

Call for Expressions of Interest regarding out-of-hours social activities

The Somerset Community Foundation administers the Hinkley Point C (HPC) Community Fund on behalf of EDF Energy and chose, for the first round of bids, to focus on the theme of Community Cohesion. This has led to a number of applications that are being considered by the Awards Panel at the moment.

The HPC project is already impacting on social activity in local communities, for example through investment in improved local sports and leisure facilities. But, the inevitable increase in wider out of hours social activities, not least involving a rapidly expanding HPC workforce, also brings challenges to local communities. In anticipation of these perceived impacts, it has been decided to expand the scope of the Community Cohesion programme of the Community Fund. This will now include initiatives which will address both the positive and negative impacts on the host and incoming communities of the increased out of hours social activities

Not-for-Profit organisations are invited to submit projects, schemes and initiatives for consideration for funding in response to actual and anticipated residual and intangible impacts of the Hinkley Point C development which will address the increased social activities associated with HPC.

All projects, schemes and initiatives should help to avoid, reduce or mitigate the impact, while complementing and adding value to existing service provision.

Please read the guidelines for applicants prior to applying. We strongly advise that you contact us to discuss your application and are happy to support you through the process.

The deadline for expressions of interest is April 19 2018.

Once your expression of interest has been received it will be assessed against the fund priorities. The panel will consider all expressions of interest submitted under this round in May. Those invited to proceed to the next stage will be contacted in mid-May. The deadline for the second stage application will be mid-August.

Grant awards will be made in September 2018.

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