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If you need further information on any of these grants schemes, how to apply or are going to apply, Contact the Social Enterprise Team Tel: 01369708547 [thirdsectorenquiries@argyll-bute.gov.uk](mailto:thirdsectorenquiries@argyll-bute.gov.uk)

## NEWS AND UPDATES

### Leading Communities to Success - Argyll Enterprise Week

Please find below details about a Community Land Scotland event being held as part of Argyll Enterprise Week. There are some really interesting case studies and opportunities for networking. Register at <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/leading-communities-to-success-argyll-enterprise-week-registration-37204971070?aff=eac2>

### J Parker Dutch Bulbs Ltd

J Parker and sons want to hear your ideas for garden projects for your community. They would especially love to hear from you if you're part of a local allotment group, friends of parks group or a voluntary regeneration scheme. Gardening can bring people together and transform a neighbourhood – and at J. Parker's they want to support all your hard work. Tell them your idea for your local community and they will choose five of their favourites to donate what they can to help make it happen. Big or small, simply write up your idea in under 250 words, detailing a project that would really help your community and send it to them at [competition@jparkers.co.uk](mailto:competition@jparkers.co.uk)

**Deadline: 10<sup>th</sup> November 2017**

[http://www.jparkers.co.uk/news/competition-time-win-a-donation-to-your-local-community/?utm\\_source=newsletter&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=251017](http://www.jparkers.co.uk/news/competition-time-win-a-donation-to-your-local-community/?utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=251017)

## ARTS AND CULTURE

### 1. Youth Music Initiative Funding

To create access to high-quality music-making opportunities for young people aged 0 - 25 years out with school time. Organisations/individuals can apply for funding between £1k - £40k. Targeted funding applications will be invited by Creative Scotland for up to £90k for activity which strategically address the aims of the programme.

**Deadline: 13<sup>th</sup> November 2017**

[http://www.creativescotland.com/funding/funding-programmes/targeted-funding/youth-music-initiative?dm\\_i=FES,56Y2U,HJS76Z,JYTAR,1](http://www.creativescotland.com/funding/funding-programmes/targeted-funding/youth-music-initiative?dm_i=FES,56Y2U,HJS76Z,JYTAR,1)

### 2. Made in Scotland Funding

The purpose of the Programme is to raise the international profile of Scottish artists through the promotion of Scottish work at the Edinburgh Festival Fringe. We are looking for individuals, groups and organisations based in Scotland and working in theatre, dance and music to be part of Made in Scotland 2018. Applications can come from individual artists, companies, organisations, ensembles, promoters, bands and record labels. This fund is only open to applicants based in Scotland, and individuals must be able to demonstrate that their principal home is in Scotland. Organisations already in receipt of Creative Scotland Regular Funding or project funds are eligible to apply, but need to clearly demonstrate the additional benefits that support from Made in Scotland will present.

**Deadline: 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2017**

[http://www.creativescotland.com/funding/funding-programmes/targeted-funding/made-in-scotland?dm\\_i=FES,56Y2U,HJS76Z,JYTAR,1](http://www.creativescotland.com/funding/funding-programmes/targeted-funding/made-in-scotland?dm_i=FES,56Y2U,HJS76Z,JYTAR,1)

### 3. Idlewild Trust

The Idlewild Trust is a grant making trust that supports charities concerned with improving opportunities for young professionals working in the arts, particularly at an early stage in their careers; and supporting the conservation of important works of art and objects that are being lost through the lack of funds to look after these works. The Trust awards around £120,000 each year in grants and makes grants of up to £5,000.

**Deadline: 8<sup>th</sup> February 2018** <http://www.idlewildtrust.org.uk/>

### 4. The ScotRail Cultural and Arts Fund

Funding of between £500 and £2,000 is available to individuals/sole traders and constituted community groups working in Scotland with an income of no more than £100,000 per year. The fund aims to support arts, community

recreation, and sports activities near a train station or with a travel or safety theme. To be eligible applications must fit within one of the following themes: Promotion of performing arts, visual arts, literature, community arts and cultural traditions; support for artists and artistic organisations to work with communities; public art e.g. sculptures in open spaces; children's play areas; local activity programmes; increasing participation in sport and physical activity; sports events and outreach programmes.

**Deadline: 18<sup>th</sup> December 2017** <https://wwwFOUNDATIONSscotland.org.uk/programmes/scotrail-cultural-and-arts-fund/>

### 5. Creative Europe - Support for the Transnational Distribution of European Films

The Creative Europe MEDIA Sub-programme provides support for the development of European audiovisual works, in particular films and television works such as fiction, documentaries, children's and animated films, as well as interactive works such as videogames and multimedia with enhanced cross-border circulation potential. A budget of €9.75 million is available from the 2018 Support for the Transnational Distribution of European Films Call. Contributions will take the form of according to the number of screens reached on the first week of release, and will be between €2,200 and €150,000. For the film to be eligible its first copyright must not have been established before 2015. Films from Germany, France, Italy, Spain and the UK must have a production budget of a maximum of €10 million. Approximately 25% of the total budget will be allocated to films with a production budget below €3 million.

**Deadline: 5<sup>th</sup> December 2017**

[https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/creative-europe/funding/distribution-selective-scheme-support-for-transnational-distribution-european-films-2018\\_en](https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/creative-europe/funding/distribution-selective-scheme-support-for-transnational-distribution-european-films-2018_en)

### 6. Festival of Museums Fund

Accredited museums in Scotland who are planning to run an event for the 2018 Festival of Museums can apply for between £300 and £1,500 (up to 50% of the total project costs) from the Festival of Museums fund. Taking part in Festival of Museums offers museums a chance to raise their own profile by taking part in a national event and to develop skills and experience in event planning, budgeting for and delivering sustainable and enterprising events. Participants must secure at least a further 25% of their costs from either external sources or generate it through the event itself, the reason for this focus is to help museums look at how they can diversify and generate more income enabling them to become financially resilient and sustainable. Income can come from sponsorship, in kind support, ticket sales or other sales related to the event.

**Deadline: 24<sup>th</sup> November 2017** <https://www.museumsgalleriesscotland.org.uk/funding/festival-of-museums-fund/>

### 7. Grants to Help New, Innovative Visual Arts Projects

The Trust offers grants to artists and for new, innovative visual arts projects. It aims to make it possible for artists and those presenting their work to undertake and complete projects when confronted by lack of funds. The Trust supports projects that develop and improve the knowledge, understanding and appreciation of the fine arts. Priority is given to artists and small organisations and galleries making or producing new work or exhibitions. The Trust normally awards grants of up to £2,000, but larger grants may be considered.

**Deadline: 15<sup>th</sup> January 2018** <http://elephanttrust.org.uk/docs/intro.html>

### 8. Vocational Pathways Fund for Museums Launched

Accredited museums in Scotland or organisations working in partnership with organisations running accredited museums in Scotland can apply for grants of up to £20,000 to introduce good quality, affordable vocational training. The aim of the Fund is to increase access to the Scottish museum sector and to develop progression routes for existing staff. Funding is available for projects that either build the infrastructure of the sector to increase its capacity to facilitate work-based vocational learning at all levels or pilot ways of addressing the gaps identified in the [Vocational Pathways Framework](#) (i.e. where there is currently no qualification). This could include developing a foundation apprenticeship in partnership with a local secondary school or developing graduate apprenticeships. Match funding is not required but it is expected that organisations will invest staff hours and other non-cash contributions into the project.

**Deadline: 19<sup>th</sup> February 2018** <https://www.museumsgalleriesscotland.org.uk/funding/vocational-pathways-fund/>

### 9. Sky Arts Launches New Art 50 Funding Round

Sky Arts has announced the launch of a new Art 50 funding round. Art 50 is seeking applications from artists from all walks of life and from all genres to create a piece of work which says something important and passionate about what it will mean to be British when we leave the EU. Artists can be fearful, excited, angry or happy on the subject.

Applications can be submitted by anyone including schools, colleges and arts institutions. Applicants can apply for up to £50,000 but the majority of awards will be made between £5,000 to £20,000. Having commissioned a number of films and plays in Round 1, Sky Arts would really like to see more music and visual art ideas i.e. painting, sculpture, installations etc. Sky Arts also want to hear from around the country, but are particularly keen on receiving a greater number of ideas from areas that are underrepresented in the UK's mainstream metropolitan arts community; and Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland. Sky Arts would also like to commission a number of primary and secondary schools to contribute poems from pupils aged 7 to 17, along with artwork or additional pieces, about what it means to be British. These works will form the basis of a published book entitled 'School Britannia' which will provide a historic legacy of what the schoolchildren think about being British.

**Deadline: 12<sup>th</sup> January 2018** <http://www.skyartsart50.tv/>

## BUSINESS AND ENTERPRISE

### 10. Upcoming Round of VisitScotland's Growth Fund to Boost Tourism Firms' Marketing Activities

The Fund enables groups of tourism businesses to undertake new marketing activity or further develop current activity which will generate additional visitors to Scotland. It will assist groups in marketing their products and services to new customers and encourage people to holiday in Scotland for longer. The Fund can support groups with 50% of approved total marketing costs over a one-year period, with a minimum award of £10,000 to a maximum of £40,000 available. All applications must include activity which is considered "new", i.e. working with new partners, targeting new markets, including new packages/offers, or using new media. Whilst subsequent applications can be made, the funding should not be considered as long-term or core funding. Applications are welcomed from groups of tourism businesses throughout Scotland operating at a local, regional or national level.

**Deadline: 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2017**

[http://www.visitscotland.org/business\\_support/marketing\\_opportunities/growth\\_fund.aspx](http://www.visitscotland.org/business_support/marketing_opportunities/growth_fund.aspx)

### 11. Common Agricultural Policy - 2018 Support for Information Measures Call Open

A new Call for Proposals has been launched for Support for Information Measures Relating to the Common Agricultural Policy. This is an annual Call that supports information measures relating to the CAP that aims, in particular to:

- Help explain, implement and develop the CAP and to raise public awareness of its content and objectives.
- Inform farmers and other parties active in rural areas.
- Promote the European model of agriculture, as well as to help citizens understand it.

The target public for the 2018 Call is the general public (in particular young people in urban areas) and/or farmers and other parties active in rural areas, specifically the following:

- School children, teachers and university students: Novel approaches should be used to engage with young people and raise their awareness of the CAP and the contribution that it makes in many areas such as the climate change challenge, food, healthy and high quality eating as a lifestyle choice, in relation also with the new EU School Scheme for Milk, Fruit and Vegetables which entered into force from 1 August 2017.
- General public: The focus of information on the CAP would put greater emphasis on addressing the mis-perceptions of European agriculture and the role of farming in society instead of the policy content. There needs to be also greater understanding of the enormous contribution the EU agri food sector provides to the wider EU economy.
- Stakeholders: It should be ensured that there is greater awareness of the contribution that the CAP makes to the support of economic growth of rural areas, especially SMEs. The contribution that is made through the Rural Development programmes should be promoted, through which the EU is investing almost EUR 100 billion in the period 2014-2020 for the development of European rural areas. It will also be emphasised the support provided for sustainable production practices and other measures that will help to mitigate and adapt to climate change.

The total budget available is €4 million. Grants of up to €500,000 are available for up to 60% of direct costs. This Call concerns requests for grants to implement measures between 1<sup>st</sup> May 2018 and 30<sup>th</sup> April 2019. Eligible applicants must be established in an EU Member State and include non-profit organisations (private or public), public authorities (national, regional, local), European associations, universities, educational institutions, research centres, and companies (e.g. communication media companies).

**Deadline 15<sup>th</sup> December 2017** [https://ec.europa.eu/agriculture/grants-for-information-measures\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/agriculture/grants-for-information-measures_en)

## 12. Lintel Trust - Social Enterprise Programme

Lintel Trust has established a Social Enterprise Programme specifically for social enterprises in Scotland with a link to a Scottish housing association or co-operative. There are two options of support available to Scottish Social Enterprises: an interest free, repayable loan from £2,000 to £10,000 with flexible terms of repayment to suit the individual enterprises; a small grant of about £2,000 to enterprises looking to expand or develop their service.

**Deadline: 19<sup>th</sup> January 2018**

<http://inteltrust.org.uk/what-does-lintel-trust-do-activities/social-enterprise-programme-investment-support/>

## CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

### 13. Shared Care Scotland's 'Better Breaks' Grants

Third sector organisations in Scotland can apply now for funding to develop and deliver short breaks projects and services for children and young people with disabilities (age 20 and younger) and their carers. The Better Breaks programme is funded by the Scottish Government as part of its Short Breaks Fund, which aims to improve the provision of, and access to, quality short breaks for disabled children and their carers especially where children and young people have multiple support needs. A total of £1.2 million is available for the 2018 round of the programme. While the maximum grant available is £50,000, the average grant is more likely to be in the region of £16,000. The funding is for activities taking place between 1<sup>st</sup> April 2018 and 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019. The funding can be used for a wide range of short breaks projects and activities. These can include breaks away, days out, and/or shorter, regular activities and sessions. The activities can be for the children and young people with disabilities, for their carers, or for families to enjoy together. To be eligible for Better Breaks funding, projects must be able to show how their activities will benefit both children and young people with disabilities and their carers, by providing a break from their normal routine. These breaks should increase opportunities for children and young people to engage in activities they enjoy, give carers a break from their caring role, and improve wellbeing for all involved.

The grants can be used for the following costs that are directly related to the project:

- Contracted/permanent staff costs.
- Sessional staff costs.
- Equipment required for the delivery of the project
- Office equipment or furniture required for the delivery of the project.
- Office costs directly associated with the project.
- Management and organisational support costs directly associated with the project.
- Volunteer costs.
- Training for staff or volunteers.
- Transport costs.

The following organisations can apply:

- Voluntary organisations working within Scotland.
- Partnership applications with statutory authorities (local authorities and health partners).
- Charitable organisations.
- Organisations new to the fund as well as organisations that have previously applied to the fund.

A webinar will take place on 6<sup>th</sup> November.

**Deadline: 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2017** <https://www.sharedcarescotland.org.uk/shortbreaksfund/betterbreaks/>

### 14. BBC Children in Need's Main Grants programme

Grants of over £10k per project are available to not for profit organisations and schools that work with young people who are experiencing disadvantage through illness, distress, abuse or neglect; any kind of disability; behavioural or psychological difficulties; and / or living in poverty or situations of deprivation.

**Deadline: 16<sup>th</sup> January 2018** <http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/articles/3XW7FvN20PD3xr2c1T62Xly/main-grants>

## COMMUNITY FUNDING

### 15. Ofcom's Community Radio Fund

The Community Radio Fund, managed by Ofcom with funding from the Department for Culture, Media and Sport, offers two funding rounds each year for stations that are not-for-profit, run by local people for local people about local issues. Each funding round has around £200,000 available for grants. There is no set level of funding. Grants can range from about £2,000 to around £19,000 with an average grant of about £14,000. Grants will be made as a single lump sum and are to cover a one-year period only. The funding is intended for community radio licensees broadcasting under a community radio licence in the UK to cover costs including:

- Fundraising to support the station.
- Management.

- Administration.
- Community outreach.
- Financial management and reporting.
- Volunteer organisation and support.

Priority will be given to licensees that have not been awarded a grant in previous funding rounds and to newly-licensed stations. The Awarding Panel considers promoting long-term sustainability a critical, core activity and thus priority will be given to applications that focus on posts that promote long-term financial security and may become self-sustaining. This is a very competitive grants programme with many more requests for funding than can be awarded.

**Deadline: 8<sup>th</sup> November 2017**

<https://www.ofcom.org.uk/tv-radio-and-on-demand/information-for-industry/radio-broadcasters/community-radio-fund>

## 16. SUEZ Communities Trust

The SUEZ Trust is currently accepting applications from not-for-profit organisations in Scotland. The application process is now operated through a two-stage process via an online application system. Stage One applications can be submitted at any time and will include a short eligibility check and brief questions about the project. Successful applicants will be invited to submit a Stage Two application within 12 weeks. Grants are available for the following types of projects:

- Land Reclamation (Object A) - the reclamation, remediation, restoration or other operation on land to facilitate economic, social or environmental use.
- Community Recycling (Object B) - community based recycling, re-use and waste prevention projects.
- Public Amenities (Object C) - to provide, maintain or improve a public park or other public amenity.
- Biodiversity (Object D) - the conservation or promotion of biological diversity through the provision, conservation, restoration or enhancement of a natural habitat or the maintenance or recovery of a species in its natural habitat.
- Historic Buildings (Object E) - the maintenance, repair or restoration of a building, other structure or a site of archaeological interest which is a place of religious worship, or a site of historic or architectural or archaeological interest and is open to the public.

Applications can be made to the:

- Primary Fund for grants of up to £50,000, as long as the project has an overall cost of less than £100,000.
- Smaller Project Fund for grants of up to £20,000 as long as the project has an overall cost of less than £20,000.

This funding is open to organisations that are run on a not-for-profit basis in Scotland. This could include voluntary organisations, community groups, parish councils, charities, community interest companies, sports clubs, community associations and local authorities. Organisations must own or hold a lease for the project site with at least 10 years remaining. Projects applying for Public Amenity, Biodiversity or Historic Building funding must be on a site that is in the vicinity of a landfill site or transfer station.

**Stage One applications may be submitted at any time** <http://www.suezcommunitiestrust.org.uk/scotland>

## 17. Making Places Initiative

Communities across Scotland can bid to take part in a new £325,000 scheme to regenerate their neighbourhood. The Making Places Initiative will help bring communities together to agree improvements for their area based on local need and priorities. The expanded scheme has grown from the success of a previous Charette programme which teamed local people with design professionals to look at what would improve their places and communities. This new initiative will continue to offer support for events of this type alongside more comprehensive support to deliver on these ideas.

**Applications may be submitted at any time** <http://www.scottishcommunityalliance.net/articles/2630/>

## 18. Faith in Communities Scotland Announces New Small Grants Programme

Grants of up to £750 are available to small local faith groups that work in Scotland's most deprived urban and rural communities. The small grants programme aims to support small local faith groups that support people to make transitions in their lives; to reduce isolation and loneliness; help local people to become more resilient; that bring about a greater understanding and respect between and within faith communities; and that bring about greater self-esteem, confidence and skills, equipping local people to improve community life. The funding is available to small faith groups with an annual turnover of below £30,000.

**Applications may be submitted at any time**

<https://www.faithincommunityscotland.org/faith-in-community-scotland-action-fund/our-grants/smallgrants/>

### 19. The A B Charitable Trust (ABCT)

The Trust awards grants to UK-registered charities that seek to promote and defend human dignity and human rights. The Trust is particularly focussed on charities supporting unpopular causes reaching the most vulnerable and marginalised in society, for example, prisoners and penal reform; migrants, refugees and asylum seekers; human rights, particularly access to justice. Most grants awarded range between £10k and £20k.

**Deadline: 1<sup>st</sup> December 2017** <http://abcharitabletrust.org.uk/application.htm>

### 20. Big Lottery Fund Scotland's Awards for All Programme Sets Priorities for Sports and Arts Projects

The Awards for All programme in Scotland offers grants of between £300 and £10,000 to a wide range of not-for-profit groups and organisations. The funding is for projects that involve communities in the design, development and delivery of projects that address the following three priorities:

- Bring people together and build strong relationships in and across communities.
- Improve the places and spaces that matter to communities.
- Enable more people to fulfil their potential by working to address issues at the earliest possible stage.

In addition, the programme has announced recently that it will give priority to:

Arts projects that:

- Engage people from areas of high deprivation.
- Remove financial barriers to access creative activities.
- Address rural isolation and encourages activity in rural areas.
- Engage older people, people in care homes and carers.
- Engage care leavers.
- Support integration of refugees and asylum seekers.

Sports projects that:

- Engage young people from our most deprived areas.
- Engage girls and young women.
- Engage disabled young people.

The funding can be used for a wide range of items.

**Applications may be submitted at any time** <https://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/awardsforallscotland>

### 21. Ross and Liddell - Community Bursary Programme

Small grants of up to £500 are available to local community organisations in Scotland that make a vital difference to their local area.

**Applications may be submitted at any time** <https://ross-liddell.com/community-bursary>

### 22. Henry Smith Charity - Improving Lives Grant Programme

The Henry Smith Charity provides grants of between £20,000 and £60,000 per year for up to three years to charitable organisations that help people when other sources of support have failed, are inappropriate, or are simply not available. The funding is available to cover running costs, salaries and projects of charitable organisations that can demonstrate a track record of success, and evidence the effectiveness of the work. The funding is available to charities and not-for-profit organisations, including social enterprises in the UK with a turnover of £50,000 - £2million (in exceptional circumstances up to £5million).

**Applications may be submitted at any time**

<https://www.henrysmithcharity.org.uk/explore-our-grants-and-apply/improving-lives-grants-programme/improving-lives-grants-programme-overview/>

### 23. Henry Smith Charity - Strengthening Communities

The Strengthening Communities grant programme is designed to support small charitable organisations working at grassroots level in the most disadvantaged areas of the UK (10% most deprived), targeting places that are economically marginalised and affected by poverty. They will fund work that enables: people from across the community to participate in activities which improve connectedness, opportunities and wellbeing; people who are excluded, vulnerable or facing other forms of hardship to have access to community-based services that support positive lasting change; a stronger, active, more engaged community.

**Applications may be submitted at any time**

<https://www.henrysmithcharity.org.uk/explore-our-grants-and-apply/strengthening-communities-grants/strengthening-communities-overview/>

## 24. British Science Week Community Grant Scheme

The British Science Week Community Grant Scheme is providing grants of £500-£1000 grants to community groups to run their own science activities during British Science Week (9-18 March 2018). The mission of the British Science Week Community Grant Scheme is to expand the audiences that engage with science and the grants are available to community groups that work directly with audiences who are traditionally under-represented and currently not engaged in science activity. This can include people who are Black Asian Minority Ethnic (BAME); people with low socioeconomic status (SES), including people disadvantaged in terms of education and income; young people facing adversity, including those not in education, employment or training (NEET); people with a disability; and people living in a remote and rural location, defined as settlements of less than 10,000 people. Community grants cannot be used for events or activities with school groups unless they are a special needs school.

**Deadline: 13<sup>th</sup> November 2017** <https://www.britishtscienceweek.org/about-us/grants/bsw-community-grant-scheme/>

## 25. B&Q Operates a Community Re-Use Scheme through All Stores

The scheme is in place to donate unsellable products and materials for re-use by local schools, other educational institutions and community groups, for the benefit of the local community and the environment. These items are donated on the understanding that they will be re-used or disposed of responsibly if they aren't used.

Eligible groups include:

- Schools and colleges
- Child minders, playgroups and nurseries
- Allotment associations, community gardening projects
- Youth groups including scouts, guides and cadets
- Registered charities
- Hospices
- Conservation groups including The Conservation Volunteers and Forest Schools
- Community projects organised by local churches and other religious groups
- Women's Institute, Lions Clubs, Rotary, Townswomen Guilds
- Royal British Legion
- Adult education projects, University of the Third Age
- Other local community groups

Please note that these are unsellable items. B&Q cannot guarantee the suitability for re-use. No electrical or dangerous products can be donated e.g. broken ladders, faulty chairs or lights. We do not donate items to individuals. For more information please contact your local store directly and speak to a duty manager.

**Applications may be submitted at any time** <http://www.diy.com/corporate/community/waste-donation/>

## EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING

### 26. Flexible Workforce Development Fund

The fund provides up to £10k to employers who partner with colleges to deliver in-work skills training. Available to organisations who are subject to the UK Government's Apprenticeship Levy, employers are encouraged to give consideration to specific groups such as older workers, those in low skilled jobs, those working regularly with younger workers, veterans, and those identified as belonging to equality groups.

**Deadline: 15<sup>th</sup> December 2017** <https://news.gov.scot/news/flexible-workforce-development-fund>

### 27. Horizon 2020 Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions - 2018 Call for Innovative Training Networks Now Open

Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions are part of the Excellent Science pillar of Horizon 2020 and provide support for cross-sector mobility of researchers in all domains of research and innovation, from basic research up to market take-up and innovation services. The Innovative Training Networks (ITN) programme aims to train a new generation of creative, entrepreneurial and innovative early-stage researchers, able to face current and future challenges and to convert knowledge and ideas into products and services for economic and social benefit. ITN supports competitively selected joint research training and/or doctoral programmes, implemented by partnerships of universities, research institutions, research infrastructures, businesses, SMEs, and other socio-economic actors from different countries across Europe and beyond. Partnerships take the form of collaborative European Training Networks (ETN), European Industrial Doctorates (EID) or European Joint Doctorates (EJD). Each programme should have a clearly identified supervisory board coordinating network-wide training and establishing active and continuous communication and exchange of best practice among the partners to maximise the benefits of the partnership. The



programme should exploit complementary competences of the participating organisations, and enable sharing of knowledge, networking activities, the organisation of workshops and conferences. The budget for the 2018 Call is as follows:

- European Joint Doctorates - €35 million.
- European Training Networks - €375 million.
- European Industrial Doctorates - €32 million.

**Deadline: 17<sup>th</sup> January 2018**

<http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/horizon2020/en/h2020-section/marie-sklodowska-curie-actions>

## 28. New Entrepreneur in Residence scheme

The Royal Society Entrepreneur in Residence (EiR) scheme aims to increase the knowledge and awareness in UK Universities of cutting edge industrial science, research and innovation. The scheme provides opportunities for outstanding industrial scientists and entrepreneurs to spend time working in a University to:

- expose university staff and students to state-of-the-art industrial research and development, and the scientific challenges faced by industry;
- provide support and expert advice aimed at promoting innovation and the translation of research by Universities;
- grow confidence in and understanding of business and entrepreneurship among staff and students;
- provide career recognition to the award holders, and support their professional development.

The scheme provides a contribution to the basic salary for the EiR and towards travel and project costs. The scheme is currently funded by the Royal Society. The scheme covers all areas of the life and physical sciences, including engineering, but excluding clinical medicine. The scheme is open to applicants of any nationality, who are eligible to work in the UK for the duration of the award. Applicants should have a background in science and engineering, although they do not necessarily have to hold a PhD. They must be able to demonstrate significant experience of working in science in an industrial research context, and one or more of the following:

- experience of managing university-business collaborations and the translation and commercialisation of research;
- experience of entrepreneurship, such as company formation and growth, investment etc.;
- experience or interest in training, coaching or mentoring

Applicants can be either employed full-time, part-time, or self-employed.

**Deadline: 4<sup>th</sup> January 2017**

[https://royalsociety.org/grants-schemes-awards/grants/entrepreneur-in-residence/?utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=5564&utm\\_source=adestra](https://royalsociety.org/grants-schemes-awards/grants/entrepreneur-in-residence/?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=5564&utm_source=adestra)

## ENERGY, RENEWABLES AND RECYCLING

### 29. Electric Vehicle Loan (Scotland) - Applications Remain Open

The interest-free Electric Vehicle Loan, funded by Transport Scotland (an agency of the Scottish Government), currently offers drivers in Scotland loans of:

- up to £35,000 to cover the cost of purchasing a new pure electric / plug-in hybrid vehicle
- up to £10,000 to cover the cost of purchasing a new electric motorcycle or scooter

The loan has a repayment term of up to six years. Loans are available for residents in Scotland to help with the cost of buying a new electric or plug-in hybrid vehicle. An electric car can be powered, in part or full, by a battery that can be plugged directly into mains electricity. The main types of electric car are:

- Pure-EV
- Plug-in hybrid EV (PHEV)
- Extended range EV (E-REV)

Loans are only available, and can only be used, for the purchase of a new pure electric and plug-in hybrid vehicle by an individual (not any firm or company) whose principle residence is in Scotland. With the exception of an initial deposit, applicants must not have made any other payment towards the purchase of the vehicle before receiving a loan offer under this programme as funding is not provided retrospectively.

**Deadline: 28<sup>th</sup> February 2018** <http://www.energysavingtrust.org.uk/scotland/grants-loans/electric-vehicle-loan>

### 30. £10 Million Energy Entrepreneurs Fund - Phase 6 Open to Bids from UK SMEs

The sixth phase of the Government's Energy Entrepreneurs Fund is now open to applications, with £10 million available for allocation. Administered by the Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy (BEIS), the Fund

is designed to support the UK businesses operating in the green energy sector to propose low carbon ideas of the future. The Fund will provide financial assistance to businesses in order to help them develop and demonstrate state of the art technologies, products and processes in the areas of energy efficiency, power generation, and heat and electricity storage. Businesses will also be able to access support from experts on how to bring their products to market. For phase 6 only one proposal per applicant may be submitted. Companies can apply for up to £1 million per grant per proposal, depending on State Aid requirements. The maximum total project value must not exceed £2.5 million. The EEF is open to applications for innovative technology development and demonstration projects in the areas of energy efficiency, power generation, heat and electricity storage.

**Expressions of Interest are now being accepted**

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/energy-entrepreneurs-fund-phase-6>

### 31. Young Environmentalists Grant Scheme

Thanks to funding from The Jean Jackson Charitable Trust, Field Studies Council (FSC) has £5,000 per year for three years to support young people in need to attend specific FSC courses to develop environmental skills and understanding at a time when they are making career and life choices. When the funds are spent, no further grants will be offered until the start of the next year. Individuals between the ages of 16 and 25 years old who live in the UK and can demonstrate a need for financial support can apply for up to 50% off the course fee and can ask for help with travel costs for the following courses: Summer camps, Duke of Edinburgh Conservation and Biodiversity focused residentials and a selection of the FSC's Natural History Courses. Applications can only be accepted for support for one residential course or a maximum of three day courses per year.

**Applications must be received at least two weeks before the start of the course but are accepted at any time.**

<http://www.field-studies-council.org/individuals-and-families/young-environmentalists.aspx>

### 32. People's Trust for Endangered Species - Worldwide Grant

Researchers and Conservationists with projects focusing on endangered species, who are working and established in either the UK, UK overseas territories or any country NOT classified by the World Bank as high-income, can now apply for a grant of between £3,000 and £10,000 per annum for up to two years. Funding is available from the People's Trust for Endangered Species for work that seeks to: find the critical scientific evidence that will facilitate the conservation of a species; provide the answer to a key conservation question which will enable conservationists to undertake critical conservation action; undertake the implementation of a key local action which will result in a significantly, positive impact for an endangered species. Priority will be given to projects that gather evidence needed to undertake necessary mitigation work, use scientific evidence to get changes made to local, national or international policy, devise and test a new methodology for monitoring a species or group of species. The trust is no longer accepting applications for work on bird species. Applications should be submitted in early 2018.

**Deadline: April 2018** <https://ptes.org/grants/apply-grant/worldwide-grant-criteria/>

Please note that all Argyll and Bute Council officers considering applying for European funding should contact the European Team - [genna.lugue@argyll-bute.gov.uk](mailto:genna.lugue@argyll-bute.gov.uk) / Tel No 01546 604899 for more information.

## EUROPEAN FUNDING

### 33. North West Europe Programme (2014 – 2020)

The sixth call for project proposals under the North-West Europe Programme 2014-2020 opened on the 16<sup>th</sup> October 2017. The Programme's mission is to produce measurable positive change in North-West Europe around three themes:

1. Innovation
2. Low Carbon
3. Resource and material efficiency

Governmental organisations, civil society (non-profit organisations), education and knowledge institutions such as universities, intermediate bodies such as chambers of commerce or development agencies, enterprises, social enterprises and social housing providers can apply for grants of up to 60% of eligible costs. Applications must include partners from at least two different Member States in North-West Europe (Ireland, Luxembourg, Switzerland, and parts of France, Germany and the Netherlands).

Deadline for project concept notes: **17<sup>th</sup> November 2017**

Information on the Programme can be found at <http://www.nweurope.eu/>

### 34. ERDF Circular Economy Investment Fund for Resource Efficiency in Scotland

The Circular Economy Investment Fund is an £18 million grant funding opportunity for businesses and organisations in Scotland working in all business and social economy sectors, who are helping to create a more circular economy. Proposals are invited from small to medium-sized enterprises (fewer than 250 employees/turnover less than €50 million) and non-profit organisations. Funding is aimed at SMEs that require a minimum grant investment of £50,000 with up to £1 million available for higher value applications. Proposals for funding will be considered for new circular economy products; development and adoption of innovative business models for new circular economy products and services; and development/uptake of innovative technologies, products and services to support a circular economy. Applications are accepted on a first come first served basis and the fund closes **31<sup>st</sup> December 2017**. An information event is due to take place in Glasgow on the 8<sup>th</sup> November 2017. More information can be found here: <http://www.zerowastescotland.org.uk/circular-economy/investment-fund-energy-infrastructure> More information about the fund can be found at: <http://www.zerowastescotland.org.uk/content/circular-economy-investment-fund-and-service>

### 35. ERDF Low Carbon Travel and Transport Programme

Transport Scotland and Energy Saving Trust second funding call for the Low Carbon Travel and Transport Challenge fund is now open. Public, community, and third sector organisations can apply for funding to facilitate delivery of active travel and low carbon transport hubs. Organisations in Highlands and Islands area of Argyll and Bute can bid for up to 80% of total eligible project costs (this ERDF intervention rate for H&I is subject to European Commission approval). The remaining project costs must be provided through match funding and projects costs can be between £250,000 and £2million. Projects must be completed by December 2019.

**Deadline for applications: 19<sup>th</sup> January 2018** more information can be found here:

<http://www.energysavingtrust.org.uk/scotland/businesses-organisations/transport/low-carbon-travel-and-transport-challenge-fund>

### 36. Northern Periphery and Arctic Programme (2014 -2020)

The Northern Periphery and Arctic Transnational Cooperation Programme has opened its fifth call for project proposals. The call for preparatory projects is still open and on-going. The Highlands and Islands area of Argyll and Bute is eligible under this programme and the call is open for all priority axes below:

1. Using Innovation to Maintain And Develop Robust And Competitive Communities
2. Promoting Entrepreneurship to Realise the Potential of the Programme Area's Competitive Advantage
3. Fostering Energy-Secure Communities through Promotion of Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency
4. Protecting, Promoting and Developing Cultural and Natural Heritage

Terms of Reference have been formulated encouraging applicants to address specific actions, target groups, and sectors.

**Deadline for project submission: 28<sup>th</sup> February 2018**

**Decision date: 13<sup>th</sup> June 2018**

More information about the Programme can be found at: <http://www.interreg-npa.eu/news/fifth-call-pre-announcement/> or by contacting the regional contact point for the Highlands and Islands Kateryna McKinnon, [Kateryna.mckinnon@hient.co.uk](mailto:Kateryna.mckinnon@hient.co.uk)

## GENERAL FUNDING

### 37. Sainsbury Animal Welfare Trust (UK / International)

Charities registered in the UK and working to offer sanctuary, rehoming and rehabilitation to animals in the UK and/or internationally can apply. The maximum funding available is £35,000 and to be eligible to apply the applicant organisations should be a UK registered charity; have independently examined up to date annual accounts and an active re-homing and rehabilitation policy for animals taken into care. Organisations involved with conservation of wildlife, the rescue, rehabilitation and (where possible) release of animals are also eligible to apply. The funding can be used for general running costs or capital purchases.

**Deadline: 15<sup>th</sup> January 2018** <http://www.jeansainsburyanimalwelfare.org.uk/policies.html>

### 38. Funding for Projects that Support Women and Girls (UK / International)

Funding of up to £15,000 is available for projects within the UK and internationally that support and transform the lives of women. Priority is given to projects that promote lesbian and transgender rights; tackle violence against

women and girls and support disabled women and girls. The funding is being made available through the Feminist Review Trust who are particularly interested in applications for hard to fund projects.

**Deadline: 31<sup>st</sup> January 2018** <http://www.feminist-review-trust.com/>

### 39. Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust

JRCT is interested in funding work which is about removing problems through radical solutions, and not simply about making problems easier to live with; that has a clear sense of objectives, and of how to achieve them; and is innovative and imaginative and where the grant has a good chance of making a difference. JCRT makes grants to a range of organisations including registered, excepted or exempt charities based in the UK for work that seeks to make positive change across the UK as a whole, or across one or more of its member countries - England, Scotland, Wales or Northern Ireland. Applicants are encouraged to apply for a grant for unrestricted or core support, although support for specific programme or project funding is also available.

**Deadline: 4<sup>th</sup> December 2017** <https://www.jrct.org.uk/application-process>

### 40. Funding to Protect the Marine Environment

Sea-changers vision is to create a world where the seas and shores are clean and healthy and marine species are protected. Funding is available for a range of UK based, marine conservation charities and not-for-profit organisations with projects in one of the following areas: Marine Reserves/Protected Marine Areas; Direct Marine Clean-up Action; Education, Campaigning and Awareness; Species Protection and Research. The maximum grant size is expected to be £600, although for exceptional projects funding of up to £1,000 may be considered.

**Deadline: 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018** <http://www.sea-changers.org.uk/charities>

### 41. Grants to Protect Biodiversity and Ecosystems (UK / Worldwide)

Outdoor clothing company Patagonia has funding of up to \$12,000 available for projects that address the root causes of environmental problems. Small, grassroots, activist organisations around the world, working on action orientated and multi-pronged campaigns to preserve and protect biodiversity and the environment, can apply for grants to run projects that protect local habitats. Applicants must be able to produce measurable project results, and Patagonia are particularly keen to support efforts that force the government to abide by laws. Creative methods to engage communities to take action, including film, photography and books will only be supported if they are tightly linked to a direct-action campaign on the issue, with specific goals that go beyond education and awareness.

**Deadline: 31<sup>st</sup> January 2018** <http://eu.patagonia.com/gb/en/environmental-grants.html>

## HEALTH

### 42. Funding for Cancer Support Groups and Individuals Affected by Cancer

The grants scheme aims to fund individuals and groups that support people affected by cancer or campaign to improve cancer care. The grants available include Start-up funds of up to £500 to support new self-help and support project for people affected by cancer; Development funds of up to £3,000 to support the ongoing activities and development of self-help and support projects for people affected by cancer; User involvement grants of up to £3,000 to encourage the involvement of people affected by cancer in the design and improvement of cancer services; Individual development grants of up to £500 to enable people affected by cancer to develop their skills and use their cancer experience to help support others affected by cancer. Applications will be accepted from individuals or groups of people affected by cancer and organisations and professionals working in partnership with people affected by cancer.

**Deadline: 10<sup>th</sup> November 2017**

<https://www.macmillan.org.uk/information-and-support/coping/talking-about-cancer/find-groups-and-talks-near-you/how-we-support-your-group.html>

### 43. Grants to Improve the Lives of Disabled and Sick Children

DM Thomas Foundation for Young People supports registered charities that work to improve the lives of disabled and sick children and young people by awarding grants for equipment, training, and support. Through the Foundation's Central Grants scheme, awards of a few hundred pounds and up to £30,000 can be made, although most grants will be under £10,000.

**Deadline: 6<sup>th</sup> February 2018** <https://dmthomasfoundation.org/what-we-do/grants/>

#### 44. Rank Foundation Grant Programme 2017

Adult hospices that are full members of Hospice UK and are based in the UK, Isle of Man or the Channel Islands can apply for funding from the Rank Foundation. A total of £100,000 of funding is available with the maximum grant available being £20,000. The Rank Foundation like to support projects where they are the major or sole funder and this programme is to support capital projects that have a direct impact to patients in adult member hospices. In 2017 the theme for the funding is Conditions other than Cancer. Examples of the types of items that can be funded include: items to support care, such as environmental control systems, multi-sensory equipment; refurbishment of bedrooms; refurbishment of bathrooms, including provision of specialist bathing equipment or hoists; reconfiguration of existing space and/or new building work.

**Deadline: 24th November 2017**

<https://www.hospiceuk.org/what-we-offer/grants/open-grant-programmes/details/rank-foundation-grant-programme-2017>

#### 45. RS Macdonald Charitable Trust - Small Grants

The trust supports Scottish charities under the funding themes: Tackling Child Abuse & Neglect - services for children whose lives have been affected by physical, mental or sexual abuse; Visual impairment - support for people who are blind or visually impaired.; Neurological conditions – empowering people with neurological conditions to lead better lives and be involved in their communities; Animal welfare - helping animals that have been abused or are in danger of abuse and initiatives that reduce the risk of such abuse.

**Applications may be submitted at any time** <http://www.rsmacdonald.com/our-grants/applications/>

#### 46. RS Macdonald Charitable Trust - Main Grants

The trust supports Scottish charities under the funding themes: Tackling Child Abuse & Neglect - services for children whose lives have been affected by physical, mental or sexual abuse; Visual impairment - support for people who are blind or visually impaired.; Neurological conditions – empowering people with neurological conditions to lead better lives and be involved in their communities; Animal welfare - helping animals that have been abused or are in danger of abuse and initiatives that reduce the risk of such abuse.

**Deadline: 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018** <http://www.rsmacdonald.com/our-grants/applications/>

#### 47. Wolfson Foundation Health and Disability Grants Programme

Through the programme, the Wolfson Foundation, makes grants of between £15,000 - £100,000 for new buildings, refurbishments and equipment for a range of organisations delivering excellent care and support. The funding is focused on Palliative Care and Hospices; Older People; and Transitions and Independence. Match funding is required for projects over £50,000. The Foundation does not provide funding for clinical care which might be considered the proper responsibility of the National Health Service (e.g. refurbishment of hospital wards or other facilities, or provision of surgical equipment). The Foundation also encourage applications from all parts of the UK, especially regions that have few alternative sources of funding.

**Deadline: 5<sup>th</sup> January 2018** <http://www.wolfson.org.uk/funding/health-and-disability/>

#### 48. Pink Ribbon Foundation Grants 2018

The Foundation is a grant making trust that provides financial support to UK charities which relieve the needs of people who are suffering from, or who have been affected by breast cancer or who work to advance the understanding of breast cancer, its early detection and treatment. Grants of up to £5,000 are usually available. Higher grants may be awarded if the trustees feel there is a special reason to do so. Any charity working in the field of breast cancer can apply for a grant. Applications from general cancer charities must demonstrate that the grants requested will be applied to benefit those affected by breast cancer. Where applications relate to general services, details must be given of how many (and what proportion) of the total number benefiting from the charity's work are affected by breast cancer.

**Deadline: 31<sup>st</sup> May 2018** <http://www.pinkribbonfoundation.org.uk/who-we-help/#apply-for-a-grant>

### LAND AND PROPERTY

#### 49. Scottish Land Fund

Community led organisations in Scotland can apply for funding of between £10,000 and £1 million through the Scottish Land Fund (SLF). The funding aims to support projects both in urban and rural Scotland that will help local community development through the ownership of land and buildings. A total of £10 million is available for 2016-17. Applicants can be

from one of a wide range of representative community bodies, including voluntary organisations. To apply, contact the Big Lottery Fund Scotland to discuss your idea at [advicescotland@biglotteryfund.org.uk](mailto:advicescotland@biglotteryfund.org.uk) or on 0300 123 7110. Projects that are eligible will be assigned a Scottish Land Fund Adviser from Highlands and Islands Enterprise, who will help you develop your idea and get ready to submit your application. The SLF will fund the purchase of land or land assets. Eligible organisations can also request some revenue funding to help with the cost of developing their proposal or initial running costs of their project after acquisition.

**Applications may be submitted at any time** <https://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/scottishlandfund>

#### 50. Sustrans Scotland - Community Links

The Aims of the Programme are to: Create infrastructure that encourages people to cycle, walk or use another active travel mode as their preferred mode of travel for everyday journeys; Meet the needs of communities – provide communities with the opportunity to shape their local environment and link the places people live in with the places they want to get to; Encourage innovation – support partner organisations in raising the standard of infrastructure for walking and cycling in Scotland; Encourage placemaking which facilitates greater use of public space and higher levels of active travel; Create an enabling environment for active travel.

**Deadline: 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018** <https://www.sustrans.org.uk/scotland/communities/community-links-grant-programme-0>

#### 51. War Memorials Grant Scheme

The War Memorials Trust is providing grants for the repair and conservation of free-standing war memorials in England. These grants are intended to help those who are responsible for the upkeep of war memorials. The grants support the care and preservation of war memorials to a high standard, and to prevent the decay of this important part of our built heritage. Grants will normally be for up to a maximum of 75% of eligible costs, with a maximum grant of £30,000.

**Deadline: 31<sup>st</sup> December 2017** <http://www.warmemorials.org/grants/>

#### 52. Funding for the Historic Regeneration of Towns and Cities

The Townscape Heritage Initiative is Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) grant giving programme that supports schemes to regenerate the historic environment in towns and cities across the United Kingdom. The programme is designed to address problems in areas of particular social and economic need. The scheme is open to single organisations (such as Local Authorities) or partnerships of not for profit organisations and provides grants of between £100,000 and £2 million. If applicants receive a first-round pass, they will need to develop the scheme further within a 12-month development phase and then send a detailed second-round submission. The second round is not competitive; a grant will be offered to the applicant if it meets the HLF's criteria and priorities. Second-round applications can be submitted up to 12 months after first-round approval.

**Deadline: 8<sup>th</sup> December 2017** <https://www.hlf.org.uk/looking-funding/our-grant-programmes/townscape-heritage>

#### 53. Historic Scotland's Organisational Support Fund

Historic Environment Scotland (HES) has announced that its Organisational Support Fund is open for applications. The Organisational Support Fund can provide financial support to organisations responsible for the operation, management or safeguarding of historic environment assets. Funding is available for the operation, management or safeguarding of historic environment assets; to assist in the delivery of defined projects/ activities; and/or to provide resilience funding where organisations are experiencing financial or organisational difficulties. HES accepts applications for the Organisational Support Fund throughout the year, these are considered in one batch.

**Deadline: 30<sup>th</sup> September 2018.**

<https://www.historicenvironment.scot/grants-and-funding/our-grants/organisational-support-fund/>

### SCHOOLS AND EDUCATION

#### 54. Grants for UK-German School Partnership Visits

The Partnership Visit Fund supports new or on-going partnerships between UK and German schools by providing financial support of up to £1,000 for teachers' visits to a partner school. Teachers of primary and secondary schools can apply for a visit that revives an existing school partnership or develops a new one, or allows new teachers to familiarise themselves with the partner school. The focus of the visit must be on planning future activities between pupils, and developing an interactive project to take place within the year. Visits should not last longer than one week, the school must provide 25% of the required funding and a maximum of 3 teachers can be supported.

**Applications may be submitted at any time** <http://www.ukgermanconnection.org/partnershipvisits>

### 55. British and Foreign School Society Accepting Applications for 2018 Projects

The British and Foreign School Society (BFSS) provides around £700,000 each year to organisations with UK charitable status that need funding for education or training for children and young people up to the age of 25 years. Applications will be considered from educational or training institutions which have UK charitable status or, in the case of schools, colleges, universities and churches, "exempt charity" status. The Trustees will consider proposals for collaborative projects involving international partners and agencies. Priority will be given to projects which widen educational access and opportunity and reduce the barriers to achievement, in keeping with the BFSS's vision to maximise educational opportunity for all. Priority will also be given to projects in areas of deprivation or educational disadvantage. In recent years the main themes of the projects supported by BFSS have been: School Construction, Teacher Training, Learning Resources and Equipment, Community and Supplementary Education including raising aspirations, Education for Street Children and Vulnerable Children, and ICT. Applications are expected to address needs for which resources from the state-sponsored education system (including the Pupil Premium in the case of UK projects) are not available or adequate. Funding is at the discretion of the BFSS, and there is no minimum or maximum level of funding. There are normally three funding rounds per year. Applications are currently being accepted for the first grants committee meeting of 2018 which will take place in February.

**Deadline: 18<sup>th</sup> December 2017**

<http://www.varotherham.org.uk/news/british-foreign-school-society-accepting-applications-2018-projects/>

### 56. Funding Available to Bring Fibre Broadband to Remote Communities with a School

British Telecom has made £2 million available to increase access to super-fast broadband in communities in the final 5% of the UK not covered by fibre broadband rollout plans. The Community Fibre Partnerships grants will cover up to 75% of the cost of the new fibre infrastructure, up to £30,000, so long as that new infrastructure serves the local Ofsted registered (or equivalent) school or learning establishment. The grant is available to UK communities where their proposal for a new co-funded fibre infrastructure serves a school that doesn't have access to superfast fibre broadband (typically <24Mbps). Grants will be made on a 'first come, first served' basis until the funding is exhausted.

**Applications are being accepted now** <https://communityfibre.openreach.co.uk/schools>

### 57. The Jerusalem Trust RE Resource Grant Scheme

The Jerusalem Trust makes available to schools a number of grants to support the purchase of resources for teaching Christianity in Religious Education. These can include textbooks, teacher resources, artefacts, videos, tapes and CD-roms for use in RE lessons. The scheme is open to state secondary schools (including middle and upper). There are no primary school grants available, although priority will be given to non-church state secondary schools. The maximum size of any grant is £600.

**Applications may be submitted at any time** <http://regrants.org.uk/>

### 58. Local School Nature Grants Scheme

Learning through Landscapes has announced that the next deadline for schools to apply to the Local School Nature Grant Scheme is the . The scheme offers schools the opportunity to apply for up to £500 worth of equipment from the product catalogue on the Learning through Landscapes website to help schools undertake environmental improvements. The scheme is only open to schools; learners must be aged 5 and upwards. Successful applicants will have demonstrated that they are passionate about making environmental improvements and, ideally, will have included the children and their local community in decision making about the project and the choice of equipment. All schools in England, Scotland and Wales have a list of 72 products to choose from; the list includes items such as bird boxes, bee hotels and den making kits. Awards include a two-hour training session to help schools get the most out of the equipment provided.

**Deadline: 1<sup>st</sup> December 2017** <https://www.ltl.org.uk/naturegrants/index.php>

### 59. British Science Week - Kick Start Youth Grant

As part of the British Science Week (BSW), which is a ten-day celebration of science, technology, engineering and maths; groups of 3 or more students, aged between 11-18 can apply for grants of £150 to organise a BSW event for other young people in the students' school, in other schools or in the wider community. The fund is open to school children in England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland. To be eligible for Kick Start Youth grant funding, students must be from a school that fulfils one or more of the following criteria. Over 30% of pupils eligible for pupil premium (i.e. additional funding to raise the attainment of disadvantaged pupils), or equivalent; over 30% of pupils from Black,

Asian or Minority Ethnic (BAME backgrounds); located in a rural location. If the grant application is successful, the £150 will be paid into the bank account for the school within two weeks of the BSA receiving correct account details from the school. The teacher supporting the application will be responsible for using the money to reimburse the students with any costs incurred.

**Deadline: 19th January 2018** <https://www.britishtscienceweek.org/kick-start-youth-grant/>

## SPORT FUNDING

### 60. Funding for Disability Tennis Wheelchairs and Equipment

Grants of up to £1,500 are available to special schools, disability groups and associations, etc. for equipment and specialist wheelchairs to enable disabled people to play tennis. Individuals can apply for grants of up to £500. Individuals can receive support for sports wheelchairs, tennis rackets, coaching lessons with a Lawn Tennis Association (LTA) licensed coach or course fees for official LTA development/coaching courses. Groups can apply for: Wheelchairs; Court hire; Coaching fees; and equipment packages which will include: Rackets, Balls, Mini net and coaching aids such as cones and throw down marker lines. In the case of wheelchairs, a deposit will be required; for individuals, the amount of deposit required will depend on the wheelchair type requested, clubs will need to raise a deposit of £250.

**Deadline: 13<sup>th</sup> December 2017** <http://www.danmaskelltennistrust.org.uk/apply-for-a-grant.html>

### 61. Transforming British Tennis Together

The Lawn Tennis Association (LTA) wants to help fund any project that makes it easier for new and existing players to actively participate in tennis. With a large focus on creating more covered and floodlit courts, we're working towards two major aims: Double the number of children playing tennis; Double the number of times infrequent adults play tennis. There is no upper limit however the LTA will only provide 50% of the total needed to fund the project.

Successful bids may include requests to fund:

- Floodlights;
- Covered courts (primarily framed fabric, bubbles or other low cost structures);
- Social facilities (including cafes and clubhouses);
- Multi-sports surfaces suitable for tennis;
- Accessible facilities that cater for disabled players;
- Tennis facilities at multi-sport venues, whether indoor or outdoor;
- Creative ideas on how existing facilities can be altered to support Community Tennis Network.
- The construction of new traditional, brick-built indoor courts in exceptional circumstances

A Partnership of at least two organisations i.e. a club, a local authority, an educational institution, or some other body, working in partnership to offer Tennis to the wider community through a Community Tennis Network.

**Applications may be submitted at any time** <https://www.lta.org.uk/venue-management/facilities-advice/>

### 62. Ron Pickering Memorial Fund

The Ron Pickering Memorial Fund is a grant making organisation that was established to help young British Athletes to fulfil their potential. Since its creation the memorial fund has awarded over £1.5 million in small but significant grants to several thousand talented young British athletes. The grants are designed to make a difference and range in value depending on the athletes age, ability and personal circumstances but have always had an impact on the athletes ability to develop, helping recipients make the difficult transition from junior to senior level through support for equipment, specialist coaching or travel and importantly helping build the athletes' confidence and self-esteem through recognition. Grants vary in value depending on the athlete's age, ability and personal circumstances. Able bodied and disability UK athletes between the ages of 15 and 23 can apply. Grants to athletes over 23 may be made in exceptional circumstances.

**Deadline: 19th November 2017** <http://rpmf.org.uk/apply-grant/>

## YOUNG PEOPLE

### 63. Life Changes Trust – Creative and Active Lives

The fund aims to grow opportunities across a broad range of creative and active pursuits so care experienced young people can engage with their peers and increase their skills, wellbeing and social connections. It also aims to build the confidence and skills amongst staff, families and carers in relation to creative and active pursuits. Examples of the types of activities that can be supported include: Jewellery Making, Music, Drama, Dance, Hockey, Football,



Painting and Visual Arts. Projects must focus on care experienced young people between 14 and 26 years old who have at least three months experience of any of the following: supervision order/looked after at home; foster care; residential care; secure care; looked after through Kinship care. Not for profit organisations, schools, colleges, universities and residential houses are able to apply and proposals are also welcome from projects that give care experienced young people the opportunity to join activities within a mixed group.

**Deadline: 1<sup>st</sup> December 2017**

<http://www.lifechangestrust.org.uk/care-experienced-young-people/funding-opportunities-0>

#### **64. Funding to Use Digital Technology to Enhance the Environment**

Individuals and teams of young people based in the UK aged between the ages of 17 and 24 will be able to apply for funding of up to £10,000 for projects that use digital technology to make a positive impact on the environment. O2 - The Environment Now initiative is funded by O2 and the National Lottery, and is part of the Our Bright Future programme. As well as funding the programme also offers mentoring, work experience and insight days with industry professionals to help bring ideas to life. To be eligible the project must have a positive and measurable environmental impact in areas such as; energy efficiency or waste and recycling.

**Applications may be submitted at any time** <http://www.o2thinkbig.co.uk/the-environment-now>

#### **65. Channel 4 Work Experience**

In November/December channel 4 will be inviting 20 more people, who are on a mission to get into TV, to spend a week with them. This is your opportunity to understand more about the insides of the Channel and gain hands on experience working with one of their teams. This is open to absolutely anyone who wants to break into the industry – you do not need to have attended a 4Talent event previously.

**Deadline: 6<sup>th</sup> November 2017** <https://gothinkbig.co.uk/opportunities/channel-4-work-experience-27-november>

#### **66. O2 Are Opening Their Digital Doors**

O2 is the commercial brand of Telefónica UK Limited and is a leading digital communications company with the highest customer satisfaction for any mobile provider according to Ofcom. With over 25 million customers, O2 runs 2G, 3G and 4G networks across the UK, as well as operating O2 Wifi and owning half of Tesco Mobile. O2 has over 450 retail stores and sponsors The O2, O2 Academy venues and England Rugby. Read more about O2 at [o2.co.uk/news](http://o2.co.uk/news).

**Deadline: 13<sup>th</sup> November 2017** <https://gothinkbig.co.uk/opportunities/o2-digital-explore-day>