

Kingsley Community Fund

The Kingsley Community Fund was established in 2017, from the proceeds of the sale of the former youth and community centre. The aims of the fund are broadly in line with the remit of the youth and community centre, that being to support the community of the parish of Kingsley, with a strong preference towards children and young people.

About Grants from the Kingsley Community Fund

There are two tiers of funding available from the Kingsley Community Fund.

- The first tier is for grants up to £1000, and applications can be made directly from this page.
- The second tier is for grants up to £20,000, but before applying you must first contact the Community Foundation on 01785 339540. Applications will not be accepted if you have not first discussed your project with us.

These grants will be awarded to organisations who provide facilities or services for people in the parish of Kingsley, (with a strong preference towards children and young people). The aim is to enhance the provision of service and to help make organisations more efficient, to improve the scope of their provision, or to provide facilities to the local community.

We would prefer to fund capital projects, (work on buildings and equipment), as opposed to revenue expenses and running costs, unless your project involves an extension to a pre-existing service. For projects that are seeking more funding than £1000 we would expect to see business plans, community consultation documents, evidence that your project could be successful, (rather than solely anecdotal evidence), and, if your project is for work on a building or piece of land, we would expect to see architectural plans and permission for development.

We would like any grant received from us to be worth at least 33% of the overall project value. For larger projects you would need to show evidence that you had secured any other necessary funding before any funding is released from this fund.

Eligible organisations

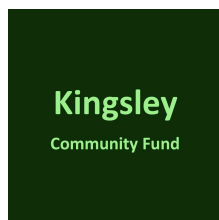
This programme is able to consider applications from:

- Constituted community groups
- Constituted voluntary groups
- Registered Charities
- Social Enterprises

Who We Are Not Able to Support

This fund will not offer funding to the following organisations;

- Non-constituted community groups
- Non-constituted voluntary groups
- Organisations that cannot demonstrate that they have been established for at least 12 months
- Organisations that do not have a proven track record of service delivery
- Statutory organisations
- Limited companies, sole traders or partnerships without charitable aims



Geographical Reach

Staffordshire Moorlands, (but only those based in the parish of Kingsley)

Beneficiaries We Can Support

In order to qualify for a grant from this scheme your project must be supporting the following types of beneficiary;

- People resident in the parish of Kingsley in the Staffordshire Moorlands
- A strong preference towards children and young people

Projects We Would Like to Support

Your project must meet one of the following criteria:

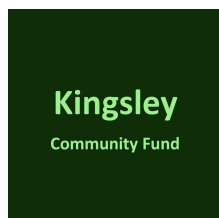
- Increase or enhance your current service provision
- Make your organisation more efficient, more sustainable or more resilient
- Be used to improve facilities for your service users
- Be used to provide facilities that will benefit the people of Kingsley, (with a strong preference towards children and young people)

Eligible Costs

- Equipment costs
- Capital costs
- Training costs
- Core costs
- Event costs
- One off project costs

Ineligible Costs

- Funding towards **religious projects** or projects that promote religion. Projects delivered by faith-based organisations will be considered, as long as the services they provide are available to people of all faiths or no faith
- **Political campaigning** activities specific to any one party, including participation in political demonstrations, support of a political party, or the issuing of material which supports or opposes a particular party or government
- **Statutory bodies or provision**, including towards the provision of core statutory services or services that carry out a statutory responsibility
- **Retrospective funding**, where the project has already occurred or for goods and services which have already been ordered or purchased prior to funding being approved
- **Less than 33%** of the whole project cost



Grant amount

To apply for a grant of up to £1,000 please submit an application using our online application facility. You can attach your supporting documents to the application.

Applications for more than £1,000 will not be accepted unless you have first contacted the Community Foundation for Staffordshire and Shropshire and discussed your project with us. You can contact us on 01785 339540.

Duration of projects

Organisations have 12 months to fully deliver the project

Monitoring

You will be required to submit end of grant reporting, which will include details on your impact and your spend. You will be asked to provide evidence of expenditure, so please keep all invoices and receipts.

Supporting documents required

The following documents must be provided with your application forms. If you fail to provide these documents, your application will not be considered for funding. All documents should be submitted at the time of the application:

- A copy of your **governing document**; aligning with your work, which must have a dissolution clause to protect any grant award in the event of closure.
- A copy of your most **recent accounts**; audited or independently examined- if your organisation is not required to have these, a income and expenditure record or financial forecast will be acceptable.
- A recent **bank statement**; this must be in the name of the group applying, dated within the last 3 months and clearly showing the account number and sort code. Partnership working with another organisation who can act as treasurer can be considered for those groups without a bank account.
- A copy of your **safeguarding policy**
- A copy of your **equality and diversity / equal opportunities policy**