

Community Grants Frequently Asked Questions

Winchester City Council's community grant funding is aimed at supporting voluntary and not-for-profit groups and organisations in the district that can clearly demonstrate how their services and projects help deliver cohesive, sustainable and resilient communities.

Details about community grant schemes currently available can be found on our website, along with eligibility criteria www.winchester.gov.uk/grants

In addition we hope that these frequently asked questions will help to answer some of the more general funding questions you may have.

- **Can you help me find other sources of funding and assist with fundraising plans?**

We have teamed up with Community First to help support organisations with their fundraising. Visit their [#WinchesterConnects](https://www.winchester.gov.uk/grants) page for lots of helpful links and resources. In addition, you can contact [Bruce White](#) for more information.

- Do you provide grants to individuals?

Unfortunately, we do not provide grants to individuals. Grants are only available for non-for-profit, community organisations and charities. However, you can contact Citizens Advice Winchester team to access help as an individual in difficult circumstances. They can be contacted on [0808 278 7861](tel:08082787861)

Address: City Offices, Colebrook St, Winchester SO23 9LJ

Their opening hours:

Monday	10 am–4 pm
Tuesday	10 am–1 pm
Wednesday	10 am–4 pm
Thursday	10 am–4 pm
Friday	10 am–1 pm
Saturday	Closed
Sunday	Closed

Website: [Citizens Advice Winchester District - We are here to help](#)

- **Do you fund environmental projects?**

Through our [Crowdfund Winchester Greener Futures Fund](#) we support not-for-profit organisations in the district that can demonstrate how their work helps achieve one or more of the funding themes: transport, energy, properties and behavioural changes.



[Contact our sustainability team](#) for advice on energy saving and carbon neutrality projects, or you can [view their resources online](#).

- **Do you fund playground equipment?**

We don't fund playground equipment through our community grants. However certain projects involving play areas, open spaces and community buildings may be able to access CIL funding. Further details about this can be found on our website [here](#).

- **I'm looking for support for my business – can you help me?**

Government grants for businesses impacted by COVID-19 restrictions are being handled by our [Economic Development Team](#). You can also sign up to their business newsletter [here](#).

In addition Incuhive provide a business support service for Winchester district businesses. Contact them by emailing hello@Incuhive.co.uk

- **Do you have any specific sports funding available?**

Not specifically. You may be eligible to apply for one of our community grants. Alternatively you can contact our Sport and Physical Activity team who provide advice and guidance on creating and developing sports clubs and specific funding available. Contact a member of the team: sport@winchester.gov.uk

- **Do you have any Arts and Culture grants?**

Not specifically but you can [check the criteria](#) for our community grants to see if you are eligible for these. In addition our Arts team have lots of information and support available for Arts organisations. You can register for their newsletter [here](#) and access their funding advice section [here](#). You can also contact Community First as mentioned above for further advice.

- **I need to make accessibility adaptations to my house – can I apply for a grant to help me with this?**

The Council's Private Sector Housing team is responsible for disabled facilities grants. You can find out more information, including eligibility on our [website](#). If you would like some further information regarding applying for the Disabled Facilities Grant please contact the Private Sector Housing Team using the following details: 01962 848 455 or DisabledFacilitiesGrant@winchester.gov.uk.

