

Meridian Water

Community Chest Webinar

Wednesday 30 April 2025

Welcome and Overview

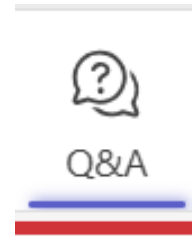
The session today will cover

- An overview of the Community Chest Fund
- Details on how to apply
- Timelines



Asking Questions

- There is an option on the screen for “Q&A”
- You can click on this button and then enter your question
- We will try to respond to questions during the presentation, however the focus today is on the process itself and not individual application questions



An Overview of the Fund

- The purpose of the Meridian Water Community Chest Grant is to support not-for-profit groups or organisations to deliver a community benefit in one or all three of the Edmonton Wards
 - Lower Edmonton
 - Upper Edmonton
 - Edmonton Green



An Overview of the Fund

- The benefits should fall within the following categories:
 - Improving a physical area within a community
 - Improving opportunities for local people
 - Improving life chances for young people
 - Addressing health inequalities.



An Overview of the Fund

Example projects could include:

- Improve a physical area within a community:
 - Address security and crime, improve the look and feel of local streets, adapt an area to consider climate change.
- Improve an opportunity for local people particularly around employment:
 - Address equality, diversity and inclusion, consider projects that assist with employment and skills issues or language barriers

An Overview of the Fund

Example projects could include:

- Improve life chances for young people:
 - Consider after school and homework clubs, work experience and placements, paid internships, enhanced and diversified education provision.
- Address health inequalities:
 - Extend health and wellbeing provision, healthy eating / exercise classes

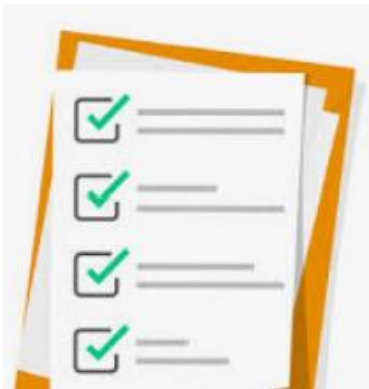
An Overview of the Fund



- There are 2 categories of application
 - Small Grant – up to £10,000
 - Large Grant – over £10,000 and up to £60,000
- To be eligible you must be a not-for-profit organisation / charity / group
- All applications need to provide a terms of reference, company bank details and a safeguarding policy if applicable.

Details of How to Apply

- The link to the application webforms is on the Meridian Water website, <https://www.meridianwater.co.uk/apply-now-to-community-chest-round-2/>
- You will be asked questions broken down into the following categories
 - Personal Details of applicant
 - Project Details



You will also be asked to attach supporting evidence

Details of How to Apply


- Personal Details
 - Name and Type of Organisation
 - Contact name and details
 - Company registration / charity reference
 - Details of any other funding received

Personal details

Name of organisation *

Type of organisation *

Contact name

Contact address *
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Contact number *The number must be 11 characters long and include the country area code, for the UK it is +44.*

Email address *

Company registration / Registered charity reference / OFSTED reference if applicable

Has this organisation received any other Council Grant funding for this project? *
☐ Yes
☐ No

Details of How to Apply

- Project Details
 - Project Title
 - Project Description
 - Under which theme does the project fall
 - How many local residents will benefit
 - How much are you asking for
 - Details of other funding sources

Project details

Project title *

Project description * Explain your project, its goals, benefits to Edmonton Wards, and set out how you will deliver it. Include details on community involvement, who will oversee the project, and how you are considering public liability insurance in your budget ask.

1500 character limit

Under which theme does this project fall?

Please tick all those that apply

☐ Physical improvements to an area

☐ Employment and skills

☐ Young people

☐ Health and wellbeing

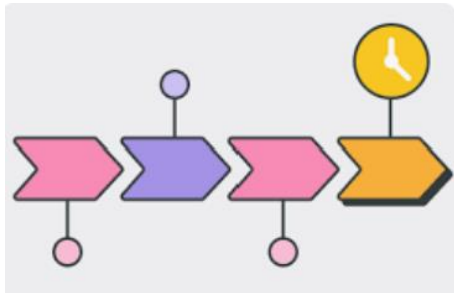
Approximately how many local Edmonton residents will benefit from your project?

How much money are you asking for? Please note: Small grant awards are for amounts up to £10,000

Please enter numeric d

Details of How to Apply

- Project Details
 - Budget breakdown
 - Project timelines
 - Project Purpose



Details of How to Apply

- Supporting Evidence
 - Terms of reference / annual report / group constitution (applicants can be individuals working together as a local group as long as they have evidence of a 'terms of reference' for their group)
 - Company bank details
 - Safeguarding policy (if applicable)



Details of How to Apply

- Terms and Conditions
 - Promotional activities
 - All work and payments must conclude by March 31 2026

Terms and conditions *

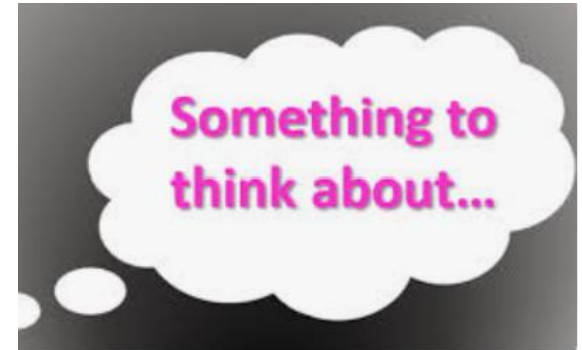
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Things to Think About

- Sell your project
 - What will it achieve
 - How many people will it help
 - Who is going to oversee it
- How much money are you asking for
 - What is the money for
 - Consider Venue hire
 - Insurance



Things to Think About

- Timelines
 - How long will it take
 - Must complete by 31 March 2026
- What is the overall purpose
 - Which Wards will it help
 - Are there long-term benefits



Things to Think About

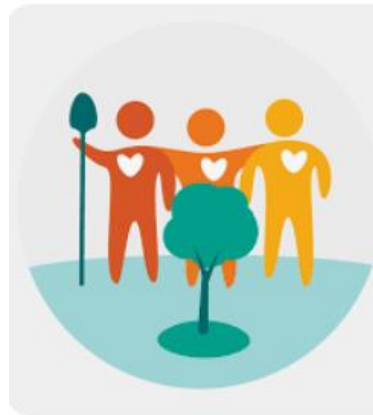
- In the previous round 10 small grant applicants were awarded for projects including:
 - £2,500 to take 26 Edmonton children on a trip to the Peak District
 - £2,500 for playground signage to support language development
 - £1,000 for equipment including board games, Wi-fit computer accessories and camping gear

Things to Think About

- In the previous round 9 large grant applicants were awarded for projects including:
 - The design and creation of a mural in the Edmonton Underpass at £10,445
 - Long term loan of Bikes and Cycle Training at £40,525
 - Provision of free weekly performance classes for isolated and disabled Edmonton residents at £18,299

Things to Think About

- Doesn't have to be huge to make a difference
- Spend should help the community



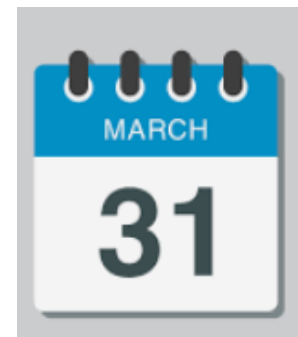
Timelines and Conditions

- The application period is now open
- The deadline for applying is Tuesday 27 May 2025
- A panel comprised of Councillors and Officers will review all eligible applications and decide on the outcome
- We aim to inform all applicants by the end of August 2025



Timelines and Conditions

- If you are successful, we will liaise with you to organise the contract signing and payment of your award in September.
- You will receive:
 - Three quarters once all paperwork is in place
 - The final quarter at the end of the project
 - Evidence of expenditure
 - Monitoring visit
- All work must be completed and payments made by 31 March 2026



Timelines and Conditions

- Your project must take place between September 2025 and 31 March 2026
- We cannot accept any applications that are not within these dates
- Please consider this within your application



Timelines and Conditions

- It is a condition of the award that successful applicants will be required to promote the project and acknowledge the Council's funding.
- This must be included in the promotion of both the project and the work including photos / physical outputs.
- The Council will need to be kept informed about the progress of the project.
- Successful bids will be published by the Council with projects tracked through their lifespan and further promotion and Public Relations undertaken.
- A monitoring and reporting schedule will be set out in full in the grant agreement for successful applicants.

Things to Note

- All applications must benefit the residents in one of more of the Edmonton Wards
- Your organisation can be based elsewhere, however the delivery and benefits must be seen in Edmonton.
- Funding is limited and every application will be considered on its individual merits.
- Successful applicants may not receive the full amount requested - please think about how you could complete your project if you do not receive the full amount.

Things to Note

- You can apply for the Meridian Water Community Chest Grant again even if you received funding in the previous round.
- However please be aware that funding is limited and it may be that the panel choose to award a new group / initiative.



Things to Note

- Late applications will not be considered
- Unfortunately there is no appeal process, the decision of the panel is final



Next Steps

- You can apply via the Meridian Water website <https://www.meridianwater.co.uk/apply-now-to-community-chest-round-2/>
- There is a list of “Frequently Asked Questions” on the website
- The Meridian Water Team is contactable at MeridianWater@enfield.gov.uk
- The closing date is Tuesday 27 May 2025, we aim to inform all applicants of the result of their application by the end of August 2025

Thank You