

POTENTIAL FUNDING STREAMS FOR SPORT & RECREATION

(1) **Awards for All** –This is a multi “Good Cause” **National Lottery** funded scheme, which all the **five** largest Lottery Distributors (i.e. Sport England, the Arts Council of England, the Heritage Lottery Fund, the Community Fund, & the New Opportunities Fund) contribute **significant funds to**. It awards small grants of between **£300** and **£10,000** & funds **sports projects**. Awards for All funds projects that **support Community Activity**. Its **aims** are to:(a) to extend access & participation, (b) to increase skill & creativity & (c) to improve the quality of life. Grants are awarded from one **”Joint Pot”** based on the standard of the application and **not** upon financial limits for each **“Good Cause”**.

Contact: Tel: 0845 600 2040 (for application form) Website: WWW.awardsforall.org.uk

(2) **Single Pot** Regional government funded programme to provide support for sustainable regeneration, economic development & industrial competitiveness in England. It aims to tackle social exclusion, promote equality of opportunity & improve the quality of life of local people in areas of need.

“Yorkshire Forward” is the Regional Development Agency that oversees the SRB (“Single Pot”) schemes in our region.

Tel: 0207 944 3000. WWW.detr.gov.uk/regeneration/srb/index.htm

(3) **Foundation for Sport and the Arts (FSA)** –The FSA is an independent trust and provides discretionary grant aid assistance for the support of athletic games, athletic sports, recreation games/sports and the arts. Grant assistance is privately funded from the Football Pools Companies (Littlewoods & Vernons).

The objective of the scheme is to benefit the public at large in the UK and to assist the participation of an increasing number of people in Sport and the Arts, whether actively taking part in or passively observing and enjoying. The Trust particularly aims to safeguard and extend popular involvement and enhance the quality of life for the community in general. They do not exclude elite activity support as millions share in the pleasure of high class performance. The Trustees try to offer grant aid where it will help create or maintain facilities and opportunities for the general community or will assist arts or sports provision that the community can enjoy.

The maximum grant available is £75,000. The maximum usually offered, however, is between £35 & £40,000. Trustees have stated that in future they aim to lower this in the vast majority of cases.

The Trustees are prepared to contemplate making interest-free loans where these would be appropriate. Potential situations are those involving the purchase or lease of property and those in which the borrower has (or is likely to gain) a sufficient income to sustain adequate repayment arrangements.

The Foundation will support both revenue & capital projects including assistance for individual performers.

The Trust will support the following types of projects:

- (a) Increasing the equipment available to clubs, groups and other organisations; and replacing outworn or unsafe equipment.
- (b) Attention to locations and amenities; such as improving facilities available to participants, & enhancing the amenities and comfort provided for spectators
- (c) Refurbishing and extending the buildings in which Sport and the Arts are housed; and also helping with provision of fresh buildings where needed.
- (d) Bringing activities to a wider public; extending the scope of tours, seeking fresh

venues for events and performances; preserving and extending the range of what is already happening.

- (e) Assisting fresh creativity.
- (f) Attention to archives; aid to manuscript, printed and electronic expositions of athletic sport and the arts.

Additionally the Foundation gives priority to assisting training schemes; regional and local facilities; club equipment; provision for young people; sport for the disabled; sports medicine; and major competition facilities.

As regards the funding of **particular sports and activities**, the FSA takes the following positions:-

- (a) Golf - it is eligible as a non-athletic sport and monies will be targeted on areas of the game that will have impact for the young, the disadvantaged and for beginner & average players. The Trust will not support projects where bias is shown to a particular sex or discrimination is shown based on cultural backgrounds.
- (b) Angling - for the disabled only is eligible for support.
- (c) Archery - a limited amount of funding is available.
- (d) Shooting - the FSA consider each application on its own merit. Pistol, rifle and clay pigeon shooting have been supported but events may cause this policy to be reviewed.
- (e) Rambling/Walking/Hiking - support is available for maintenance and such like of footpaths but not for those which are the responsibility of local authorities.
- (g) Hang gliding, Parascending, Parachuting or Gliding - Projects can be helped if they are close to the FSA's ideas of benefit at a community level.

Playground Equipment - assistance can be given in relation to playground equipment, soft impact surfaces and the purchase or refurbishment of premises; for **children of school age**.

The Foundation prefers schemes in which the Foundation will be the **lead funder**. This does not prevent some grant allocation to projects, where the majority funding is from elsewhere. The Foundation are often be prepared to take on the principal funding of a discrete segment of such a project where this can be distinguished as a significant, self-contained Foundation exercise.

Organisations, groups of individuals or individuals engaged in providing or taking part in athletic sports, athletic games, recreation games/sports or the Arts, including national umbrella organisations as well as their affiliated members; **can** apply to the Foundation.

It should be noted that the Foundation has a constant number of projects which have been fully approved by the Trustees and are awaiting funds. The money which arrives weekly from Littlewoods and Vernons is immediately absorbed by these projects and only then can **firm offers of grants** be released.

Funding is currently limited at the Foundation. Trustees are reluctant in the short term to commit themselves to grants that it may not be possible to fulfil. It should be noted, therefore, that the Foundation's response to bids may be slow as they need constantly to take account of their cash flow situation at any particular time.

Owing to changes in the way Football Pools are taxed and increased pressure on the FSA to fund projects, a further reassessment of the Foundation's policies has been necessary recently. A reconstruction of the Foundation's operations has recently started and, in the interim, the size and numbers of grants has been vastly reduced.

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(4) **Sports Aid** – This scheme gives financial support to young sports people who have already shown promise to help them train, compete & reach their full potential.
Tel: 020 7387 9380 Or 0113 242 7627.

(5) **Sportsmatch** – This is a government scheme, funded in England by the Department for Culture, Media and Sport (DCMS) through Sport England. It has been designed to improve the quality and quantity of the sponsorship which grass-roots sport receives in Britain. It gives £ for £ matching of commercial sponsorship acquired, for grass-roots sport. A Sportsmatch award can allow a sponsor to enjoy all the commercial benefits of a sponsorship, whilst contributing only half the cost. Matching of the commercial sponsorship is possible for an event, project or activity from a minimum of £1000 (£500 for schools only) to a maximum of £50,000. Organisations concerned with sport, local authorities, voluntary youth associations or schools can apply. Charities are, however, not eligible to apply.

Projects should look towards increasing participation &/or improving performance at the grass roots level. Favorable consideration is given to projects that exhibit community involvement. Items such as coaching fees, facility hire, competition costs and publicity are all fundable. In exceptional cases capital projects will be supported. The **priority target groups** for funding are young people, disabled people, women and girls, minority ethnic people and deprived urban & rural areas. Sportsmatch appears to have committed funding until **March 2006**.

A Sportsmatch scheme called “**Funding for Ethnic Minority Sport in the Community**” was created to encourage participation by minority ethnic groups in 2002. This scheme will match fund business sponsorship raised of up to **£50,000 also**. Sportsmatch will **help** community groups to find the funding to match the grant. **Sportsmatch** also **doubled** awards for **disability sport** from 2002.

Tel : 020 7273 1942 or 01753 884860. WWW.sportsmatch.co.uk or “Sporting Equals”(Ethnic Minority Scheme on 0121 710 3014)

(6) **Sports Governing Body Funds-** Some governing bodies have their own grant schemes which often include various trusts. It is advisable to check with the governing body of your sport to ascertain whether they offer grant aid or if they know of other funding sources for your sport. Athletics for example has the Ron Pickering Memmorial Trust.
Contact : the relevant sports governing body or the British Sports Trust for CSLA & other leadership schemes; Tel: 0171 8283163.

(7) **National Playing Fields Association (NPFA)** – grants & technical advice may be available to support development & facility improvements on playing fields, but only where the club/group/owners of the land are “**charities**” or the land itself is designated as “**charitable**” and is “**protected**”.
Contact: Tel: 0247 669 4517 (Fields Office NPFA at Coventry) .

(8) **Volunteer Investment Programme** – This programme aims to raise the profile of volunteers in Sport & to support development and delivery of good practice. The scheme gives recognition awards to sports clubs for their volunteer management programmes.
Contact: Tel: 0800 363373.

(9) **Football Foundation**
The Foundation is the UK's largest sports charity. The Foundation aims to improve grass roots football facilities but will also invest in multi-sport facilities as a way to improve peoples' fitness and well being by giving them the opportunity to play a number of different sports.

It has seven award schemes from small awards to professional stadia improvements and
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considers applications for changing rooms, floodlights, pitch improvements, community projects and football kit. Will consider funding the football element of multi-sport projects.

For more information please visit their website <http://www.footballfoundation.org.uk> or call the help line on 0845 345 4555.

(10) Lord's Taverners

The Lord's Taverners raise money to give young people, particularly those with special needs, 'a sporting chance'. They achieve this by providing opportunities for young people, able bodied or with disabilities, under the age of 25 to participate in sport & recreation.

Their annual disbursement of grant aid is broken down in the following way:

- 50% to encourage youth cricket in clubs and schools,
- 35% to fund specially adapted minibuses,
- 15% to fund sport and recreation opportunities for young people with special needs.

All applications must fall within their guidelines and be presented on the appropriate application forms. Applications for cricket grants are ONLY available from the Cricket Development Officer at the local county ground. All other application forms are available from The Lord's Taverners on 0207 821 2808 or downloaded from <http://www.ecb.co.uk/ecb/about/the-lords-taverners.html>.

(11) Early Years Development & Childcare Partnerships (EYDCP's) EYDCP's exist in every LEA in England providing structure for local delivery of the National Childcare Strategy. They are heavily backed by government funding & are also encouraged to access NOF resources for "out of school hours childcare" resources. It should be possible to acquire funding from EYDCP's to provide "TOP START" training & support to nurseries, pre-school groups & primary schools. This could include the purchase of both "TOP TOTS "&" TOP START" equipment and the provision of a creche for parents attending the training. **Contact LEA Early Years Advisor 01924 305630. Or WWW.open.gov.uk/index/t localgovernment.htm**

(12) Health Authorities – These organisations are heavily involved in health promotion to prevent potential future health problems. They will support local initiatives with a focus on healthy lifestyles, for example – "Exercise on Referral schemes". **Contact Local Health Authorities. WWW.open.gov.uk/index/t**

(13) Learning & Skills Councils – The Learning & Skills Councils replace the training functions of Training & Enterprise Councils (TECS) and the funding responsibility of the Further Education Funding Council (FEFC). Funding could potentially be available from these organisations to develop Young Sports Leader Programmes. **Contact: Tel: 0845 019 4171.**

(14) The Prince's Trust – The Trust support development work of national organisations, groups & individuals that address themselves to the needs of young people. The aim of the Trust is to be an influential source of effective encouragement to young people, who are in some way disadvantaged, by encouraging them to develop themselves fully. The maximum amount of funding available is £20,000. **Contact: Tel: 0800 842 842 or 0171 543 1234.**

(15) Womens Sports Foundation (WSF) – This is a registered charity committed to promoting & improving sporting opportunities for women & girls. WSF provides an advisory service & can supply resources.

Contact: Tel 020 8697 5370.

(16) Local Education Authority (LEA) – Each LEA has:(a) a P.E. Advisor or Active Schools Manager with responsibility for the development & delivery of P.E. in schools & their community. This officer will usually be the main contact as regards the Curriculum Tops Scheme.(b) an Advisory Teacher responsible for the development & delivery of Early Years provision, whom is likely to administer & support the EYDCP and may be involved with the delivery of the “TOP START” programme.

Funding may be available towards sports related initiatives. An example of the Utilisation of such funds is in Shropshire, where “TOP START” training has been provided as part of the central training programme identified in the Early Years Development Plan. Training courses have been provided free of charge for schools, voluntary pre-schools & private nurseries by the LEA. Groups are then encouraged to link with their local pre-school forums to access resources, as £2,000 is available to each forum for developmental purposes.

Contact Local LEA or WWW.open.gov.uk/index/t_localgovernment.htm

(17) Schools (Standard Funds) – This scheme starts in April 2002. Each school will receive a Standards Fund from the Government, which is determined by local indices and the size of the school. This fund will be managed by the School Governing Body and can be used to develop a number of different areas. This will sometimes be directed by the Government (i.e. to be used towards Study Support), however it can be earmarked for training or development projects. **Contact: Individual schools.**

(18) The Landfill Tax Credit Scheme

When waste is tipped into a hole in the ground a “landfill tax “(at £11 per tonne) is paid by the disposer of the waste to the landfill operator. The tax is payable to the government through HM Customs and Excise. The Landfill Tax Credit Scheme allows the landfill operator to give 20% of its tax collected to organisations called Environmental Bodies.

The **aim** of the scheme is to encourage more sustainable waste practices, including recycling and to deliver lasting environmental and **community benefits**.

The Environmental Trust Scheme Regulatory Body (ENTRUST) **was set up by the government to oversee the Scheme. To become an Environmental Body organisations must register themselves and their projects with ENTRUST to ensure they comply with the scheme.**

An **Environmental Body** is a charity style **non-profit** making organisation that has registered with ENTRUST to receive and manage landfill tax credits from a landfill operator.

Eligible Projects - Under the regulations of the scheme, projects must fall into one of six categories known as ‘**approved objects**’. **Category “D”** is where **Sport and Recreation** projects meet the criteria laid down. Category “D” states: “where it is for the protection of the environment, the provision, maintenance or improvement of a public park or other public amenity in the vicinity of a landfill” (within 10 miles) –such as : i) Village halls ii) Children’s play equipment.

Ineligible Projects- include Schools or private properties without general public access or membership only organisations such as a Cricket or Bowls Club. Other considerations include “**public access**”. The **minimum** ‘public access’ requirement is 4 evenings per week or 2 days a week or 12 weeks a year (84 days). Any charges for access must **not** be for profit. If a new amenity is sought under the scheme, local authority **support** (planning permission) is required.

Third Party Funding - applicants must name a **third party contributor who will reimburse** the landfill operator equivalent to **11%** of the grant required. The reason for this is although the landfill operator gives **20%** of his total landfill tax to the Environmental Body, the Operator can only claim **90%** of the amount given to Environmental Body, when claiming an allowance from the government for this. The Operator must **also** pay a compulsory levy to the regulator ENTRUST and the running costs of the Environmental Body, leaving an **11% ‘hole’** in his accounts. This transaction is **not** part of the grant application and must **not** be included in the project funding calculations. In simple terms just over **£1** from a third party will release **£10** of **Landfill Tax Credits** for the project.

Third Party Contributors can be Private Companies, Public sector organisations (Local Authorities, County Councils), Charities, Voluntary organisations, Private Donors, or a person who shares the benefits with others - for example, a member of a church congregation or a person who uses with others a village hall or other community facility. They can **not** be other Environmental Bodies, any individual or organisation which is connected with the Landfill Operator, a Landfill Tax Credit Environmental Body or the applicant, or any person who might derive a benefit from the improvements brought about by the project, for example, the contractor carrying out the work on the project. Grants **already** taken into an organisation's coffers are effectively **lost** as a third party contribution which will unlock landfill tax credits. **ENTRUST** do not allow this.

The Landfill Tax Credit Scheme was reformed with effect from **1 April 2003**. New sustainable waste management and recycling projects can no longer be funded, however, individual Distributive Environmental Bodies may still have funds available for these types of projects in certain circumstances.

(a) WREN SCHEME

The Landfill operator **Waste Recycling Group plc (WRG)** has embraced the Scheme by allocating its **tax credits** to **Waste Recycling Environmental (WREN)** for use on research into better waste practices and improving the environment of the communities surrounding their landfill sites.

The application process to **WREN** is **multi-staged** involving assessments by the Yorkshire Project Manager and the Yorkshire Advisory Panel prior to consideration by the board of directors of **WREN** and then **ENTRUST**. Although there is no ceiling on grants, it is unusual for Community Projects to receive over **£50,000** (whether this be over 1 or 5 years). This maximum grant is usually only given to projects that fulfill **all** of the Wren and Yorkshire specific requirements and are located in the close proximity to a WRG Landfill site (maximum 10 miles). Projects must demonstrate **community use/benefit** and **community involvement**, ie consultation/work days and how they contribute to “**Sustainable Development**”-ie how the project addresses social, economic and environmental issues within the area and will meet the needs of future generations.

Contact: WREN House, Manor Farm, Bridgham, Norfolk.NR16 2RX. Tel: (01953) 717165, Fax: (01953) 718202, e-mail: wren@wren.org.uk, website: www.wren.org.uk; Yorkshire Administrator- Louise Ross –head office (01953)717165 & Yorkshire Project Manager – Victoria Mager – office/fax: 01484 460287, mobile: 07010 737017

(b) RSNC – BIFFAWARD SCHEME

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Biffa Waste Services agreed in December 1997 to donate landfill tax credits to the Royal Society for Nature Conservation (RSNC) to administer under the fund name "Biffaward". Biffaward has taken the opportunity following the changes made to the Landfill Tax Credit Scheme statement to review its funding criteria. Biffaward now wishes to support projects that recognise the importance of innovation, partnership and community involvement in developing and improving the environmental, economic and social situation of communities.

Biffaward's aims to ensure that the funds available are strategically allocated in the most cost-effective way. The principle of sustainability and sustainable development remain at the centre of Biffaward's strategy with specific focus on improving quality of life and fostering vibrant communities. Funding will thus be directed to projects that:

- provide and improve public amenities;
- create, restore and manage areas specifically to increase biodiversity;
- enable smaller groups to access funding more easily;
- support community-led regeneration schemes of regional or national significance.

Funding is offered through **three** different streams:-

(1) Main Grants Scheme

Biffaward will consider applications under their main grants scheme for two categories: "Biodiversity Projects" and "Amenity Projects". The value of any project must not exceed £150,000.

Under the "Amenity category", priority will be given to those projects that can demonstrate an innovative use of a community amenity to enhance, maintain or introduce real community-led social, economic or environmental improvements as defined in Government's 'A Better Quality of Life' publication. Consideration will be given to those projects that clearly demonstrate partnership working and community involvement. Biffaward will do this by supporting projects that provide and improve public amenities; and create, restore and manage areas specifically to increase biodiversity.

Biffaward are aiming to provide and improve community facilities to act as mechanisms for recreation, sporting achievement, lifelong learning and community involvement. A priority for support include projects that improve the quality of, or create parks, play areas, green spaces, indoor and outdoor sports facilities, amenity green space and provision of facilities for teenagers and children in order to improve quality of life.

Projects will be assessed for the level of innovation, community involvement, partnership with relevant groups and to what extent the project meets the quality of life indicators. Projects falling under this category can apply for up to £50,000.

(2) Small Grants Scheme

Groups can apply for between **£250 to £5,000** for projects which have the primary aim of improving an amenity located within **ten miles** of a Biffa operation and which will help to create vibrant communities by improving the environmental, economic or social situation of a community. This includes access to sport, culture or recreation (eg purchase of play equipment or sport equipment, village green improvements, disabled access to a community-led facility).

The Small Grants Scheme allows groups to access smaller levels of funding in order to improve the quality of life in their community.

(3) Flagship Schemes

Biffaward will support certain "Flagship Projects" within ten miles of a Biffa Waste operation. The

aim of this funding stream is to support community-led regeneration schemes of regional and national significance, or biodiversity projects, which will make a significant impact on the quality of life of the region.

These projects include Physical regeneration projects of regional or national significance. Priority will be given to those projects that can give evidence of significant partnership working, overcome social exclusion and increase opportunity and access.

Suitably qualified organisations can apply for between £150 - £500,000 under this stream.

Applications for funding are considered from any organisation that is an Environmental Body enrolled with ENTRUST, and is able to demonstrate an ability to complete a project as indicated.

Organisations should also:

- have an environmental policy;
- address environmental issues in all aspects of their work.

Organisations require Entrust approval for projects prior to application or must obtain Entrust registration on confirmation of funding from Biffaward

Contact: The Royal Society for Nature Conservation, The Kiln, Waterside, Mather Road, Newark, Nottinghamshire NG24 1WT. Tel: (0870) 036 1000; Fax: (0870) 036 0101; E-mail: grants@rsnc.cix.co.uk; Website: <http://www.biffaward.org>

(c) ONYX ENVIRONMENTAL TRUST

The Onyx Environmental Trust, which is a charity, was set up in 1997 under the Landfill Tax Credit Scheme and awards monies derived from landfill tax to support a wide range of environmentally focused projects throughout the UK.

The Trust concentrates on issues that affect the quality of people's lives, help bring communities together and improve the health of future generations. Many projects have been funded in the past to fulfill these aims and they have provided a variety of developments including : educational resources; renovation of public amenities; playgrounds & parks and cycle schemes. Projects must fall into certain general categories:

Category A is for the reclamation, remediation or restoration of land, the use of which has been prevented by a previous activity which has now ceased; or for any other operation intended to facilitate an economic, social or environmental use of the land.

For example, a project to remove contaminated soil from an area so that it can be used for community development.

Category B is for the prevention or reduction of potential pollution, or the mitigation of pollution caused to any land or buildings from an activity which has now ceased. Such projects must be for the benefit of local communities, freeing previously unusable land for other purposes. For example, a project to decontaminate land at a former colliery site

Category D is for projects that benefit communities by improving and maintaining public amenities and parks, offering recreational and leisure opportunities that would otherwise be unavailable. As with all other categories the projects must be within ten miles of an Onyx landfill site or waste facility. For example, a project to improve the provision of community play facilities.

Category E is for projects for the repairing, restoration and maintenance of buildings of

great historical or religious importance and, to help improve local community facilities and services. For Example, a project involving the restoration of a village hall. There is **no** minimum or maximum level of funding and the Trust may fund small local projects or larger long-term projects. The exact level of funding will depend on the individual project but the Trust have indicated that the majority of grants awarded thus far have been in the range of £50,000.

Organisations with environmental or community-based projects in the UK are eligible to apply.. All projects must be suitable for ENTRUST registration. All site-based projects (ie categories D and E) must be located within a 10-mile radius of a landfill site or waste facility owned by Onyx.

**Contact : The Onyx Environmental Trust, Ruthdene, Station Road, Four Ashes, Wolverhampton, WV10 7DG. Tel: (01902) 794600; Fax: (01902) 794646.
E-mail: info@onyxenitrust.org; Website: <http://www.onyxenvtrust.org>**

(19) European Union (EU) Funding

Significant amounts of EU funding has been levered into the District through “Objective 2” and in South Yorkshire Objective 1, from the “**European Regional Development Fund**” and the “**European Social Fund**”(which is mainly a training fund). The majority of these funds have been for the development of new business and general economic renewal.

Theoretically sport does **not** qualify for any funding. However, it may be possible to acquire funding for projects if the scheme is linked to a **wider** Community Regeneration Initiative.

European Funding ceases in its present form from 2007 and a new programme will be launched, at presentr this is still under negotiation, however it is believed that the emphasis will be on economic development rather than community elements.

From a **Sport and Recreation angle**, Clubs and groups may be able to link schemes to a larger **Neighbourhood Renewal project** in order to unlock EU funds, under **Priority 3**. For example, a **Sports Club** could include the development of its **club base** as a Community IT Centre, and general Community use Centre for activities such a creche, “OAP meals building” and community meeting hall, as part of its Capital scheme to develop its **Clubhouse** and **improve** Changing and other ancilliary sports facilities.

(20) Sport England

BACKGROUND

The Yorkshire Investment Strategy agreed by the Yorkshire Sports Board in March 2006, builds on the national Sport England Delivery Plan agreed with DCMS and the regional targets set within the Yorkshire Plan for Sport. It also reflects and incorporates the “Delivery System for Sport” with a shared agenda working in partnership with key agencies and organisations so as to make a significant difference.

The Challenges of the Game Plan

“Game Plan”, the Government's plan for sport and physical activity produced in 2002, recognises the importance of sport and has a target to have more people, more active more often, and for British competitors to gain more success in international competition. The target is to have 70% of the population active – that is, taking part in 30 minutes of ‘moderate-intensity’¹ physical activity at least five times a week by 2020. Everyone has a part to play in

¹ moderate intensity means activity that leaves people feeling warm, sweaty and slightly out of breath
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this, (Sport England) have been given the task of driving forward the changes that will be needed.

The Framework for Sport

Game Plan represented a landmark in sports policy in the UK and has been a catalyst for the emergence of a new consensus on the important issues in English sport combined with a renewed spirit of partnership working at all levels. A review and analysis of sport by the Henley Centre in 2003 informed the development of a robust conceptual framework - The Framework for Sport in England. The framework's aim being to create a systematic basis for testing priorities and affecting change (change being defined as a positive increase in the number of people playing sport and improved levels of performance).

The Framework for Sport signals a new way of working through partnership to deliver a shared vision for sport in England - To be the most active and successful sporting nation in the world. It sets the broad strategic parameters for sport - the boundaries - within which there is much flexibility for 'local' interpretation and prioritisation. It seeks to provide the common themes and understanding that will bind sport together, whilst not being so prescriptive as to dictate specific planning priorities.

Unlike previous strategies, the Framework for Sport needs to be understood more as a process than a product. Sport England, which has a key strategic role with regard to the implementation of the Framework, is committed to refining and updating it so that we keep in step with, and where possible anticipate, the social, institutional and environmental context that will impact on our ability to achieve our objectives for and through sport.

A key factor in the success of the Framework will be for organisations at all levels - national, regional and local - to embrace it as a basis for their own policy formulation, business plans and investment decisions.

The Yorkshire Plan for Sport

The Yorkshire Plan for Sport, which was developed in 2004, sets out priorities for action in 16 policy proposals linked to the Framework for Sport in England. The key stakeholders in Yorkshire have agreed these as the steps that will make the biggest difference over the period 2004-8. The policy proposals focus the work of major regional agencies and shape the actions of the many organisations involved in sport at regional to local level. Only by working in partnership and focusing on a shared agenda will we make the changes that will get Yorkshire active.

The regional outcomes, by 2008, detailed within the Yorkshire and Humber Plan for Sport are:

- **Increase participation**
160,000 new people taking part in sport and active recreation three times a week.
- **Improve levels of performance**
10% of Yorkshire athletes in the England and Great Britain teams.
- **Widen access**
Reduce the participation gap between different groups within the population by 25%.
- **Improve health and wellbeing**
32% of adults achieve the Department of Health physical activity guidelines.
- **Improve community safety**
5% increase in voluntary and community-sector sport activity.

- **Raise standards in education**
75% of schoolchildren receiving two hours of high-quality physical education and extracurricular sport each week.
- **Benefit the economy**
Maintain sport's contribution to the regional economy at 1.6%.

THE DELIVERY SYSTEM

The delivery system for sport is all about partnership working if it is to be effective and sustainable. This is particularly true when it comes to leveraging in investment. The DCMS target² of achieving at least an overall 2:1 leverage against Sport England investment in Yorkshire is very challenging and will require very careful investment planning and influence of key partners at Regional, CSP and CSN levels if the target is to be met. Many projects will struggle to raise the 2:1 because of local circumstances therefore, other projects within the portfolio will have to achieve in excess of this. However, there are a number of funding opportunities for sport and some of these are indicated at www.sportengland.org/

SPORT ENGLAND INVESTMENT INTO YORKSHIRE

The planned lottery and exchequer investment (2006 – 09) into Yorkshire equates to over twenty one million pounds³ and is set out in table 1 and 2. Some of this investment is 'pre-allocated' with specific conditions directing the SEY where and how this money should be invested, for example the core funding for County Sports Partnerships. However, there is still a substantial amount of the funding which is 'unallocated' that the SEY can use this to deliver the identified regional priorities.

The Sport England investment has to be matched on at least a 2:1 basis and if this is to be achieved it will provide the Region with some £65m of investment into sport within the Region over a 3 year period.

Table 1: Pre-allocated Funding:

2006 / 2009 Sport England Yorkshire Budget	Sport England Allocation	Partnership Funding	Total Investment
Pre-allocated commitments			
Building the Delivery System Community Sports Partnerships (3 years at £600,000 per year)	£1,800,000	£543,000	£2,343,000
Building Capacity	£4,231,500	£8,463,000	£12,694,500
Talent Development	£4,231,500	£8,463,000	£12,694,500
Equity based projects. (Previously the regional open application process)	£2,400,000	£4,800,000	£7,200,000

Table 2: Unallocated Funding

2006 / 2009 Sport England Yorkshire Budget	Sport England Allocation	Partnership Funding	Total Investment

² DCMS/Sport England funding agreement 2006/07

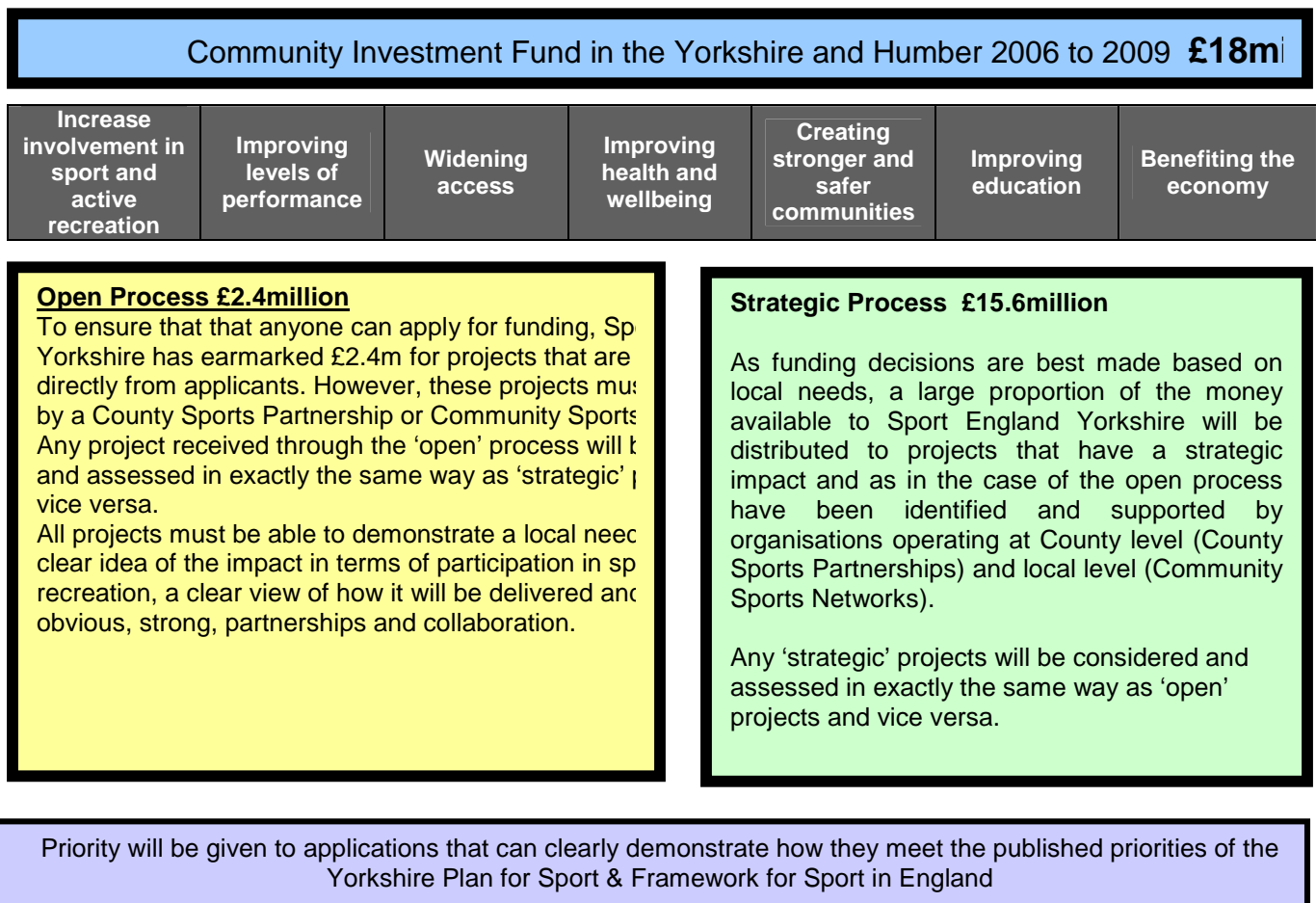
³ Subject to Exchequer settlements and the sale of lottery tickets. Finance beyond 2009 is dependent upon Sport England remaining a Lottery Distributor. Decisions on this are anticipated in the autumn 2006.

Un-allocated Sport England Funding			
Exchequer Funding (subject to DCMS settlement)	£300,000	£60,000	£360,000
Lottery Funding	£8,766,000	£21,129,000 ⁴	£29,895,000
Total Funding available for Sport in Yorkshire 2006/09	£21,729,000	£42,458,000	£65,187,000

INVESTMENT PROPOSALS

Sport England is committed to making funding available through an open application process. Figure illustrates how Sport England Yorkshire Board will allocate this funding:

Figure 2: Regional Investment



INVESTMENT DELIVERY

The Open Process

⁴ Note partnership funding increased to 2.4:1 to ensure overall 2:1 ratio
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The Open process will accept applications on a continuous basis throughout the year. Applications will be considered through a two stage process.

Stage One: Initial on-line application

At Stage One an outline application will be made 'on-line' via the Sport England website. Applications will then be reviewed by Sport England officers within 15 working days. Projects that are considered to be not able to make a sufficiently strong case for support by Sport England Yorkshire will be discouraged from moving to Stage Two. This process will ensure that applicants do not waste unnecessary resources in developing applications which do not meet our identified and published criteria.

Those projects that can make a strong case will be encouraged to apply and will be advised on how to further develop their project for a Stage Two application. Where appropriate, applicants will be referred to the appropriate person/organisation, within the delivery system, who is best placed to help them develop a successful application.

Stage Two: Project development and full application to Sport England

At Stage Two submission the applicant will make a further on-line submission. This will be assessed by Sport England officers against the published criteria and whether it supports and is supported by the CSP and CSN. Officers will make a recommendation to the Sport England Yorkshire Board for a decision.

The Strategic Process

Investments made by this process will be projects that are developed through the delivery system for sport in the region and, are of strategic significance and/or relate to a specific 'national funding stream', such as Step into Sport, which are delivered at a regional level. Unless specifically solicited by Sport England, applications will follow the same route, as set out above, and be assessed against the same criteria as those coming through the Open process. Decisions as to whether a successful application is ultimately allocated against the Strategic process are to be made by the Sport England Yorkshire Board.

Decision Times

In order to facilitate good partnership working Sport England Yorkshire will endeavour to make their decisions about applications within 8 weeks of the on-line Stage Two application and in no case will this exceed 10 weeks.

Decision Making

The decision making process will be a 'top up,' bottom down' approach and will fully reflect the involvement and influence of the Community Sports Networks and County Sports Partnerships. Whilst the ultimate decision making will rest with the Sport England Yorkshire Board, all projects will have to demonstrate that they are seen as key priorities within their communities through working closely with either or both the Community Sports Networks, which operate in their area and/or the County Sports Partnerships which operate at sub-regional levels.

Role and purpose of the Sport England Yorkshire regional office

It is important to stress that investment decisions made by the Sport England Yorkshire Sports Board are made in close liaison with individual Sport England officers, who are in turn responsible for the development and assessment of funding applications to the Community Investment Fund.

Partnership Funding

As referenced elsewhere in this document, the value of sport is now being recognised as increasingly important in respect of its impact on other key sectors such as health, education and community safety. The importance of effective liaison with these partners is re-emphasised with the notion that Sport England funding has to be matched on at least a 2 :1 basis, thus presenting a clear challenge to the sport sector towards achieving the £65 million investment target by 2009.

Contact: the funding information line; TEL: 08458 508 508.

Website: www.sportengland.org/index/get_funding

(21) THE BIG LOTTERY FUND

The Big Lottery Fund is the new Lottery Distributor created by the merging of the New Opportunities Fund and the Community Fund. The Big Lottery Fund has a commitment to target 60 - 70% of funds at the voluntary sector.

The Young People's Fund

The Big Lottery Fund has however recently launched its **first** programme – “The Young People's Fund”. This is a response to the consistent message being received from young people that they want “**somewhere to go and something to do**”. Young people are constantly requesting after school activities, sports facilities or places to hang out with their friends. The Young People's Fund is designed to allocate money to carry out projects that will make a lasting difference to young people's lives and their communities. It places young people right at the **heart** of the fund and its distribution

This Fund will give out £200 Million to projects run by and for young people across the UK. Of this amount £157.5 million is available in England. Some of this money has been “ringfenced” for **existing** national programmes that will benefit thousands of young people, particularly those who are disadvantaged.

These programmes are: (a) “Positive activities for young people”- £25 million; (b) “Extended schools”- £14 million; (c) “Out of School hours learning/schools sports co-ordinators” – “28.4 million; (d) “Get real” (extra places for young people to take part in residential summer activities) - £12.5 million.

The remaining **£77.6 million** is available for other activities and will be distributed via three different funding streams as follows:

(i) Grants to organisations - £40 million

(ii) National Grants - £27.6 million

(iii) Grants to individuals or small groups of young people - £10 million

(i) Grants to organisations

This funding stream makes grants to voluntary and community groups to run local projects. The Big Lottery Fund want to put young people at the centre of identifying, planning and delivering projects that will make a lasting difference to them and their communities.

Young Peoples Fund outcomes

The Big Lottery Fund will fund activities that achieve two or more of the following programme outcomes:

- Being healthy: enjoying good physical and mental health and living a healthy lifestyle

- Staying safe: being protected from harm and neglect and growing up able to look after themselves
- Enjoying and achieving: getting the most out of life and developing the skills for adulthood
- Making a positive contribution: to the community and to society and not engaging in anti-social or offending behaviour
- Economic well being: overcoming socio-economic disadvantages to achieve their full potential in life

The emphasis is on young people coming up with their own ideas and being involved from start to finish. Lots of young people face difficulties and are at a disadvantage when it comes to getting involved in activities. They are a priority for the Big Lottery Fund.

The “Grants for organisations” stream will fund projects that benefit young people aged 11 to 18. It can also fund projects specifically aimed at disadvantaged young people up to the age of 25 who find the transition to independent adult life difficult.

Grants will only be made to community-led, not for profit organisations. Many types of voluntary and community organisations can therefore apply including charities.

Grants will range between £5000 and £150,000 over a three year period. The Big Lottery Fund estimate that they will make around 50 to 60 grants of £75,000 in each region. The number of grants actually made will vary depending on the average grant size in the region. It is expected that more applications for good projects will be received than can be supported via this funding stream.

The Big Lottery Fund have produced a 'Young Peoples Fund -Before You Apply' Booklet, which provides more information on the factors they will take into account when deciding upon which projects to support.

All applicants will need to first submit an outline proposal form. The Big Lottery Fund will review the form to see if the project is something they would be interested in funding. They may highlight concerns or suggest where groups can get advice or support. If they think that they could support a group's project; they will provide an application form, with some of the questions already completed with the information the group in question has already given them.

Contact: The Grants to Organisations programme for the Yorkshire and Humber region is being run via the regional Big Lottery Fund office in Leeds:

Tel: 0113 224 5301; E-mail: youngpeoplesfund.yh@biglotteryfund.org.uk;

Website www.biglotteryfund.org.uk - where you can download a 'Before You Apply' booklet and an Outline Proposal form.

Or Tel: the Big Advice Line on 0845 4 10 20 30 to request a 'Before You Apply' booklet and an outline proposal form

(ii) National Grants

The Big Lottery Fund wish to make several national grants to voluntary organisations that demonstrate interesting and successful ways of meeting the five main outcomes of the Young People's Fund. They are particularly interested in projects that will help young people stay safe and be healthy. The Fund will give priority to those projects that involve disadvantaged young people. Grants up to £1 million over a three year period are available; although more may be available for exceptional projects that will benefit a large number of young people.

Projects should be for young people aged 11 to 25. Organisations wishing to apply will be requested to send an expression of interest outlining their proposal and how it meets the

programme outcomes. Additionally it will need to indicate how young people are involved and the budget. A panel will review the initial expression of interest and if they like the proposal, the group will be requested to send a full application, which will be assessed by the Fund for a final decision.

Contact: 'National grants' is being run centrally;

Tel: the Big Advice Line on 0845 4 10 20 30. Website www.biglotteryfund.org.uk

(iii) Grants to individuals

The Big Lottery Fund wish to fund good ideas which young people have about how they can make a difference in their community and which help meet the five main outcomes of the Young People's Fund. Grants between £250 and £5,000 are available to help individuals and small groups of young people run a project in their area.

The "Grants to individuals or small groups of young people" funding stream will be administered by an award partner to the Big Lottery Fund. The Big Lottery Fund will choose an organisation with experience of giving grants and supporting young people in carrying out projects, to give out this money for them. This is a fairly **time consuming** process and grants will **not** be available until spring 2005.

The Fund want to make sure that a wide range of young people are able to apply for money to turn their ideas into projects. Young people between the ages of 11 and 25 can apply to this funding stream.

Contact: Tel: the Big Advice Line on 0845 4 10 20 30.

Website www.biglotteryfund.org.uk

Sponsorship and Fundraising

There are various key **commercial sponsorship guides** that help people to obtain sponsorship. Some of these are available in **local libraries**. The following publications will assist in the identification of the appropriate companies to approach:-

- ❖ Major Companies Guide – covering the UK's top 400 corporate donors.
- ❖ A guide to Company Giving – covering 1400 companies within the UK.
- ❖ Hollis Sponsorship and Donations Yearbook – profiling 900 of the UK's top spending sponsoring companies.
- ❖ Sporting GB UK's Guide to Trade – contains details of manufacturers who may assist with clothing or equipment or other in kind help rather than money.
- ❖ The Directory of Social Change publishes a number of general guides related to fundraising including the following:
 - Raising money from companies
 - The Complete fundraising handbook
 - The educational grants directory
 - The sports funding guide
 - A guide to grants for individuals in need
 - The guide to UK Company giving, giving a guide to funding from government departments and agencies
 - Raising money from trusts
 - A guide to major to the major trusts

Contact: 020 7209 5151 or WWW.d-s-c.demon.co.uk; Information on local companies will also be available from your Regional Development Agency or Chamber of Commerce

TRUSTS AND FOUNDATIONS

There are only a limited number (some mentioned in this document) of charitable Trusts and Foundations which specifically fund sport. However, particular trusts or foundations can consider sport-related applications if they also meet the organisation's criteria for financial aid (e.g. the "Prince's Trust funds projects which benefit young people). There is a standard reference work to research such trusts by the Charities Aid Foundation entitled "Directory of grant making trusts 2001-2002"; ISBN 1-900360-82-9. Copies are available from the publisher or possibly any large public library.

National Council for Voluntary Organisations

This organisation can also provide publications on fundraising including "Finding the Funds".

Contact: 020 7713 6161 or WWW.vois.org.uk/nevo

Funder Finder This is a small national charity, which helps other charities, voluntary organisations & community groups be more effective. It produces software for grant seekers: to help groups identify charitable trusts that might give them a grant and also that helps individuals needing grant-aid identify charities that might help.

Sport England Information on fundraising can also be obtained from Sport England and the following guides can be obtained from Sport England Publications: (1) "Financing Projects", (2) "Finding the Funds", and (3) "Raising Money" Contact 0870 521 0255 or WWW.sportengland.org

Government Website

The Government has set up a **new** pilot grants website for the Voluntary and Community Sector. The website provides information for voluntary and community organisations on the grants available from four Government Departments: the Home Office; the Department for Education and Skills; the Department for Transport, Local Government and the Regions; and the Department of Health. Contact: www.volcomgrants.gov.uk

SOME TRUST FUNDERS INCLUDE:

THE COALFIELDS REGENERATION TRUST

The Coalfields Regeneration Trust, running until 2008, gives grants to groups, organisations and agencies in England, Scotland and Wales who can show that their project or activity benefits a coalfield community. From April 2006 their priorities are:

- Getting people into work
- New social enterprises
- New Childcare places

If asked if they would fund a sports project, the Coalfield Regeneration Trust would probably say no. However sports based projects can and have been funded where the applicant has successfully shown that their project will provide community support and facilities, will develop skills and confidence of the users that could lead to better employment etc. A strong application would be one which is developed by a partnership between a local sports organisation and a local training agency or college which aims to deliver skills training to unemployed or low skilled individuals but will use sport to attract target groups into training and employment.

If you are thinking of applying to the Trust, please contact your nearest Trust Office, where the Regeneration Manager can check your eligibility and give you advice on your application. The number of the main office is 01709 760272 or visit <http://www.coalfields-regen.org.uk/>

DICKIE BIRD FOUNDATION

The foundation aims to help disadvantaged young people, nationwide, to participate in sport. Its objective is:

"To provide or assist the provision of facilities which enable young people in schools, universities and other educational establishments, local clubs and community groups to participate in sporting activities in the interests of healthy recreation or the advancement of physical education".

Grants are for individuals or groups. Individuals or groups members must be under 18 years of age at the time of making the application. Grants will only be considered if the individual or group is unable to raise the necessary finance required as a result of impoverished circumstances.

The application form can be downloaded from the web site or by contacting The Dickie Bird Foundation, Jefferson House, Orchard Lane, Guiseley, Leeds LS20 9HZ Tel: 01943 873482 Email: info@thedickiebirdfoundation.org or visit <http://www.thedickiebirdfoundation.org/>

THE CAMELOT FOUNDATION

The Foundation has launched "**Transforming Lives**", a grants programme for projects working with young people aged 11 to 25. Projects should cover one or more of the following types of activity:

- creating an ordinary life, through the social inclusion of young people and access to housing, education, health, transport, work, leisure and recreational opportunities
- giving young people a voice to express their needs and hopes, and influence the way services are provided
- basic skills development such as literacy, numeracy, IT skills and money management
- promoting freedom from fear and discrimination
- enabling young people to take part in community or civic life within neighbourhoods, local and regional areas, and nationally

Priority groups for the programme are:

- young asylum seekers
- young people with disabilities
- young people with mental health problems
- young parents, and young people at risk of becoming young parents

Registered charities or consortia led by charities who are working with young people and have unrestricted reserves of less than one year's running costs can apply. Grants will range from **£10,000 to £90,000**. The usual maximum grant will be **£30,000** a year for up to **three** years.

Grants **can** cover: one-off project needs; pilot projects; on going costs such as salaries, running or management costs. Grants will **not** be given to: academic research not linked to a development project, capital building projects, general appeals, overseas travel, individuals, play schemes, holidays or after school clubs, large national charities which have an established

funding base, projects where funding from local and national government has expired and to work that is the responsibility of a local authority or health authority

“**Transforming Lives**” will run for 7 years and replaces the “Community Support small grants programme. There is a two stage application process including an application form and visit with the whole process taking less than 6 months.

The deadline dates for applying for a “Transforming Lives grant in 2005 are: 10th January, 11th April, and 11th July.

**Contact: Julie Gilson, Grants Manager, The Camelot Foundation, University House, 11-13 Lower Grosvenor Place, London. SW1W 0EX. Tel: 020 7828 6085.
Fax: 020 7828 6087. E-mail: info@camelotfoundation.org.uk
<http://www.camelotfoundation.org.uk>**

THE ABBEY NATIONAL COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

The Partnership’s funding priorities are :

- ◆ support for equal opportunities for disabled people
- ◆ education and training, with priority for disadvantaged and socially excluded groups
- ◆ employment and job creation, for disadvantaged or socially excluded groups

Grants are for up to £250 for community groups that aren’t registered as charities; or £2,500 for local charities. The Community Partnership will look at applications for larger amounts and refer them on to the “Abbey National Charitable Trust”, if appropriate.

Grants are not available for individuals, specific religious or ethnic groups, charities working abroad, advertising space or fundraising publications. Applicants should write to the Partnership, which will contact the applicant if more information is required. Grants are decided monthly.

Contact : Dawn Smart, Abbey National Community Partnership, PO Box 388, Sheffield. S9 3TW.

<http://www.abbeynational.com/webcode/gateway> frame.asp?area=hhands

THE NATIONAL CYCLING FUND

This is run by the Department for Transport, Local Government and the Regions (DTLR). The first bidding round (1 April to 31 July 2002 has £1 million and a similar sum is to come in a further bidding round. The **aim** of the **first round** is to raise the **profile** of cycling and create a greater awareness amongst the public of increases in cycling opportunities. Grants of £250 - £50,000 are available for projects that support the work of the “**National Cycling Strategy Board for England (NSCB)**”.

Successful projects are expected to lead to an increase in cycling & those projects which can be set up quickly will have a greater chance of being awarded funds. Possible examples could include: cycle parking schemes at stations, town centres and other public places; provision of connections from roads, cycle tracks, and cycle ways into schools, colleges and workplaces, start-up costs for cycling training schemes and cycle trailer loan schemes with a school travel plan.

Applications are expected from a variety of organisations, from the public, private, health and education sectors and cycling groups. A date for the second round of bidding will be announced later in the year. **Contact: Bob Richards, DTLR, Zone 3/23, Great Minster House, London,**

SW1P 4DR. Tel: 020 7944 2979.
<http://www.nationalcyclingstrategy.org.uk>

Email: Bob.Richards@dtlr.gsi.gov.uk ;

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SECTION 64 GRANTS TO SUPPORT THE VOLUNTARY SECTOR

Section 64 grants are the Department of Health's main funding support to voluntary organisations. Grants may be awarded to voluntary organisations in England whose activities support the Department of Health's policy objectives relating to health and personnel social services. The scheme opened for grant applications from 1st August 2002 onwards.

Contact: <http://www.doh.gov.uk/sect64/grants.htm>

GOAL DIGGERS CHARITABLE TRUST

Goaldigger Grants are available for schemes which provide or improve hard surface football Kickabout areas for children and young people. Currently, the Trustees are focussing on five-a side and hard surfaced Kickabout areas where the primary use is football. Trust funds have been raised specifically for football. If other uses such as basketball are proposed for the area, clarification should be given to demonstrate that priority usage will be football. The Trust welcomes applications from voluntary organisations in England and Wales which are registered charities. **Contact :** "The Goal Diggers Trust" on 020 7833 5360

LIVING SPACES

Living Spaces is a grants scheme involving the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister, Groundwork & The Urban Parks Forum in association with The Civic Trust, The Experience Corps, The Federation of City Farms & Community Gardens and The Wildlife Trusts. It provides grants to help people improve open spaces in their neighbourhood and create valuable places for the whole community to enjoy. It can help create and improve a huge range of spaces including:

- play areas, - community gardens, - local parks, - village greens, - nature areas, - kick-about areas, - ponds, -courts and squares, - city farms.

The scheme will support projects of all shapes and sizes from small to large scale improvements. Any existing neighbourhood group anywhere in England can apply for grants between **£1,000 and £100,000**. A Group does **not** have to be registered charity.

Any kind of outdoor space can be considered for a grant as long as it is:

- open to the public most of the time
- within two miles of a residential area
- **not** a formal sports pitch

Contact: Living Spaces, PO Box 2014, Reading, RG4 7XU; TEL: 0845 600 3190;
e-mail info@living-spaces.org.uk; Website: www.living-spaces.org.uk

CITIZENCONNECTION.NET – COMMON PURPOSE'S WEBSITE

This website has a very useful and comprehensive section on fundraising. It includes:

- funding news
- sources of funding
- good practice
- projects plans
- funders on the web
- jargon buster

<http://www.citizenconnection.net/getting-funded>

TUDOR TRUSTS GRANTS

The Tudor Trust is launching new guidelines and re-opening to general applications. They will still remain a generalist trust, funding across the social welfare field in the UK. From 1st April 2006 they will be introducing a 2 stage application process that must be used by all applicants.

For grants in **2005/2006** (01/04/05 to 31/03/06), the Trust will only consider applications from organisations which were awarded a grant by the Tudor Trust in the previous five years (to qualify, the grant commitment letter must be dated on or after 1 April 2000).

Contact:- Tudor Trust, 7 Ladbrooke Grove, London W11 3BD. Tel: 020 7727 8522

Website: www.tudortrust.org.uk (for information of current priorities and exclusions)

DEPARTMENT FOR TRANSPORT, LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND THE REGIONS (DLTR) – SPECIAL GRANTS PROGRAMME (SGP)

This programme supports voluntary and community sector organisations carrying out work in England relevant to the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister (ODPM)'s urban policy objectives. It is a £2 million fund supporting work by voluntary and community organisations to try out diverse ways of involving people in improving the quality of life in towns and cities, so that we can learn what works and promote this learning more widely.

The SGP actively seeks to promote race equality and diversity across the five themes of urban policy. Applications are encouraged from black and minority ethnic and other excluded groups to enable them to deliver outputs which ensure the integration of race equality and diversity into all urban policy.

Two different types of funding may be applied for:

(a) Strategic funding will initially be awarded for 5 years, with a review after 3 years to determine whether the funding will be extended beyond 5 years. It will be paid to organisations who can demonstrate longer-term benefit to urban policy from the receipt of core funding to carry out their normal programmes of work. Applications must demonstrate how the organisation's usual programme of work will be expanded, or refocussed in order to deliver outputs of particular interest to the department.

(b) (i) Project funding can be for up to 3 years to deliver a specific programme of work.

Project funding may also include a year of capacity building as stated in (ii) below.

(ii) Development funding will be paid to an organisation as part of a work programme which will include an element of capacity building for the organisation itself. This will involve an initial year of structured capacity building as part of a longer project. The typical grant size **(for b)** is **£100,000** over a 3 year period.

Contact: Mumuna Shallow, Tel: 020 7944 3724; E-mail: mumuna.shallow@odpm.gsi.gov.uk or Priti Varu, Tel: 020 7944 3726; E-mail: priti.varu@odpm.gsi.gov.uk; Website: <http://www.urban.odpm.gov.uk/community/sgp/index.htm>

BBC CHILDREN IN NEED APPEAL

This Fund welcomes applications for good quality, carefully planned, projects which show a clear focus on children in order to change their lives for the better.

These applications can be from: self-help groups; voluntary organisations; or Registered charities. Applicants should be properly constituted, non-profit organisations. The children they help must be aged 18 years and under, and live in the United Kingdom. Organisations should only apply for a grant, if it will benefit children who are disadvantaged by: any kind of disability; behavioural or psychological problems; living in poverty or situations of deprivation; illness, distress, abuse or neglect.

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Groups who have an element of **sport** or **play** in their work with children and young people **may** qualify for funding from the BBC Children in Need Appeal. The first deadline in 2005 for applications for funding is 30th March.

Contact : BBC Children in Need Appeal (Central Office), PO Box 76, London, W3 6FS. TEL : 020 8576 7788. or BBC Children in Need (North East Office), Tel : 0113 224 7155. E-mail: pudsey@bbc.co.uk; Website: www.bbc.co.uk/pudsey/apply

SPORT RELIEF UK PROGRAMME

Sport Relief is a fundraising initiative run by Comic Relief and BBC Sport. The programme aims to support projects which use Sport, activities and games to work with young people up to the age of 25 to tackle tensions and divisions within their local communities. It will **not** fund general youth work or sporting activities; applicants will need to show how their work aims to address **community tension**. The grants programme is about how the power of sport can be utilised and play a major role in working with young people to promote greater understanding and respect; and make it easier to cross social divides and change attitudes.

The programme **will** support projects using sport to **alleviate** racial tension, gang violence, sectarianism or territorialism. It wishes to assist projects which are run and managed by the local community and which will be using sport as a way of **making change**, rather than an end in itself. Applicants will need to identify the tension which exists in their local community and show how the work they are doing will help to tackle this. Additionally, they will have to demonstrate how young people have been consulted and involved in the project.

Sport Relief are likely to give **significant** contributions to a smaller number of projects and evaluate the difference they make, rather than fund lots of small grants.

Applications are only accepted from voluntary organisations and self-help groups; and these groups must have a constitution. All work funded must be **charitable**. Therefore groups applying must either be registered charities or the work the group is planning must have charitable aims. In this **latter case**, a group can then be funded through a registered charity who have agreed to hold the money for them. Sport Relief **cannot** fund statutory authorities. The Programme may consider requests from community groups working in partnership with statutory bodies, provided the request comes directly from the community group.

It is unlikely that the programme will fund large capital projects. Most funding will be given for revenue costs, although capital items such as office or sports equipment will be funded. There is **no** minimum or maximum grant amounts. It is unlikely that grants from the Fund will be made for **less than £10,000** per year. Projects can apply for up to **5 years** funding, although the grant is likely to be reduced in the last two years of such projects.

There is a **two stage** application process. Sport Relief will shortlist applications for stage 2 based upon the "**Summary Form**", which all applicants fill in at stage 1 of the process. There are **two cycles** to the grant process during **2003**. Groups must return their stage 1 "Summary Forms" either by **24 January 2003** or by **20 June 2003**.

Contact: UK Grants Team: Sport Relief, Comic Relief, 5th Floor, 89 Albert Embankment, London, SE1 7TP. TEL : 020 7820 5555; FAX : 020 7820 5500; MINICOM :020 7820 5579; E-MAIL : ukgrants@comicrelief.org.uk

THE B&Q 'YOU CAN DO IT' AWARDS

The B & Q Awards aim to regenerate local areas, giving new life to buildings and landscapes used by local community organisations. Over the past eight years, the UK's leading DIY retailer has

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already donated almost £1/2 million to charities/community projects in these national awards and this year will award a further £100,000 worth of products between 20 projects across the country.

This year the B&Q 'You Can Do It' Community Awards are offering twenty community and charity projects across the country the opportunity to receive £5,000 (8,000 Euros) worth of B&Q materials, to help transform their premises. Each of the twenty winning projects will receive up to £5000 (8,000 Euros) worth of materials from B&Q. No cash alternative is available. Community groups, voluntary organisations and charities are eligible to apply.

Projects must only require renovation and refurbishment, not construction. Planning permission, building regulations and change of use of any building should be checked through your local authority before application. Work involving any of the above must be highlighted in the application form.

Projects should not involve the purchase of land or building and work must be completed by the 19 September 2004. Product purchases after this date will not be allowed. Projects involving horticultural work or cosmetic construction work (e.g. re-plastering) are acceptable. Projects must not involve major building but can involve electrical or plumbing work that includes new fittings, such as sinks and lavatories.

The 2005 deadline date is 18th March. The winners are announced in June 2005.

Contact: B & Q You Can Do It Awards, PO Box 53, Heckmondwike, West Yorkshire. WF15 8YY. Tel: 0845 300 1001; Web-site: www.diy.com

BERNARD SUNLEY CHARITABLE FOUNDATION

The Bernard Sunley Charitable Foundation was established in 1960.

The object of the Foundation is to apply its income in, "giving grants.....as the Trustees in their absolute discretion may select".

The Foundation does not publish specific areas of interest in order to maintain a broad spectrum of charitable giving. Grants usually fall into particular categories including "Community", "Youth", "Health", "Leisure", "Welfare" & "Education".

There is no limit set on the size of grants. They can range from single payments of between £200 to £5,000 to grants made, in exceptional circumstances, through a number of payments which may total over £100,000.

Grants made by the Foundation do not necessarily require match funding. The grant given may be used as match funding for a project and, if match funding is required, this may be in the form of a grant from another organisation or, volunteer time.

Registered charities including schools in the United Kingdom can apply. Individuals cannot apply to the Foundation. Applications must be made in the form of a covering letter to the Director of the Foundation:

**Contact: Dr Brian Martin, Bernard Sunley Charitable Foundation, 20 Berkley Square, London, W1J 6LH. Tel: (020) 7408 2198; Fax: (020) 7499 5859
E-mail: asstdirbsunleycharfund@ukgateway.net**

THE DICKIE BIRD FOUNDATION

The foundation was established by Dickie Bird in March 2004 . The vision of the Foundation is to assist financially disadvantaged young people under 18 years of age to participate, to the best of their ability, in the sport of their choice irrespective of their social circumstances, culture or ethnicity and to ensure that, in doing so, they improve their chances both inside and outside sport.

The Foundation's objective is to provide or assist the provision of facilities which enable young people in schools, universities and other educational establishments, local clubs and community groups to participate in sporting activities in the interests of healthy recreation or the advancement of physical education..

The Foundation's fervent hope is that, through the efforts and the grants they make, more young people will be able to access sport and fulfill their ambitions as sportsmen whilst at the same time improving their prospects in life.

Individuals, school groups, clubs, university/college sporting society or sports associations who meet the criteria of the Foundation can apply. Every application will be given fair and equal consideration. Individuals or the whole of a group whom an applicant makes a grant bid on behalf of must be under 18 years of age at the time of application. Individuals will need to find two independent referees to support their application. Anyone representing a group, will need to be a current officer of the group (e.g. a Chairman or Secretary).

Individuals or groups will only be considered for a grant if they are unable to raise the necessary finance required as a result of impoverished circumstances. It will be necessary to demonstrate that circumstances are such that the applicant is unable to raise the finance necessary through any other means.

Contact: The Dickie Bird Foundation, Jefferson House, Orchard lane, Guiseley, Leeds LS20 9HZ. Tel: 01943 873482

Email: info@thedickiebirdfoundation.org

Website: www.thedickiebirdfoundation.org

Co-op GROUP – COMMUNITY DIVIDEND SCHEME

Grants are available through the Co-operative Group's "Community Dividend Scheme" to fund special projects, new equipment and general activity – you will need to check which areas covered.

Around £100,000 is available annually to support worthy causes in the region. Applications are sought from charities and voluntary organisations in the vicinity of Co-op stores. The scheme aims to help communities to help themselves by providing local groups committed to enhancing community life with grants, ranging from £100 to £5000.

It is part of the Co-operative Group's popular Dividend customer loyalty card scheme, which offers cardholders cash back on every pound spent in-store. Payments are made twice a year in full pounds with shoppers given the option of rolling over the spare pennies to the next payment or donating them to the Community Dividend fund for distribution to local worthy causes.

Local Co-op members allocate the awards based on principles such as self-help, social responsibility and caring for others; which apply to many organisations from environmental and animal welfare to those involved with children and the disabled. Projects which provide equipment, a physical benefit to a group or training and education have been funded. Priority is given to projects which target disadvantaged groups or areas within the community and which seek to address community issues such as health, safety or poverty relief and which show imagination in its approach.

The Co-op is committed to returning resources to the communities it serves. It has always supported large numbers of charities and community groups but with the help of its shoppers it is now able to make a greater contribution which it hopes will be of real and lasting value to local

communities.

Contact: The Co-op's Northern Region membership team; Tel: 0161 246 2224/13; Website: www.co-op.co.uk/community dividend ; Alternatively leaflets are available in local Co-operative Group stores.

BARCLAYS – SPACES FOR SPORT

Barclays Spaces for Sports is a **£30 million** investment in community sports facilities in the UK. In partnership with the Football Foundation and Groundwork, they intend to create over 300 new spaces for sports over the next three years. Additional funding, support and expertise will help communities enjoy these spaces for years to come.

Barclays Spaces for Sports is the single biggest investment in grassroots sport by a private company ever in the UK. It focuses on regeneration and sports, creating sustainable sports sites for people to engage in sport and physical activities in areas without such facilities.

Barclays aim to make a lasting difference to UK communities, to bring them closer together and to make a positive impact and a genuine contribution.

Barclays have a history of investing in community sport and regeneration. They have over nine years experience in creating new community spaces with a previous investment of £8 million with Groundwork; transforming derelict and underused land into over 800 vibrant spaces for the community.

Three years ago, the company developed “Barclaycard Free Kicks” in partnership with the Football Foundation investing £4 million in grassroots football. They provided kit and equipment to over 1200 deserving teams and groups, and supported the FA Premier League clubs' community projects, which involved 120,000 young people.

Building on the success of these programmes, **Barclays Spaces for Sports** will fund the development of sporting facilities and ensure that they are maintained and enjoyed by all for years to come.

Together with their charity partners, Groundwork and the Football Foundation (who will also contribute to the scheme), and in consultation with local communities, Barclays will identify over **100** spaces for funding from Barclays Spaces for Sports **every year**.

They intend to help local communities transform neglected land into the sporting facilities they want - from a skateboard park to a football pitch or multi use games area. They will also provide initial revenue funds, supply equipment and offer expert assistance to groups to establish sporting activity on these sites. Most importantly they will ensure they get expert guidance on building sustainability plans for the site. This will give each project the kick start it needs and ongoing support to ensure local people benefit from the space well into the future.

Along with the Football Foundation and Groundwork, Barclays are already working with communities to identify areas and projects that can benefit from Barclays Spaces for Sports.

The charity partners will be identifying and selecting all the spaces for sports from **December 2004**.

Contact: For groups who have any questions about the local sites, is the Barclays Spaces for Sport Project Team at Groundwork; Tel: 0121 236 8565.

Spaces for Sports is **not** just about creating new facilities. Barclays will continue to help young teams in most need of their support across the country by providing them with a **Barclays**

Spaces for Sports coaching kit worth £750. This is a pack of coaching equipment and clothing, which can be used for a variety of team sports. The kits have everything a team needs for coaching, including t-shirts, fleeces, cones, whistles, training bibs, water bottles, ball pump, stop watches, Baseball caps, Coach's jacket, Coach's clipboard, First aid kit, Team bag and tote bags

Barclays are providing **1200 coaching packs** per year, donating them to teams and groups who have the greatest need, targeting disadvantaged areas in the UK.

**Contact: The Football Foundation; Tel: 0800 0274221;
e-mail: enquiries@spacesforsports.org.uk**

LLOYDS TSB FOUNDATION

The Lloyds TSB Foundation for England and Wales, provide grants and support to clubs holding charitable status. The Foundation has published its regional priorities for 2005. These vary from region to region and are of key importance to charitable organisations wishing to apply to the Foundation for regional or local projects. The Lloyds TSB Foundation for England and Wales is one of the UK's largest grant-making trusts. In particular, grants are provided to under-funded charities that work to improve the lives of people in local communities, especially those who are disadvantaged or disabled.

Contact: The Yorkshire Regional Office, Lloyds TSB Bank, St Helens Square, York, YO1 8QW. Tel: (01904) 628200.

E-mail: guidelines@lloydstsbfoundations.org.uk

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

CHARLES HAYWARD FOUNDATION (UK)

The Charles Hayward Foundation makes grants of up to £20,000 to charitable organisations in the UK. It supports a wide range of community and social welfare initiatives, including, helping young people at risk, support for those with physical and learning disabilities, improving the local environment, victim support services & the rehabilitation of offenders, the elderly and the provision of community facilities such as community centres & village halls. Applications can be made at any time.

Contact: Website <http://www.charleshaywardfoundation.org.uk/>

YEAR OF THE VOLUNTEER 2005 - SMALL GRANTS PROGRAMME

Volunteering England, in partnership with BitC, The Media Trust, TimeBank and Youth Action Network, Youthnet, are distributing small grants in order to enable and encourage more people to participate in the Year by taking action to address the needs of their own communities.

2005 small grants aim to support local people to put their own ideas into action.

The funding for small grants has been made available by the Home Office as part of the Year of the Volunteer 2005 initiative.

It is to fund activities that are conceived, owned and delivered by individuals or groups of individuals. 2005 small grants are not intended to fund organisations to do their own work, but instead to support:

- individual people or informal groups of people (e.g. a group of work colleagues) to deliver an activity which will meet the needs of their local community **OR**

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- formal groups of people (e.g. self-help groups; parents groups; residents groups etc) to work together to deliver activities or projects which meet their needs and the needs of their local communities **OR**
- not-for-profit organisations (e.g. registered charities, schools, community development organisations) to work with local people and/or service users to help them put their own ideas into action.

All activities should:

- be owned, managed and delivered by local people and
- must aim to involve other local people in its delivery
- benefit the local community.

Grants of £500 - £1,500 will be available to individual people or informal groups of people (e.g.: a group of work colleagues) to organize a project or activity in their area which will make a difference to their community

Grants of £1,000 - £4,000 will be available to formal groups and societies (e.g.: parent's groups) and not-for-profit organizations (e.g.: registered charities; schools) to support individual people to organize their own project or activity

Grants of up to £6,000 are available to consortia of groups or organizations that want to work in partnership with each other to support individual people to organize their own project or activity

The Deadlines for submitting an application form are:

9 March, 20 April, 1 June, 13 July, 24 August, 5 October, 2005

An application form and supporting information will be issued by post, if an A4 stamped addressed envelope together with 42p of stamps is sent to the following contact address.

Contact: Small Grants, Volunteering England, Regents Wharf, 8 All Saints Street, London, N1 9RL Website: <http://www.volunteering.org.uk/missions.php?id=935>

UKVILLAGES COMMUNITY KITTY

This 'kitty' from 'UKVillages online' - the online directory of local information on villages, parishes, communities, towns and cities - awards grants of between £50 - £500 for small local community projects .

The kitty has been supporting small community projects since its inception in April 2001. To date they have supported various projects across the UK ranging from a knitting circle, to a playgroup needing toys, sports equipment for cubs, and support for several village halls and playing field committees, as well as a number of heritage projects.

The following is a list of potential community projects, which would be eligible for funding under this programme:

- ❖ Playgroups / Playgrounds initiatives
- ❖ Community / Village Halls projects
- ❖ Environment programmes
- ❖ Old peoples needs or causes
- ❖ Young People or Youth initiatives
- ❖ Fetes / Festivals
- ❖ The funding of technology for local usage
- ❖ Local heritage organisations activities

There are certain general exclusions from the UKVillages Community Kitty including:

- political, religious or military organisations (ex-service charities may be supported in some cases)
- overseas charities (although a funds collection service is available where appropriate, e.g. Health Unlimited)
- sponsorship of individuals
- arts sponsorship;
- third-party funding (donations to a person or organisation for onward transmission to a charity)
- general NHS funding

The project must be identifiable - UKVillages will not offer grants to cover running costs.

The Kitty has a straightforward on-line application process, one page only.

Contact: Website: <http://www.ukvillages.co.uk/articles.nsf/content/ukvkitty>

ARGOS

Argos focuses on charities and groups that help young people get the best opportunities in life, for better health, education and environment – especially projects that offer support to local communities in both the UK and the Republic of Ireland.

The criteria that they use when deciding to provide support is as follows:

- ❖ Support is only given to registered charities and non-profit making organisations
- ❖ The charities supported must focus on children in the areas of health related issues, education, disadvantaged groups, or improve environment conditions
- ❖ Applications by charities or non-profit groups are restricted to one per year. National charities are restricted to requests from their head office only.

All charitable requests must be made using the “Argos Charitable Donation Application Form”.

Contact: Website: www.argos.co.uk

TAX EXEMPTION

The 2002 budget included **two** provisions to benefit Community Amateur Sports Clubs (CASC's).

Firstly improved **Charity Commission guidance** to enable more sports clubs to apply to the “Charity Commission” to obtain **”registered charitable status”**, and thus obtain the beneficial tax treatment that accrues from it **including:**

- ❖ 80% mandatory rate relief (with the remaining 20% at the discretion of local authorities)
- ❖ relief on gifts of land and buildings
- ❖ relief on gifts of shares
- ❖ payroll giving
- ❖ disposals assets exempt from capital gains tax
- ❖ gift aid on individual donations
- ❖ gift aid on company donations
- ❖ inheritance tax relief on gifts
- ❖ gifts of assets on no-gain, no-loss basis for capital gains
- ❖ business relief on gifts of trading stock

Contact : 0870 333 0123 or www.charitycommission.gov.uk

Secondly a specifically designed Inland Revenue **tax relief package** for CASC's has been set up for those which cannot, or do not wish to, obtain charitable status. It is available to CASC's that::

- are open to the whole community
- are organised on an amateur basis
- have as their main purpose providing facilities for, and promoting participation in one or more eligible sports

The **tax relief package** will give the CASC's **many** of the benefits enjoyed by charities (outlined above) and provide some **incentives** for **individuals** to support their local CASC through donations. CASC's will enjoy **exemption** from:-

- ✓ Corporation tax on interest
- ✓ Corporation tax on any trading income (including fundraising income) up to £15,000
- ✓ Corporation tax on income from property (rent) up to £10,000
- ✓ Capital gains tax on disposals of assets

Donors to CASC's will be able to give using the following **reliefs**:-

- Gift Aid for individuals
- Inheritance tax
- Gifts of assets to a CASC on a no gain/no loss basis for capital gains purposes for both individuals and businesses
- Gifts of trading stock and plant and machinery by businesses

CASC's will be required to provide annual accounts to the Inland Revenue on request and will be subject to audit. Full guidance for CASC's on how to take advantage of the new Government tax package for local sports clubs and how to register with the Inland revenue, is available on the Inland Revenue Website:- **Contact** : <http://www.inlandrevenue.gov.uk/casc/index.htm>

Also in the **2002 Budget**, an allocation of **£20 million** was made (from the **Capital Modernisation Fund** in **2003-04**) for the renovation and improvement of community sports facilities. **Sport England** will distribute this £20 million investment.

Information on both the above options and related issues are on a Sport England Information Sheet: **Contact**: <http://www.sportengland.org/taxbreaks.htm> or alternatively visit the **Central Council for Physical Recreation Website** on <http://www.ccpr.org.uk>

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