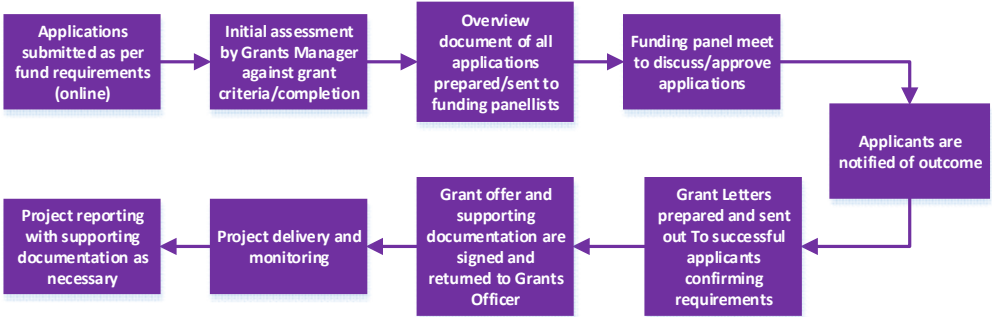




**BARNET COMMUNITY FUND – 2022 MAIN GRANT
ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**

Information Summary	
Total Available	£300,000
Contributors	Barnet Council
Grants size	<p>Organisations are invited to apply for either:</p> <p>Up to £1,000 - via the small award.</p> <p>Or</p> <p>Between £7,000 and £10,000 – via the large award</p>
Eligibility and Geographical Area of Benefit	<p>This fund is open to Voluntary, Community, Faith and Social Enterprise organisations (VCFSE) operating within the London Borough of Barnet.</p> <p>Individuals cannot apply for the grant.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applicants must be a voluntary and community sector organisation, as for example defined by the National Council for Voluntary Organisations: https://data.ncvo.org.uk/profile/voluntary-sector-definition/#:~:text=Voluntarism%3A%20They%20involve%20a%20meaningful,work%20to%20benefit%20the%20community • Applicants must not be one of the excluded types of organisation as outlined in the 'What we won't fund' section • Applicants must have a bank account in the name of the organisation or group which requires at least two joint signatories (who are not related), for all transactions.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applicants must have the necessary systems, policies and procedures in place that fulfil legal requirements e.g. accounts, health and safety, equal opportunities, insurance, safeguarding etc (these requirements will be checked as part of the application process). • All staff working to deliver the project must be DBS checked and organisations must follow strong safeguarding procedures as detailed in their safeguarding policy. • Applicants should already be operating within the London Borough of Barnet, with a track record of local delivery, as this fund is helping to address the impacts of the Cost-of-Living crisis locally and as such applicants will need that local footprint.
<p>Background Information</p>	<p>As part of the community response to COVID-19, Barnet Together set up a BARNET COMMUNITY RESPONSE FUND to support the Voluntary, Community, Faith and Social Enterprise (VCSFE) sector in their work - to support residents within the borough throughout the initial stages of the pandemic. The fund paid 187 grants totalling £122,413 in the period April 2020 – May 2021.</p> <p>As a continuation of the work of the Barnet Together Partnership, it has been decided to continue operating a similar fund, which will now be known as the Barnet Community Fund. As a partnership, we know that the impact of the pandemic has been far reaching, and many areas of the community will need help to start on the road to recovery. This fund is designed as a quick and easy way for community groups and charities operating within the London Borough of Barnet to access the funds they need to support their delivery recovery so that they can offer much needed support to our most vulnerable residents.</p> <p>The fund is being financially administered by Young Barnet Foundation on behalf of the partnership. The funding is being awarded by an independent panel. The Fund is financially supported by Barnet Council and wider stakeholders.</p>
<p>Aim of the Fund</p>	<p>The Main Grant fund is inviting applications for between £7,000 - £10,000 for the Large Award and up to £1,000 for the small award, with a total pot of £300,000 available.</p> <p>A number of existing services are funded by Barnet Council to assist with the Cost of Living Crisis and this fund does not seek to duplicate those existing services.</p> <p>Rather, this fund seeks to work with Voluntary, Community, Faith and Social Enterprise organisations to see where they can provide additional support.</p> <p>This can be in the form of providing support to the following types of projects aimed at supporting the community across Barnet:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meet emerging need • Upscale of an existing project with proven track record to support the community response to the crisis • Develop emotional wellbeing and resilience

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enhance social inclusion • Set up a project which supports residents’ recovery from the pandemic and the current Cost of Living Crisis - e.g. a food cooperative • Local spaces which provide targeted activities and initiatives to residents, specifically warm spaces initiatives as we head into winter. Must have a community space / office if applying for operational support • Warm clothing and school uniform banks for children and families. • Blankets and wellbeing packs for those most in need. • Additional Cost of Living advice and support (Information Advice & Guidance support) • Training volunteers to support residents with basic budgets • The panel will consider applications that are not named above but support residents with the Cost of Living Crisis 		
<p>The purpose of the BCF and Process</p>	<p>The Barnet Community Fund serves as a vehicle to disseminate funding from strategic partners and fundraising initiatives to the VCFSE within Barnet.</p> <p>Applicants are reminded that they can seek support from the Barnet Together* Team when formulating their application. The team are not on the grant panel so it will not be a conflict of interest.</p>  <pre> graph TD A[Applications submitted as per fund requirements (online)] --> B[Initial assessment by Grants Manager against grant criteria/completion] B --> C[Overview document of all applications prepared/sent to funding panellists] C --> D[Funding panel meet to discuss/approve applications] D --> E[Applicants are notified of outcome] E --> F[Grant letters prepared and sent out to successful applicants confirming requirements] F --> G[Grant offer and supporting documentation are signed and returned to Grants Officer] G --> H[Project delivery and monitoring] H --> I[Project reporting with supporting documentation as necessary] </pre> <p>*Barnet Together is a partnership of Young Barnet Foundation, Volunteering Barnet (Groundwork London) and Inclusion Barnet Infrastructure Support. The fund is administratively managed by Young Barnet Foundation and Inclusion Barnet are co-ordinating the project delivery and have a fulltime co-ordinator. Both Young Barnet Foundation (for CYP/Families) and Inclusion Barnet for adults/other, can provide grant application support.</p>		
<p>What we won't fund</p>	<p>Barnet Together’s mission is to support the local VCFSE; therefore, the Grants Panel cannot consider applications for/from the following: -</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="399 1835 1347 1902"> <tr> <td data-bbox="399 1835 917 1902">Sole benefit of individuals.</td> <td data-bbox="917 1835 1347 1902">Bursaries for education (including postgraduate)</td> </tr> </table>	Sole benefit of individuals.	Bursaries for education (including postgraduate)
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	National organisations with no track record of delivery in the Charity's beneficial area	Programmes that fall under PHSE or Citizenship.
	Other grant-giving organisations	Housing Associations
	Core costs for umbrella bodies or second tier organisations	Hospitals, Hospices or Clinical Commissioning Groups
	Political or religious activities (although secular projects by faith groups are welcomed where there is a wider community benefit).	Statutory bodies to fund their normal services or activities (including schools etc).
	Retrospective funding.	Provision of English, Maths and Science teaching in Supplementary Schools
	Continuing or Regular delivery of existing services	Overnight school journeys or trips abroad
	For statutory obligations	General charitable appeals
	Events/activity whose principal aim is to raise funds for other organisations.	Lobbying and campaigning
	Medical care (including rehab) and resources	Endowment funds
	Feasibility studies	Research
	Funding to meet an overspend on a project funded elsewhere.	Telephone helplines
	Projects with a wider scope, supporting beneficiaries who are not based in Barnet	Projects which duplicate existing provision
	Continuing or Regular delivery of existing services	
Application Process	<p>Application will be via an online form, which will be available online at www.youngbarnetfoundation.org.uk/bcf2022maingrant</p> <p>Applicants will be expected to apply for either the Large Award <u>or</u> the Small Award</p> <p>Application form will be available on various partner websites and be accompanied with an Eligibility Criteria and FAQ document.</p> <p>If your organisation has any technical queries regarding submitting your application, then please contact grants@youngbarnetfoundation.org.uk</p> <p>Applicants cannot apply for both the Large and Small Award. They may though be named as secondary partner organisations as well as providing their own application. There is no limit to the number of applications to which an organisation may be a secondary partner organisation. A relevant form must be completed for each application.</p>	

	<p>Applications will be assessed against:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evidence of need • Quality of planning of project, showing proposed delivery • Value for money • Confirmation that Monitoring and Evaluation requirements will be completed including the agreement to provide data along with case studies and quotes
Timings	<p>Open for Applications: Wednesday 26th October 2022</p> <p>Closed for applications: 23:59 Sunday 20th November 2022</p> <p>Panel Meeting: Wednesday 30th November 2022</p> <p>Successful Applicants Notified: Friday 2nd December 2022</p> <p>All dates subject to change.</p>
Grants Panel	<p>An independent Grants Panel with representatives from London Borough of Barnet and the Barnet Together Partnership will be convened to review applications and agree the award of funding.</p>
Awards	<p>The outcome of the application may be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full Grant • Partial Grant • Decline / Not Eligible
Payments	<p>All successful groups must confirm that they have a two-signatory authorisation payment process.</p> <p>Payments will be made 90% up front, with the remaining 10% paid on completion of the final monitoring and evaluation process</p> <p>Terms and Conditions will allow for the recovery of funds for cancellation, failure to complete the project or failure to meet Monitoring and Evaluation requirements.</p>
Monitoring & Evaluation	<p>So that we can show and share the great work that grantees undertake, we require grant recipients to complete a Monitoring & Evaluation return within two weeks of the end of the project.</p> <p>The Monitoring & Evaluation return will request the items below (at a minimum): We will ask you to collect the following quantitative data</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Total number of sessions held

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Total cumulative number of attendees at the project (attendees per session x number of sessions held) • Total number of unique participants • Age range of participants/beneficiaries • Total cumulative number of contact hours • In terms of funding to purchase items, a copy of the invoice will need to be submitted in your M&E returns <p>We will also ask the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We will ask you to outline in fewer than 250 words the key achievement of the project, that could include an anonymised case study. • We will ask for a quote from at least one participant • We will also ask for a quote from at least one session leader • You will be asked to inform us of any pathways or continuation. • We will need you to submit at least one photo of your project (with relevant permission of any beneficiaries in shot) • We will need you to provide copies of receipts where funding has been given for purchase of items to distribute <p>Not all of these will be required for the Small Award.</p> <p>The final 10% of grant will not be paid until the Monitoring & Evaluation has been completed; organisations which do not complete the Monitoring & Evaluation in a timely manner may be precluded from applying for future rounds of the Barnet Community Fund.</p>
Data	Data for applications will be collected by Young Barnet Foundation in line with their privacy policy (available on their website) and they may share information with Barnet Together partners and other partners linked with this project including London Borough of Barnet.
Completion	Successful applicants will have a maximum 12 months to complete, so all M&E responses and end of project reports should be completed by end of December 2023. This will also depend on the amount awarded and timescale of the project.
Terms & Conditions	A full Terms and Conditions document is available, and applicants are recommended to read this before applying.
Change in Significant Event	<p>It is necessary for you to keep Young Barnet Foundation informed of any significant events that will have an impact on the work that we are funding, or on your organisation. <u>Please do not wait until the end of your grant to advise us of these changes.</u></p> <p>You should inform us immediately if any of the following changes occur:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A major organisational change or new policy direction • A change to your organisation’s name or constitution • Significant and unexpected changes to your Trustee board • A severe funding crisis or other threat to the viability of the organisation, including insolvency • A potential merger

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Winding up of the organisation• Any other significant change to your organisation or project.
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End.