



Tower Hamlets Council Corporate Grants

17 January 2019



LBTH Grants Programme

- Single programme for all Council grants
- Five themes
- Outcomes based funding
- Common eligibility criteria
- Proportionate levels of funding
- Externally administered
- Begins 1 October 2019



Funding themes

- **Innovation**

to encourage innovation or pilot something new, especially where there is a gap;

- **Prevention**

to promote grass roots activity to reduce the need for statutory services;

- **Neighbourhood action**

to promote local neighbourhood initiatives

- **Community cohesion**

to develop community resilience, promote cultural opportunities and reduce social isolation, and

- **Partnership working**

making the sector more effective through closer partnership working within the sector and across sectors.



Outcomes based

- Each theme sets out priorities and outcomes
- Assessment against outcomes
- Proportionality



Eligibility

- No restriction on size
- Local leadership
- Local area of benefit
- Include communities of interest
- Proportionate standards of governance and management – non-constituted groups supported by established organisations
- Not individuals
- Good track record



Levels of Funding

1. Up to £500 – one off micro funding
2. Over £500 up to £5,000 – one off or up to one year with potential extension for second year



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External administration

- Administration by expert third party
- Independent of the Council
- Decisions and project monitoring reported to Cabinet



Transition 2019/20

April to September

Events will be funded through the Events Fund. Application deadlines are:

7 February for April to June events

5 April for July to September events

October onwards

Activities will be funded on a rolling programme through the new fund. This will include activities for Black History Month. Full details of the application process, contacts and deadlines will be announced in March.



Grants Prospectus

Cabinet Report with the grants policy and the themes set out in full:

<http://democracy.towerhamlets.gov.uk/documents/s137185/6.2%20VCS%20Grants%20Programme%20v2.pdf>

