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Tees Valley Funding Opportunities

BHP Law Grassroots Endowment Fund (Darlington)

Source: FINE

Type of funder: Charity

Open to: VCSE

Funding: Amount not specified. Match funding

Deadline: Not specified

BHP Law set up an Endowment Fund at County Durham Community Foundation during the Government's Grassroots Endowment Match Challenge through which they received a £ for £ match on their charitable donation. The fund is available for small local grassroots community groups within Darlington, particularly those based around sport and leisure activities.

The 5th Darlington Scout Group has just been awarded the first grant from the new Fund. The grant provided a contribution towards the group's annual summer camp to the Thornthwaite Activity Centre.

To apply for a grant from the BHP Law Grassroots Endowment Fund, or any other of the Community Foundation's funds, visit www.cdcf.org.uk or contact 0191 378 6340 / info@cdcf.org.uk

European Social Fund Community Grants (Tees Valley)

Source: FINE

Type of funder: European

Open to: VCSE

Funding: Up to £12,000

Deadline: See text

The European Social Fund (ESF) was set up to improve employment opportunities in the European Union and so help raise standards of living. Its aims to help people fulfill their potential by giving them better skills and better job prospects.

ESF Community Grants will provide awards to groups undertaking activities including help with basic skills, work experience, training advice and guidance, job search assistance, confidence building, personal development and support to overcome barriers to training and employment.

The target group is unemployed and economically inactive people over 18, with particular priority given to black and minority ethnic groups, people over 50, women, lone parents and those with health conditions or disabilities.

Deadlines:

- Round one: 12th September 2011
- Round Two: 27th December 2011
- Round Three: 26th April 2012

For Hartlepool, Middlesbrough, Redcar and Cleveland and Stockton-on-Tees: contact Tees Valley Community Foundation -

<http://www.teesvalleyfoundation.org/grants/european-social-fund-community-grants/> or 01642 260860 / info@teesvalleyfoundation.org

For Darlington: contact County Durham Community Foundation -

<http://www.cdcf.org.uk/esf-community-grants-2011-2013> or 0191 378 6340 / info@cdcf.org.uk

Goshen Grassroots Fund (Tees Valley)

Source: FINE

Type of funder: Charity

Open to: VCSE

Funding: Up to £5,000

Deadline: Not specified

The Goshen Grassroots Fund has been established to provide small grants to local groups working to support the community in the Tees Valley, especially those experiencing disadvantage or social exclusion.

The Fund is being administered by Tees Valley Community Foundation. For more information and to apply visit

<http://www.teesvalleyfoundation.org/grants/goshen-grassroots-fund/> or contact on 01642 260860 / info@teesvalleyfoundation.org

Prior Information Notice: Child & Young People Weight Management

Source: FINE

Buyer: Stockton, Middlesbrough, Redcar & Cleveland Primary Care Trusts

Respond by: N/A

Please note: This is a Prior Information Notice stating the Buyer's intentions for future commissioning; it is not a confirmed tender opportunity.

The North East Procurement Service on behalf of Stockton, Middlesbrough, Redcar & Cleveland Primary Care Trusts propose to commission a Child and Young Person Weight Management Service to:

- contribute to reduced prevalence of childhood obesity
- improve local health outcomes through reduction of disease associated with obesity and being overweight
- contribute to improved life expectancy

The provider will be required to provide a multi-component tier 2 weight management service, designed to support young people and their parents/carers.

For more information and to register interest visit

<http://www.cdd.nhs.uk/north-east-procurement-service/prior-information-notices-%28pins%29/pin-33-child-young-people-weight-management-service>

Public Health Grant Scheme (Hartlepool)

Source: FINE

Type of funder: PCT

Open to: VCSE

Funding: £500 - £2,000

Deadline: Not specified

The new Public Health Grant Scheme has been set up by Hartlepool Primary Care Trust to encourage and enable voluntary and community sector groups to undertake small projects that will contribute to tackling a range of health issues identified as priorities and are targeted at improving lifestyle and health inequalities.

Grants will be administered by Hartlepool Voluntary Development Agency (HVDA) and can be awarded for single projects or activities that are in line with the Hartlepool Public Health Strategy.

For more information or an application form, contact Liz Ashton on 01429 262641. An application form will shortly be available for download at www.hvda.co.uk

Teesside Power Fund

Source: FINE

Type of funder: Charity

Open to: VCSE; see text

Funding: Up to £5,000 (maximum not often awarded)

Deadline: None; meetings are held quarterly

The Teesside Power Fund makes grants in support of charitable projects for the benefit of people who live in the nine wards in the vicinity of Teesside Power Station. The eligible wards are:

- Eston
- Dormanstown
- Kirkleatham
- Teesville
- Newcomen
- Coatham
- Grangetown
- South Bank
- Normanby

The Fund is being administered by Tees Valley Community Foundation. For more information and to apply visit

<http://www.teesvalleyfoundation.org/grants/goshen-grassroots-fund/> or contact on 01642 260860 / info@teesvalleyfoundation.org

Tender Opportunity: Darlington Integrated Drug and Alcohol Recovery Treatment Service

Source: FINE

Buyer: Darlington PCT

Respond by: 16th September 2011

The North East Procurement Service on behalf of Darlington PCT has announced a competitive tender to commission an Adult Integrated Drug and Alcohol Recovery Treatment Service.

It is intended to commission this service initially for a one year period NHS Mental Health Community Contract due to the current proposed national changes in NHS commissioning structures. However, the intention will be to extend this to three years, subject to national/local changes.

The service will include delivery of:

- open access
- assertive outreach
- psychosocial interventions
- structured day care
- medical prescribing
- harm reduction
- criminal justice interventions

It is expected that the above interventions will be co-delivered with relevant professionals providing wraparound, and other health services - including residential services - to support holistic recovery packages. All staff and professionals will be suitably trained/qualified. The financial envelope for this service is expected to be in the region of £1.3 million. For more information and to respond (express interest) visit

<http://www.cdd.nhs.uk/north-east-procurement-service/healthcare-tendering-opportunities/darlington-integrated-drug-and-alcohol-recovery-treatment-service>

Tender Opportunity: Sustainable Transport Promotions Programme Get Moving - Local Sustainable Transport Fund

Source: NEPO (ProContract) / FINE

Buyer: Redcar & Cleveland Council

Respond by: 23rd September 2011

The "Get Moving Redcar & Cleveland" Smarter Choices Programme project is seeking to deliver a range of sustainable transport promotional measures.

These will take forward lessons that have been learned from the Sustainable Travel Towns and other projects and from activities that have previously been undertaken by the Council.

It is proposed that an external provider who has experience in sustainable travel promotion will be engaged to employ a team of people to deliver the package. This will involve a programme of events with workplaces, communities and schools and more intimate interactions with individuals, families and small groups to put the message across and provide information that is useful for the area under consideration. These will be carried out throughout the rural and urban areas of the borough.

The more detailed list of actions that is under consideration is as follows:

- Travel marketing
- Provision of timetables, maps and guides
- Provision and marketing of web based resources
- School and workplace travel campaigns
- A "Bike-It" style initiative with schools
- Individualised travel marketing
- Events and activities promoting sustainable travel potentially linked to existing events and festivals taking place in the Tees Valley
- Guided walks and cycle rides and "Dr Bike" sessions
- Promotion of multi-modal journeys
- Launch of a Tees Valley Smarter Choices Club
- Promotion of smart public transport ticketing
- Engagement with professionals across range of service delivery areas
- Ongoing communication with internal stakeholders and influential decision makers / regular reporting on the outcomes and case studies

Estimated contract times: 1st November 2011 – 31st March 2015. Funding available: £900,000 (break down available in Specification documents). For more information and to respond:

https://www.qtegov.com/procontract/supplier.nsf/frm_opportunity?openForm&contract_id=CONTRACT-QTLE-8KEFJ3&search_id=&org_id=ORG-QTLE-75FDAN&from=supplier_home

Tender Opportunity: Tees Valley Unlimited Website Development

Source: NEPO (ProContract) / FINE

Buyer: Stockton Borough Council

Respond by: 14th September 2011

Tees Valley Unlimited is seeking quotations for the provision of a new website. Tees Valley Unlimited is fast gaining a reputation as an ambitious and pioneering organisation, often held up as a leading example to other LEPs. The website must reflect this desire to initiate change, promote partnership working and deliver to the Tees Valley in a clear and transparent way.

For more information and to respond:

https://www.qtegov.com/procontract/supplier.nsf/frm_opportunity?openForm&contract_id=CONTRACT-QTLE-8KSC62&search_id=&org_id=ORG-QTLE-75FDG4&from=supplier_home

Tender Opportunity: Tender for Travel Behaviour Research – Darlington – A Town on the Move

Source: NEPO (ProContract) / FINE

Buyer: Darlington Council

Respond by: 29th September 2011

Darlington Borough Council is looking to appoint an organisation to carry out research in travel behaviour across the Borough. The opportunity consists of two surveys which are to be carried out over the next three years; the first survey will be carried out in October 2011 and the second in 2014. The budget for each survey is approximately £140,000.

It is proposed that the travel behaviour research comprises of individual questionnaires and individual travel diaries for some or all household members for a nominated day or days of the week.

For more information and to respond:

https://www.qtegov.com/procontract/supplier.nsf/frm_opportunity?openForm&contract_id=CONTRACT-QTLE-8KTCJD&search_id=&org_id=ORG-QTLE-75FCMG&from=supplier_home

Youth Opportunity Fund (Hartlepool)

Source: FINE

Type of funder: Government

Open to: Young people (13 – 19 years / up to 25 with a learning difficulty)

Funding: See text

Deadline: Monthly basis; next deadlines 21st September / 19th October / 16th November 2011

The aim of the Youth Opportunity Fund is to involve young people, especially those who are hard to reach, in identifying positive activities and things to do, and to support their role as decision makers, grant givers and project leaders. They should be encouraged to consider local needs and circumstances as a part of their role in shaping provision for young people beyond their immediate group.

Funding is available for revenue costs (activities, projects, venue hire, etc):

- The maximum organisations can apply for is £2,000.
- The maximum an individual can apply for is £500.
- Organisations/Individuals may only apply successfully once over a year

Young people must achieve a recorded outcome as a result of receiving a Youth Opportunity Fund Grant. Applicants who also achieve an accredited outcome will be looked at more favourably.

- Recorded Outcomes – achieved when a young person has shown a significant amount of progress in a certain area. An example of this could be when a young person has met a target they have set themselves in their personal development plan. This may include stopping swearing or showing a positive change in their behaviour or attitude
- Accredited Outcome – achieved through completing a significant amount of work through informal learning, over a certain amount of time. There are a number of national schemes available to accredit informal learning opportunities which may include Duke of Edinburgh's award (D of E), Youth Achievement Awards, Open College Network Courses (OCN) etc

Opportunities for organisations to apply for Dragons Den grants of up to £5,000 will also be available

- Applicants will be invited to attend a presentation
- Ideas for Dragons Dens applicants include; camping equipment, sporting goods, arts & crafts, events, residential activities, etc

For an application or more information contact Juliette Ward 01429 523422 or email Juliette.ward@hartlepool.gov.uk

Other Funding Opportunities

Cathedral and Church Buildings Division Grants (UK)

Source: SYFAB / FINE

Type of funder: Church

Open to: See text

Funding: Varies

Deadline: Varies

The Cathedral and Church Buildings Division of the Church of England offers grants to support Parochial Church Councils (PCCs), Chapters and Friends groups with the conservation of churches and cathedrals and their historic contents.

To be eligible for fabric grants, churches must be Anglican Church buildings in England, Scotland, Northern Ireland and Wales that were built before 1850 and are listed Grade I or II*. Parishes applying for a fabric grant are expected to have already approached English Heritage, Cadw, Historic Scotland or the DoENI for support.

The aim is to ensure that conservation projects in Anglican churches and cathedrals are carried out to the highest standards.

For churches - PCCs and Friends groups can apply for:

- **Grants for the conservation of historic furnishings and artworks** (various deadlines starting at 2nd September 2011)
- **Grants for fabric repairs** (deadline 15th September 2011)

Greater churches may also be eligible for the Cathedral Amenities Fund grant scheme.

For cathedrals - Cathedral Chapters can apply for:

- **English Cathedrals Repair Fund** (repairs and works to fabric and contents of cathedrals) - various deadlines starting at 3rd September 2011
- **Cathedral Amenities Fund** (preservation and improvements to the visual amenity of ancient cathedrals, abbeys and greater churches in the U.K.)
- **The Joint Cathedral Repair Fund** (major repairs to historic fabric in Church of England cathedrals) - deadline 23rd September 2011

Please note that they cannot consider applications for work that has already started or been completed.

For further information or to apply visit <http://www.churchcare.co.uk/funding.php>

Community Radio Fund (UK)

Source: Funding Insight / FINE

Type of funder: Government

Open to: See text

Funding: Usually £5,000 - £17,000 (no upper limit)

Deadline: 16th November 2011 (Opens 19th October 2011)

The Office of Communications (Ofcom) has announced that the next round for funding applications for the Community Radio Fund will open next month. The fund has been established to help fund the core costs of running a community radio station. These not-for-profit radio stations have a social purpose, and work to involve their target community in running the service.

Under the fund, Community Radio Stations are being invited to apply for funding to support their core running costs. These core costs can include

- management
- administration
- financial management & reporting
- fundraising to support the station (grants and commercial funding)
- community outreach
- volunteer organisation and support

There is no upper limit of grant that can be applied for. Grants can only be made to community radio licensees broadcasting under a community radio licence (and not an RSL, for example).

For more information and to apply visit

<http://stakeholders.ofcom.org.uk/broadcasting/radio/community-radio-fund/> or contact community.radio@ofcom.org.uk / 020 7981 3870.

DEFRA Local Nature Partnerships Fund – Round 2 (England)

Source: FINE

Type of funder: Government

Open to: See text

Funding: Most bids will be in region of £20,000, added value cases will be considered for amounts up to £50,000

Deadline: 31st October 2011

Local Nature Partnerships bring a diverse range of individuals, businesses and organisations together at a local level to create a vision and plan of action of how the natural environment can be taken into account in decision making.

Defra have established a fund to support the creation of self sustaining Local Nature Partnerships around England.

This fund has two objectives:

- To enable existing environmental partnerships who aspire to become Local Nature Partnerships, to broaden their agenda, membership and vision – to better reflect those of a Local Nature Partnership
- To support some partnership development work in areas where no partnership currently exists. This would create a strong foundation for those aspiring to become Local Nature Partnerships

Activities supported would include those which:

- bring together the range of organisations interested in forming a Local Nature Partnership and develop common agreement about the way forward.
- develop a new integrated environmental vision, or expanding an existing one
- expand the membership of the partnership
- proposes ways to diversify financial support

Existing place-based delivery organisations and partnerships (e.g. National Parks, Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty, Local Biodiversity Action Plan Partnerships, Forestry Forums), or new partnerships can all apply.

For more information or to apply visit

<http://www.defra.gov.uk/environment/natural/whitepaper/local-nature-partnerships/lnp-fund/> or contact LNPs@defra.gsi.gov.uk

Living Well with Dementia Challenge (UK)

Source: Funding Insight / FINE

Type of funder: Government

Open to: Charities / social enterprises; see text

Funding: Up to fifteen teams given £2,000 each to spend in developing their business plan and pitch; up to five teams then go on to receive share of £330,000

Deadline: 30th September 2011

The Design Council and the Department of Health are running a competition to rethink life with dementia. They are challenging teams to help people with dementia and their carers live easier, better planned and more enjoyable lives.

The entry can be instigated by any partner, however the lead must belong to a business registered in the UK. They are looking for teams made up of people with design expertise and people with the ability to implement solutions, for example:

- Small and medium enterprises looking to tailor their products
- Charities and social enterprises that want to help more people
- Large corporates that want their service work for those with dementia
- Public sector organisations that want to transform their services
- Entrepreneurs looking for their next challenge
- Manufacturers and engineers interested in improving or developing products
- Architects/developers who want their spaces to work for those with dementia

This is an open innovation challenge. At the same time, they wish to focus efforts, to concentrate on where there is the greatest unmet need and most opportunity. Where they think opportunity lies is as follows:

- Making things easier
- Preparing for the future
- Making life more enjoyable

For more information and to respond visit <http://designchallenges.ning.com/>

NatWest CommunityForce (England)

First published as a Stop Press 8th August 2011

Source: FINE

Type of funder: Company

Open to: VCSE

Funding: £6,000

Deadline: 4th September 2011

NatWest bank has launched CommunityForce – a £3m initiative to help local charities, organisations and groups raise publicity, attract volunteers and receive funding.

By applying for the awards projects will become part of a local online network giving them greater visibility and the opportunity to attract volunteers from the local area. An online public vote will decide on the winners.

For more information and to register visit <http://communityforce.natwest.com>

Sport for You (UK)

Source: Tees Valley Sport / FINE

Type of funder: Company

Open to: VCSE – sports clubs

Funding: Up to £1,000

Deadline: 30th November 2011

The Daily Telegraph is working in partnership with the Royal Bank of Scotland to administer the Sport for You Grant. The scheme aims to provide grants to sports clubs who play a vital role in society, create a place for social interaction and an environment where different generations come together to be active and share the joy of sports participation.

Funding is allocated to projects that benefit the club as a whole. The judging panel will make a decision based on the clubs most effectively promoting community sport and community links.

Eligible applicants must be an amateur sports club based in the UK. Entries must be submitted by any official of the club who is over 18 years of age. Applications from after school sports clubs run by parents or other parties on a voluntary basis are also welcomed.

To apply visit

<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/sport/othersports/amateur/8283288/Amateur-sports-club-grant-entry-form.html>

sported. (England)

Source: FINE

Type of funder: Charity

Open to: VCSE / individuals

Funding: Plus support. See text

Deadline: None

sported. is a national charity that provides support to community sport organisations that work with young people in disadvantaged areas. They do this by providing business resources and financial assistance. They are seeking member organisations over the next few months in the North East.

They support projects that can answer yes to these questions:

- Is your project providing opportunities for young people aged 11 – 25?
- Is your project based around sport or physical activity?
- Does it focus on using sport as a vehicle for development rather than participation? The five outcomes they use to measure sport for development are:
 - Building strong communities
 - Making sure everyone feels included and has an opportunity to take part
 - Reducing crime and anti social behaviour
 - Developing confidence in young people and providing them with skills for the workplace and life
 - Education in health and well being
- Does your project take place within a disadvantaged community?
- Does your project fit into one of the following categories?
 - Unconstituted clubs or groups
 - An individual running community sport activity
 - Local or regional charities
 - Social enterprise companies
 - Constituted clubs or groups offering sport for development of young people

Members can join for free and get access to online tools, resources and expertise, one-to-one mentoring.

Members are also eligible to apply for **funding** and in some cases can apply for a large grant up to £10,000. They focus on organisational development so will consider applications for funding towards running costs, salaries, training, small equipment etc. In addition, they also help Members find other funding opportunities in their local area.

Membership will be open to organisations on a rolling basis in the region:

Tyne and Wear: now open

Tees Valley and Easington: November 2011

County Durham (beyond Easington): April 2012

Northumberland: July 2012

For more information visit <http://www.sported.org.uk/> or contact the Regional Manager, Sandra Hillyard on 07775 602137 / s.hillyard@sported.org.uk

The Kids Fund (UK)

Source: Grants Online / FINE

Type of funder: Charity

Open to: See text

Funding: See text

Deadline: None; decisions made February, June and October

The Kids Fund is part of the Field Studies Council (FSC) aiming to 'Bring Environmental Understanding to All'. The Kids Fund aims to

- bring environmental understanding to disadvantaged young people by attending a course at an FSC centre
- help disadvantaged young people to attend a course who may otherwise be excluded due to some form of disadvantage - health, mobility, deprivation or financial

Groups meeting the following three criteria will be eligible:

- Disadvantaged young people aged 8-18 years
- Voluntary youth groups (either run by voluntary leaders, managed by a voluntary organisation, a registered charity)
- A school group if aiming to provide benefits which are additional to the statutory school curriculum or clearly show added value, depth and breadth to the taught curriculum
- Based in from UK, Isle of Man, Channel Isles and Republic of Ireland

Funding is available for:

- FSC Environmental Learning and Environmental Activity Courses for disadvantaged young people
- Funding will normally be up to 80% of the cost of your group's course to an FSC Field Centre to a maximum of £3,000. This cost includes all accommodation, food, equipment, tuition and waterproof hire costs. 1 staff/adult free with every 10 students; additional adults pay 20%
- Groups of young people aged 8-18 years (or up to 25yrs for those with special needs)

For more information and to apply visit http://www.field-studies-council.org/supporters/kidsfund_application.aspx or contact kidsfund@field-studies-council.org

Yapp Charitable Trust Grants (UK)

Source: FINE

Type of funder: Charity

Open to: Registered charities (total annual expenditure less than £40,000, formally established for over 3 years)

Funding: Normally up to £3,000 for up to 3 years. Core funding only.

Deadline: None

Please note: the Trust have revised their criteria and funding priorities following a review of their grant making policy.

- They now only offer grants to registered charities with an annual expenditure of less than £40,000
- They will only fund charities that can demonstrate they meet the eligibility criteria
- They will not consider requests for funding made on the old application form after 30th September 2011

The Trust offers grants to eligible charities undertaking work with these groups:

- Elderly people
- Children and young people aged 5 – 25
- People with disabilities or mental health problems
- Moral welfare – people trying to overcome life-limiting problems of a social, rather than medical, origin (such as addiction, relationship difficulties, abuse, offending)
- Education and learning (with a particular interest in people who are educationally disadvantaged, whether adults or children)

They prioritise the following:

- Work that is unattractive to the general public or unpopular with other funders
- Services that help to improve the lives of marginalised, disadvantaged or isolated people
- Applicants that can demonstrate an effective use of volunteers
- Charities that seek to be preventive and aim to change opinion and behaviour through raising awareness of issues, education and campaigning
- Applicants that can demonstrate (where feasible) an element of self sustainability by charging subscriptions/fees to service users

Applications that don't address at least two of the above are unlikely to receive a grant.

For more information and to apply visit <http://yappcharitabletrust.org.uk/> or contact Joanne Anderson, Trust Secretary on 0191 492 2118 / info@yappcharitabletrust.org.uk

Tees Valley Funding Information

Santander Foundation

Source: FINE

Any organisation applying to the Foundation may now no longer apply for more than £10,000 (previously, Tees Valley organisations were eligible to apply for up to £30,000 due to Santander having a more significant presence in the area).

<http://www.santanderfoundation.org.uk/>

Tees Valley Community Foundation merging

Source: FINE

Tees Valley Community Foundation have merged with Tees Valley Professional Services Group (PSG) and Viva Volunteers (part of PSG), as of 1st July 2011.

The newly merged charity will provide a 'one stop shop' for local giving ensuring the community can access grants, free professional support and volunteers.

PSG & Viva services will continue as will the individual brands.

www.teesvalleyfoundation.org/news/2011/06/a-new-face-of-giving/

Other Funding Information

Big Lottery Fund consultation

Source: Funding Insight / FINE

The Government has opened a 12-week consultation on proposed new policy directions for the Big Lottery Fund. The consultation invites views from a wide range of stakeholders which include the voluntary, community and social enterprise sector and other government departments. The consultation closes 18th November 2011.

<http://www.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/resource-library/big-lottery-fund-consultation-proposed-policy-directions>

Community Budgets

Source: FINE

In June the Deputy Prime Minister announced a programme that will roll out Community Budgets more widely and explore how the current approach might be extended to wider issues in local areas.

A Community Budget gives local public service partners the freedom to work together to redesign services around the needs of citizens, improving outcomes and reducing duplication and waste. A successful Community Budget will be able to deliver a better service to residents because it can:

- make better use of its resources, including pooling the budgets of all agencies where it is effective to do so
- free local professionals from central rules and regulations that are getting in the way so they can redesign services delivery so it is more effective for residents
- establish appropriate local partnership and governance arrangements to create a unified approach that suits their area

16 areas (not including any in the North East) are now taking forward their proposals to turn around the lives of families with multiple problems using the Community Budget approach. Within only six months they have set themselves up and have plans to deal with at least 10,000 Families with Multiple Problems over four years. The focus on Families with Multiple Problems is because these families can be much more costly to public services if their problems are not addressed early on.

Ministers have written to all Local Authority Leaders inviting interested councils to come forward for the roll out. More details will be announced later in the year.

<http://www.communities.gov.uk/news/newsroom/1933560>

Open Public Services White Paper consultation

Source: FINE

A consultation on the Open Public Services White Paper is open until **30th September 2011**. The Open Public Services White Paper was published by the Coalition in July; it follows on from the Modernising Commissioning Green Paper published in 2010.

The White Paper is made of five themes of

- empowering individuals
- decentralised decisions
- competition
- fair access to services for everyone
- accountability

For more information and to respond visit

<http://www.openpublicservices.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/>

Social Impact Bonds

Source: FINE

The Social Investment Business (TSIB) are interested in talking to sector organisations with ideas that fit the criteria of a good Social Impact Bond.

TSIB see the potential that Social Impact Bonds can deliver in bringing additional resources to the sector, transforming public service funding from crisis intervention to prevention.

Investors in a social impact bond will receive a dual return:

- Firstly, they will receive interest on their investment, typically over a period of two or three years
- Secondly, they will receive a social return through knowing that their investment has enabled a specific programme of interventions designed to improve a particular problem in society

The funds raised by a specific social impact bond will be utilised to help fund those organisations delivering those interventions in the period prior to receiving outcome based payment from the commissioner of that programme, normally central or local government. This transfers any risk onto the investor and allows the Government to shift funding into preventative work which also theoretically decreases spending on social problems later in their life cycle.

TSIB believe that they excel in both identifying strong proposals from sector organisations and in building those organisations to deliver those services, often innovative, on behalf of public sector bodies. They have already worked with organisations creating net savings to the public purse up to £5million after ten years. They believe that they have strong technical expertise in creating successful consortia and developing innovative approaches to public services through building capacity of delivery organisations.

TSIB are interested in talking to commissioners who want to see improved social outcomes and reduced costs, sector organisations with ideas that fit the criteria of a good Social Impact Bond, and investors whom want to see a financial and social return. Contact Sarah Flood on 07725 211 587 to discuss further.

<http://www.thesocialinvestmentbusiness.org/our-services/social-impact-bonds/>

Events and Training

Funding Landscapes - mapping the future of voluntary sector funding

When: 18th November 2011, 10am – 4:30pm

Where: York Racecourse

Cost: £120 (charities with annual income over £250k, public sector and private sector organisations) / £60 (VCSE with annual income under £250k) / FREE limited edition tickets (voluntary organisations with an annual income up to £30k)

This event, organised by the York and North Yorkshire Funding Advice Network, will be for voluntary and community organisations to:

- improve funding knowledge and effectiveness
- meet funders face to face
- get updated information on strategic policy initiatives

Speakers include:

- Danielle Walker Palmour, Director of Friends Provident Foundation and Board Member of Big Society Capital
- Debra Allcock Tyler, Chief Executive, Directory of Social Change
- Jonathan Farnhill, Author of The Porcupine Principle (and other fundraising secrets)
- Peter Cleasby, Chair, Plunkett Foundation
- Peter Wanless, Chief Executive, Big Lottery Fund

Masterclass Workshops will include (not exhaustive):

Legacy Fundraising, Big Lottery Fund applications, Project Development, Tax Effective Giving, Fundraising Strategy, Social Impact, Bid Writing.

There will be a marketplace of funders including Heritage Lottery Fund, Big Lottery Fund, Awards for All, Yorventure, Two Ridings Community Foundation, WREN, Charity Bank in the North, Comic Relief, Cooperative Foundation, Key Fund Yorkshire, Paristamen Foundation, LEADER and more.

For more information and to book visit <http://fundinglandscapes.eventbrite.com>

Closing dates

2011

Sep 12	European Social Fund Community Grants (Tees Valley) Round one Hartlepool, Middlesbrough, Redcar and Cleveland and Stockton-on-Tees: http://www.teesvalleyfoundation.org/grants/european-social-fund-community-grants/ Darlington: http://www.cdcf.org.uk/esf-community-grants-2011-2013
Sep 14	Tender Opportunity: Tees Valley Unlimited Website Development https://www.qtegov.com/procontract/supplier.nsf/frm_opportunity?openForm&contract_id=CONTRACT-QTLE-8KSC62&search_id=&org_id=ORG-QTLE-75FDG4&from=supplier_home
Sep 14	Tender Opportunity: Darlington Integrated Drug and Alcohol Recovery Treatment Service http://www.cdd.nhs.uk/north-east-procurement-service/healthcare-tendering-opportunities/darlington-integrated-drug-and-alcohol-recovery-treatment-service
Sep 21	Youth Opportunity Fund (Hartlepool) Juliette.ward@hartlepool.gov.uk
Sep 23	Tender Opportunity: Sustainable Transport Promotions Programme Get Moving - Local Sustainable Transport Fund https://www.qtegov.com/procontract/supplier.nsf/frm_opportunity?openForm&contract_id=CONTRACT-QTLE-8KEFJ3&search_id=&org_id=ORG-QTLE-75FDAN&from=supplier_home
Sep 29	Tender Opportunity: Tender for Travel Behaviour Research – Darlington – A Town on the Move https://www.qtegov.com/procontract/supplier.nsf/frm_opportunity?openForm&contract_id=CONTRACT-QTLE-8KTCJD&search_id=&org_id=ORG-QTLE-75FCMG&from=supplier_home
Sep 30	Jeans for Genes http://www.jeansforgenesgrantprogramme.org/applyforagrant
Oct 19	Youth Opportunity Fund (Hartlepool) Juliette.ward@hartlepool.gov.uk

Nov 16	Youth Opportunity Fund (Hartlepool) Juliette.ward@hartlepool.gov.uk
Dec 27	European Social Fund Community Grants (Tees Valley) Round Two Hartlepool, Middlesbrough, Redcar and Cleveland and Stockton-on-Tees: http://www.teesvalleyfoundation.org/grants/european-social-fund-community-grants/ Darlington: http://www.cdcf.org.uk/esf-community-grants-2011-2013

2012:

Apr 26	European Social Fund Community Grants (Tees Valley) Round Three Hartlepool, Middlesbrough, Redcar and Cleveland and Stockton-on-Tees: http://www.teesvalleyfoundation.org/grants/european-social-fund-community-grants/ Darlington: http://www.cdcf.org.uk/esf-community-grants-2011-2013
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