



Welcome to Supporting Communities 218th Edition of E-Zine, bringing you Best Practice from the Community Sector; Funding and Training Updates and Policy Developments in Northern Ireland, Great Britain and Republic of Ireland

## Department Publishes Final EQIA Report on Budget Allocations 2023-24 Financial Year

Over 240 individuals and organisations responded to the 12 week consultation providing detailed evidence and insights across all key budget decision areas.

Thanking all respondees, DfC Permanent Secretary Colum Boyle said: “We are operating within an extremely constrained budget allocation and we deeply appreciate the detailed contributions from so many individuals and organisations, representing the diverse interests of the community we serve.

“We acknowledge that many respondents share our views on priorities, particularly for the most vulnerable and at risk in our society. We also share the disappointment and frustration that our budget allocation is falling short of what we consider is needed. The Department has set out in the report a number of mitigations to address issues raised in the EQIA consultation, some of which have already been implemented.”

The Permanent Secretary added: “In broad terms, the measures we set out in the original EQIA will be taken

forward. However, we have identified a number of mitigations, including additional funding for Discretionary Support

Grants; initiatives around Supporting People, Employability and Homelessness. On the last of these, through continued robust financial management, we have been able to allocate an increase of £5m above the 2022-23 level to address demand pressures and the increased cost of temporary accommodation.”

The 2023-24 Budget settlement provided DfC with £861.6m Resource, £216.1m Capital and £25.6m Financial Transactions Capital (FTC).

A summary of the budget decisions is available on the DfC website [here](#).



## Closure of Boiler Replacement Scheme

The Department for Communities has announced the closure of the Boiler Replacement Scheme.

The Scheme, which offered a grant of up to £1,000 for homeowners to replace boilers that are over 15 years old, has ended due to budgetary constraints, and applications will no longer be accepted.

The Department will continue to fund the Affordable Warmth Scheme to help those on lower incomes with the costs of energy efficiency measures. The Northern Ireland Housing Executive (NIHE) will continue to replace boilers for those customers who have already received formal approval. Customers whose applications cannot be processed will be contacted by NIHE.



Free comprehensive advice and support on how to save energy in the home and eligibility for help to improve energy efficiency on assistance is available from the NI Energy Advice Line Service on 0800 111 44 55.

The Boiler Replacement Scheme (BRS) was to help homeowners with the cost of replacing boilers. It was delivered across Northern Ireland on behalf of the Department by the Northern Ireland Housing Executive. The BRS was aimed at homeowners and who have a household gross income less than £40,000 per year and replaced gas, LPG or oil-fired boilers which were at least 15 years old. Between 2012-13 and 2022-23, 48,926 grants were approved amounting to £32.9 million.

## Good Relations Week 2023 - Togetherness is working; a view from the Housing Executive



### Good Relations Week 2023 ran from 18th to 24th September.

During Good Relations Week, the Housing Executive thanked staff and partners who work together to support a range of initiatives right across Northern Ireland to make a difference in communities and neighbourhoods. With dozens of events over the week they celebrated this year's theme of togetherness, the Housing Executive played its part in funding and hosting events with several partner agencies and organisations to build on the strong community relationships already in place.

Jennifer Hawthorne, Director of Housing, said: "The Housing Executive recognised early on the importance of good relations, with the Community Cohesion Unit established in 2004 to deliver the organisation's Good Relations Strategy. As the strategic housing authority in Northern Ireland, we recognised that we had to be more than a landlord.

"It was essential for us to engage with the communities we serve at a grass roots level to better understand how we could work with our tenants and customers to better understand their needs and wants, and any issues they needed help with. Over the last 19 years we have built on these foundations to now working with community groups, organisations social enterprises and charities, creating stronger and better relationships with our tenants, customers and communities.

"We employ over 20 people, including 13 Good Relations Officers – one in each of our area offices across Northern Ireland – to support all our communities, working with over 400 youth and community organisations. As part of our duty under Section 75 to encourage equality and good relations we have invested in our communities and estates – over £525,000 in the last year alone through Community Cohesion programmes. "Evidence shows that for every pound we invest in an area the social return on investment is substantially increased. For example, the 'Making a difference to People & Place' project in the West Winds estate in Newtownards has generated £11.31 for every £1 we have invested.

"This is not profit, but income generation, building social value that directly benefits our communities. This vital funding can support jobs, training opportunities, and the provision of localised services like weekly lunches for older people, breakfast clubs, and critically, help groups in our communities generate match funding from other organisations.

"By encouraging more community groups to become involved, we can work together to assist residents in pursuing initiatives and projects that individually fulfil their needs, for example, garden allotments, community outdoor spaces, men sheds, craft groups, providing training for local people to help them gain employment, family and community events to combat social isolation and improve mental health."

Jennifer added, "Currently we invest 0.3% of rental income to support cohesion activities. When we compare our cohesion spending and benchmark against other housing authorities across the UK and Ireland, we invest almost five times more than any other housing authority. The Continuous Tenant Omnibus Survey (CTOS) 2022 results show that our Housing Community Networks are having a positive impact in local communities. Our research indicates that by consulting with our residents and not just relaying information to them, by co-designing initiatives, we are improving community relations.

"One of the assessors involved with the independent assessment report from Customer Service Excellence (CSE) noted how the '...Community Involvement Strategy 2018-23 continues to be instrumental in your plans to move Northern Ireland forward to a more inclusive society. "Our dedicated staff do important work in our estates and neighbourhoods, and we plan on continuing to improve – work is well underway to redevelop our Cohesion and Involvement strategies which will make our vision clearer and even more customer friendly.

"We look forward to consulting with our customers, partners, communities and the public in the coming months for feedback."

A detailed list of the events that happened for Good Relations Week is listed on the community website:

[Good Relations Week 2023](#)

## NICVA convenes sector-wide meeting with Shadow Secretary of State Hilary Benn



On Thursday 28th September, NICVA convened a sector-wide meeting with the newly appointed Shadow Secretary of State Hilary Benn.

The MP for Leeds Central was appointed to the role in the past month and NICVA were quick to make the connection and arrange for our sector to meet with him and talk about the issues we're facing.

There was a great discussion across a range of topics, including how our sector is funded. Looking at the recent decision by the Department of Health to cut the core grant to organisations and the Labour Party's long-term commitment to the levelling up agenda – particularly the future of the UK Shared Prosperity Fund.

Reflecting the variety and reach of our sector, the conversation also touched on adult education, access to social and health care, the cost of living crisis, a potential Bill of Rights for Northern Ireland, climate change and digital skills.

As well as this, there was a lot of time dedicated to how our sector is dealing with the fact we don't have a functioning executive and the negative impact this is having on groups and organisations every single day.

Following the meeting, our Chief Executive Celine McStravick said: 'It was fantastic to have the Shadow Secretary of State for Northern Ireland come and engage so openly and honestly with NICVA and our wider sector. For our sector to continue to have an impact, we need to build and nurture relationships with politicians and decision makers. Meetings like today's are essential and NICVA are proud to be able to open those doors for the sector.'

'It was a great opportunity to showcase the value and contribution of our sector but we were clear we needed to start being taken seriously as a sector, we need to be seen as an investment and respected as the key part of the machine that keeps Northern Ireland running.'

'Having engagement like this really brings into focus how much our sector is being failed by Stormont not being up and running. As we at NICVA have been saying for a long time: we need a functioning government, and we need one now.'

'We look forward to building on today and working with the Shadow Secretary of State in the future.'

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## Introduction to Digital - What the sector needs and how NICVA can help

NICVA met with digital leaders from across the UK and asked - What is digital? And what can we do to make sure our sector is maximising its potential.

Digital is a term used a lot in our sector but what does it really mean?

This week, as part of our Future Thinking Series' Digital Month, we met with experts from across the UK to talk about digital, what it means, what are its possibilities and what role does NICVA have in supporting our sector to maximise the benefits.



We heard from the authors of the [Wired Up report](#) about the current state of digital awareness and readiness in Northern Ireland.

As well as this, we heard from [SCVO](#) about their long digital journey and how they're supporting the sector in Scotland to be at the forefront of digital thinking and infrastructure.

Finally, we heard from [Catalyst](#), a UK wide digital development network who help organisations in our sector explore digital and maximise their potential.

[You can view the Catalyst slides here](#)

All of our contributors had a range of resources and information to share, all of which we've compiled below in a handy list of links.

NICVA's Robbie Best, Head of Communications, and Sandra Bailie, Head of Organisational Development said: 'It was fantastic to hear the Wired Up? Report and get such a detailed run down on where the sector is sitting with digital at the moment. This kind of information is vital if NICVA is to make an impactful intervention. 'Hearing from SCVO and Catalyst, two undoubted experts at the forefront of this work, was not only a real privilege but also truly inspirational.'

'At NICVA, we pride ourselves in being able to identify and bring these kind of speakers to Northern Ireland and we can't wait to bring even more.'

'The job for us now is to build on this work and to make sure our sector is at the forefront of digital – now, and into the future.'

For more information and to access the presentation materials and background reports, go to; [Introduction to Digital - What the sector needs and how NICVA can help | NICVA](#)

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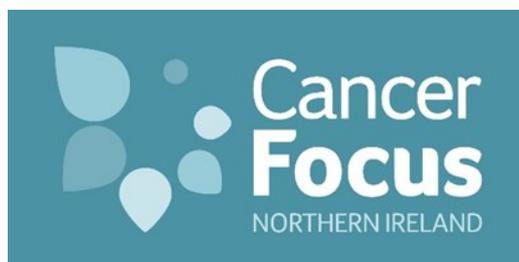
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**Housing  
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## The Keeping Well Service offers the following options:

- 1. Brief Health Checks:**

we provide body composition, blood pressure and blood glucose checks and as appropriate smoking cessation information. Body composition is measured in terms of body weight, muscle mass, body fat percentage, visceral fat reading, basal metabolic rate and body water percentage carried out by a health promotion officer. Each individual will be given an information pack with physical activity and nutritional information and set individual goals. The nurse will talk more specifically about self-examination and general cancer awareness and carry out the CO monitoring, blood pressure and blood sugar checks. Each individual appointment lasts approximately 30mins. We can see up to 16 people in a full day (9.45-3.15pm) and 10 people in a half day. The cost for a full day health checks is £480 or £300 for a half day.
- 2. Body Composition and nutrition review:**

this service provides each client with a body composition check and nutrition review. The service includes one to one 15 minute advice sessions with a health promotion specialist in physical activity followed by a 15 min session with a health promotion specialist in nutrition and diet. Each individual appointment lasts approximately 30mins. We can see up to 16 people in a full day (9.45-3.15pm) and 10 people in a half day. The cost for a full day health checks is £480 or £300 for a half day.
- 3. Quick Fit:**

We can offer body composition checks alone on the van with two health promotion officers carrying out these checks simultaneously. Each individual appointment will last 15 minutes. We can see up to 36 people with this option in a full day or 24 people in a half day. The cost for a full day body composition checks is £360 and £240 for a half day.
- 4. Skin Scanning:**

Our mobile skin scanner allows individuals to see into the deeper layers of their skin to look for evidence of sun damage. Using UV light, damage below the top layer of the skin is revealed and follow up information and advice is provided by an experienced operator on how to enjoy the sun safely in the future whether at home in NI or abroad. The cost of the skin scanner is £100.
- 5. Cancer Prevention Talks:**

the talks that we offer can be aimed at men and women and focus on general cancer prevention messages to begin with. These include smoking, alcohol, physical activity, diet, care in the sun, exposure to chemicals and then focuses specifically on body awareness, testicular and prostate cancer for men and breast awareness for women. The presentation can be adapted to the specific needs of each group and specialist facilitators will bring health promotion props, leaflets & posters to each session. The cost of the talk is usually £100. Fundraising options can be discussed if specific funds are not available.
- 6. Online Webinars:**

We can offer a wide range of webinars that cover topics such as cancer awareness, cancer prevention, healthy lifestyle advice, nutrition & physical activity advice etc. Our webinars are usually £60 each and be delivered live via Zoom or MS Teams.
- 7. Stop Smoking Service:**

Smoking causes 1/3 of all cancer deaths in Northern Ireland and is still our greatest cause of preventable ill health. Our award winning Stop Smoking Service is funded by the PHA and consistently has quit rates over 68% after 4 weeks. The Stop Smoking Service is a free 12 week programme to support individuals who want to quit. We can offer weekly support alongside Nicotine Replacement Therapy.

# Consultations

## Integrated Education Act Action Plan

Department of Education

[Integrated Education Act Action Plan | Department of Education \(education-ni.gov.uk\)](#)

Closing date; 31<sup>st</sup> October 2023

## Statutory Guidance on the Reduction and Management of Restrictive Practices in Educational Settings in NI

Department of Education

[Statutory Guidance on the Reduction and Management of Restrictive Practices in Educational Settings in Northern Ireland | Department of Education \(education-ni.gov.uk\)](#)

Closing date 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2023

## Review of energy efficiency requirements and related areas of Building Regulations

Department of Infrastructure

[Consultation on a review of energy efficiency requirements and related areas of Building Regulations | Department of Finance \(finance-ni.gov.uk\)](#)

Closing date; 19<sup>th</sup> November 2023

## Relationships and Sexuality Education (RSE)

Department of Education

[Relationships and Sexuality Education \(RSE\) Consultation | Department of Education \(education-ni.gov.uk\)](#)

Closing date; 24<sup>th</sup> November 2023

## Throughout 2022-25 the Fundraising Regulator is carrying out a two-year process of reviewing and updating the Code of Fundraising Practice.

The [Code of Fundraising Practice](#) sets out the standards that apply to fundraising carried out by all charitable institutions and third-party fundraisers in the UK. This includes registered charities, exempt charities, organisations employed by charities to raise funds for them, and online fundraising platforms. The code underpins the system of voluntary self-regulation which fundraisers commit to and provides a framework for assessing public complaints.

The [last code review took place in 2018/19](#) and was largely a revision of the existing version, focussing on clarity, length and accessibility. Since then, changes in legislation, technology and fundraising behaviour have created a context in which the code would benefit from a full review.

### Our approach

We review the code through an ongoing process of engagement with charities, fundraisers, regulatory partners, representative bodies, the public and other stakeholders. This allows us to make sure the code stays up to date, reflects best practice, and remains clear and accessible.

We want an open dialogue with fundraisers on the standards to which the sector should hold itself accountable. Similarly, we want to make sure that the public has a voice by considering the needs and experiences of individuals being asked to give, particularly those in vulnerable circumstances.

### Outline of code review process and timeline

Set out below are our plans to ensure that the code review is based on evidence and takes account of the

views of those who have an interest in the outcome.



### Phase one: Information gathering (2022-23)

We will begin the review process with an information gathering exercise, seeking views on how the code can be improved so that it provides an effective regulatory framework now and in the future. This will include:

- An eight-week public [call for information](#) which closed on 25 November 2022.
- Targeted engagement with other regulators and voluntary sector partners with an interest in the regulation of charitable fundraising. This will include organisations representing certain groups – such as small charities - who may sometimes struggle to have their opinions heard, and colleagues from the devolved nations to make sure the code review process considers views from across the UK.
- Research into the public's experience and expectations of charitable fundraising to help identify parts of the code that may require attention.

### Phase two: Public consultation (2023)

We will develop proposals for amending the code that take account of the feedback gathered through the information gathering phase.

In autumn 2023, we will run a 12-week public consultation to gather feedback on any proposals for change. All interested parties will be encouraged to respond. By taking part in [this consultation](#), you can comment on our proposals to change the code and help ensure that the updated version remains effective and relevant for the future.

# Policy and Practice Focus

## £55 million of additional benefits claimed through 'Make the Call'

**Around £55 million of additional benefits has been claimed in the past year by almost 12,000 people using a Department for Communities' advice service.**

The Make the Call wraparound service connects people with the benefits, supports and services to which they are entitled and have not previously been claiming.



During the year, Make the Call supported 11,700 people to access entitlements they had not been claiming and who, on average, are now £90 per week better off. In 2022/23 an additional £54.9 million of benefits was claimed which represents an increase of £5.2m in additional benefits claimed compared to the previous year. This includes over £19 million for people of pension age claiming Attendance Allowance and Pension Credit and an additional £11 million in respect of Personal Independence Payment to support those individuals with additional living costs or mobility needs as a result of a health condition or disability.

Permanent Secretary of the Department for Communities', Colum Boyle, welcomed the results saying, "Once again the Make the Call service has extended its reach in connecting people with the benefits to which they are entitled. I am particularly pleased that the results show the support that the Make the Call service provides for older age groups and those with disabilities. Over the past three years the additional annual benefits generated has increased from £42 million to £55 million reflecting our commitment to assisting some of our most vulnerable citizens."

In addition to supporting the uptake of unclaimed benefits, Make the Call connects people to other supports and services. This can include:

- a blue badge for car parking or a free bus pass
- access to local groups to help maintain community connections and social independence.
- free school meals
- home safety checks
- assistance with reducing energy costs.

The Make the Call Wraparound Service works in conjunction with a range of partner organisations such as the Housing Executive, Housing Rights, Dementia NI and Carers NI. Those networks were widened during 2022/23 with the addition of ten new partnerships across the public sector including with Employers for Childcare.

Separately, an examination into the impact of the Make the Call service has been produced through the Department's Economic and Social Research Programme which found the service had a comprehensive reach, particularly with those in the older age groups.

Permanent Secretary Colum Boyle, continued, "An average increase of £90 a week can be a significant help in challenging, financial times. I would encourage anyone who thinks they may be eligible for support - or who knows someone who might benefit - to Make the Call.

It is a free, confidential service and our teams are ready to help."

To 'Make the Call' you can:

- phone 0800 232 1271;
- text ADVICE to 079 8440 5248

Visit [nidirect.gov.uk/makethecall](https://nidirect.gov.uk/makethecall) or email [makethecall@dfcni.gov.uk](mailto:makethecall@dfcni.gov.uk)

# Publications

Live Here Love Here is Northern Ireland's largest civic pride programme



It's about loving where you live... and feeling empowered to take positive environmental action. Examples include: creating a community vegetable patch, organising a beach clean or starting up a tool swap scheme.

Create your profile [here](#) and join us in doing something positive for your community today.

Sign up for the e-bulletin here; [Live Here Love Here - Show your support](#)



Catch up on what's been happening at the Board in [Policing Matters July 2023 | Northern Ireland Policing Board \(nipolicingboard.org.uk\)](#) and the Chief Constable's Report to the Policing Board June 2023 is available at; [chief-constables-report-northern-ireland-policing-board 0.pdf \(nipolicingboard.org.uk\)](#)



The Report "Linking the Irish Environment" is available at [Linking-the-Irish-Environment-Executive-Summary-June-2023.pdf \(nienvironmentlink.org\)](#). For other NIEL publications and events, go to; [www.nienvironmentlink.org](#)



Please click the link below to access the latest newsletter for PCSPs which highlights local events and initiatives; [PCSP Projects coming to Life | Policing and Community Safety Partnerships \(pcsp.org\)](#)



RCN produces a range of publications including Rural Brief, a regular update of news and views affecting rural communities as well as Consultation Responses and Policy updates. A range of RCN publications is available at [Publications Archive - Rural Community Network](#)



Welcome to the latest issue of Signpost full of updated news for September 2023 with all the latest updates on information and activities relevant to older people and organisations supporting older people this month. [age-ni-signpost-express-september-2023.pdf \(ageuk.org.uk\)](#)

Please see the list of following jobs currently available at the Housing Executive:

- 2023-136 - Race Relations Officer
- 2023-171 - Area Maintenance Manager
- 2023-178 - Senior Information Governance Advisor
- 2023-177 - Assistant Accountant
- 2023-155 - Assistant Housing Benefit Rates Liaison Manager
- 2023-159 - Regional Programme Delivery Manager
- 2023-175 - Asbestos Compliance Officer



Further information on these jobs can be found at the GetGot website which can be accessed by clicking this [link](#) and typing 'Housing Executive' into the search bar.

# Events

## Working together to improve housing outcomes: Celebrating 20 years of the Community Housing Advice Partnership

### Half-day conference

£45 CHAP members  
£55 non CHAP member



### Event details

**Location:** The Junction, 12 Beechvalley Way, Dungannon, BT70 1BS

**Date:** 23 October 2023

**Time:** 12:45pm to 4:15pm

Housing Rights invites you to a half-day conference on quality standards in housing advice for Northern Ireland, and to mark 20 years of the Community Housing Advice Partnership (CHAP).

We will celebrate 20 successful years of CHAP, and look forward to the next 20 years discussing the steps we can take to evolve the partnership, placing CHAP in the best possible position to meet need now and in the future.

The event will begin with a celebration of the project and a networking lunch.

We will start a conversation about housing advice standards and how these might operate in a Northern Ireland context.

We will hear from Grainia Long, Chief Executive, the Northern Ireland Housing Executive and Margaret Kelly, Northern Ireland Public Services Ombudsman. There will also be a panel discussion and opportunity to ask questions.

For more information, go to; [Working together to improve housing outcomes: Celebrating 20 years of the Community Housing Advice Partnership | Housing Rights](#)

## Fermanagh Funding Fair

**Date:** Tuesday, October 17, 2023

**Time:** 4 pm to 8 pm

**Location:** Fermanagh Lakeland Forum  
Broadmeadow,  
Enniskillen BT74 7EF

The Fermanagh & Omagh District Council Funding Fair takes place on Tuesday, 17 October 2023, in the Fermanagh Lakeland Forum.

The Fair will allow groups and individuals to drop in and meet with representatives from various funding and support agencies.

Come meet funders face to face, find out what they have to offer, and discuss your ideas!

### More Information

Contact Anita Doonan, Supporting Communities Funding and Social Value Officer

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**Tel:** 07840849453

**Funding Fair**

**Tue 17 October**  
**4pm - 8pm**  
**Fermanagh Lakeland Forum**

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# Training

## Volunteer Now Training Sessions in October 2023

### The New Environment: Recruit, Retain, Reward Volunteers

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2023 at 10:00 am– 1:00 pm  
Online Standard Course from £15 +VAT

Join Volunteer Now Enterprises Ltd for a short session to look at volunteering and what the future hold in terms of recruitment, retention, and recognition.

Joining information will be sent out the day before the session.

### Keeping Children Safe: Designated Officer Refresher Training

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2023 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM  
Online Standard Course from £30

This is a half day's refresher training for Designated Officers who have already attended a full day's training. It covers:

- The role and responsibilities of the Designated Officer
- Health and Social Care Trusts structures and processes
- Issues and experiences around referrals and sharing information
- Recent developments in safeguarding children and young people.

Participants should ensure their basic awareness training is also refreshed every three years (or earlier if required).

*Places are allocated on a first come, first served basis and are limited to a maximum of 5 per organisation.*  
Joining information will be sent out the day before the session.

Find out more and book your places here – <https://www.volunteernow.co.uk/training/courses-scheduled/>

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## Housing Rights Training

### Universal Credit & Housing

Location; Online

**Date: 24th October 2023**

**Time: 10:00am to 1:00pm**

Gain the knowledge to help your clients apply for Universal Credit housing costs & understand ongoing commitment required to maintain this benefit.

*Voluntary / Community from £56.00 to £70.00  
Public / Statutory from £100.00 to £125.00*

**For more information on Housing Rights Training, courses and seminars, go to;**  
[Housing Rights Training](#)



## Upcoming Training Sessions - October 2023



As the leading provider of nationally accredited Social Security, Legal Advice and Independent Advocacy Qualifications in Northern Ireland, we provide training and qualifications that support the continuous professional development of people working in the independent advice sector, and throughout the wider voluntary, public and private sectors.

All our courses, including [Wiseradviser courses](#), are available to view and book from the schedule below. If a course you want is not currently scheduled please register your interest.

We deliver training in three different formats:

[Live Online](#) – Scheduled courses delivered live via the Zoom online learning platform.

[Anytime Online](#) – E-learning courses to access anytime, and complete at a pace that suits you.

[Blended Online](#) – E-learning courses with scheduled live tutorials delivered via the Zoom online learning platform, designed to support you as you progress.

We can deliver any of our courses, or develop bespoke learning for your group or organisation on request. To speak to us about training options email [training@adviceni.net](mailto:training@adviceni.net).

You can view and register for all available courses on our website [here](#)

# Elevate

Working together to build healthier communities

## ELEVATE TRAINING DATES RELEASED

- ✓ **Wednesday 18th October**  
ABC Community Network,  
Portadown
- ✓ **Tuesday 24th October**  
Rathfern Social Activity Centre,  
Newtownabbey
- ✓ **Wednesday 8th November**  
Antrim Enterprise Centre,  
Antrim
- ✓ **Thursday 23rd November**  
Online

### WHAT WILL BE COVERED?

- What are health inequalities and what do they look like in your work or community?
- The social determinants of health
- Understanding community development values
- Understanding the role of community development in reducing health inequalities

This is a **FREE** interactive full-day training programme suitable for anyone with an interest in community development and health inequalities including staff and volunteers in voluntary organisations, community groups, councils, health and social care and government agencies.

[REGISTER HERE](#)



# Funding



**BRITISH SCIENCE WEEK**  
8-17 MARCH 2024

*If your community group works with people who may not usually engage with science you may be eligible for a grant*



**APPLY FOR COMMUNITY GROUP FUNDING NOW!**

Grants of £500 or £1000 to help community groups run activities during British Science Week for people who are underrepresented in science. These people include those who are:

- from ethnic minority backgrounds
- living in communities which face deprivation, including people disadvantaged in terms of education and income
- with a disability or long-term health condition
- living in a remote and rural location (i.e. a settlement of less than 10,000 people)
- girls and women\*.

\*For community groups working with girls and women, we prioritise those who work with at least one other underrepresented group.

Read our case studies to discover how other groups have put their grants to best use!  
[www.britishscienceweek.org/bsw-community-grant-case-studies](http://www.britishscienceweek.org/bsw-community-grant-case-studies)

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Find out more and apply online by 11.59 pm on Monday 6 November 2023



Apply here: [bsa.sc/bswCG](https://bsa.sc/bswCG)

## Kellogg's School Breakfast Club Grants Accepting Applications for Autumn 2023 Funding Round



Kellogg's, in partnership with Forever Manchester, is offering grants of up to £1,000 to schools across the UK to help fund breakfast clubs and ensure that children who need it most receive a morning meal.

Priority will be given to schools that either:

- Have 35% and above of children eligible for pupil premium funding (for England) and eligible for free school meals (Northern Ireland, Scotland, and Wales); or
- Are based in an area which is classified as falling in the 10% of most deprived areas according to the Index of Multiple Deprivation.

Only one grant per school in each academic year is available. A limited number of grants are available, and the fund may close at short notice if oversubscribed.

**Applications can be submitted at any time.**

For more information and to apply, please visit [Grants For Schools | Kellogg's \(kelloggs.co.uk\)](https://www.kelloggs.co.uk/grants-for-schools)



## Applications Invited for Arts Council of Northern Ireland Commissioning Programme

Funding is available for arts organisations in Northern Ireland to support the costs of new commissions for specific performances and/or other forms of public presentation.

Arts Council of Northern Ireland's Commissioning Programme is intended to enable organisations to produce new work. The finished work should be in a form capable of being presented, exhibited, published, performed and/or disseminated in its entirety at the point of completion in Northern Ireland (if applicable abroad) either live or online.

Priority will be given to applications that:

- Propose commissions of high artistic quality.
- Are planned to reach significant audiences primarily in Northern Ireland through live performance, exhibition, publication, broadcast, recording, and/or other audience channels.
- Provide for an extended life and/or extended public reach and impact for the work or project that has been created.
- Demonstrate a strong collaborative-engagement process between the commissioner, performers and the commissioned artist(s) in the development of the new work.
- Demonstrate innovation and deepen the experience

and understanding of the artform.

Grants of up to £25,000 are available for projects taking place between 1 January 2024 and 31 December 2024.

The grant supports fees paid to the artist(s) by the commissioning organisation. All other costs relating to the rehearsal, production, presentation, exhibition or dissemination of the commissioned work must be borne by the commissioner.

In addition to the maximum amount permitted, the Arts Council will also consider access costs specifically relating to the making of work by D/deaf, Disabled and Neurodivergent artists. An amount of up to £3,000 each year is available within the grant for such successful applicants.

**The deadline for applications 1 November 2023 (12 noon).**

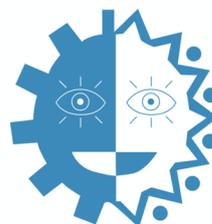
**For more information and to apply, please visit [National Lottery Commissioning Programme | Arts Council NI \(artscouncil-ni.org\)](https://www.artscouncil-ni.org)**



## Building the Community-Pharmacy Partnership Programme

The Building the Community-Pharmacy Partnership (BCPP) Programme is led by CDHN and funded by the Health and Social Care Board (HSCB), with strategic direction provided by a multi-agency Steering Group. BCPP supports communities and community pharmacists to work in partnership to address locally defined needs so that people make connections, listen to and understand each other better and work together to address the social determinants of health and health inequalities.

We recognise that health is impacted by much more than the everyday lifestyle decisions that we make, important as they are. Research shows that social isolation can be as damaging for your health as smoking 15 cigarettes a day. With this in mind, our projects aim to address these wider issues and tackle the root causes of poor health. These vary greatly for different groups of people and may include mental health issues, housing issues, low educational attainment, poverty or debt. Group work and relationship building is at the core of all our projects. By sharing our assets, our lived experiences and supporting each other we can achieve great things.



Community Development & Health Network

For information on the Programme or for some support with your application, please contact a member of the BCPP team on 028 3026 4606.

### BCPP Closing Dates 2023/24

R45 - Level 1 Thursday 12th October 2023  
 R45 - Level 2 Thursday 9th November 2023  
 R46 - Level 1 Thursday 29th February 2024  
 R46 - Level 2 Thursday 21st March 2024

Level 1 Application Pack - [Click here](#)  
 Level 2 Application Pack - [Click here](#)

Please visit [Building the Community-Pharmacy Partnership Programme | Community Development and Health Network \(cdhn.org\)](https://www.cdhn.org) for more information.



## A Million & Me – Big Sky Programme

BBC Children in Need is here to make sure that every child has the childhood they deserve and the support they need to thrive.

Our A Million & Me fund supports children aged 8-13 years old. It focuses on their emotional wellbeing and mental health.

This fund aims to provide support at an early stage, before mental health problems are established. As part of this programme, we focused on the impact of geographic isolation on children's emotional wellbeing and mental health. Research by the Centre for Mental Health ([report](#)) highlights the voices of children are often absent from consultations. Dedicated support and funding should be allocated to reaching children in remote communities.

The Big Sky programme has been developed in response to these needs.

Grants are for early intervention approaches. These grants will support the emotional wellbeing and mental health of children aged 8-13 years living in spatially isolated communities.

- This is an invite only programme for organisations working in rural, remote and island areas.
- As applications are by invitation only, they will be

developed through conversations with BBC Children in Need teams in each of the 4 nations and draws on our local knowledge and insight.



- We are committed to funding grassroots organisations across the UK, providing those vital positive relationships that support good emotional wellbeing and mental health.
- Funding of up to £5,000 will be awarded although we expect there to be mix in the range of grants awarded.
- Organisations can apply for up to 2 years, with no application deadlines. Applications must fit within BBC CiN localised funding plans and rural identifiers developed at a local level. Contact details for local teams are [here](#).
- Applicants may already hold a grant with us but we are keen to target organisations and groups that have not been funded by us.
- Organisations will only be able to hold one Big Sky grant.

For more information, please visit [Big Sky Programme - BBC Children in Need](#)

## Shared Island Civic Society Fund

The Shared Island Civic Society Fund is now open for applications.

This initiative will up to make 1 million euro available in January 2024 to organisations working on North South projects across a range of sectors.

The [application form can be downloaded here](#). On completion, please submit the form and accompanying documentation via email to [sharedislandcsfund@dfa.ie](mailto:sharedislandcsfund@dfa.ie).

Applications for funding under the Shared Island Civic Society Fund will be accepted from Monday, 25th September 2023 until 1PM on Monday, 23th October 2023.

For more information, please visit [Shared Island Civic Society Fund - Department of Foreign Affairs \(dfa.ie\)](#)





## Teiges Mountain Wind Farm Community Fund

Is your community project located within 5km of Teiges Mountain Wind Farm? If yes your group may be eligible to apply for a grant from the Teiges Mountain Wind Farm Fund.

For further information [CLICK HERE TO DOWNLOAD GUIDELINES](#) (please read the guidelines carefully prior to preparing and submitting an application)

1. [REVENUE SMALL GRANTS PROGRAMME application form](#) - offering grants up to £2000 towards: community activities, venue improvements / minor capital works, recurring costs for a programme.
2. [STRATEGIC PROJECTS REVENUE GRANTS application form](#) - (up to a maximum of £5000 pa over 1-3 year period) working with a range of organisations across the Area of Benefit, which will make a significant contribution to community life. We would particularly welcome strategic applications which will make a significant contribution to these themes; - reduction in crime / anti-social behaviour, community first aid, defibrillator initiative, hosting of cross-community events, improve access to services via a community volunteer driver scheme, environmental improvements, increasing

access to the natural environment, renewable energy, improving mental health.

NB - an organisation can only hold one grant award from the Fund at any one time. Partnership applications which include an organisation in receipt of another grant at the time will be considered. The Fermanagh Trust will not discuss, or fund applications submitted by professional fundraising consultants on behalf of local groups. We are committed to building the capacity of grass roots organisation's and are here to help voluntary committee members directly.

Closing date for applications is 12 noon on Monday 6th November 2023.

For further information:  
Tel: 028 66320210 or email: [edel@fermanaghtrust.org](mailto:edel@fermanaghtrust.org)  
Website - [Teiges Mountain Wind Farm Community Fund - Fermanagh Trust](#)

## Cornavarrow and Slieveglass Wind Farms Community Benefit Funds

Is your community organisation / project located within 5km of either the Cornavarrow or Slieveglass Wind Farm? If yes your group may be eligible to apply for a grant from the Cornavarrow and Slieveglass Wind Farm Community Benefit Funds.

For further information [CLICK HERE TO DOWNLOAD GUIDELINES](#) (please read the guidelines carefully prior to preparing and submitting an application)

Application Forms:

1. [REVENUE SMALL GRANTS PROGRAMME application form](#) - offering grants up to a maximum of £4000. It is envisaged the majority of grants will normally be awarded up to £2000, towards: community activities, venue improvements / minor capital works, recurring costs for a programme.
2. [STRATEGIC PROJECTS REVENUE GRANTS application form](#) - (up to a maximum of £5000 pa over 1-3 year period) working with a range of organisations across the Area of Benefit, which will make a significant contribution to community life. We would particularly welcome strategic applications which will make a significant contribution to these themes; - Community Education Classes; Community First Aid / Defibrillator Initiative – aimed at improving access and support; Organising / Hosting Cross-Community Events; Improve access to services, via a Community Volunteer Driver Scheme; Environmental improvements; Renewable Energy; Improving Mental Health.

For the Cornavarrow Wind Farm only:

3. [STRATEGIC CAPITAL LEGACY PROJECTS application form](#) - providing grant aid up to £25,000 per annum, over a five year period or equivalent amount over a longer period, which will make a significant contribution to improving the health and wellbeing of the local community. An initial outline application requesting support towards a strategic capital project will be considered. If successful in passing this first stage of the application process – the project promoter will then be invited to go to the second stage of the process. To be considered for this funding, on submission of the Full application the project promoter must have the necessary statutory permissions in place.

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## Growth Impact Fund for Social Enterprises

The Growth Impact Fund provides social investment for early stage, growing social purpose organisations. Investment is made to organisations that are:

- Led by diverse leaders and teams.
- Looking to grow their trading income.
- Committed to helping tackle inequality.

The fund hopes to tackle the structural barriers to social investment, as highlighted by the Adebowale Commission, which found that despite £600m of public investment since 2010, the social investment market remained unchanged. In the first 5 years, we hope that:

- 120 Social Purpose Organisations can access support and we hope to make 50-60 investments. We

anticipate this averaging out to between 10 - 15 investments a year (depending on size).

- 480,000 people per year can benefit from the Social Purpose Organisations that we support
- Social Investment market changes as a result, and we will be sharing our learnings from the fund publicly through our blog and wider publications to support this.

For more information please visit [Apply for investment - Investing for impact. Made for diverse-led organisations \(growthimpactfund.org.uk\)](https://growthimpactfund.org.uk)



## Core Funding Scheme

The Community Relations Council is inviting applications to our Core Funding Scheme 2024/25.

Applications open at 1 PM Monday 2 October 2023 and will close at 4 PM Friday 17 November 2023.

If you require further assistance, please [speak to a member of the Funding and Development team](#).

### About the Core Funding Scheme

The Core Funding Scheme provides support for organisations which are considered of strategic importance in promoting community relations work across Northern Ireland.

The scheme contributes towards salary and organisational running costs.

### Key Principles of the Core Funding Scheme

1. The work must be intentional. Regardless of the grant scheme, a programme must have a clear good relations purpose from the outset with deliberate and planned activities which directly address sectarianism.
2. It must address an identified good relations need. All applications must be able to clearly demonstrate the good relations need they want to address and how they have identified this need.

### Together: Building a United Community (T:BUC)

Applicants are required to outline the outcome in Together: Building a United Community to which the proposed project will contribute.



The [Together: Building a United Community Strategy](#), published on 23 May 2013, reflects the Executive's commitment to improving community relations and continuing the journey towards a more united and shared society.

### Information Sessions

CRC has organised a number of online information sessions at which further guidance on the Core Funding Scheme and the application process will be given. At these sessions, organisations will also have opportunities to ask questions relating to the Core Funding Scheme.

The information sessions will be held as follows:

- Tuesday 10 October 2023 at 11-12.30 PM
- Wednesday 11 October 2023 at 11-12.30 PM

To register for either of the sessions please contact Paul Killen at the following email address: [pskillen@nicrc.org.uk](mailto:pskillen@nicrc.org.uk)

For more information and to apply, please visit [Core Funding Scheme | Community Relations Council \(community-relations.org.uk\)](https://community-relations.org.uk)



## Tesco and The Sun Offer 150 One-off Grants Through the Footie for All Fund

Funding to help grassroots youth football clubs across the UK who have been hit by the cost-of-living crisis.

Tesco and the newspaper, The Sun, have joined together to provide a total of £150,000 to encourage more children and young people to take up football or improve access to the game.

The grants are part of The Sun's Footie for All campaign to highlight how financial struggles are forcing young people to give up football.

The funding is designed to provide support to grassroots football organisations working with children under the age of 18 to enable them to continue to deliver activities that allow local young people to take part.

Constituted grassroots football clubs across the UK can apply for grants of up to £1,000 which will support 100% of project costs.

The funding can be used to assist clubs in improving facilities, purchasing equipment and new kits, and meeting any other needs that can enhance the experience of children and young people, enabling them to access and participate in football within the local community.

Groups must be constituted and have a governing document and safeguarding policy in place.

Only one application per organisation will be accepted.



Applications will not be accepted from schools, projects that work with people over 18 years of age, school breakfast clubs

The Footie for All Fund is being managed by Groundwork UK which manages Tesco's grant-giving programme.

Applications are being considered on a rolling basis. The deadline for applications is 29 October 2023 (23:59).

For more information and to apply, please visit [Footie for All \(tescostrongerstarts.org.uk\)](https://tescostrongerstarts.org.uk)

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## £1,000 Grants for People of Colour in Arts (UK)

Grants are available for people of colour in the UK to develop and deliver a range of creative and cultural projects.

Through the Grand Plan Grant, funding is on offer to support people of colour who want to create and deliver a new cultural project.

The programme supports creativity in all its forms, including poetry, paintings, fashion, zines, music, food, flowers, photographs, workshops, events, or something else completely.

Grants of £1,000 are available to cover the cost of equipment, courses, applicant's time, materials, travel, etc.



Applications are open to UK-based individuals, aged over 18, who and identify as a person of colour (Black, Asian, Brown and/or part of the Global Majority). The deadline for the current round is 9 November 2023 (23:00 GMT).

For more information and to apply, please visit [Application Guidance — Grand Plan \(grandplanfund.co.uk\)](https://grandplanfund.co.uk)



## Edge Fund's Annual Funding Programme Opens for UK Applications

The Edge Fund is offering 40 grants of £1,000 each to communities and campaign groups based in the UK and Republic of Ireland that are working for social, economic and environmental justice.

The Fund supports those taking action for a just, equitable and sustainable world. Work should challenge abuses of power and aim to bring an end to the systems that cause injustice. This could be the economic system, political system, or any system that discriminates against people based on their identity or background (eg, class, ability, gender, race, nationality, religion, sexuality, age or other factors).

The grants will support:

- Work that creates long-term change in society by addressing the causes of injustice and inequality.
- Work addressing issues facing a particular community that is led by that community.
- Small groups that struggle to get funding elsewhere, particularly if other funders might consider them to be too radical.
- All types of non-profit organisations, including groups that are not formally registered.
- Groups who have a religious purpose are welcome to apply (but financial support for any activity, initiative or project where the primary aim is to promote religion cannot be funded).



There are two drop-in/ Q&A sessions available via Zoom:

- 13 October, 4.30pm to 5.30pm
- 27 October, 4.30pm to 5.30pm

Social enterprises, registered charities and CICs are not usually funded but applicants should contact the Edge Fund for further information. The funding is not available for traditional charity work that only aims to, for example, improve health and well-being, relieve financial hardship and unemployment, improve social inclusion and harmony, conserve the environment, advance education and training.

The deadline for applications is 23:59 on 31 October 2023.

For more information and to apply, please visit [Apply for funding - Edge fund V2](#)

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## The Society Foundation's Annual Grants Programme

Funding to help specific groups of people in the UK move towards paid employment.

The Society Foundation is an independent registered charity, funded and supported by the executive search firm Society.

Each year, the Foundation offers a limited number of micro-grants of up to £2,500 to support people from the following groups move toward paid employment:

- The recently homeless or vulnerably housed.
- Ex-offenders.
- Young people (16-24 years old) not in employment, education or training (NEET).

The funding can be used for:

- Capacity building activities, including IT infrastructure and equipment.
- Staff training and development
- External consultancy/support.

The funding aims to play a transformative role by increasing the sustainability and effectiveness of organisations that are doing really vital work.



Applications are accepted from UK registered charities, Charitable Incorporated Organisations (CIO) or Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisations (SCIO) and organisations with a governing document showing a clear charitable aim/purpose as defined by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

Applicants must have a turnover under £500,000 per annum.

The deadline for applications is 16 October 2023 (midday).

For more information and to apply, please visit [Apply for Funding \(society-foundation.org\)](#)



## Marine Litter Capital Grants Programme Accepting Applications

Funding is available for community groups, businesses and statutory bodies in Northern Ireland to purchase equipment for projects to reduce marine litter.

Live Here Love Here Marine Litter Capital Grants are provided by the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs through the Live Here Love Here collaborative partnership, involving DAERA, ten local councils, Northern Ireland Housing Executive and Keep Northern Ireland Beautiful.

The programme is inviting applications from a range of voluntary and community groups and organisations, schools, statutory bodies and businesses from across Northern Ireland. The grants are not restricted to coastal areas, so groups from anywhere in Northern Ireland may apply.

The funding will support organisations and groups to purchase and install capital items to:

- Prevent litter and plastic pollution from entering the marine environment.
- Enhance the environmental management of a local area to reduce marine litter.
- Improve the health and wellbeing of communities and marine biodiversity recovery by helping to improve and/or maintain the quality of public open spaces.
- Improve the quality of their local environment by changing behaviour through creative concepts to reduce the incidence of littering.



The level of grant depends on who is making the application:

- Constituted groups, businesses and statutory bodies - grants of between £500 and £40,000.
- Non-constituted groups - grants of between £500 and £5,000.

Applicants should note the average grant is likely to be a lot less than the maximum, which will only be awarded for exceptionally innovative or strategically significant projects. Collaborative applications are welcomed.

Council and business applicants must provide 50% match funding for their project, while schools must demonstrate how they will use any assets purchased in an educational context.

The deadline for applications is 9 November 2023 (5pm).

For more information and to apply, please visit [Live Here Love Here - Grants](#)

## Cash4Clubs to Open for Applications on 18 October

Small unrestricted grants to help sustain the UK's community sports clubs who are in need and may be threatened with closure due to the cost of living crisis.

Cash4Clubs is a corporate-initiated sports club scheme, funded by Flutter Entertainment (formerly Paddy Power Betfair), a bookmaking holding company.

For the last 25 years, it has been offering funding to support the sustainability of local sports clubs across the UK and Ireland, thereby ensuring more people have access to local sports.

This year, community sports clubs and organisations who are in need due to the impact of the pandemic and the cost of living crisis can apply for unrestricted grants of £2,000 from a funding pot of £200,000.

The funding can be used for anything that will add to the sustainability and effectiveness of the sports club, including buying new equipment, improving facilities or helping members to gain coaching qualifications.

While the funding is unrestricted there is particular interest in hearing from clubs that are using sport for

other social purposes such as developing skills, reducing crime or addressing anti-social behaviour.

Applications will be accepted from clubs and organisations that are either registered charities or clubs with a structured governance and constitution.

Clubs that are targeting communities from deprived areas are encouraged to apply.

Full details will be provided when the scheme opens.

Applications open on 18 October 2023.

Please visit [Home - Cash4Clubs \(cash-4-clubs.com\)](#)

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## Community Benefit Funds administered on behalf of CFNI

The following Community Benefits are open for applications, closing date is 23rd Oct at 1pm;

- Dunmore Community Benefit Fund
- Monnaboy Community Benefit Fund
- Dunbeg Community Benefit Fund
- Cloonty Community Benefit Fund
- Corby Knowe Community Benefit Fund
- Carn Hill Community Benefit Fund

The fund welcomes applications from constituted community and voluntary groups that address the following areas:

- Community cohesion and engagement;
- Energy efficiency and sustainability;
- Social, cultural or sporting benefit for the local community;
- Training and education;
- Environmental benefit;
- Economic benefit.



More information is available in the following link - [Available Grants - Community Foundation Northern Ireland \(communityfoundationni.org\)](https://www.communityfoundationni.org)

## PEACEPLUS Funding Calls Indicative Timetable

A timetable of calls for applications to the PEACEPLUS Programme for 2021-2027 has been outlined on the website. Please visit: <https://www.seupb.eu/funding/current-funding-opportunities>

PeacePlus will also be hosting two more roadshows and a pre-application workshop. For more information and to book please visit: <https://www.seupb.eu/latest/events>

### Application Support

Online support and guidance for completing your application is available on the new [PEACEPLUS Support Portal](#). This includes how-to guides and videos to help you throughout the application process.



If no call has been opened yet for the Investment Area you are interested in, please visit the Pre-Application support page. Before each PEACEPLUS funding call opens the SEUPB will hold a pre-application support workshop for each Investment Area. Recordings of these workshops and information on future workshops will be published in the Pre-Application section.

[Find our more about pre-application support](#)

## LCCC Hardship Funding Programme 2023/24

Lisburn & Castlereagh City Council has developed a Hardship Funding Programme to support constituted/legally governed community and voluntary /not for profit organisations to address hardship due to the current cost of living crisis, particularly the increase in energy and food costs. There is an overall allocation of £140,000 available.

The Hardship Funding Programme is developed in recognition of the difficult financial circumstances which currently exist in the community and voluntary sector, especially in respect of covering basic overheads which have increased substantially in cost.

The closing date for receipt of applications is **12 noon Friday 3rd November**. Late applications will not be accepted.



For more information and to apply, please click on the link: <https://www.lisburncastlereagh.gov.uk/resident/community-services/community-grants/hardship-fund>



## South & East Belfast Funding Fair

**Date:** Monday 23rd October, 2023

**Time:** 10:00 am to 1:00 pm

East Belfast Community Development Agency  
55 Templemore Avenue  
Belfast,  
Northern Ireland, BT5 4HP

United Kingdom ([map](#))

Come to our South and East Belfast Funding Fair to meet funders face to face, find out what they have to offer, and discuss your ideas! Supporting Communities and the Housing Executive are hosting this event at the East Belfast Community Development Agency, 55 Templemore Avenue.

The funders in attendance will be confirmed soon!

### More Information

Contact Anita Doonan, Supporting Communities Funding and Social Value Officer

Email: [anita@supportingcommunities.org](mailto:anita@supportingcommunities.org)  
Tel: 07840849453



The poster features a decorative banner of blue and yellow triangles at the top. The main title 'South & East Belfast FUNDING FAIR' is in large purple letters. Below it, the date and time are listed: 'Monday, 23 October 10:00 am - 1:00 pm'. The text 'Meet the Funders!' is prominently displayed. At the bottom, the logos for Supporting Communities (Empowering Society) and Housing Executive are shown.

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