

Report of the Strategic Director - Place to the meeting of Keighley Area Committee to be held on 1 February 2024

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Subject:

Allocation of West Yorkshire Mayor's Climate Community Grant Scheme (Bradford)

Summary statement:

This report summarises the allocations recommended by the Grants Advisory Group for the Keighley Constituency part of the West Yorkshire Mayor's Climate Community Grant Scheme (Bradford) for approval by Keighley Area Committee.

EQUALITY & DIVERSITY:

The District Plan and Locality Plans are underpinned by a cross-cutting principle of tackling inequality in our communities and sustainability considerations, including reducing our carbon footprint. Applications have been encouraged from across the district, particularly from underrepresented communities and communities who need support to meet challenges around climate change.

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Overview & Scrutiny Area:
Regeneration and Environment

1. SUMMARY

This report summarises the allocations recommended by the Grants Advisory Group for the Keighley Constituency part of the West Yorkshire Mayor's Climate Community Grant Scheme (Bradford) for approval by Keighley Area Committee.

2. BACKGROUND

2.1 The City of Bradford Metropolitan District Council (CBMDC), via its Constituency Area Offices, jointly working with the Sustainability Service, invited applications from eligible groups to apply for funding available from West Yorkshire Mayor's Climate Community Grant Scheme (Bradford).

2.2 The grants from this funding were part of a two-stage process – an expression of interest form and then, after approval, further grant applications were considered by the Keighley Area Committee Grants Advisory Group. The West Yorkshire Mayor's Climate Community Grant Scheme (Bradford) had a total budget of £369,000 allocated equally across the five areas at £73,800.

2.3 Applications were invited for between £5,000 and £50,000 towards projects and services that help take actions to reduce CO₂ across the district through initiatives for:

- Energy – local clean and flexible energy solutions
- Building – healthy, affordable and efficient community buildings
- Transport – walking, cycling and public transport
- Nature – green and climate ready nature and biodiversity solutions

2.3 Projects may include:

- Developing locally generated clean energy schemes, producing onsite energy/renewable energy, for example solar panels and wind turbines;
- Making community buildings resilient to climate change and increased fuel costs through insulation, A-rated appliances, LED lighting or heat pumps – reducing consumption and promoting good practice to local residents;
- Reducing car and fossil fuel usage by making it more appealing to cycle, walk or use public transport or
- Finding ways of working with nature, such as preserving or increasing biodiversity in our green spaces, strengthening the link between residents and nature through access to green space, local food growing, and creating opportunities for people to connect with nature.

2.3 Proposals were encouraged towards projects which were community-led and driven by an understanding of local needs. The funding focused on activities that had the potential to make a meaningful and lasting difference to the carbon footprint of our diverse communities across the district with longer-term benefits. In addition, applications that supported long-term changes in behaviour and ways of working and practices positively reducing carbon footprints within communities were encouraged. The application form and guidance for applicants is attached as Appendix A.

2.4. In the Keighley Area a total of 21 applications were submitted in the first Expression of Interest round. These were considered by the GAG and 7 organisations were asked to

submit a full second round application. At that stage, two organisations withdrew their applications, leaving 5 applications that were considered by the GAG. The allocations being recommended by the GAG for approval by Keighley Area Committee are attached at Appendix B.

3. OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

- 3.1 One of the recommended allocations is pending further information which will be presented verbally to the Area Committee at the meeting by the Area Co-ordinator.

4. FINANCIAL & RESOURCE APPRAISAL

The West Yorkshire Mayor's Climate Community Grant Scheme (Bradford) had a total budget of £369,000 allocated across the five areas is £73,800. A nominal management fee provided project management and admin support of these grants through a temporary post.

5. RISK MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE ISSUES

There are no known risk management or governance issues. All successful applicants are screened to ensure compliance with eligibility criteria and organisational eligibility.

6. LEGAL APPRAISAL

There are no direct legal implications other than that each successful applicant must sign and return a grant agreement which stipulates terms and conditions of the awards.

7. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

This funding provides an opportunity to provide financial assistance towards creative ideas to test and learn across the district supporting climate change environmental improvement, behaviour change and long-term impact.

7.1 SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

The District Plan and Locality Plan is underpinned by sustainability goals. As the priorities have been set using the District Plan, the outcomes achieved from this funding help us achieve our district goals on sustainability.

7.2 TACKLING THE CLIMATE EMERGENCY IMPLICATIONS

This funding directly supports projects and other initiatives working with a range of partners on climate friendly projects supporting a transition to become a net zero carbon region.

7.3 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

There are no community safety implications arising from this report.

7.4 HUMAN RIGHTS ACT

There are no human rights implications arising from this report.

7.5 TRADE UNION

There are no trade union implications arising from this report.

7.6 WARD IMPLICATIONS

The successful delivery of the grants allocated will have a positive impact in improving the quality of life in all Wards in the Keighley Area.

7.7 AREA COMMITTEE LOCALITY PLAN IMPLICATIONS

The successful delivery of the grants allocated will have a positive impact in supporting the Sustainability priorities in the Keighley Locality Plan

7.8 IMPLICATIONS FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

Projects funded from this scheme benefit people from all age groups, communities and diverse backgrounds.

7.9 ISSUES ARISING FROM PRIVACY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

There are no issues arising from this report.

8. NOT FOR PUBLICATION DOCUMENTS

None

9. OPTIONS

9.1 To agree the GAG's recommendations for the allocation of funding outlined in Appendix B.

9.2 To reject the GAG's recommendations for the allocation of funding outlined in Appendix B.

10. RECOMMENDATIONS

10.1 That the Keighley Area Committee approves the GAG's recommendations for the funding allocations as set out in Appendix B of this report.

11. APPENDICES

Appendix A - Application form and Guidance for stage 1 and stage 2
Appendix B – GAG - recommendations for the allocation of funding

12. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

None

APPENDIX A

WY Mayor's Climate Community Grants Scheme

Funding Expression of Interest

This is a two stage application process – please submit this expression of interest to Stronger.Communities@bradford.gov.uk by **Monday September 4 2023**

Successful groups will then be contacted to fill in a detailed application, to be submitted by Monday 2 October. Grant panel decisions will be issued by Mon 30 October.

Your Details

Q1. Name, contact details of Project Lead

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Project Description

Q2 Which of the four themes does your project address ? (Please tick or cross all that apply)

- **Energy** – local clean and flexible energy solutions
- **Buildings** – healthy, affordable and efficient community buildings
- **Transport** – walking, cycling and public transport
- **Nature** – green and climate ready nature solutions

Q3 Describe the need your project will address and who you have involved in developing it (150 words max)

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Q4. Describe how your project will make a lasting difference to the carbon footprint in your community (150 words max)

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Q5. - How is your project helping to ensure a “just transition” i.e. support for disadvantaged communities to be able to reduce carbon footprint (100 words max)

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Q6. What are the intended outputs and outcome(s) that will be achieved? (150 words max)
EG
How many people supported to reduce carbon footprint
Location of the project and beneficiaries – spread of communities with evidenced disadvantage

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Project Finances

Q7. Please provide an outline/breakdown of delivery costs, including any match funding

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Q8. Do you need any technical advice or info to further develop your idea?

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WY Mayor’s Climate Community Grants Scheme

Application Form

This is a **SECOND STAGE** of the application process – please submit this application to Stronger.Communities@bradford.gov.uk by **Monday 9th October 2023**.

Grant panel decisions will be issued by Monday 30th October 2023.

Your Details

Q1. Please provide the following details

Project Name	
Organisation Name	

Q1. Please provide the following details

Organisation Main Contact					
Address					
Postcode					
Landline telephone number					
Mobile telephone number					
Email					
Constituency of your Organisation's base and majority of beneficiaries.	Bradford East <input type="checkbox"/>	Bradford South <input type="checkbox"/>	Bradford West <input type="checkbox"/>	Keighley <input type="checkbox"/>	Shipley <input type="checkbox"/>

Please tick the box if you agree to your details being shared with other parts of the Council for climate environment and sustainability purposes?

Q2. What type of organisation is your group? If you are not a constituted group, please state this

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Registered charity | <input type="checkbox"/> Community interest company |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Charitable Incorporated Organisation | <input type="checkbox"/> Company limited by guarantee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Unincorporated club or association
_____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Please state) _____ |

Q3. Income over last accounting year / Bank name (we use these details to pay your grant)

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Your Bank:

Bank Address:

Bank Account Number:

Bank Sort Code:

Q4. Staffing and Volunteers

How many of the following are involved in the organisation?

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Full time staff / workers: | <input type="checkbox"/> Part time staff / workers: |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteers (excl. management committee): | <input type="checkbox"/> Management committee: |

Project Description

Q5. Which of the four themes does your project address? (Please tick or all that apply)

- Energy** – local clean and flexible energy solutions
- Buildings** – healthy, affordable and efficient community buildings
- Transport** – walking, cycling and public transport
- Nature** – green and climate ready nature solutions

Q6. Please tell us how you will ensure that your project is delivered within the required timeframe and demonstrate that you have the experience in delivering projects of this scale. (300 words max.)
(Projects must start after 31st December 2023 and complete by 31st December 2024)

Project start date:

Project end date:

Q7. What would you like to do with your grant? Please specify what activities will take place, how will these achieve behaviour change and raise awareness for climate action. (300 words max.)

Impact

Q8. Please provide a summary of what your project aims to achieve (Outputs and Outcomes). In addition, how this project supports delivery of the locality and ward plans? (500 words max.)

Q9. How many people will benefit from this funding? Please only tell us about the people specifically accessing this service, not the number of people your whole service supports. Please also explain how you will capture this information. (300 words max.)

Q10. Beneficiaries (Please tick any beneficiary groups who will benefit from your grant)

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Black, Asian and minority ethnic | <input type="checkbox"/> Carers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Children and young people | <input type="checkbox"/> Ex-offenders/offenders/At risk of offence |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Families/Parents/Lone parents | <input type="checkbox"/> Homeless people |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgendered groups | <input type="checkbox"/> Local residents |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Long-term unemployed | <input type="checkbox"/> Men |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Not in education, employment & training (NEET 16-24) | <input type="checkbox"/> Older people |
| <input type="checkbox"/> People with alcohol/drug addictions | <input type="checkbox"/> People in care or suffering serious illness |
| <input type="checkbox"/> People with learning difficulties | <input type="checkbox"/> People with low skill levels |
| <input type="checkbox"/> People with mental health issues | <input type="checkbox"/> People with multiple disabilities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> People with physical difficulties | <input type="checkbox"/> People living in poverty |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Victims of crime/violence/abuse | <input type="checkbox"/> Women |

Q11. Ethnicity (Please tick any ethnic groups who will benefit from your grant)

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> White | <input type="checkbox"/> Any other |
| <input type="checkbox"/> White Irish | <input type="checkbox"/> White British |
| <input type="checkbox"/> White Gypsies and Travellers | <input type="checkbox"/> White East European |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Black Caribbean and White | <input type="checkbox"/> Mixed |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Asian and White | <input type="checkbox"/> Black African and White |
| <input type="checkbox"/> All ethnicities | <input type="checkbox"/> Other Mixed Ethnicity |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Indian | <input type="checkbox"/> Asian and Asian British |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bangladeshi | <input type="checkbox"/> Pakistani |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Black and Black British | <input type="checkbox"/> Other Asian |
| <input type="checkbox"/> African | <input type="checkbox"/> Caribbean |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chinese | <input type="checkbox"/> Other Black |

Q12. Age Groups (Please tick any applicable age groups for your grant)

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Early years (0-4) | <input type="checkbox"/> Children (5-12) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Young people (13-18) | <input type="checkbox"/> Young adults (19-25) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Adults (26-65) | <input type="checkbox"/> Seniors (65+) |

Q15. If the total cost of your project is greater than the amount you are applying for, please tell us how you will fund the project i.e. match funding, contribution in kind. If there are any other agencies involved with this project, please list their names and contribution. (300 words max.)

Supporting Documents

Please attach the following supporting documents with your application (*if you are an organisation that requires these documents/policies)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Constitution or governing document expenditure | <input type="checkbox"/> Two quotations for each item of expenditure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bank statement (no older than 3 months) | <input type="checkbox"/> Child Protection Policy* |
| <input type="checkbox"/> If registered charity, your latest accounts. | <input type="checkbox"/> Copy of last audited accounts* |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Equal Opportunities Policy* | <input type="checkbox"/> Health and Safety Policy* |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Vulnerable Adults Policy* | |

Consent

Please tick the box below to confirm that you give permission for the City of Bradford Metropolitan District Council to record the information in this form.

We give permission for City of Bradford Metropolitan District Council to record and process the information in this form electronically and in paper form and to contact our organisation by phone, mail or email with regard to this application. We agree that this information can be shared with the funder and members of the decision-making panel.

We understand and agree that should we be successful, we will be required to comply with the funding terms and conditions.

Please tick the box below to confirm that you give permission for the City of Bradford Metropolitan District Council to record the information in this form.

We understand that we will have to account for any money awarded, by retaining any receipts to show how the grant was spent, and you agree you will complete an evaluation form.

We understand that we will be required to take part in appropriate and proportionate promotions (we will not ask you to identify service users), such as donor visits, publicly acknowledging the funding for example on social media (if you use it) or by taking part in case studies.

Yes

Name:

Position:

Date:

Choose an item.

Appendix B

Grants Advisory Group – recommendations for the allocation of funding

Organisation	Beneficiary Wards	Summary of application	Amount Recommended
Oxenhope Climate Action	Worth Valley	Installation of Solar PV and Welectrical Energy storage system at Oxenhope Community Centre	£12,000.00
Yorkshire Peat Partnership	Kly Central, East, West	Workshops for yr 5 classes in 6 schools to engage in the natural environment	£26,000.00 (pending the provision of more information)
Inspire Highfield	Kly Central	Get local people and communities together to learn about the environment, how to improve it and reduce carbon footprint.	£5,800.00
Capital of Cycling	Area Wide	Bring City Connect Cycling Scheme to Keighley	£10,000.00
The Good Shepherd Centre	Kly West	Upgrade heating system at the Good Shepherd Centre	£20,000.00
			£73,800.00

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