

IM Properties Stratford 46 Community Fund

Fund Aims

The aim of the fund is to support projects addressing one of the following priorities as part of IM Properties Sustainable Future Frameworks:

People - Promoting positive change including projects that:

- Support health and wellbeing
- Promote inclusion and diversity within the community

Place - Strengthening communities projects that:

- Promote and encourage community cohesion
- Tackle social isolation and/or help to build social networks
- Help to raise aspirations and provide learning opportunities for children, young people, adults and families

Planet - Enhancing the natural environment projects that:

- Promote education and awareness of sustainability
- Encourage resource efficiency by reduction, recycling and reusing of waste materials
- Support environmental initiatives including wildlife and habitat creation

Available Funding

Grants are available between £2,000 and £5,000 and must be spent within 12 months of the award.

Priority Area

Grants are available to organisation based in & delivering projects within the following areas:

- Stratford Bishopton
- Stratford Hathaway
- Stratford Shottery
- Stratford Avenue
- Stratford Welcombe

- Stratford Guildhall & Bridgetown
- Stratfor Tiddington
- Stratford Orchard Hill
- Stratford Darlow and
- Stratford Clopton

Using the Grant

Grants can be made for a wide range of purposes including project, activity costs or consumables.

For example:

- Pilot projects
- The purchase of equipment and resources
- Extension and development of existing projects

Please note:

- No more than 10% of the project costs can be assigned to operational/core costs.
- Your organisation's income level must be less than £500,000, as shown in your most recent annual accounts.

Eligibility

You can apply to this fund if you are one of the following:

- Registered charities
- Constituted Community groups
- Companies Limited by Guarantee with charitable aims
- Community Interest groups*
- Co-operatives – registered Community Benefit Societies and registered Industrial and Provident Societies
- Social Enterprises

*Funding to Community Interest Companies and other non-charities may include conditions to restrict funding to charitable objectives only.

Please note, we are unable to fund the following:

- Individuals or sole traders
- Companies Limited by Shares
- Capital builds
- Direct replacement of statutory obligation and public funding

- Promotion of religious or political activities
- Groups with significant financial free reserves
- Retrospective grants
- Contribution to endowment fund, payment of deficit or repayment of loans
- National charities
- Overseas travel or expeditions
- Medical research and equipment for statutory or private healthcare
- General appeals
- Animal welfare, unless the project benefits people
- Statutory work in educational institutions
- Sponsored or fundraising events or groups raising funds to distribute to other causes
- Schools, Churches, Parish Councils or PTA's unless community benefit is demonstrated

Additional Supporting Information

To be eligible to apply you must be able to provide:

- Proof that your organisation has a governing body with at least three unrelated people as members. You will need to submit a list of those members who have bank authorisation (at least two unrelated signatories).
- A written constitution / articles / set of rules.
- A copy of your most recent annual accounts or financial records showing your organisation's income, expenditure and balance of funds and reserves.
- A bank statement from the last three months.
- A copy of your safeguarding policy(s).
- A copy of your equal opportunities / EDI policy.
- Quotes for capital items over £300.

All grant applicants will need to complete an end of grant monitoring form at the end of their project and supply at least one case study.

All grant applicants will be expected to participate in any appropriate publicity as requested by HoECF.

For the Foundation's full eligibility criteria see our website.