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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

### Low Carbon Innovation Funding Invitation Workshops

A workshop providing more information about the fund will be hosted on the 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2018 at Loch Fyne Hotel, Inveraray 1pm – 3pm. If you wish to reserve a workshop place, please email [LCITP@gov.scot](mailto:LCITP@gov.scot) with your contact details and preferred location.

<http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Business-Industry/Energy/Action/lowcarbon/LCITP/LCIF>

## ARTS AND CULTURE

### 1. The Radcliffe Trust – Music Grants

Through its music grant making programme, the Radcliffe Trust supports classical music performance and training especially chamber music, composition and music education. Particular interests within music education are music for children and adults with special needs, youth orchestras and projects at secondary and higher levels, including academic research. Applicants must be a registered charity or an exempt charity.

**Deadline: 31<sup>st</sup> August 2018** <http://theradcliffetrust.org/music-grants/>

### 2. Funding to Support Arts Projects

The Trust offers grants of up to £5,000 in support of the Arts, in particular Music, including Opera; Lieder; Composition and Dance. The Trustees aim to help individuals and groups such as Colleges; Arts Festivals and other arts organisations who would not be able to carry out a project or activity without financial support.

**Deadline: 1<sup>st</sup> June 2018** <http://www.fideliocharitabletrust.org.uk/index.php>

### 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 in museums, galleries, places of worship, historic buildings or their grounds' that are being lost through the lack of funds to look after these works. The Trust awards around £140,000 each year in grants and makes grants of up to £5,000.

**Deadline: 6<sup>th</sup> September 2018** <http://www.idlewildtrust.org.uk/>

### 4. Funding to Promote Events in Scotland

EventScotland, the national events agency which aims to strengthen and promote Scotland's events industry, has announced the National Events Programme round 39 is open to applications. The National Events Programme complements the International Funding Programme and is important in developing domestic tourism across Scotland. Through the programme funding is available to support events (outside of the cities of Edinburgh).

**Deadline: 1<sup>st</sup> June 2018** <http://www.eventscotland.org/funding/national-events-programme/>

### 5. The Leche Trust

The Leche Trust is a grant making charity that provides funding of up to £5,000 to UK registered charities, public authorities or institutions in the areas of the Performing Arts and Conservation. Through the Performing Arts funding strand the Trust supports projects that promote excellence in professional performance in music, dance and theatre, with particular emphasis on new work and on the development of young professionals aged 18 or over. Trustees are sympathetic to projects that widen geographical access to the performing arts, for example through festivals and touring.

**Deadline: 20<sup>th</sup> Apr 2018** <http://www.lechetrust.org/how-to-apply.htm>

### 6. Aesthetica Short Film Festival

The Short Film Fund are looking for filmmakers who are driving the genre of short film forward through inspirational and innovative works. Whether you are an established or emerging practitioner, they want to hear from you. They accept submissions of short films across 12 genres: Advertising, Animation, Artists' Film, Comedy, Dance, Documentary, Drama, Experimental, Fashion, Music Video, Thriller and VR. For the first time, they are accepting feature film submissions for the 2018 festival. Feature films are considered to be 60 minutes or over. Entries are open to both narrative and documentary films. The Official Selection of films will be shown in 18 venues across York, UK from 7 to 11 November 2018. There will prizes for Best Film in each category as well as Festival Winner, The Northern Film School Award for Best Screenplay, the People's Choice Award and the York Youth Award. This is an

excellent opportunity to showcase your work to an international audience of filmmakers, industry delegates and film fans. Entry costs: Short Films £24 | Feature Films £45 | Virtual Projects (VR) £30

**Deadline: 31<sup>st</sup> May 2018** <http://www.asff.co.uk/submit/guidelines/>

## 7. YMI Training and CPD Fund

The Purpose of the fund is to support individuals, organisations and networks who work out with school settings to undertake training and continuing professional development that will strengthen youth music in Scotland for the benefit of young people. We understand that many music freelancers and organisations may be working with young people both in and out of school settings and so will be eligible to apply. Intended Outcomes

- People delivering youth music develop their skills and confidence
- The youth music sector develops, strengthens and becomes more sustainable
- Supporting services to be high quality, continually improving, efficient, and to provide innovative responses to people's needs

We welcome applications proposing any training and CPD that will deliver the above outcomes. Types of activities you might want to consider are:

- Professional development, such as attending short-term or one-off training courses, conferences, master-classes, mentoring and any other relevant experiences which develop skills and confidence and lead to improved professional delivery of music to children and young people.
- Receiving private tuition that will lead to improved skills in a particular genre or instrument which will result in improved professional delivery of music to children and young people.
- Development, design and delivery of specialist training courses.
- New and innovative approaches that improve engagement in high-quality music-making activities. Examples of this might be undertaking study visits to research delivery methodology currently not widespread in Scotland, or using new technology in creative ways.

There is £45,000 available in the budget for 2017-18. Awards to Individuals will generally be within the range of £100 to £750, while the range for Organisations will normally fall between £500 and £5,000.

**Deadline: 30<sup>th</sup> March 2018**

<http://www.scottishmusiccentre.com/development/training-and-continuing-professional-development-fund/>

## BUSINESS AND ENTERPRISE

### 8. VisitScotland's Growth Fund

The VisitScotland Growth Fund is designed to assist the tourism industry and to further cement Scotland's reputation as a world class destination. 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: 20<sup>th</sup> March 2018**

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

### 9. CAN DO Innovation Challenge Fund

The CAN DO Innovation Challenge Fund, managed by a partnership of Scottish Enterprise, Highlands and Islands Enterprise, Scottish Government and the Scottish Funding Council, will support Scottish public sector organisations to find and develop innovative solutions to operational service and policy delivery challenges. The aims of the fund are to:

- Find solutions for societal and service delivery challenges faced by the public sector
- Improve public service quality and reduce delivery costs
- Boost Scotland's innovation and economic development performance.

Organisations will receive up to 100% funding to find and develop solutions with innovative businesses. Other benefits of the Fund include the opportunity to explore creative solutions to operational challenges, and improved

service quality and reduced delivery costs from solutions customised to organisational needs. Public sector bodies in Scotland which are spending public sector money and are subject to EU procurement rules are eligible to apply. This includes universities or charities. All challenges must meet the aims of the fund - to solve and improve public services and boost Scotland's economic development. R&D costs incurred by successful challenge solvers are eligible for funding support. Organisations will be able to submit applications from 28 February 2018. An Expression of Interest, guidance and eligibility forms will be available on the same day.

**Deadline: 15<sup>th</sup> June 2018**

<https://www.scottish-enterprise.com/knowledge-hub/articles/insight/can-do-innovation-challenge-fund>

#### 10. The Seed Fund Showcasing UK Food Start-ups

The Seed Fund was established by food brand experts, The Collaborators, in 2013 and is supported by a range of PR, social marketing and private equity firms. Now in its fifth year, the Seed Fund supports new food brands in the UK to become successful and inspiring businesses. The key aim of the Fund is to help start-ups and small producers in UK grow and flourish within the food and beverage sector. The Fund is looking for applications from small producers in the UK who have been awarded a great taste award in the previous year as well as start-ups that have been trading for less than four years. The overall winner will receive a year's worth of support from an expert team of Seed Fund mentors as well as £100,000 worth of branding and marketing development from The Collaborators. A total of 12 companies will be selected for The Seed Fund Academy. This is a series of workshops, mentoring sessions and talks that will take place throughout the country over the course of the summer season. A variety of industry experts will host the academy, which will cover a wide spectrum of disciplines such as social media, marketing, raising finance and food photography.

**Deadline: 30<sup>th</sup> April 2018** <http://theseedfund.co.uk/>

#### 11. Early Stage Charities and Social Enterprises

From the 3rd April 2018, early stage charities, community interest companies and social enterprises will have the opportunity to register to apply for development funding of up to £30,000. To be eligible the applicant organisation needs to have an annual income less than £1million. As part of the application process, organisations must register some basic contact details at the start of each funding round. Registration is run on a first-come, first-serve basis and once the cap is reached, the round is closed; early registration is recommended. On successful registration, applicants are sent further details of the application process. The funding is being provided through the Fire Trust, The UK's only open-access funder offering development funding and strategic support to early-stage charities and social enterprises.

**Deadline: 30<sup>th</sup> April 2018** <https://www.thefore.org/charities/>

### CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

#### 12. Scottish Children's Lottery / Chance to Connect

Chance to Connect is funded through the Scottish Children's Lottery. It supports projects working in the areas of community development and citizenship, helping develop young strong adults. Projects or activities will work with the most vulnerable families and their communities, who are at a demonstrably high risk of being negatively impacted by poverty. Examples of projects or activities aimed at young people they may fund include:

1. support for community libraries and learning spaces;
2. community based leisure and sporting programmes;
3. local youth clubs and recreational activities;
4. local community projects physically enhancing the area and encouraging social inclusion and citizenship.

There are three levels of grants. You can apply for a small grant (up to £2,000), a medium grant (up to £20,000) or for a large grant (up to £50,000).

**Applications may be submitted at any time** <http://www.chancetoconnect.co.uk/apply-for-funding>

#### 13. Funding to Get Children Active

Grants of up to £1,000 are available to registered charities and non-profit organisations who work to improve the education and physical and emotional wellbeing of children. Applicants applying for funding may focus on one or more of the following areas: Living in Poverty; Physical & Mental Health Problems; Health & Wellbeing; Living with Disability. The funding is being made available through the Les Mills Fund for Children.

**Deadline: 8<sup>th</sup> May 2018** <http://lesmillsfundforchildren.org.uk/grants/>

## COMMUNITY FUNDING

### 14. ACHA Community Action Fund

Argyll Community Housing Association Ltd (ACHA) has a small fund from which the Association makes donations to registered charitable organisations which are worthwhile causes and which have some housing connection or a connection to the Aims & Objectives of the Association. Grants of £500 are available to charitable organisations for the following -

- Culture and recreation (e.g. art, sport, music, history)
- The environment (e.g. green initiatives, clean-ups, green spaces, wildlife and animal welfare)
- Community facilities (e.g. building maintenance, playgrounds)
- Community cohesion and engagement
- Social activities (e.g. fun days, bingo, lunch clubs)
- Health, wellbeing and personal and social development
- Unemployment
- Financial hardship
- Training and education
- Community safety (e.g. crime, anti-social behaviour, safety initiatives)

**Applications may be submitted at any time** <https://www.acha.co.uk/services-community-action-fund/>

### 15. Social and Educational Needs

Registered charities with an income of less than £100,000 per year can apply for grants of up to £1,000 through the Thomas Wall Trust for projects that meet the educational and social needs of their communities. The Trust is particularly keen on supporting projects that are innovative in some way. Grant awards are specifically for project costs and the Trust awards grants to approximately 30 organisations each year.

**Deadline: 31st May 2018** <http://www.thomaswalltrust.org.uk/>

### 16. Community Radio Stations

From the 4<sup>th</sup> April 2018, community radio stations will be able to apply for funding to help support the core costs of running licensed community radio stations. Grants can be awarded to support management costs; fundraising to support the station; administration costs; financial management & reporting; community outreach; etc. Although there is no minimum or maximum grant level specified, the average grant awarded in 2017 was £14,292.

**Deadline: 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2018**

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

### 17. Trusthouse Charitable Foundation

Trusthouse Charitable Foundation are a medium-sized grant making foundation giving grants to small, well-established organisations in the UK who address local issues in areas of extreme urban deprivation, or in remote and fragile rural communities. They currently have Standard Grants available and will fund projects which fall roughly into three categories:

1. Community Support;
2. Arts, Education & Heritage;
3. Disability & Healthcare.

Your application must also clearly show that your project fits in with one or both of their overarching themes which are: Rural Issues (population under 10,000 with postcodes ranked within the bottom 50% of the latest Indices of Multiple Deprivation.); and Urban Deprivation (a population of more than 10,000 where local postcodes are ranked within the bottom 20% of the latest Indices of Multiple Deprivation). They will fund revenue or capital costs.

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

### 18. Improving Lives Grant

The Improving Lives Grant Programme from Henry Smith Charity offers grants of between £20k and £60k 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. Applications can be made any time and decisions are usually made within 6 months

**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/>

## 19. Migrant Inclusion and Community Cohesion

Civil society organisations across Europe have played a critical role in enhancing migrant inclusion and community cohesion. The current policy context offers several opportunities for engagement on this topic at the EU as well as national levels (i.e. AMIF mid-term review, negotiations of the post-2020 EU Multiannual Financial Framework) and more are expected to open over the coming years. Civil society's experience with successful and promising inclusion policy and practices across Europe, as well as their experience with EU funding, can support these processes with valuable input for more efficient and impactful EU funding. With this Call for Proposals, the European Programme for Integration and Migration (EPIM) will support Pan-European civil society partnership(s) to:

- Become a critical actor that advises the long-term financial programming, governance and practical implementation of EU funding for migrant integration and community cohesion as well as its translation at the national level, in particular in the context of the post-2020 Multiannual Financial Framework negotiations.
- Engage with EU and national decision-makers in evidence-based and solutions-oriented discussions (i.e. by referring to existing good practices).
- Ensure that funding priorities and their translation into practice are coherent, coordinated, needs-based, migrant-focused and socially impactful and shift from top-down to whole-of-community approaches to migrant inclusion that foster community cohesion.
- EPIM will consider projects focused on advocacy. Supported activities could include the following:
  - Power mapping and analysis.
  - Joint civil society strategising at the EU and national levels.
  - Monitoring of the negotiations and information exchange.
  - Coordination between EU and national civil society actors.
  - Information requests to public authorities.
  - EU and national policy roundtables.
  - Bilateral advocacy meetings at the EU and national levels.
  - Joint advocacy papers, networking for advocacy, and development of advocacy tools to be used at the EU and national level.
  - Training, research, evidence collection, and mobilisation (if directly linked to enhance the advocacy strategy).

Projects can be proposed for a grant of up to €200,000, and can run for up to 24 months starting in May 2018. Applicants should apply in partnership and must be charities or non-profit organisations registered in a country within the European Union and should be established at least two years prior to application. Pan-European, (national/regional chapters of) international or national civil society organisations are eligible applicants as long as they demonstrate the value and rationale of engaging at European/transnational level as opposed to locally or nationally.

**Deadline: 16<sup>th</sup> March 2018**

<http://www.epim.info/2018/02/epim-call-for-proposals-on-advising-long-term-eu-funding-on-migrant-inclusion-and-community-cohesion/>

## 20. Funding for Remote Rural Communities

Rural communities with projects off the mains gas grid will be eligible to apply for funding of £5,000 to improve their local area from the 20th March 2018 onwards. Projects that could apply for funding could be anything from redecorating community centres or village halls; to new equipment for youth clubs, sports teams or scout groups; etc. The funding is being made available through the Calor Rural Community Fund. The projects that receive the most votes will be shortlisted then reviewed by a panel of judges, who will select the winning projects for funding.

**Deadline: 30<sup>th</sup> April 2018** <https://www.calor.co.uk/communityfund/>

## EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING

### 21. EaSi Progress Innovative Work-Life Balance Strategies

This call aims at funding projects to develop, test, and implement innovative work-life balance strategies in the workplace. The purpose of these strategies is to facilitate the reconciliation of work and private life through supporting a more equal share of care responsibilities between working women and men, thereby encouraging a higher participation of women in the labour markets. Strategies to be developed under this call will encompass

flexibility of work organisation, adapting working hours to workers' needs, family-conscious human resources policies, on-site corporate childcare etc.

**Deadline: 18<sup>th</sup> April 2018** <http://ec.europa.eu/social/main.jsp?catId=629&langId=en&callId=525&furtherCalls=yes>

## 22. Building Brighter Futures

This scheme is focused on providing disadvantaged young people with the opportunities to gain the skills and confidence to succeed through education, training and employment, throughout Scotland has opened for applications. Building Brighter Futures Fund will distribute up to £300,000 in total per annum over three years to selected organisations supporting young people, aged 12 to 21, into employment, education or training. Funding awards, will range from £20,000 to £60,000 per annum over three years, and will be subject to ongoing monitoring, reporting and review. Inspiring Scotland will work with the portfolio of successful organisations to ensure funding is used in the most cost-effective and impactful way.

**Deadline: 16th March 2018**

<https://www.inspiringScotland.org.uk/what-we-do/thematic-funds/building-brighter-futures-fund/>

## ENERGY, RENEWABLES AND RECYCLING

### 23. Cashback on Energy Efficiency Improvements

For a limited time only, eligible small businesses applying for the interest-free, unsecured Scottish Government SME Loan can receive 30% cashback. That's up to £10,000 on completion of their energy efficiency improvements like investing in LED lighting or installing more efficient heating systems. To find out more, and to apply, call Resource Efficient Scotland on 0808 808 2268. [www.resourceefficientscotland.com/SMEloan](http://www.resourceefficientscotland.com/SMEloan)

### 24. Low Carbon Innovation Funding

This fair and open funding invitation has been designed to accelerate the delivery of large scale innovative low carbon infrastructure projects that support the ambitions set out within the recently published Scottish Energy Strategy. Projects must be of a significant scale and must be based in Scotland. This support will provide financial assistance for up to 50% of the total capital value of a project up to a maximum of £10 million per project, where capital value covers financial costs associated with the build and installation of an exemplar project (i.e. purchasing of physical assets). The successful projects will be innovative in design incorporating one or more low carbon technologies, demonstrating economic, social and low carbon benefits for Scotland. This financial support has been designed to encourage innovation of both design and business models. The financial support focuses on low carbon and/or renewable electricity and heat generation solutions and measures which will enable the transition to ultra-low emission vehicles for Scotland. As a result this will contribute to Scotland carbon reduction ambitions.

**Deadline: 30<sup>th</sup> April 2018** <http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Business-Industry/Energy/Action/lowcarbon/LCITP/LCIFI>

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

### 25. Argyll and the Islands LEADER

The Argyll and the Islands LEADER funding Programme aims to "support community-led economic growth and sustainable rural development within the Argyll and the Islands area". Grants are awarded by the Local Action Group (LAG) to projects that can clearly demonstrate at least one of the following key themes:

- Strengthening the rural economy through maximising the sustainable use of natural, cultural and heritage resources as an economic driver in the area of Argyll and the Islands.
- Enhancing services and facilities within the area of Argyll and the Islands for the purpose of attracting individuals, families, visitors and investors for the purpose of growing and maintaining economically viable communities.
- Small Business Support & Farm Diversification.

For details on the application process, applicants should visit <http://www.aiLEADER.org> the 2018 funding rounds:

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EOI Deadline	13/04/2018	13/07/2018	28/09/2018
Application Deadline	11/05/2018	10/08/2018	26/10/2018
LAG Decision Meeting	21/06/2018	20/09/2018	06/12/2018

The Argyll and the Islands LEADER LAG is part-financed by the Scottish Government and the European Community LEADER 2014-2020 programme.

### 26. ERDF Green Infrastructure Community Engagement Fund

The second round of the Green Infrastructure Community Engagement Fund is now open for applications with a deadline for submissions of **3<sup>rd</sup> April 2018**. Information regarding eligibility and how to apply can be found by visiting <https://www.greeninfrastructurescotland.scot/> or contacting SNH on [greeninfrastructure@snh.gov.uk](mailto:greeninfrastructure@snh.gov.uk)

### 27. ERDF Low Carbon Infrastructure Transition Programme

Scottish Government have invited applications for the Low Carbon Infrastructure Transition Programme. The deadline for applications is **30<sup>th</sup> April 2018**. Information regarding the programme and how to apply can be found by visiting: <http://www.gov.scot/Resource/0053/00530365.pdf>

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

The seventh call for project proposals under the Interreg North-West Europe Programme 2014-will open on **26<sup>th</sup> March 2018** for applications. 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

**Deadline for project submission: 26<sup>th</sup> April 2018**

**Decision: June 2018**

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

## FUNDING FOR DIGITAL PROJECTS

### 29. Funding to Use Digital Technology for Vocational Training

Grants of up to £50,000 are available for innovative projects that improve vocational skills in the UK's workforce using digital technology. The grants aim to support projects at a relatively early stage of development to the point where they can demonstrate their potential to customers or funders and reach the market. The funding is being made available through the UFI Charitable Trust's VocTech Fund and will support projects lasting up to 12 months. There is a 2 stage application process and the deadline for stage 1 applications is 5pm on the 14th March 2018. Stage 1 requires the applicant to complete a short form outlining details of their organisation, their project and the funding requested. Stage 2 requires the applicant to complete a more detailed application with more information on the technology, route to market and deliverability of the project. Only organisations successful at stage 1 will be invited to submit a stage 2 application.

**Deadline: 14<sup>th</sup> March 2018** <https://www.ufi.co.uk/funding-rounds-2018>

### 30. Digital News Initiative (DNI) Innovation Fund - Fifth Round Open

The aim Digital News Initiative is to encourage a more sustainable news ecosystem and promote innovation in digital journalism; through ongoing collaboration and dialogue between the tech and news sectors. The programme focuses on three key pillars:

- **Product development:** Google and news publishers will establish a 'product working group' to enable a close, ongoing dialogue exploring product developments to increase revenue, traffic and audience engagement.
- **Supporting Innovation:** Google will support and stimulate innovation in digital news journalism over the next three years by creating an innovation fund to support and stimulate innovation in digital news journalism over the next three years.
- **Training & research:** Google will invest in new training and development resources for journalists and newsrooms across Europe, and will fund research into the changing media landscape.



The ambition and intent of the Fund is bold: to help incentivise innovation and spark new thinking, which could come from anywhere in the news ecosystem, to give news organisations - of all sizes - the space to try some new things. Google has set aside up to €150 million for that purpose, which it will make available in the form of awards. There are three categories of funding available:

- **Prototype projects:** open to organisations - and to individuals, and to organisations comprised of one individual - that meet the eligibility criteria, and require up to €50,000 of funding over a short period of time to design and test a prototype. These projects should be very early stage, with ideas yet to be designed and assumptions yet to be tested. Google will fast-track such projects and will fund 100% of the total cost.
- **Medium projects:** open to organisations that meet the eligibility criteria and require up to €300,000 of funding. Google will accept funding requests up to 70% of the total cost of the project.
- **Large projects:** open to organisations that meet the eligibility criteria and require more than €300,000 of funding. Google will accept funding requests up to 70% of the total cost of the project. Funding is capped at €1 million.

In Round five the funder is looking for more innovative approaches and want to welcome a range of experimental and innovative ideas which diversify revenue streams. Eligible expenses include editorial costs (for example, on staff or freelance employees), asset creation cost (such as licenses), engineering costs (eg product development, project management, user experience design, database build and maintenance, and hosting) and marketing expenses.

Note: marketing expenses will only be covered up to 20% of the total funding awarded. The Fund is open to organisations and individuals that aim to produce original journalism and to enlighten citizens with trustworthy journalistic content, whose projects focus on encouraging a more sustainable news ecosystem. Established publishers, online-only players, news start-ups, publisher consortia, national or international associations, companies and individuals are all eligible to apply. Collaborative applications with other industry players are also welcome.

**Deadline: 9<sup>th</sup> April 2018** <https://digitalnewsinitiative.com/>

## GENERAL FUNDING

### 31. Funding to Projects that Promote Social Justice, Nonviolence and Environmental Sustainability

Grants of between £5,000 and £15,000 are available to registered charities in the UK for projects that contribute to the development of a just society based on a commitment to peace and sustainable security and environmental sustainability. Grants can be for up to three years.

**Deadline: 14<sup>th</sup> September 2018** <https://www.polden-puckham.org.uk/>

### 32. 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; 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: 30<sup>th</sup> April 2018** <http://www.feminist-review-trust.com/>

### 33. Jean 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 have 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: 1<sup>st</sup> September 2018** <http://www.jeansainsburyanimalwelfare.org.uk/policies.html>

### 34. Support for the Armed Forces Community

Grants of up to £50,000 per project are available to not-for-profit or non-statutory organisations running, or planning, charitable activities in support of the Armed Forces community. Priority will be given to projects or services supporting the following outcome themes: Employment and training; Family support; Homelessness and outreach; and Supporting the elderly. The funding is being provided through the Royal British Legion's External Grants

Scheme and the closing date for stage 1 applications is the 27th April 2018. Organisations successful at stage 1 will have until the 2nd July 2018 to submit a stage 2 application.

**Deadline: 27th April 2018**

<http://www.poppyscotland.org.uk/get-help/tailored-support-and-funding/funding-to-organisations/>

## HEALTH

### 35. Pink Ribbon Foundation Grants 2018

Grants of up to £5,000 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. 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. The funding is being provided by the Pink Ribbon Foundations. 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: 31st May 2018** <http://www.pinkribbonfoundation.org.uk/who-we-help/#apply-for-a-grant>

### 36. Support in the Right Direction 2021 Fund Open

Scottish Government's Support in the Right Direction 2021 (SiRD2021) Fund aims to continue to embed Self-directed Support as the mainstream approach to social care. Aiming to increase the delivery of independent support for people who require social care, SiRD2021 has been developed by Scottish Government in partnership with Inspiring Scotland and Self-directed Support Scotland, and in consultation with the independent support sector. Part of a £9m investment into third sector organisations over the next three years, funds in the region of £2.9 million per financial year will be available for not-for-profit organisations to provide independent support from October 2018 to March 2021. Under the Social Care (Self-directed Support) (Scotland) Act 2013, people who are eligible for social care must be offered choice and control over how they receive their care and support. Since the Act came into force on 1 April 2014, anyone who receives social care should be asked what matters to them, leading to the development of their personal outcomes. Any social care support they then receive should be focussed on meeting these outcomes, and recipients of social care are to be involved in deciding how their support is delivered and by whom. Independent support helps people and carers to make informed decisions and plans for their social care and to maximise their choice, control and flexibility over those arrangements. It provides information on Self-directed Support principles and options, helping people to develop personal outcomes and put in place social care plans to meet those outcomes. Independent support can help people to manage a social care budget should they choose to do so, and to consider how to make best use of this budget to meet their personal outcomes. SiRD2021 will fund a portfolio of projects that complement existing services and enable a good geographic spread of independent support across Scotland for all potential users of social care.

**Deadline: 3rd April 2018**

<https://www.inspiringScotland.org.uk/what-we-do/thematic-funds/self-directed-support/sird2021/>

### 37. Nutrition & the Epigenome Call

The aim of this Call, launched by the Joint Programming Initiative 'A Healthy Diet for a Healthy Life' under ERA-HDHL, is to support transnational, collaborative research projects that will gain a better understanding of the diet-epigenome relationships and their effect on human health. A more complete understanding of the relationships between nutrition and health is central to deliver the vision of the JPI HDHL which was established to coordinate research in the areas of food, diet, physical activity and health. However, even with modern genomics research and current dietary assessment methods, it is challenging to identify the key mechanisms by which diet influences health, and to establish causal relationships and predict outcomes. It is thought that investigating the fine regulation of genes, epigenetics, could provide the missing link. Proposals should focus on the diet and epigenome, and cover one of the following areas:

- Establishing cause-and-effect relationships between diet and epigenome and metabolic health including molecular and cellular mechanisms, its reversibility and long-term effects where feasible.
- Identifying risk factors and early stage epigenetic changes involved in the development of metabolic diseases.
- Epigenetic effects across the lifespan and inter (and potentially trans) generational epigenetic effects.
- Investigation of modifiable factors (diet, the combined effect of diet and physical activity, microbiota, etc.) that could be involved in epigenetic regulation at critical stages of life.

- The effect of diet and nutritional status on the intra-uterine environment and its subsequent effect on the fetal epigenome and later health of the child.

Proposals should focus on human studies; however, animal and in vitro studies can be incorporated in case of assessments that cannot be performed in humans. Joint transnational research proposals may be submitted by research groups working in universities (or other higher education institutions), non-university public research institutes, hospitals and other health care settings. Participation of private parties is encouraged as well as commercial companies, in particular small and medium-size enterprises. Consortia must be composed of a minimum of three partners from three different participating countries. No more than two partners can originate from the same country. The following countries are participating in the Call: Canada, Czech Republic, France, Germany, Ireland, Israel, Latvia, The Netherlands, Spain and UK. A total budget of over €8 million is available. The earmarked budget for the UK is €1 million (€500,000 from the Medical Research Council and €500,000 from the Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council). The earmarked budget for Ireland is €370,000.

**Deadline for proposals: 12<sup>th</sup> April 201**

<http://www.healthydietforhealthylife.eu/index.php/component/content/featured>

### 38. Scotch Whisky Action Fund Tackling Alcohol Related Harm

Scottish Whisky Action Fund provides grants of up to £25k to support and develop a range of projects/initiatives which deliver targeted interventions designed to tackle alcohol-related harms across three themes; young people (aged under 18 years); families; and communities.

**Deadline: June 29<sup>th</sup> 2018** <https://www.foundationscotland.org.uk/programmes/scotch-whisky-action-fund.aspx>

## LAND AND PROPERTY

### 39. 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>

### 40. Capital Grants to Improve Accessibility of Theatres

Capital grants of up to £20,000 are available to make Theatres more accessible. To be eligible to apply to the scheme, applicants must demonstrate that they own or manage theatres with titles or signed leases of more than 15 years on buildings in England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland; run a year-round programme of live performance, of no less than 30 performances a year; have a bona fide UK charitable or not-for-profit legal structure and be able to provide certified or audited accounts for at least two years. Applicants will need to show that they have consulted with their audiences and priority will be given to projects that could serve as best practice case studies to inspire other theatres. To apply complete the application form below and send it to [advice@theatretrust.org.uk](mailto:advice@theatretrust.org.uk)

**Deadline: 13<sup>th</sup> September 2018**

<http://www.theatretrust.org.uk/how-we-help/grants-funding/theatre-improvement-scheme>

### 41. Grants to Repair Neglected Historic Buildings

Not-for-profit organisations and partnerships led by not-for-profit organisations can apply for grants of between £100,000 and £5 million to fund some of the costs of repairing vacant and derelict historic places in order to bring them back into commercial use. The funding is being made available through the Heritage Lottery Fund's Heritage Enterprise grant scheme. For grants under £1 million applications may be submitted at any time.

**For grants of between £1million - £5million the deadline is 15<sup>th</sup> March 2018**

<https://www.hlf.org.uk/looking-funding/our-grant-programmes/heritage-enterprise>

#### 42. Royal Voluntary Services Scotland - Sheds Grant Fund

Royal Voluntary Service, with funding from the Asda Foundation, has established a Sheds Grant Fund to provide small scale funding to Sheds who are looking for help with either set up or early stage development costs. Funding is available to assist people in running Sheds and setting up new ones to help communities tackle social isolation and loneliness amongst their ageing population. Funding can cover tools and equipment, building renovation costs, revenue costs and promotional materials. Grants of between £250 and £1000 are open for new sheds.

**Deadline: 16<sup>th</sup> March 2018** <https://www.royalvoluntaryservice.org.uk/volunteer/sheds>

#### 43. Funding for Community Centres and Village Halls

Community Centres in deprived urban communities and Village Halls in remote and economically deprived rural areas can now apply for grants of between £10,000 and £45,000 for new buildings; upgrading, renovating or extending buildings; improving or creating outside space. All applicants must have already secured 50% of the total funding needed to complete the project before they apply. The funding is being made available through the Trusthouse Charitable Foundation.

**Applications may be submitted at any time**

<http://trusthousecharitablefoundation.org.uk/grants/community-centres-and-village-halls/>

#### 44. Business Premises Renovation Allowance

To increase private investment, enterprise and employment in the UK's most disadvantaged communities (designated as "Enterprise Areas"), by bringing longer term vacant business properties, in those areas, back into productive use. The measure is part of the UK's holistic approach to regeneration. A full initial allowance of 100% can be claimed in the year in which the expenditure is incurred. If this allowance is not claimed in full in the first year, writing down allowance of 25% based on cost can be claimed in subsequent years until tax relief has been claimed for the total capital expenditure on the project. The property must have been unused for a year or more prior to the renovation exercise beginning. It must have been last used for the purposes of a trade, profession or vocation or as an office (and not as a dwelling) and it must be used for one or more of these purposes after the renovation or conversion has been completed.

**Applications may be submitted at any time** <http://www.hmrc.gov.uk/manuals/camanual/CA45300.htm>

### SCHOOLS AND EDUCATION

#### 45. Support Effective Arts Based Learning in Primary Schools

Partnerships consisting of arts/cultural organisations and primary schools can apply for grants of up to £150,000 to support the delivery of effective arts-based teaching and to embed learning through the arts in the curriculum. The aim of the funding is to fund projects that help teachers and school leaders to develop the necessary skills, knowledge, confidence and experience to deliver effective arts-based learning. The funding is being provided through the Paul Hamlyn Foundation's Teacher Development Fund and the Foundation expect to make 5 grant awards in 2018. Either a primary school or an arts/cultural organisation may be the lead applicant for this fund.

**Deadline: 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2018** <https://www.phf.org.uk/funds/tdf/>

#### 46. Battlefield School Visits Grant

As part of the WWI Commemorative Programme, secondary schools can get help with the cost of making a visit to any First World War Western Front battlefield site. Grants of up to £2,000 per visit are available up to and including the 2018–19 school year. The aim is to help pupils develop their understanding of the causes of the First World War and its impact on people's lives. Any Scottish secondary school can apply for a subsidy. Funding is limited, however, and priority will be given to schools in areas with high indicators of multiple deprivation. The scheme aims to provide a one-off subsidy payment to a school for a single battlefield visit (normally in term time). Applications for a second subsidy won't normally be accepted. Remote schools with greater travel costs may get a further subsidy.

**Applications may be submitted at any time**

<https://www.historicenvironment.scot/learn/schools/battlefield-school-visits-subsidy/>

### SPORT FUNDING

#### 47. The Swimathon Foundation - Community Grants Scheme

Annual grant open to encourage swimming in the community. The Swimathon Foundation Community Grants Scheme offers funding to groups and individuals who provide and promote swimming in their local community. In the past a variety of initiatives, including swimming programmes for those with special needs, participation schemes by

youth groups, clubs for the elderly, swimming clubs and disability groups have all benefited from its support. Grants will only be awarded to organisations supported by pools that are participating in Swimathon. The grants are administered by British Swimming and the Swimming Trust.

**Deadline: 19<sup>th</sup> March 2018** <https://swimathonfoundation.org/swimathon-grants/grants-scheme-information>

#### **48. Grants for Specialist Tennis Equipment**

Special schools as well as coaches, clubs, disability groups, associations and individuals can apply for grants for equipment and specialist wheelchairs to enable disabled people to play tennis. Funding of up to £1,500 is available for groups and clubs and up to £500 for individuals.

**Deadline: 12th March 2018** <http://www.danmaskelltennistrust.org.uk/apply-for-a-grant.html>

#### **49. LEAP Sports - Festival Fortnight Small Grants**

This small grants scheme allows sports groups and community groups, a small resource to put on an event as part of the LEAP Sports Festival Fortnight from 1–14 June 2017. The festival aims to increase the visibility and participation of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex (LGBTI) people in Scottish sport.

**Deadline: 26 March 2018** <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/FFcommunitygrants>

### **YOUNG PEOPLE**

#### **50. Sutton Trust Summer School Programme**

The Summer Schools programme provides students from non-privileged backgrounds with an opportunity to taste student life. During previous application rounds, the programme has provided an opportunity to over 1700 students to experience student life at the universities of Bristol, Cambridge, Durham, Edinburgh, Imperial, King's College, Nottingham, St Andrews, and UCL. All expenses are met by the Trust and participating universities. To apply, applicants must be in Year 12 or equivalent (e.g. S5 in Scotland) and have always attended a state school or college. In addition, applicants need to come from neighbourhoods with low overall progression rates to higher education or high levels of socio economic deprivation. Applications for the 2018 programme are now open; students who meet the selection criteria may register an interest by completing the online survey via the link on the website.

**Deadline: 15<sup>th</sup> March 2018** <https://www.apply.suttontrust.com/uk-summer/>

#### **51. 2018 Print Futures Awards Open to Young Prospective Publishers.**

The programme is aimed at young people in the UK between the ages of 16 and 30. They may be wishing to train for a job in printing, publishing or the graphic arts, or they could be currently working in these industries and would like the opportunity to develop their skills. They may also be apprentices or otherwise studying for NVQs in print related organisations and require financial assistance whilst studying. Grants worth up to £1,500 are available. If an applicant's employer is already sponsoring the training, then a grant of £750 will be awarded on the understanding that the employer will match this. Shortlisted applicants will be interviewed in London in early June.

**Deadline: 29<sup>th</sup> April 2018**

<http://literatureworks.org.uk/2018-print-futures-awards-open-to-young-prospective-publishers/>

#### **52. Scholarships Available to Young People Interested in Ecology, Geography, Geology Or The Environment**

Young people aged 16 or 17 by 31<sup>st</sup> August 2018 living in the UK who are studying and interested in science - especially ecology, geography, geology or the environment can apply for one of 15 scholarships offered by the Field Studies Council. The Awards cover 85% of the costs of a 5-day residential course held in Shropshire (travel bursaries may also be available). The Scholarships represent a long-term opportunity for Scholars to meet Scholars from previous years, experts, and receive bursaries to attend FSC courses and reunions to further develop interest, knowledge and skills. To apply, complete the Young Darwin Scholarship Application Form and return it by email to [sue@field-studies-council.org](mailto:sue@field-studies-council.org)

**Deadline: 22nd June 2018**

<http://www.field-studies-council.org/about/young-darwin-scholarship/applying-for-a-scholarship.aspx>

#### **53. Baldwins Kick Start Award Offers £20,000 to Young Entrepreneurs in the UK**

Baldwins Kick Start is an annual award programme for young entrepreneurs who have a good idea and would like to start their own business. The programme was established by Baldwins Accountants to find and develop the 'Youth Entrepreneurs' of the future. Baldwins hopes to reach those young people who have talent, drive, ambition and ideas

but who lack access to the necessary funding and business support needed to start up in enterprise. The programme has a total budget of £300,000, running over ten years. The winner of the award will be given a grant of £10,000 coupled with £10,000 worth of mentoring and accountancy advice. Two runners-up will be presented with £5,000 worth of accountancy advice and mentoring. The scheme is open to UK-based young people aged between 18 and 25 who either have an idea and a business plan but are yet to start trading, or a newly founded start-up business where trading commenced on or after 31<sup>st</sup> August 2017.

**Deadline: 31<sup>st</sup> August 2018**

<http://supportingcommunities.org/funding-news-1/2018/2/7/2018-baldwins-kick-start-award-offers-20000-to-young-entrepreneurs-in-the-uk>

#### 54. Travel Grants for Young People to Research Green Infrastructure

To raise awareness and support delivery of green infrastructure in central Scotland, the Central Scotland Green Network (CSGN) is offering young people aged 18 to 25 the opportunity to apply for a grant towards travel anywhere in the world to develop their knowledge on a specific topic related to the study of green infrastructure. Up to three successful applicants will each be awarded up to £1000 (£500 if only visiting the UK) for a single trip to take place by the end of 2018. Applicants must be currently eligible to live or work in the UK and resident in the CSGN area.

**Deadline: 1<sup>st</sup> April 2018**

<http://www.centralscotlandgreennetwork.org/resources/funding/csgn-young-persons-travel-grant>

#### 55. Funding to Help Creative Young People Shine

Young people or groups of young people aged between 14 and 20 who need financial help in developing their talent within the creative industry can apply for grants of up to £600. The will be awarded to those young people who demonstrate enthusiasm, ambition and talent in their chosen field and who would benefit from financial help to develop this further. Individual applicants and groups of individuals can apply. Funding is available to young people who live in Scotland and wish to develop their talent in Drama; Dance; Music; Film; the Visual arts; Literature; the digital arts. Applications from professional arts organisations, schools or other educational institutions will not be accepted. The funding is being made through the Nurturing Talent - Time to Shine Fund.

**Deadline: 9<sup>th</sup> March 2018** <https://young.scot/information/learning/nurturing-talent-time-to-shine-fund/>

#### 56. Care Experienced Young People

Empowerment grants are for groups or organisations who are committed to developing young people's confidence and skills, and want to help them exercise their rights and give them more opportunities to participate in community life. This could be through projects such as peer research, volunteering programmes, taking ownership of a community asset, e.g. a local park or young people led workshops. We would like care experienced young people to take the lead in designing projects that interest them, so engaging with young people in this way should be a priority. We will be awarding small grants of between £500 and £10,000 to groups or organisations working with care experienced young people aged 14-26.

**Deadline: 27<sup>th</sup> April 2018**

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

#### 57. Funding for Young People's Personal Development or Community Projects

Groups of three or more young people from across Scotland aged 11-26 can apply for grants of up to £2,000 to support their personal development or community projects that focus on mental health or the arts. This could be anything from a course to support applicants with their career goals, to activities that the applicant wants to host in their local youth group. The funding is being provided through the Young Scots Sandy Watson Memorial Fund. To be eligible, all members of the group should be a member of Young Scot and provide valid card numbers.

**Deadline: 16<sup>th</sup> March 2018**

[https://young.scot/yoyp2018/yoyp-articles/apply-for-the-sandy-watson-memorial-fund/?dm\\_i=LQE,5H66B,6LKTGE,L857R,1](https://young.scot/yoyp2018/yoyp-articles/apply-for-the-sandy-watson-memorial-fund/?dm_i=LQE,5H66B,6LKTGE,L857R,1)