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**Funding and finance opportunities for North East voluntary and community organisations and social enterprises**

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## Opportunities

### **Clothworkers' Foundation (Grant - England)**

**For not-for-profit. Meet 8 times a year.**

The Clothworkers' Foundation aims through its funding to provide public benefit by improving the lives of people and communities, particularly those that face disadvantage. It seeks to achieve this by funding a range of capital projects which meet its eligibility criteria. Grants are one-off and for capital costs, such as building refurbishment and office equipment.

There are currently two open grant programmes:

#### **Main Grants Programme**

- For organisations with annual income less than £15m
- Grants of over £1,000 (no maximum project cost, nor maximum grant)
- Decisions made within 6 months

#### **Small Grants Programme**

- For organisations with annual turnover less than £250,000
- Grants of £500-£10,000 (maximum total project cost £100,000)
- Decisions made within 8 weeks

Grants under either programme can only be awarded to organisations working within these areas of focus the majority of the time:

- Alcohol and substance misuse
- Disability
- Disadvantaged young people
- Domestic and sexual violence
- Elderly
- Homelessness
- Integration of disadvantaged minority communities
- Prisoners and ex-offenders
- Visual impairment

[www.clothworkers.co.uk](http://www.clothworkers.co.uk)

Source: FINE

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## **European Commission: Eco Innovation Programme (Grant)**

**Deadline 5<sup>th</sup> September 2013**

The European Commission has announced that its Eco Innovation programme is open for applications. Through the programme €31.6m of grants are available for green projects. This call is open to all legal persons that are based in eligible countries but the priority will be given to Small and Medium sized Enterprises (SMEs). Clusters of applicants and projects which demonstrate a European added value and have a high potential for market replication are strongly encouraged. Calls support eco-innovative projects in different sectors which aim at the prevention or reduction of environmental impacts or which contribute to the optimal use of resources. In particular the European Commission is looking to support projects in these areas:

- Materials Recycling
- Sustainable Building Products
- Food and Drink Sector
- Water
- Greening businesses

The European Commission will fund up to 50% of eligible project costs.

[http://ec.europa.eu/environment/eco-innovation/apply-funds/call-proposal/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/environment/eco-innovation/apply-funds/call-proposal/index_en.htm)

Source: Grants Online / FINE

## **Hadrian Trust (Grant – North East\*)**

\* Boundaries of old counties of Northumberland & Durham. Includes Tyne and Wear and Cleveland, north of the Tees

**For VCSE. Average grant £500 - £2,000. Deadline 17<sup>th</sup> June 2013.**

Trust grants are to help social welfare and charitable organisations working to improve the lives of people in the North East. Applications are considered under the following headings:

- Social Welfare
- The Disabled
- Youth
- Ethnic minorities
- Women
- The Elderly
- Arts
- Environment
- Education

Grants may be for a specific project or part of a project, purchase of equipment or as a contribution to running costs. [www.hadriantrust.co.uk](http://www.hadriantrust.co.uk) Source: FINE

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## **Screwfix Foundation (Grant – UK)**

**For registered charities. No deadline or amount specified.**

This new Foundation supports charities looking for funding to fix, maintain and improve properties or community facilities specifically for those in need (by reason of financial hardship, sickness, disability or other disadvantage or distress).

Examples of what can be funded:

- Help with / pay for cost of a new build
- Replacing machinery/equipment that needs replacing by a professional
- Building maintenance through ad hoc modernisation / decorating / cosmetics
- Help with / pay for full decoration of a whole building or large proportion
- Help with / pay for repair from damage such as weather / flood damage
- Maintenance of community facilities for non-building structures

<http://www.screwfix.com/jsp/landing.jsp?id=ScrewfixFoundation>

Source: Civil Society / FINE

## **Shaftoe Educational Foundation (Grant – North East\*)**

\* Parish of Haydon Bridge

**For VCSE. Next deadline 18<sup>th</sup> June 2013**

Local groups in Haydon Parish looking to undertake an initiative with educational purposes or benefit can apply for a grant towards the cost of their activity.

The governors meet three times a year to consider grant applications, normally on the 2nd Thursday of March, July and November.

Previous grants awarded included

- Haydon Bridge Scouts - £390
- Shaftoe Trust First School - £1,674
- Allendale Middle School - £1,653
- Messy Church - £500
- 'A Bit Crack' Literary Project - £500
- Haydon Bridge Development Trust for Children's Walks - £700

[www.shaftoecharities.org.uk](http://www.shaftoecharities.org.uk)

Source: FINE

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## **William Webster Charitable Trust (Grant – North East\*)**

\* Northumberland, Tyne & Wear, Durham, the former county of Cleveland

### **For VCSE (constituted). Next meeting July**

The Trust's general policy is to help "people rather than things" and, in particular, charities for youth and disabled people. Community organisations and health care projects are also supported. Whilst the Trust will support projects which also receive funds from the state, it is not prepared to consider crisis funding for revenue purposes or to replace statutory funding.

Grants are for capital costs, building work and one-off grants, and cannot be considered for day-to-day running costs.

An application form for the Trust is available on request and should be submitted by post.

Address: Osborne Court, Gadbrook Park, Northwich, Cheshire CW9 7UE

Telephone: 01606 313426

Applications will be considered within 6 months of their receipt.

Source: FINE

## **Woodland Trust (Grant -UK)**

### **Funding in-kind for schools / community and youth groups. Deadline 13<sup>th</sup> September 2013**

The Woodland Trust has 4000 free tree packs to give away to schools, community and youth groups this autumn. The free tree packs are available for planting on one publicly accessible site. Each pack is worth £30, £105 or £420.

Applicants need to find a suitable site and supply the volunteer planters and tree protection.

<http://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/en/moretreesmoregood/free-trees/Pages/free-tree-packs.aspx>

Source: Funding Insight / FINE

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## **Support Services for Children and Young People with Autism (Contract – North Tyneside)**

**North Tyneside Council. Respond by 28<sup>th</sup> May 2013**

The following Services are required for children and young people with core autism and associated complex difficulties:

- Service 1. Community outreach support: to provide social and leisure opportunities for children and young people
- Service 2. Care and support in the home service: to build capacity within the home environment and develop strategies and skills within the family in order to assist with the management of the child's autism
- Service 3. Crisis intervention: to work with families of children and young people identified by the Council as being at risk of becoming accommodated

Successful applicants must be able to provide either both Services 1 and 2 or Service 3.

<https://www.qtegov.com/procontract/supplier.nsf/link?OpenAgent&CONTRACT-QTLE-94MPSM>

Source: NEPO / FINE

## **Individual health and social care package (Council - Darlington)**

**Darlington Borough Council. Respond by 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2013**

Darlington Borough Council is seeking expressions of interest from support providers to meet the health and social care needs of an adult with a learning disability and autism. The support model needs to include access to accommodation. The family preference is that the support provided is within a 50 mile radius of Darlington.

[https://www.qtegov.com/procontract/supplier.nsf/frm\\_opportunity?openForm&contract\\_id=CONTRACT-QTLE-97SHNM&opp\\_id=OPP-HIS-QTLE-97VLZ4&search\\_id=&org\\_id=ORG-QTLE-75FCMG&from=supplier\\_home#](https://www.qtegov.com/procontract/supplier.nsf/frm_opportunity?openForm&contract_id=CONTRACT-QTLE-97SHNM&opp_id=OPP-HIS-QTLE-97VLZ4&search_id=&org_id=ORG-QTLE-75FCMG&from=supplier_home#)

Source: NEPO / FINE

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## **Air Quality Engagement Project (Contract – Newcastle)**

**Newcastle City Council. Respond by 6<sup>th</sup> June 2013**

The aim of the project is to engage with communities and make them aware of the more sustainable options available when traveling around Newcastle and the impact certain forms of travel have upon health.

It is hoped that the project will be established within all 26 wards. The contract period is 18 months. The available budget for the contract is £75,000

The successful supplier will need to be capable of promoting the campaign via various media, websites, literature, smartphones etc. Delivery of the campaign in public places will require the supplier to provide the display equipment, stands etc. <https://www.qtegov.com/procontract/supplier.nsf/link?OpenAgent&CONTRACT-QTLE-8Z4LWP>

Source: NEPO / FINE

## **NHS Digital Fund (Investment – England)**

**5 x £50,000 investments. For SMEs. Deadline 7<sup>th</sup> June (to register interest).**

Creative England has announced that it is now inviting applications from Small and Medium sized Enterprises (SMEs) for its new NHS Digital Fund. Through the Fund a total of £250,000 is available to support app development aimed at NHS customers, in collaboration with NHS England.

The fund will be made available via five investments on a revenue-share basis between the SME and Creative England. These loans will be matched 50/50 by the applicant company, sharing the development costs.

The fund is aimed at web and mobile and tablet applications, focusing on four clinical areas:

- Quality of care
- Caring for people with dementia
- People with long-term conditions
- Mortality rates from the major diseases

[http://www.creativeengland.co.uk/index.php/portfolio/funding/#nhs\\_digital\\_fund](http://www.creativeengland.co.uk/index.php/portfolio/funding/#nhs_digital_fund)

Source: Grants Online - FINE

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## **Low Level Support Service Contract (Hartlepool)**

**Hartlepool Borough Council. Respond by 28<sup>th</sup> June 2013**

The provision of low level support services. Service(s) will focus on maintaining independence and early intervention of those who access it and meet the needs of the local community.

[https://www.qtegov.com/procontract/supplier.nsf/frm\\_opportunity?openForm&contract\\_id=CONTRACT-QTLE-973JJ6&opp\\_id=OPP-HIS-QTLE-97SMHE&search\\_id=&org\\_id=ORG-QTLE-75FCXQ&from=supplier\\_home](https://www.qtegov.com/procontract/supplier.nsf/frm_opportunity?openForm&contract_id=CONTRACT-QTLE-973JJ6&opp_id=OPP-HIS-QTLE-97SMHE&search_id=&org_id=ORG-QTLE-75FCXQ&from=supplier_home)

Source: NEPO / FINE

## **Ministry of Justice: Transforming Rehabilitation contracts (Prior Information Notice – England)**

**Total value likely to be £5bn-£20bn over ten years.**

Ministry of Justice (MOJ) have released a Prior Information Notice to alert the market that it intends to let 21 contracts packaged into service package areas across England and Wales. The publication of this document will be beneficial to all key stakeholders and potential providers before the formal competition is announced in August 2013.

The MOJ is keen to engage with potential providers on the detailed design of the proposals. Any potential provider interested in engaging with the MOJ should complete a registration form.

Please note: nothing in the PIN should be read as a definite commitment by the MOJ to issuing an OJEU Notice or to pursuing a particular course of action or proposed delivery model in relation to any future procurement process or competition.

<https://online.contractsfinder.businesslink.gov.uk/Common/View%20Notice.aspx?NoticeId=917362>

Source: Clinks / FINE



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## **Social Incubator North (Investment – North England)**

**For social enterprise. Up to £25,000 investment plus support. Total fund £2m. No deadline specified**

Budding entrepreneurs from across the north of England are invited to apply for Social Incubator North. The fund is expecting over 200 applicants, of which it hopes to create 60 new investment ready businesses. Ideas have to be new, although proposals are accepted from existing organisations seeking a new strand to their business. Social Enterprise Yorkshire and the Humber (SEYH), North East Social Enterprise Partnership (NESEP), Social Enterprise East Midlands (SEEM), Social Enterprise North West (SENW) and Locality are the delivery partners.

Successful applicants will receive up to £25,000 investment, 80 hours of tailored one-to-one business support, peer learning, networking and access to business premises. All ideas however must come with a “social backbone”. The enterprises must deliver more than the financial bottom line, creating positive social or environmental impact, such as offering employment or training to vulnerable members of the community or delivering a service with Green credentials.

[www.socialincubatornorth.org.uk](http://www.socialincubatornorth.org.uk)

Source: FINE

## **Tees Valley Community Investment Programme**

**For VCSE. No upper limit. Rolling programme**

Tees Valley Community Foundation is launching its new Community Investment Programme through which it will provide significant and targeted support to the voluntary and community sector in Middlesbrough, Stockton on Tees, Hartlepool and Redcar & Cleveland.

The Trustees have identified three key priorities, or themes, they want to support:

- A stronger start for young people
- A healthy community
- Our community, our world

The primary aim is to maximise the social return on investment; the Foundation wants to support projects that can really make a difference and clearly demonstrate their success.

Core costs will be eligible and the Foundation may consider making investments to cover two or even three years.

<http://www.teesvalleyfoundation.org/news/tees-valley-community-investment-programme-launch/>

Source: FINE

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## Information & Resources

### Advice Services Transition Fund

#### Big Lottery Fund grants £67m to advice charities

The Big Lottery Fund has awarded 226 grants worth a total of £67m to charities that provide advice services in England. The funding comes from the Advice Services Transition Fund, which was launched in October to help charities that provide advice services to adapt to a tougher funding environment.

Grants have been awarded to partnerships to improve local services that provide free advice on topics such as welfare benefits, debt, housing and employment.

Awards in the North East were as follows:

- Darlington Citizens Advice Bureau (CAB) £251,264
- DAWN (Advice) Ltd. (Northumberland) £350,000
- Gateshead CAB £349,789
- Middlesbrough CAB £344,418
- North Tyneside CAB £349,007
- Redcar and Cleveland CAB £185,455
- South Tyneside CAB £317,484
- Stockton and District Advice and information Service £196,229
- Wear Valley CAB (Durham) £336,593
- West View Advice and Resource Centre Limited (Hartlepool) £343,874

<http://www.thirdsector.co.uk/news/1182225/Big-Lottery-Fund-grants-67m-advice-charities/>

Source: Third Sector / FINE

### CrowdingIn

#### Online directory of UK crowdfunding platforms

The innovation charity Nesta has launched an online directory that will help charities find suitable crowdfunding platforms.

CrowdingIn includes the details of 31 platforms available to people and organisations in the UK that are looking for funding. Crowdfunding is a way of financing projects and businesses through small contributions from a large number of sources. Funding can take the form of a donation, equity purchase or loan.

<http://www.thirdsector.co.uk/news/1183069/Nesta-unveils-online-directory-UK-crowdfunding-platforms/>

Source: Third Sector / FINE

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## **Investment and Contract Readiness Fund**

### **Themed call**

From May 2013, priority will go to applications from organisations delivering rehabilitation services and looking for contract readiness support to help them compete for the new Transforming Rehabilitation contracts. Ventures not covered by the theme are welcome to apply as well.

[http://www.beinvestmentready.org.uk/social-ventures/apply/?utm\\_campaign=ICRF+-+MoJ+Announcement&utm\\_source=emailCampaign&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_content=](http://www.beinvestmentready.org.uk/social-ventures/apply/?utm_campaign=ICRF+-+MoJ+Announcement&utm_source=emailCampaign&utm_medium=email&utm_content=)

Source: FINE

## **Millfield House Foundation (MHF)**

Fiona Ellis has now been appointed MHF's Trust Manager.

From 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2013, the contact address for MHF is [fiona.ellis@mhfdn.org.uk](mailto:fiona.ellis@mhfdn.org.uk) / 07500 057 825.

Fiona will be responsible for the ongoing work of MHF, with the exception of financial transactions which Terence Finley will continue to deal with until 17<sup>th</sup> June.

The provisional deadline for the next grants round is 30<sup>th</sup> September 2013. The actual date and any changes to the application requirements will be posted on the website in due course. Applications should in future be sent online via Fiona's email address.

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

Source: Direct

## **NCVO report: Counting the Cuts 2013**

### **Update**

Charities are likely to lose £1.7bn in public funding between 2010/11 and 2017/18, according to a new report from NCVO. The report says that public funding for charities could be 12 per cent lower in 2017/18 than the £14.2bn it was in 2010/11. The report is an update of one published in 2011, which predicted that charities would lose £2.8bn in public funding between 2011 and 2016.

<http://www.thirdsector.co.uk/news/1182398/Statutory-funding-charities-will-fall-17bn-2010-11-2017-18/> Source: Direct / FINE

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## **Social Impact Bond Knowledge Box**

### **Online portal**

Social Impact Bond Knowledge Box is an online portal produced by the Centre for Social Impact Bonds (SIBs). The portal includes contributions from across government and the social investment sector, with detailed information for developing and commissioning SIBs. A template SIB service agreement contract is also available as a free resource.

[http://data.gov.uk/sib\\_knowledge\\_box/?utm\\_campaign=SIB+Newsletter+-+May+2013&utm\\_source=emailCampaign&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_content=](http://data.gov.uk/sib_knowledge_box/?utm_campaign=SIB+Newsletter+-+May+2013&utm_source=emailCampaign&utm_medium=email&utm_content=)

Source: Third Sector / FINE

## **Social Investment Business**

### **Newcastle office now closed**

Applicants should contact the main London office on 0207 842 7788 / [info@sibgroup.org.uk](mailto:info@sibgroup.org.uk), who will then direct enquiries appropriately.

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

Source: Direct / FINE

## **3SC: two delivery projects**

### **Business Development Opportunity**

#### **Offenders with Learning Difficulties and Disabilities (LDD):**

3SC is working with the Ministry of Justice (MOJ) to improve support for offenders with LDD. 3SC and its partners will be working together to identify good practice in the screening, assessment and delivery of interventions whilst developing the evidence base through action research. They are keen to hear about organisations' experience of working with offenders with LDD.

### **Social enterprise network**

3SC have also been commissioned to develop a national network of 1000 social enterprises in the criminal justice sector. They are working with Social Enterprise UK and Social Firms UK to develop a consortium that can bid for and deliver employment and support opportunities for offenders. They are keen to hear from social enterprises offering employment opportunities for offenders.

<http://www.3sc.org/business-development-opportunities>

Source: Clinks / FINE

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## Events & Training

### Finance for First Timers

**5<sup>th</sup> June 2013, 9:30am-3:30pm. VODA, Shiremoor Centre, North Tyneside. VODA Members £35 / Non-members £45 / Statutory & Private £80**

This one-day training course from VODA is for new treasurers and anyone responsible for their organisation's finances. The course covers the role and responsibilities of a treasurer, basic financial systems and petty cash systems.

Topics covered:

- Role of the Treasurer
- Design a financial system that works for you
- Managing financial resources
- Receipts & payments
- Petty cash

<http://www.voda.org.uk/cms/voda-training/voda-training>

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