



# **Tonge with The Haulgh Big Local Grants**

*Information and Guidelines*

## Background

The Big Local is a lottery funded programme for Tonge with The Haulgh that brings together all the local talent, ambitions, skills and energy from individuals, groups and organisations who want to make their area an even better place to live.

Tonge with The Haulgh Big Local would like to give community groups based in this area the opportunity to apply for up to £750 to deliver activities that will make a difference to people in the Tonge with The Haulgh ward of Bolton.

## Who Can Apply?

- Any new or existing community group based in Tonge with the Haulgh area can apply. Projects not benefitting Tonge and The Haulgh residents or those proposed by organisations based outside the area are not eligible.
- Applications will not be accepted from individuals-please note if you are an individual wanting to develop an idea in the area please contact Michelle Del Rosso, Big Local Community Development officer, [Michelle.DelRosso@boltonathome.org.uk](mailto:Michelle.DelRosso@boltonathome.org.uk) to discuss.
- Not for profit community groups or registered charities with aims and activities that benefit Bolton at Home customers.
- Groups with a constitution or basic set of aims and rules signed by at least three members. If you would like support to get a set of aims and rules or become constituted to be eligible for funding, please contact Bolton CVS for assistance.
- You must have a bank account in the name of the group (not an individual) with at least 2 signatories of people who are not related or living at the same address.

## How much can you apply for?

There is a £750 limit for Big Local grants. Your group can apply for a **maximum of one grant a year** (or up to £750 a year)

Only one application per group can be made for each year.

## What we will fund

The funding is to support projects that will benefit Tonge with The Haulgh community. Funding can help you in many ways. For example, to buy new equipment or materials; to run a community event; to launch a new group or to help promote existing groups locally. This fund will also cover utilities including rent, gas, electricity and water bills and maintenance costs (including maintenance equipment).

Your project must help people in at least one of the following ways:

1. Anti-Poverty – supporting people to relieve financial pressures and reduce poverty - for example, developing a food growing project.
2. Community Cohesion – to help make the community stronger and to encourage communities to come together – for example, organising a family fun day.
3. Environment – improving the local environment by keeping it clean and tidy - for example helping maintain gardens and communal areas or organising a clean-up.
4. Healthier and Active Ageing – improving residents' (and older people's) health and wellbeing – for example, dance classes to improve fitness.
5. Youth – increasing the opportunities/activities available for young people - for example, running a youth group.

We will score your application based on how well your project will contribute to these themes so please make sure that you tell us in your application form. You only need to meet one of these themes. In fact, it is better to meet one theme very well rather than all of them loosely. If you're unsure which theme your project fits please contact us for guidance.

## Working with Children and Young People

For projects and activities with children and young people you will need to show us that you have necessary child protection procedures in place. If you are unsure about this, please get in touch with us to discuss further.

## What we cannot fund

- Individuals or private companies
- Items which only benefit an individual, for example bursaries and kit and equipment that is not shared Salaries for permanent employees

(but you can apply for funding for temporary contract/freelance workers, for example artists, sports coaches etc.)

- Activities specifically promoting religious beliefs or political views
- The cost of projects that take place or are paid for before a grant from us is confirmed
- Projects with high ongoing costs or that require specialist skills to maintain
- General fundraising appeals/ fundraising on behalf of another organisation

### How to apply

- Please allow 6 weeks from any of these deadlines before planning to start your activities.
- **All applications must be submitted through an online grant application form.**
- To make an application, first of all you need to **create a Bolton CVS website account**. You will then receive an email to confirm this has been created.
- When you have an account you will be able to **log in to our website** using your email and password.
- Then you will **see "My Applications"** on the left of the screen.
- You can save and return to this form and will be able to view it again once it's been submitted.

### Help and Further information

If you need help with the application form, please contact Zahid Patel or Jane Attfield at Bolton CVS on 01204 546 048 or email [funding@boltoncv.org.uk](mailto:funding@boltoncv.org.uk)