

Easy Read

Sharing Together 2020 - 2021

Our plan to help people work together in the arts



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How to use this document

This is an easy read version. The words and their meaning are easy to read and understand.



You may need support to read and understand this document. Ask someone you know to help you.



Words in **bold blue writing** may be hard to understand. They have been explained in a box below the word.



If the hard word is used again it is in **normal blue writing**. You can check what the words in blue mean on **page12**.



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What this document is about



We want more people in the arts to work together. This is sometimes called **networking**.



We are going to give funding to help make this happen.



We are very interested in ideas to do with **diversity** and **inclusion**.



Diversity means people are not all the same. For example, people in Wales:

- Come from different backgrounds and cultures
- Have different abilities
- Believe different things
- Are different ages.



Inclusion means everyone can take part, and everyone has a fair chance.



We want all voices to be heard.



For example, we are interested in the campaigns known as **Black Lives Matter** and **We Shall Not Be Moved**.

Some examples of the types of things people might want to work on are:



- Getting more **diverse** audiences.



- Helping **diverse** voices to be heard. For example, the voices of disabled people.



- Helping more people get involved in the arts who might not usually do so.



Networks of people can work together in different ways.



Some will meet often and some won't.



Some will run online.



All groups will need to make sure they follow rules about the coronavirus.

What will the networks do?

They will do things like:



- Share skills



- Support each other



- Work together



- Share equipment



- Talk about ideas

Supporting networks



We will support old and new networks.



We would like to see new networks of people with similar interests being started.



We can give networks some money to help with:

- Setting up a meeting to talk about a new network.
- Set up costs to cover an online group.



Networks that are already set up can also apply for money. For example, to help them grow and get more people involved.

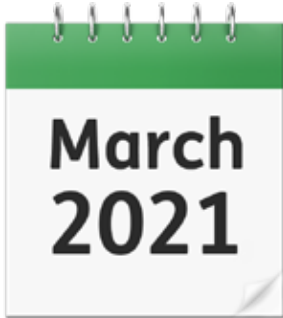


It is important to make sure the network can keep going in the future without our funding. This is a 1 off payment only.

How to apply for funding



You can apply for up to 2 thousand pounds for a project.



The project must take place before **March 2021**.



To apply you will need to complete a simple application form. Please contact **Amanda** or **Lisa** to get application form:

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Please send us your application by **5pm on 7 October 2020.**

We will need you to tell us:



- Your contact details and your organisation.
- What you want to do and why you want to do it.



- Why this is important.
- How many people you think will get involved.



- How you will get people to take part.
- How it will help people.



- What the costs are.



We can cover all costs up to **2 thousand pounds**.

We can help with costs like:



- Room hire



- Food and drink at events



- Paying for people to come and speak at the network or give training

- Buying or hiring equipment.

If you get the funding, you will have to:



- Write a short report about the work you did. For example, how many people took part and what you will do next.

Hard words

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