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Foreword

The Active Communities Funding Guide is intended to help people find sources of funding for sporting projects. The Guide outlines all types of funding that is available, and the process that should be taken when seeking funding. All the major funders are covered from the Big Lottery and Football Foundation, down to small charitable trusts. Suffolk Coastal District Council's own funding schemes are also explained.

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1.0 The Funding Process

This funding guide has two main purposes:

- To provide enough information to allow anyone with little or no knowledge of funding to be able to provide a good quality funding application with an increased likelihood of success.
- To provide a list of some of the funding available; small grants, large grants, trusts etc.

If you are already experience in gaining funding for community groups, clubs etc, then this guide maybe used as a memory aide or reference for potential funders.

Step 1 - Define your project

The first step of any funding application is to fully understand all aspects of the project you wish to implement. It needs to be shown that the project involves a diverse section of the community and is sustainable after the initial funding has been used.

You could start by asking yourself the following questions about your project:

- Who would use the project? (women, ethnic minority communities, young people etc)
- When and how would the project take place?
- What the benefits of the project will be?
- How much the project will cost?
- What funding can you provide yourself? (in cash or in kind)

Note: Many funders are particularly interested in social inclusion and want to see that the project is reaching people that don't normally take part.

Work in Partnership

Funders and sponsors like to get the maximum impact from their investment and see 'partnerships' as a good way of doing this. If you can demonstrate that you are working with other local service providers, your project will be a much better prospect and more likely to get support. Potential partners include:

- Community Groups;
- Businesses;
- Local Authority;
- Parish/Town Council;
- Primary Care Trust
- Police
- Sports Clubs

Accessing Funding

Before you begin seeking money from funders, you should consider other means of raising money, such as fundraising events, gifts, donations etc.

Funders will support most projects as long as they meet their broader criteria. Their criteria may cover things such as reducing disadvantage; increasing inclusion of hard to reach groups; and/or improving health and wellbeing of low-income families. Get to know your chosen funders.

Don't Forget Help is Available!

You can get help with identifying potential funders from:

- Your Local Authority – Sports Development Officer;
- Your Local Council for Voluntary Services;
- Your Local Voluntary Helper Agencies;
- The National Governing Bodies if the project is Sport Specific

Step 2 - Developing Your Project

You will need to demonstrate the difference between the situation now and the situation that will arise after you have received a grant.

Funders will expect you to make commitments;

1. That you will spend the money on what you said you'd spend it on.
2. That, with the new equipment, building, coach etc, you'll be able to do the things you said you'd do when you received the grant.

Funders will want to know what new things you will be able to do as a result of receiving and spending their money. Further more, they will usually want to see the facility or activities they are going to fund are open as long as possible to all sections of the local community. So, you will often need to decide what steps you can take to provide an 'open to all' policy and an unrestricted membership practice.

The majority of funders identify the areas they would like to fund through themes and/or categories. These categories or themes are normally associated with broader community benefit and may include areas like education, social inclusion, crime reduction, participation, physical activity and health.

Note: the vast majority of funding is not specifically available to sport – it is available for community orientated objectives which sport can often make a strong case for.

Your commitments will need to be realistic, achievable and in proportion to the size of the grant you are asking for. **Do not promise to do things that are simply not achievable just to impress the funder.**

Step 3 - Building A Fundraising Strategy

A fundraising strategy is a document that sets out all the activities or services an organisation or club wishes to deliver and describes how they will be financed.

What resources do you need?

List everything you will need to run the project from coaches, equipment, venues, food, transport, and any external services such as an ambulance and photographer.

Preparing a Budget

There are two different types of cost:

- **Capital** these are the costs of physical items, e.g. buildings, furniture, equipment etc.
- **Revenue** these are the costs of running the activity, e.g. salaries, rent, telephone bill etc.

A budget can be created for each project or activity. Don't forget about VAT and take advice about your tax obligations and any monies that you can claim back. Remember to consider on-going costs to sustain the project or activity and to breakdown the costs of each item you require.

Raising Funds

Before seeking money from funders, you should consider other means of raising money such as fundraising events, donations, gifts in kind etc.

If you decide to go down the grant application route, you must identify which funders will support you and your project.

List possible funders next to each project along with the amount of money you intend to apply for and the type of funding they can supply. You will need to research possible funders thoroughly and know their criteria.

Applying for Grants

Now that you have decided which funders you are going to apply to, you need to be sure that you have the right people to manage the application process.

You will need someone with good planning and management skills to take overall responsibility for the application and possibly one or more people to complete the necessary research, prepare budgets, liaison with funders, engage partners, actually complete the forms/write the proposal and keep good records.

Step 4 - Knowing the Funder

When you have found potential funders, find out about their general themes/criteria and about their particular focus at the time (many funders change their funding themes on an annual or regular basis). It is important that you find out as much information as possible about the funder that you wish to use.

You will want to know:

- Projects they have funded;
- Their current and future themes/criteria;
- The kind of organisation they fund;
- The kind of projects they usually fund
- The size of the grant they usually give;
- The time-scale in which the funder expects the money to be spent;
- The deadlines for application;
- The time-scales and stages of the application process;
- How long it takes between application and notification of success or otherwise on grant application;
- How the project will be monitored

Whichever method you use to contact the funders, it can sometimes be useful to contact the organisation by phone. This is to develop a rapport with them at an early

stage so that when they initially receive the first stage of your application, they look on it in some kind of positive/informed context.

Step 5 - Writing a Funding Application

If you have been able to find a funder that you can meet their criteria then it will be worth spending time dealing with all the areas that will make a strong application. This guide aims to provide some general rules for writing a funding application but it is important to remember that each funder will have different guidelines and regulations when it comes to the application process.

Things to remember:

1. Read through the application form and guidance notes/instructions - take on board the amount of work required to complete it.
2. Choose a project leader, someone with experience and time.
3. Share the workload.
4. Address any lack of experience by seeking advice from your Local Authority; your Local Voluntary Helper Agencies; or the National Governing Bodies if the project is Sport Specific.
5. Answer all the questions as clearly and concisely as possible, referring to the guidance notes. If you're not sure about the meaning of any of the questions, do not assume anything contact the funder for clarification.
6. Ensure that you are constantly telling the funder both directly and indirectly how your project is meeting their themes.
7. Try and support all your claims with justifications and evidence. Ensure you provide information to explain the how, why, who, when, what, where of every claim you make.
8. Make your finances as detailed as possible. Don't just put down a figure for coaching costs; explain how you arrived at the figure. Include quotes, price lists, brochures etc as evidence of costs and value for money

9. Ensure you have convinced the funder that you are capable of handling the finances and effectively by ensuring all figures add up.
10. Explain clearly about any additional funding being contributed towards the project – this may be in the form of additional funding applications, sponsorship, internal fund raising etc.
11. Identify a group of people who are fully up to speed on all elements of the application and will be able to deal with any queries the funder may have quickly, accurately and efficiently.
12. Ensure you include all necessary documents with the application such as constitution, business plan, memorandum and articles of association, accounts etc.
13. Include letters of support from appropriate stakeholders/partners. They can demonstrate that your project has wide support.
14. Ensure you provide an appropriate amount of information. Determine from the funder the level of detail and supporting documentation they require if you are not sure.
15. Ensure the right people sign the application form.
16. Ensure you complete the final completion checklist, which is usually included with most applications.

2.1 Summary of Funding Sites

FunderFinder

The FunderFinder web site provides free downloadable software to help you apply and budget for grant applications.

Funders Online

Online database and information on european funding opportunities.

Institute of Fundraising

Professional body of fundraisers

J4b

Award-winning grants website which allows the user to make quick and simple searches of the constantly updated j4b database of business grants and loans.

UK Fundraising

Web site for professional charity and non-profit fundraisers, containing information, advice and funding links.

Government Funding

Online funding database of key information on government grant schemes, with downloadable application forms and guidance documents and the option to apply online.

Citizens Connection

Identifies the right funds to apply for and information about how to write applications.

Grantsnet

Information about grants schemes available to businesses and charities in the UK. Information about grant support schemes. GrantsNet aims to reduce the efforts and costs, of identifying and applying for a grant.

Lottery Single Front Door

All the details and websites for each of the National Lottery funders can now be accessed through the new 'single front door' website. You can do a 'funding search' - enter your location, how much you want and your type of organisation and the search engine brings up all the funders that meet your requirements.

There is also a general explanation about what lottery funding is and general information about the funders.

2.2 FunderFinder



Organisation	FunderFinder
Information	The FunderFinder web site provides free downloadable software to help you apply and budget for grant applications.
Contact Details	65 Raglan Road, Leeds, LS2 9DZ Phone: 0113 243 3008 Fax: 0113 243 2966 Web site: www.funderfinder.org.uk Reg. Charity Number : 1010573
Type of Grant	Revenue
Grant Purpose	Creative Arts, Theatre & Performing Arts, Film, Music, Heritage, Sport, Nature, Science & Research, Education & training, Business Development
Minimum Grant	None
Maximum Grant	None
Process	Offers application advice, directories, grant advice, online information, and general fundraising advice
Area	All UK
Closing date (if Applicable)	N/A

2.3 Funders Online



Organisation	Funders Online
Information	Online database and Information on European funding opportunities
Contact Details	European Foundation Centre, 51 Rue De La Concorde B-1050 Brussels. Tel: +32.2.512.8938 Fax: +32.2.512.3265 E-mail: webmaster@fundersonline.org Website: www.fundersonline.org
Type of Grant	Revenue
Grant Purpose	Creative Arts, Theatre & Performing Arts, Film, Music, Heritage, Sport, Nature, Science & Research, Education & training, Business Development
Minimum Grant	None
Maximum Grant	None
Process	Offers directories and online information
Area	All UK
Closing date (if Applicable)	N/A

2.4 Institute of Fundraising

Organisation	Institute of Fundraising
Information	Professional body of fundraisers - Membership required
Contact Details	Institute of Fundraising, Market Towers, 1 nine Elms Lane, London, SW8 5NQ Tel: 02076 273436 Email: enquiries@institute-of-fundraising.org.uk Web-Site: www.institute-of-fundraising.org.uk
Type of Grant	Revenue
Grant Purpose	Creative Arts, Theatre & Performing Arts, Film, Music, Heritage, Sport, Nature, Science & Research, Education & training, Business Development
Minimum Grant	None
Maximum Grant	None
Process	Offers application advice, directories, grant advice, online information, and general fundraising advice
Area	All UK
Closing date (if Applicable)	N/A



2.5 J4b

Organisation	J4b
Information	Award-winning grants website which allows the user to make quick and simple searches of the constantly updated J4b database of business grants and loans
Contact Details	J4b, 51 Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5BQ Email: enquires@j4b.co.uk Website: www.j4b
Type of Grant	Revenue
Grant Purpose	Creative Arts, Theatre & Performing Arts, Film, Music, Heritage, Sport, Nature, Science & Research, Education & training, Business Development
Minimum Grant	none
Maximum Grant	none
Process	Offers directories and Online information
Area	All UK
Closing date (if Applicable)	N/A

2.6 UK Fundraising

Organisation	UK Fundraising
Information	Web site for professional charity and non-profit fundraisers, containing information, advice and funding links
Contact Details	Website only www.fundraising.co.uk
Type of Grant	Revenue
Grant Purpose	Creative Arts, Theatre & Performing Arts, Film, Music, Heritage, Sport, Nature, Science & Research, Education & training, Business Development
Minimum Grant	None
Maximum Grant	None
Process	Application advice, directories, grant advice and online information
Area	All UK
Closing date (if Applicable)	N/A

2.7 Government funding

Organisation	Government Funding
Information	Online funding database of key information on government grant schemes, with downloadable application forms and guidance documents and the option to apply online.
Contact Details	www.Governmentfunding.org.uk
Type of Grant	Government Grant schemes
Grant Purpose	Creative Arts, Theatre & Performing Arts, Film, Music, Heritage, Sport, Nature, Science & Research, Education & training, Business Development
Minimum Grant	N/A
Maximum Grant	N/A
Process	Register with the web site and you can search all the different government funding schemes and apply for funding online.
Area	All UK
Closing date (if Applicable)	N/A

2.8 Citizens Connection

Organisation	Citizens Connection
Information	Identifies right funds to apply for and information about how to write applications
Contact Details	www.citizensconnection.net
Type of Grant	N/A
Grant Purpose	N/A
Minimum Grant	N/A
Maximum Grant	N/A
Process	Online information regarding appropriate funding sites and advise on how to complete applications
Area	All UK
Closing date (if Applicable)	N/A

2.9 Grantsnet

Organisation	Grantsnet
Information	Information about grants schemes available to businesses and charities in the UK. Information about grant support schemes. GrantsNet aims to reduce the efforts and costs, of identifying and applying for a grant.
Contact Details	www.grantsnet.co.uk
Type of Grant	N/A
Grant Purpose	N/A
Minimum Grant	N/A
Maximum Grant	N/A
Process	Online information regarding grants which can be obtained by businesses and charities in the UK
Area	All UK
Closing date (if Applicable)	N/A

2.10 Lottery Single Front Door



Organisation	Lottery Single Front Door
Information	All the details and websites for each of the National Lottery funders can now be accessed through the new 'single front door' website. You can do a 'funding search' - enter your location, how much you want and your type of organisation and the search engine brings up all the funders that meet your requirements. There is also a general explanation about what lottery funding is and general information about the funders.
Contact Details	www.lotteryfunding.org.uk
Type of Grant	N/A
Grant Purpose	N/A
Minimum Grant	N/A
Maximum Grant	N/A
Process	Online Information regarding all National Lottery Funders
Area	All UK
Closing date (if Applicable)	N/A

3.1 Summary of Small Grants

Awards for All

Awards for All is a small grant programme that increases the access to lottery funding for small non-profit groups, parish/town councils, schools or health bodies.

Organisations can apply for grants between £300 and £10,000 to take part in art, sport, heritage and community activities, and projects that promote education, the environment and health in the local community.

Community Champions

The Community Champions Fund has been set up by the Department for Education and Skills and is for volunteers who want to become active and make a difference in their community.

Connexions Suffolk

Connexions Small Grants scheme offers up to £5,000 for projects to develop services for young people. In our first 18 months we distributed nearly £100,000 to voluntary and community organisations in Suffolk. We bring together organisations and support them in making successful partnership funding bids and offer a range of training opportunities for staff of voluntary and community organisations.

Local Network Fund for Children and Young People

The Local Network Fund is a programme of the Children and Young People's Unit; a cross government initiative set up to co-ordinate government policy and services for children and young people.

The Mills Charity

This charity supports projects in the Framlingham and the surrounding area. The charity has a fund total of 18,000 and applications need to be done in writing.

Aquarius Charitable Foundation

Provide grants up to £1,000 for projects that are specific to children and young people

Barclays Spaces for Sport: Free Kit

Provide kit packs worth up to £750

Barclays Spaces for Sport: Local Hero Awards

Winners receive a silver medal and a donation of £1,000 to the team or charity of their choice

Sport Relief

Provide grants of between £250 and £5,000 to support the development of community sport.

3.2 Awards for All

Organisation	Awards for All
Information	Awards for All is a small grant programme that increases the access to lottery funding for small non-profit groups, parish/town councils, schools or health bodies. Organisations can apply for grants between £300 and £10,000 to take part in art, sport, heritage and community activities, and projects that promote education, the environment and health in the local community.
Contact Details	For projects where the beneficiaries are based in the Eastern, North East, North West, South East or Yorkshire and the Humber regions: Awards for All 2 St James' Gate Newcastle Upon Tyne NE1 4BE Telephone: 0191 376 1600 Textphone: 0191 376 1776 Fax: 0191 376 1661 Web-site: www.awardsforall.org.uk/
Type of Grant	Lottery
Grant Purpose	Art, Sport, Heritage and Community Activities, and projects that promote Education, the Environment and Health in the local community.
Minimum Grant	£300
Maximum Grant	£10,000
Process	Download and read the guidance notes from the website that explain exactly what to do to make an application, and then complete an application form. When you have filled in your application form, send it to the appropriate office (outlined in the guidance notes) and you will get a decision within eight weeks.
Area	All UK
Closing date (if Applicable)	N/A



3.3 Community Champions

Organisation	Community Champions
Information	<p>The Community Champions Fund has been set up by the Department for Education and Skills and is for volunteers who want to become active and make a difference in their community. The Community Champions Fund has two main objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To increase the skills levels of individuals (volunteers) to enable them to act as inspirational figures, community entrepreneurs, community mentors, community leaders or community amateurs; • To improve the involvement of communities in regeneration and learning activity by supporting key individuals who can drive forward community projects and pass on their expertise to others in their community and to other communities.
Contact Details	<p>Serves Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire, Essex, Hertfordshire, Norfolk and Suffolk. Government Office for the East Eastbrook Shaftesbury Road Cambridge CB2 2DF Web : http://www.go-east.gov.uk Neil Weston Email : Neil.weston@goeast.gsi.gov.uk Telephone : 01223 372663 Fax : 01223 372869 Alison Furniss Email : alison.furniss@goeast.gsi.gov.uk Telephone : 01223 372605 Fax : 01223 346701</p>
Type of Grant	Voluntary
Grant Purpose	Creative Arts, Theatre & Performing Arts, Film, Music, Heritage, Sport, Nature, Science & Research, Education & training, Business Development
Minimum Grant	N/A
Maximum Grant	Usually up to £2,000
Process	Contact Regional Office for the application process
Area	England only
Closing date	N/A

3.4 Connexions Suffolk



Organisation	Connexions Suffolk
Information	Connexions Small Grants scheme offers up to £5,000 for projects to develop services for young people. In their first 18 months they distributed nearly £100,000 to voluntary and community organisations in Suffolk. They bring together organisations and support them in making successful partnership funding bids and offer a range of training opportunities for staff of voluntary and community organisations.
Contact Details	Yvett Gallagher, Funding Development Manager Connexions Suffolk Orchard House 35-37 St Helens Street Ipswich Suffolk IP4 2JL Tel: 01394 261930 Email: yvette.gallagher@connexionssuffolk.org.uk
Type of Grant	Voluntary
Grant Purpose	Develop services for young people
Minimum Grant	N/A
Maximum Grant	£5000
Process	Contact Yvette Gallagher
Area	Suffolk Only
Closing date (if Applicable)	N/A

3.5 The local Network Fund

Organisation	Local Network Fund for Children and Young People (Managed by Suffolk Acre)
Information	The Local Network Fund is a programme of the Children and Young People's Unit; a cross government initiative set up to co-ordinate government policy and services for children and young people. The Government believes that communities have the power to make a real difference to the lives of disadvantaged children. Information regarding the Local network fund for children and young people can be found at: www.communityfoundation.co.uk/forms/guidelines/LNFGuidelines
Contact Details	Telephone: 0845 113 0161 For an application form and complete the instructions
Type of Grant	Government
Grant Purpose	The object of the Fund is to enable communities to develop projects and activities for children and young people with limited opportunities or access to services that many young people take for granted.
Minimum Grant	£250
Maximum Grant	£7,000
Process	Telephone: 0845 113 0161 For an application form and complete the instructions
Area	England
Closing date (if Applicable)	31/03/2008

3.6 The Mills Charity

Organisation	The Mills Charity
Information	This charity supports projects in the Framlingham and the surrounding area. The charity has a fund total of 18,000 and applications need to be done in writing.
Contact Details	Correspondent: M E Ashwell, Chair 38 Pembroke road Framlingham Woodbridge Suffolk IP13 9HA Tel: 01728 723525
Type of Grant	Welfare
Grant Purpose	Fund organisations or individuals which carry out projects to aid the local area
Minimum Grant	N/A
Maximum Grant	N/A
Process	Applications to be made in writing to the correspondent
Area	Framlingham
Closing date (if Applicable)	N/A

3.7 Aquarius Charitable Foundation

Organisation	Aquarius Charitable Foundation
Information	Provide grants up to £1,000 for projects that are specific to children and young people
Contact Details	Mr Peter Bowles Muckle Hill Farm Spa Common North Walsham Norfolk NR28 9AJ Email: aquariustrust@aol.com Tel: 01692 407 262
Type of Grant	Capital or Revenue
Grant Purpose	Physical education for children with specific needs. Educating and assisting young people through leisure time activities especially sail training
Minimum Grant	N/A
Maximum Grant	£1,000
Process	Apply in writing and enclosed a stamp addressed envelope Letters must mention whether the grant is towards a specific capital item or for running costs
Area	All UK
Closing date (if Applicable)	N/A

3.8 Barclays Spaces for Sport: Free Kit

Organisation	Barclays Spaces for Sport: Free Kit
Information	Provide Coaching packs worth £750 each
Contact Details	www.barclays.co.uk/spacesforsport Email: enquiries@spacesforsports.org.uk T: 0800 027 4221
Type of Grant	Coaching pack
Grant Purpose	Provide coaching packs, priority groups: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · People with physical and learning disabilities · Young people · Women and girls · Black and minority ethnic groups
Minimum Grant	N/A
Maximum Grant	£750
Process	Application forms are available from the web-site aside <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Team members must be aged 7 or older · Only one kit bag per organisation even if there are several teams
Area	All UK
Closing date (if Applicable)	N/A

3.9 Barclays Spaces for Sport: Local Hero Awards

Organisation	Barclays Spaces for Sport: Local Hero Awards
Information	Winners receive a silver medal and a donation of £1,000 to the team or charity of their choice
Contact Details	<p>www.barclays.co.uk/spacesforsport</p> <p>Email: enquiries@spacesforsports.org.uk</p> <p>T: 0800 027 4221</p>
Type of Grant	Coaching pack
Grant Purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Unsung heroes who have made a valuable contribution to sport at grassroots level can be nominated for an award · Examples of potential winners: Long serving groundsman, coach who has helped people develop over the years, minibus driver, someone who makes the sandwiches
Minimum Grant	N/A
Maximum Grant	£1,000
Process	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · An individual or team can nominate their local hero · Application forms are available on the web-site
Area	All UK
Closing date (if Applicable)	N/A

3.10 Sport Relief



Organisation	Sport Relief
Information	<p>The funding is to support community groups who are using sport to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Increase access to sport and exercise for people who face social exclusion and isolation · Help people who are experiencing difficulties in their lives to regain their confidence and self esteem · Encourage people to take part in sporting activities that bring communities together <p>The following costs are not eligible:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Trips abroad, mini-buses, building costs or adaptations to buildings
Contact Details	<p>www.sportrelief.com</p> <p>T: 020 7820 5555 F: 020 7820 5500 minicom: 0845 6014598 (from 7pm onwards)</p> <p>Address: 5th Floor 89 Albert Embankment London SE1 7TP</p>
Type of Grant	Community use
Grant Purpose	Support Community Sport
Minimum Grant	£250
Maximum Grant	£5,000
Process	Community groups are eligible but individuals, schools, and statutory organisations are not eligible
Area	All UK
Closing date (if Applicable)	N/A

4.1 Summary of Large Grants

Football Foundation

The Football Foundation's charitable objective is to promote all purposes recognised as charitable under the law of England and Wales from time to time in particular through an association with sport.

The Foundation seeks:

- To put into place a new generation of modern facilities in parks, local leagues and schools
- To provide capital/revenue support to increase participation in grass roots football
- To strengthen the links between football and the community and to harness it's potential as a force for good in society.

Big Lottery Fund

Big Lottery Fund is responsible for giving out half the money for good causes raised by the National Lottery, giving us a budget of about £630 million a year. The funding covers health, education, environment and charitable purposes. They are committed to bringing real improvements to communities and the lives of people most in need.

The Community Fund and the New Opportunities Fund have merged to become the Big Lottery Fund.

The Foundation for Sports and the Arts

The Foundation for Sport and the Arts was established in 1991. They channel money donated by littlewoods gaming (football pools) to a wide range of sporting and artistic causes. Since 1991 they have awarded grants worth over £350 million.

Sport England Community Investment

Sport England invests in projects that help people start, stay and succeed in sport. Grants over £10,000 are made locally by the nine regional sports boards.

Sport England National Investment

Sport England have invested £130 million in 30 key sports. This investment is distributed in conjunction with the national governing bodies plus a range of national partners. There are 10 English priority sports, 10 UK/GB priority sports and 10 English development/world class sports.

Simon Gibson Charitable Trust

The trust awards grants to national charities and Local charities from the areas with which the Trust is associated. These areas are East Anglia (excluding Essex), South Wales and Central London.

Suffolk Acre

Suffolk Acre manages two government funding schemes:

- Local Network fund

A government grant scheme for disadvantaged children and young people aged 0 - 19yrs. Local voluntary or community groups across Suffolk can access one-year grants of £250 - £7000.

(More information about the local network fund in: 2.5 Local Network Fund for Children and Young People)

- 'Fairshare Trust'

FAIRSHARE is a Big Lottery Fund initiative to ensure that deprived areas receive their 'Fair share' of lottery money. The programme runs until March 2013.

National Sports Foundation

Provide match funding for projects that benefit community sport and involve a recognised sporting activity, as defined by Sport England



4.2 Football Foundation

Organisation	The Football Foundation
Information	<p>To deliver a multi-million pound investment programme to football's grass roots. The Football Foundation is a unique partnership funded by The F.A. Premier League, The FA and the Government. The Foundation is the UK's largest sports charity.</p> <p>The Foundation seeks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• to put into place a new generation of modern facilities in parks, local leagues and schools• to provide capital/revenue support to increase participation in grass roots football• to strengthen the links between football and the community and to harness its potential as a force for good in society
Contact Details	<p>The Football Foundation 30 Gloucester Place London W1U 8FF Telephone for general enquiries: 0845 345 4555 Fax: 0845 345 7057 Email: enquiries@footballfoundation.org.uk Website: www.footballfoundation.org.uk/</p>
Type of Grant	Revenue and Capital
Grant Purpose	To benefit grassroots football
Minimum Grant	Different Schemes have different grant limits (Minimum £100)
Maximum Grant	Different Schemes have different grant limits (Maximum £1m)
Process	<p>Select the appropriate scheme for your project from the website and follow the instructions given.</p> <p>Alternatively contact the Football Foundation using the details above</p>
Area	All England
Closing date	N/A



4.3 The Big Lottery Fund

Organisation	The Big Lottery Fund
Information	Big Lottery Fund is responsible for giving out half the money for good causes raised by the National Lottery, giving us a budget of about £630 million a year. Our funding covers health, education, environment and charitable purposes. They are committed to bringing real improvements to communities and the lives of people most in need.
Contact Details	Eastern Regional Office: 2nd Floor Elizabeth House 1 High Street Chesterton Cambridge CB4 1YW Telephone: 01223 449000 Textphone: 01223 352041 Fax: 01223 312628 Web-site: www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/
Type of Grant	Capital and Regional
Grant Purpose	A wide variety of schemes which aim to bring real improvements to communities and the lives of people most in need.
Minimum Grant	Different schemes have different grant limits
Maximum Grant	Different schemes have different grant limits
Process	Apply online or contact the regional office using the details above
Area	All UK
Closing date	N/A



4.4 Foundation for Sport and the Arts

Organisation	Foundation for Sport and the Arts
Information	The Foundation for Sport and the Arts was established in 1991. They channel money donated by littlewoods gaming (football pools) to a wide range of sporting and artistic causes. Since 1991 they have awarded grants worth over £350 million. The foundation looks to support a wide range of activities where there is clear beneficial impact across the community. A particular goal at this time is to encourage active participation by young people.
Contact Details	THE FOUNDATION FOR SPORT AND THE ARTS PO Box 20 Liverpool L13 1HB T: 0151 259 5505 F: 0151 230 0664 E: contact@thefsa.net Web-Site: www.thefsa.net
Type of Grant	Charitable
Grant Purpose	Apart from professional football and horse racing, most socially inclusive sport is considered. Support for the arts covers the widest spectrum of activity.
Minimum Grant	£50,000+
Maximum Grant	N/A
Process	All applications should be made on the Questionnaire accessible via this website, which you can print out, complete and posted back, with all relevant associated documents. Please ensure that you download and read the Guidelines relating to applications before completing the paperwork, to ensure that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Your application is for an activity we are able to support. • They can process your application as quickly as possible. They undertake to keep you informed at all stages of the application process.
Area	All UK
Closing date	N/A

4.5 Sport England Community Investment



Organisation	Sport England Community Investment
Information	Sport England invests in projects that help people start, stay and succeed in sport. Decisions about Sport England funding grants over £10,000 are made locally by the nine regional sports boards. Eligible projects will be assessed against the priorities laid out in each region's sports plan and the National Framework for Sport.
Contact Details	<p>Sport England Lottery Fund: Application packs, advice and fund details Tel: 08458 508 508 Monday-Friday, 8am to 6pm</p> <p>Sport England East: Crescent House 19 The Crescent Bedford MK40 2QP</p> <p>Tel: 08458 508508 Fax: 01234 359046 Web-site: www.sportengland.org/index/get_funding</p>
Type of Grant	Revenue and Capital
Grant Purpose	Sport England invests in projects that help people start, stay and succeed in sport.
Minimum Grant	£10,000
Maximum Grant	N/A
Process	It is extremely important that you consider the priorities for Sport England East (by reading the East of England's plan for sport) before approaching sport England with your idea. Once you are ready to proceed, the first step is to find out whether your project meets the basic criteria. You can use the online enquiry form to do this. Sport England has prepared a number of guidance notes and templates to help you develop your project idea.
Area	All UK - Relevant Regional Offices
Closing date (if Applicable)	Different funding rounds throughout the year, Check web-site for current dates.

4.6 Sport England National Investment



Organisation	Sport England National Investment
Information	<p>We are investing £130 million in 30 key sports. This investment is distributed in conjunction with the national governing bodies plus a range of national partners. There are 10 English priority sports, 10 UK/GB priority sports and 10 English development/world class sports.</p> <p>Each governing body is now accountable for delivering the targets in its whole sport plan in order to receive - and continue receiving - funding</p>
Contact Details	<p>Sport England Lottery Fund:</p> <p>Application packs, advice and fund details Tel: 08458 508 508 Monday-Friday, 8am to 6pm</p> <p>Sport England 3rd Floor Victoria House Bloomsbury Square London WC1B 4SE</p> <p>Web-site: www.sportengland.org</p>
Type of Grant	Revenue and Capital
Grant Purpose	To aid each National Governing Body to deliver their whole sport plan
Minimum Grant	N/A
Maximum Grant	£130 million total funding pot
Process	Each NGB reaches targets to receive funding
Area	All UK
Closing date	N/A

4.7 Simon Gibson Charitable Trust

Organisation	Simon Gibson Charitable Trust
Information	The trust awards grants to national charities and Local charities from the areas with which the Trust is associated. These areas are East Anglia (excluding Essex), South Wales and Central London.
Contact Details	Mr B Marsh (Trustee) Wild Rose House Llancarfan Barry Vale of Glamorgan CF62 3AD Phone :01446 781004 Email : bryan@marsh66.fsnet.co.uk
Type of Grant	Charitable
Grant Purpose	To award grants to registered charities or for educational and religious purposes.
Minimum Grant	-
Maximum Grant	-
Process	The trust does not have application forms so each application should be made in writing to the trustee.
Area	East Anglia (excluding Essex), South Wales and Central London.
Closing date (if Applicable)	Closing date for applications is 31st March each year



4.8 Suffolk ACRE

Organisation	Suffolk Acre
Information	<p>Suffolk Acre manages two government funding schemes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Local Network fund <p>A government grant scheme for disadvantaged children and young people aged 0 -19yrs. Local voluntary or community groups across Suffolk can access one-year grants of £250 - £7000. (More information about the local network fund in: 2.5 Local Network Fund for Children and Young People)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 'Fairshare Trust' <p>FAIRSHARE is a Big Lottery Fund initiative to ensure that deprived areas receive their 'Fair share' of lottery money. The programme runs until March 2013.</p>
Contact Details	<p>Suffolk ACRE, Suffolk House, 2 Wharfedale Road, Ipswich, Suffolk, IP1 4JP, Tel: 01473 242500, Fax: 01473 242530, Email: Info@suffolkacre.org.uk Web-Site: http://www.suffolkacre.org.uk/funding_introduction.php</p>
Type of Grant	Grants can be for capital and revenue or just revenue
Grant Purpose	Fairshare: invest £800,000 into the community of North Lowestoft. The designated area includes the wards of Harbour, Normanston, Oulton Broad and St Margaret's.
Minimum Grant	£5000
Maximum Grant	£250,000
Process	<p>A local panel consisting of 12 members has been appointed. The Panel's first role was to decide the priorities for the fund. The priorities need to be specific with attainable outcomes of improving the lives of people living in this area. A number of action points have been identified and the panel will now look to priorities and promote applications to meet the communities needs.</p> <p>Contact: Christine Abraham - Grants Manager 01473 242532 or email christine.abraham@suffolkacre.org.uk</p>
Area	North Lowestoft
Closing date	2013

4.9 National Sports Foundation



Organisation	National Sports Foundation
Information	Projects must be focused on improving community-based, sporting activity at grass roots level in England and involve a recognised sporting activity, as defined by Sport England.
Contact Details	www.nationalsportsfoundation.org Email: funding@nationalsportsfoundation.org T: 0845 603 6069
Type of Grant	N/A
Grant Purpose	Projects must benefit community sport
Minimum Grant	Applicants must have a min £50,001 private investment, which will be matched pound for pound
Maximum Grant	N/A
Process	Apply online for match funding
Area	All UK
Closing date (if Applicable)	N/A

5.1 Summary of Suffolk Coastal Funding

Capital Grant Aid Scheme

The scheme enables aid to be given to projects which are initiated and supported by local people within the District. Grants are awarded to provide additional and improved facilities for the general public.

Outdoor Playspace Fund

Suffolk Coastal District Council operates a funding scheme whereby local needs for outdoor recreation may be met. It is aimed at outdoor play provisions for communities.

Revenue Grant Aid

The Scheme enables aid to be given to projects that will benefit the residents in the Suffolk Coastal area. Grants will be awarded to projects that are able to add value to the strategies of the council.



5.2 Capital Grant Aid Scheme

Organisation	Suffolk Coastal District Council
Information	The scheme enables aid to be given to projects which are initiated and supported by local people within the District. Grants are awarded to provide additional and improved facilities for the general public.
Contact Details	Suffolk Coastal District Council Melton Hill Woodbridge Suffolk IP12 1AU Alan Biddle – (01394) 444325 Christine Brain – (01394) 444320
Type of Grant	Capital
Grant Purpose	To provide additional and improved facilities for the general public
Minimum Grant	N/A
Maximum Grant	The maximum of any grant will be 40% of the capital cost of a scheme to a maximum of £10,000. These figures are dependant on the number of applications to be considered and the amount of Capital Grant funds available.
Process	Must Include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completed Application form • Two Years set of accounts • Up-to-date statement of accounts/bank statement • Letter of Support from the Parish/Town Council indicating their level of financial support • A copy of organisation's constitution and/or membership rules
Area	Suffolk Coastal
Closing date (if Applicable)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 30th September is the closing date for the applications for consideration in the following January/February (Grant available from the following April onwards) • 30th April is the closing date for consideration in the following June/July (Grant available immediately)



5.3 Outdoor Playspace Fund

Organisation	Outdoor Play Space Fund
Information	<p>The District Council operates a scheme whereby local needs for outdoor recreation may be met as planning permission for new housing is issued and implemented. The District Council seeks payments from new housing developments depending on the number of houses built and the number of bedrooms they contain. These monies are allocated to a Parish, Town or Groups of Parishes. The Scheme has two aims of funding:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New/improved playing space • New/Improved playing pitches and other sports grounds
Contact Details	<p>Suffolk Coastal District Council Melton Hill Woodbrige Suffolk IP12 1AU</p> <p>Outdoor Play Space Fund: 01394 444321</p>
Type of Grant	Capital
Grant Purpose	Meets the needs for local outdoor play provisions for communities
Minimum Grant	£200+
Maximum Grant	N/A
Process	Contact the Council for more information.
Area	Suffolk Coastal
Closing date (if Applicable)	N/A



5.4 Revenue grant Aid

Organisation	Suffolk Coastal District Council
Information	<p>Grants are awarded to projects that are able to add value to the strategies of the council.</p> <p>The scheme aids leisure projects that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve children's health and fitness • Improve general community fitness • Providing safety cover at events or lifeguard cover • Outstanding achievements for sporting individuals
Contact Details	<p>Suffolk Coastal District Council Melton Hill Woodbridge Suffolk IP12 1AU</p> <p>General Grant Enquiries: Sophie Barker (01394) 444626</p>
Type of Grant	Revenue
Grant Purpose	To benefit the strategies of the council.
Minimum Grant	N/A
Maximum Grant	N/A
Process	Contact the Council
Area	Suffolk Coastal
Closing date (if Applicable)	N/A

6.1 Summary of Miscellaneous Funding

Banks and Building Societies

Banks and Building Societies have a tradition of helping the voluntary sector. Provides a list of some of the major players in the financial sector that have schemes to help the voluntary sector.

SportsAid

SportsAid helps talented young sports people at an age when no-one else does. When they start out, more often than not their only sponsors are Mum and Dad. Any independent recognition and financial help that they get makes a huge difference, SportAid helps to provide this recognition and finance.

Sporting Champions

Sporting Champions is a Sport England scheme, which uses sports stars to inspire the younger generation to become active and get into sport. Sporting Champions does this by bringing World Class Athletes into schools and local communities to inspire and motivate young people to take part in sport.

Sportsmatch

Sportsmatch is a government funded scheme set up to help fund grass roots and community sports in England. They do this by matching new sponsorship money with Sportsmatch funding, on a pound for pound basis.

6.2 Banks and Building Societies

Only some of the major players in the financial sector have been included in this list. There are other banks and building societies, especially with a regional or local base. Contact your branch directly to see what programmes of help they offer community groups and voluntary organisations. It may help if your group, or even the group members, bank with them.

Key:

% Members of the UK percent club giving 1% of UK pre tax profit for community activity

- I - International interest
- S - Sponsorship, Arts, Sport, Events, etc
- N - Supporting and/or sponsoring a national charity(ies)
- P - Supporting staff participation, community interests and/or matching donations, payroll giving
- L - Supporting local charities in the communities they operate – ask at local branch, outlet, factory, etc.
- D - Donations for community groups
- F - Foundation or trust requiring formal application
- V - Provide expertise, paid volunteers from staff, or secondment
- A - Awards and prizes, sponsorship or funding through partner voluntary organisations

Abbey

http://www.abbeynational.com/home/comm_inv/comm_inv-trust.htm

Interests: education, training, community, regeneration, and financial advice
L,D,F

Alliance & Leicester

http://www.alliance-leicester-group.co.uk/html/csr/community_relations.asp

Interests: education, community, and financial advice
P,L,V

Barclays

<http://www.barclays.co.uk/corporateresponsibility/community/index.htm>

Interests: general, sport
%,A,P,V

Bristol & West

<http://www.bristol-west.co.uk/mediacentre/CommunityAffairs.asp>

Interests: national partnership with Childline
N

C&G (Cheltenham & Gloucester)

<http://www.cheltglos.co.uk/community.html>

Interests: children, numeracy, literacy, and community
P,L

HBOS (Halifax - Bank of Scotland)

<http://www.hbosplc.com/community/Communityrelations.asp>

Interests: community through foundation, social banking, sponsorship, and arts
S,N,P,T,L,F,V

HSBC

<http://www.hsbc.com.ph/ph/aboutus/commun/commun.htm>

Interests: sponsorship, international, education, and environment
I,S,N,P,L,V

Leeds Building Society

http://www.leedsbuildingsociety.co.uk/about/charitable_foundation.html

Interests: homelessness, social deprivation, and community
L,F

Lloyds TSB

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

Interests: community, general, substantial help through Lloyds TSB Foundations,
regional & national
%,F,N,L

Nationwide

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

Interests: social, arts, and children
N,L,F

Northern Rock

<http://www.nr-foundation.org.uk/>

Interests: community in NE region through Northern Rock Foundation
%,L,F,V

Royal Bank of Scotland (also Natwest)

http://www.rbs.com/corporate02.asp?id=CORPORATE_RESPONSIBILITY/COMMUNITY_INVESTMENT

Interests: education, employment and enterprise
N,P,L,D,V

Yorkshire Building Society

http://www.yorkshirebuildingsociety.co.uk/about_us/charity/index.jsp

Interests: community, also through foundation
L,P,D,F

6.3 SportsAid



Organisation	SportsAid
Information	SportsAid is the charity for sports people. They help the next generation of young British sportsmen and women to succeed. It's a role they've enjoyed for over 30 years, and it's one they want to continue.
Contact Details	<p>SportsAid - The Charity for Sports People 3rd Floor Victoria House Bloomsbury Square London WC1B 4SE</p> <p>Tel: 020 7273 1975 Fax: 020 7273 1981 mail@sportsaid.org.uk Web-Site: www.sportsaid.org.uk</p>
Type of Grant	Charitable
Grant Purpose	To aid the development of promising young athletes across the UK
Minimum Grant	N/A
Maximum Grant	N/A
Process	Athlete gets nominated to SportsAid through high level of performance
Area	All UK
Closing date (if Applicable)	N/A

6.4 Sporting Champions



What is Sporting Champions?

- Sporting Champions brings World Class Athletes into schools and local communities to inspire and motivate young people to take part in sport.
- Sporting Champions is a programme that works with world-class athletes to share in their experiences with young people in schools and local communities.
- Sporting Champions aims to inspire young people to participate in sport as a lifelong activity
- Sporting Champions has been developed and funded by Sport England
- Sporting Champions forms an important strand of PESSCL, the national strategy for school sport

Why Sporting Champions?

The Sporting Champions scheme has been established to work alongside a range of other measures to help create a new generation of physically active people. The use of high achieving athlete champions from a wide background of sports will allow youngsters to be inspired and motivated to become interested in sport, and to participate on a regular basis.

How do you get a Sporting Champion visit?

The scheme consists of an annual programme of nearly 500 visits, made by Sporting Champions working in teams on a regional basis. The visits are not currently open to application as they are being centered through the School Sports Partnership and County Sports Partnership networks. A small number of visits will be available to support other community sport activities that help to promote sport in a meaningful way to young people

What will the visits provide?

The Champions will deliver a whole range of different visit experiences into schools and young people environments, from coaching workshops and interactive sessions, to targeted activity around key work areas such as supporting gifted and talented pupils, and contributing to curricular work around citizenship and leadership.

How does this fit into the wider gender within Sport England and National Sport?

This scheme is funded through Sport England and is an integral part of delivering a 'joined up' single system for sport to support young peoples' interest and participation in sport and physical activity. It feeds into part of the national campaign activity to encourage physical activity to the community at large and in particular to contribute to the work being undertaken through the PESSCL agenda to focus upon young people and their sustained participation in physical activity.

For more Information visit: www.sportingchampions.org.uk



6.5 Sportsmatch

Sportsmatch is government funded to support the development of grass roots sport in England. They make awards to organisations running projects aimed at increasing participation in sports at community level. They do this through matching commercial sponsorship money invested in community sport.

They are funded by the Department for Culture, Media and Sport through Sport England and have approximately £3 million per year to award. The scheme is administered in England through the Institute of Sports Sponsorship - part of the European Sponsorship Association - to ensure representation and understanding of the important role of commercial sponsorship in sport.

Eligible applications are considered for awards by an independent Panel meeting eight times a year.

Sportsmatch
Third Floor, Victoria House
Bloomsbury Square
London
WC1B 4SE

www.sportsmatch.co.uk

They can match sponsorship that has been given to an eligible sports body by a company to fund projects or schemes to encourage new participation at grass roots level. Thus if for example a local business gave £1,000 in sponsorship to its local football club to organise coaching in local schools, they would be able to match that with £1,000 of government money - and thereby double the amount of money available to the club.

Sportsmatch will match funding for any eligible sporting activity, so long as it is recognised as a sport by Sport England.

The maximum amount of sponsorship monies we will match is £50,000 and the minimum is £1,000. Sponsorship support doesn't have to be in cash - in some circumstances we will also match in-kind sponsorship, giving the applicant body the value in cash of the in-kind goods supplied. They can also match sponsorship funding if it goes on for more than one year.

Priority Groups:

- Women and girls sports
- Ethnic minorities
- Disability groups
- Schools
- Activities taking place in areas of urban or rural deprivation.
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Applications that relate to these groups are given priority because these areas traditionally receive less funding than other areas.