of setting up) social enterprises in Leicestershire.

Contact Details:

Website: <http://case.coop/>

Tel: 0116 222 5010 Email: enquiries@case.coop

Loan and Investment Finance

Community Development Finance Institutions lend money to businesses, social enterprises and individuals that might not be able to get finance from high street banks and loan companies. www.cdfa.org.uk. Organisations specialising in finance for social enterprise, charities and community organisations include Charity Bank (www.charitybank.org), Deutsche Bank (www.db.com/unitedkingdom/content/en/social_investments.html), the Social Investment Business (www.sibgroup.org.uk), Triodos Bank (www.triodos.co.uk), The Key Fund (www.thekeyfund.co.uk).

Easy Fundraising

This is a leading fundraising platform that gives organisations access to an unlimited fundraising source, that helps you to raise FREE cashback donations through online shopping. Register your group/organisation as a good cause with [easyfundraising](https://www.easypfundraising.org.uk) to receive free cashback donations when anyone connected to that organisation shops online with 4,200 retailers including Argos, Amazon, Just eat and Booking.com. It doesn't cost the shopper a penny more so it's an easy way for your community to support your organisation just by shopping online as they usually would.

Website: <https://www.easypfundraising.org.uk/leicestershirerutlandspport>

Crowd-funding

Online crowd-funding platforms allow organisations to pitch their projects and attract donations and investment from the public. Examples include: www.crowdfunder.co.uk; www.ethex.org.uk; www.spacehive.com.

Community Share Offers

Help with raising funds through community share offers is available from www.communityshares.org.uk and www.microgenius.org.uk.

Commissioning Opportunities

VCSE organisations are encouraged to explore opportunities to receive income through delivering contracts for services commissioned by the public sector.

You can register to receive details of commissioning opportunities through the following websites:

Source Leicestershire: <http://www.sourceleicestershire.co.uk/>

Due North: <https://procontract.due-north.com/Login>

Contract Finder: <https://www.gov.uk/contracts-finder>

Leicestershire Communities Website

The [Leicestershire Communities website](http://www.leicestershirecommunities.org.uk) contains a range of useful information to help local people to actively participate in their communities, including information for people involved in community groups, charities and social enterprises.

The [Grants and Funding section of the website](http://www.leicestershirecommunities.org.uk/grants) provides a range of support, information and resources, including Monthly Funding Bulletins, information from a range of funders, along with details of support provided to voluntary and community sector groups, charities and social enterprises, by other relevant organisations.

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