Your Voice Your Town Southall - Your Future Southall Community Fund Application 2026

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Section A: Before you start

Thank you for your interest in the Your Voice Your Town Community Fund. You can find out more about Your Voice Your Town and how we are growing change powered by communities at Your Voice, Your Town.

About this Community Fund

This funding is for local people, community groups and organisations with ideas that will support children and young people aged between 4 and 18 years (and young people aged up to 25 who have more Special Educational Needs) in Southall, from all cultures and backgrounds improve their health, wellbeing and learning.

Activities should be shaped around the different needs of local families, helping children and parents build skills and confidence, feel included, connect with others and have equal opportunities to learn, take part and do well.

Funded activities may help people recognise, understand and celebrate their heritage and culture. Projects may also bring different communities together, improve local spaces, encourage healthy lifestyles, support learning and self-expression, and help children and young people make positive changes in their neighbourhoods.

We will prioritise projects that support young people who face barriers to taking part, such as cost and/or being in a low-income household, location, limited support from a parent or guardian, caring responsibilities, or disabilities.

The Funds Priorities

The Southall Your Voice Your Town's Community Fund is particularly looking for ideas and projects that support young people aged 4-18 (of up to aged 25 for young people with Special Education Needs) in at least one of the prioirty areas:

- Learning, communication and development
- Health and wellbeing
- Family stability and opportunity
- Belonging, participation and community

Eligibility

To check if you are eligible to apply for the fund – go to our eligibility criteria on the FAQs page

Accessibility

We want this fund to be accessible and inclusive. If you need help completing the form, would like it in another format, or would prefer to apply using a voice note or video, please contact us so we can help support you. Your can email us on dosomethinggood@ealing.gov.uk or call 07841591236 and someone will be able to help you.

We will also be holding drop-in sessions in Southall to help people to develop their project. Find out more about the dates for drop-in sessions on the Town Team webpages.

Completing your application

Most applications should take around 45 minutes to complete, if you prepare a draft of the questions in advance. Otherwise you may want to allow up to 90 minutes to think through your application and develop your answers, especially if you haven't developed a funding application before. You can save your application and return to it

at a later time. The deadline for completing and submitting the application is 3 December 2026 at 1pm.

Section B: Section 1: About You

1. **Name of main contact person or group**

2. **Primary email address**

3. **Primary phone number**

4. **Address of contact person or organisation**

5. **If you are a registered organisation, please provide your charity, Community Interest Company (CIC), Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) or company number (optional)** (optional)

6. **Name of secondary contact** (optional)
   This is not needed if you are applying as an individual

7. **Email of secondary contact** (optional)
   This is not needed if you are applying as an individual

8. **Phone number of secondary contact** (optional)
   This is not needed if you are applying as an individual

9. Will your project based in Southall?

A map of the boundaries of what is considered Southall can be found by clicking this link. Please note the benefit of this project must be for young people who live or are educated in Southall.

**Only choose one option.*

- ◯ A) Yes
- ◯ B) No
- ◯ C) Not sure

10. What size grant are you applying for?

**Only choose one option.*

- ◯ A) Up to £1,500
- ◯ B) £1,501-15,000

Section C: Section 2: Your Proposed Project

11. What is the name of your project?

Capture attention with a memorable title that simply explains your activity or what you plan to do. Include the place name in your title if your project is in a specific venue or location.

Your project name can only be up to 20 words

12. Provide a short summary of your project

Imagine you are talking to a friend or family member. How would you explain your idea, so they immediately understand it?

13. Tell us about your project

Please describe:

- What you want to do
- Who will benefit
- What activities will take place
- Why it is important to the town?
- How does it meet the Town priorities and is in the spirit of inclusion the Town Team have described?
- What will be delivered? E.g number of children worked with, number of events, number of workshops?

You do not need to use complicated language. We are interested in understanding your idea and the difference it could make.

Section D: Section 2: Your Proposed Project Continued

14. What difference will your project make?

Tell us what success would look like for you? How would children and young people, or the local area benefit? How will it meet the priorities of the Town of supporting children and young people aged 4-18 (and young people aged up to 25 who have Special Education Needs) in Southall, in at least one of the following priorities:

- Learning, communication and development
- Health and wellbeing
- Family stability and opportunity;
- Belonging, participation and community
- Short answers are welcome.

15. How do you know this project is needed?

For example:

- Feedback from residents
- Conversations with local people
- Community surveys
- Your own lived experience
- Research

Short answers are welcome.

16. Approximately how many people will benefit?

Please note that larger numbers will not be scored more highly than smaller numbers. This information helps us understand the scale and reach of your project.

**Only choose one option.*

◯ A) Up to 25
◯ B) 26-100
◯ C) 101-250
◯ D) 251-500
◯ E) More than 500
◯ F) Unsure at this stage

17. How will the project involve local people?

For example, this could be as volunteers, as champions, helping think through the project, helping to tell more people about the project.

Short answers are welcome.

Section E: Section 2: Your Proposed Project Continued

18. Where and when will your project take place?

Please outline the key steps you will take to complete your project if you receive funding (i.e. what will happen, and when). Please tell us:

- Where will the project take place
- A timeline of what you plan to deliver and when (when you will start and finish your project, and key milestones)
- How will the project be delivered and by whom
- Share the specific things that you will deliver. For example, number of workshops/ events/ pictures?
- When will you buy the equipment, materials or services you need (if applicable)
- When can people start taking part in or using your project?
- How will you reach the audiences that you are trying to appeal to?

For example: If a project was refreshing a community garden, you might include information on:

1. Asking local people for ideas about the planting and garden design.
2. Agreeing the final plans and find local suppliers.
3. Buying the materials.
4. Working with the community to carry out the planting and landscaping work.
5. Complete the garden refresh and promote an event for the community to visit the garden

19. Do you have a venue or location in mind to deliver the project?

As venues can be oversubscribed, it is important to think through venues and what will and won't be feasible as you plan your project.

**Only choose one option.*

◯ A) Yes

◯ B) No

◯ C) Not sure

20. Do you have permission to use this venue or location?

It will be important that you can get the right venue or location in the timeline you outline. If you don't have a venue in mind it may be worth speaking to them about the principle of doing this work.

**Only choose one option.*

◯ A) Yes

◯ B) No

◯ C) Not sure

Section F: Section 3: Funding request

21. How much funding are you requesting in total?

You are encouraged to not just apply for the maximum budget, but to consider the most appropriate funding for your project.

22. How will you spend the funding?

Please provide a simple budget breakdown using the format below. Please be as clear and detailed as possible. You can copy the text into the response field:

- **Budget item 1: (e.g. Refreshments)**
- Why is it needed: (e.g Drinks for young people attending workshops)
- Costs: (e.g £200)

- **Budget item 2:**
- Why is it needed:
- Costs:

- **Budget item 3:**
- Why is it needed:
- Costs:

- **Budget item 4:**
- Why is it needed:
- Costs:

23. How will the project grow or continue to make a difference after Your Voice Your Town funding is finished?

We recognise that some projects won't need to go on forever and may only plan to work with a number of people for a short time. However, they make a lasting difference for the people involved. Share what legacy you think the project will have. For others, thinking how initial funding can enable a longer-term plan will be important.

For example:

- Do you plan to fundraise from other sources to keep the project going?
- Is this a one-off project and the outputs are for the people who participated? If so what will be the legacy and how will this last beyond a short period?
- Will the equipment or resources be maintained by people and is there a plan in place?

Section G: Section 4: Delivering Your Project Safely

24. You will be required to have safeguarding arrangements in place as young project will involve children and young people. Please tell us how you plan on keeping people safe

If you do not yet have these arrangements in place, please tell us what support you may need. If you do have these in place, please explain what they look like. Examples include:

- Safeguarding arrangements
- DBS checks where appropriate
- Named safeguarding lead
- Risk assessments

25. If your project is funded, will you be able to obtain any permissions, licences, insurance or approvals needed to deliver it safely and legally?

If you need help or advice on this, please read the FAQ's or get in touch with us to talk through.

Examples include:

- Public liability insurance
- Food hygiene requirements
- Licences or permissions for events
- Landowner permission

If you are unsure, we may be able to provide advice and support.

**Only choose one option.*

◯ A) Yes
◯ B) No
◯ C) Not sure
◯ D) Not applicable
◯ E) Other

If 'Other', please specify

Section H: Section 5: Privacy, Data Protection and Declarations of Interest

Why we ask for this information

We use the information in this application to assess applications and administer the Your Voice Your Town Community Fund. Applications may be shared with Town Team members, relevant Ealing Council officers, and Ealing Council Evaluators involved in assessing and administering the fund. Information will only be used for these purposes.

For full details about how your information is used, stored and shared, please read our Privacy Notice

26. I have read and understood the privacy notice:

**Only choose one option.*

◯ A) Yes

27. Do you, or anyone involved in delivering this project, have a family, financial, business or close personal connection with:

To ensure funding decisions are fair and transparent, we ask applicants to declare any connections to help us understand potential conflicts of interest.

Please note: **Having a connection does not automatically affect your application.** We ask this question so that any potential conflict of interest can be managed appropriately.

For each row, mark one circle with a cross to indicate your preference.

	Yes	No
A Town Team member	◯	◯
An Ealing Councillor	◯	◯
An Ealing Council Employee	◯	◯

28. If you do have a connection, please provide details of who and what the relationship is. (optional)

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29. Are you applying as: (optional)

**Only choose one option.*

◯ A) An Individual

◯ B) An organisation

*If you answered **A** for Question 29, go to **Section I** next.*

*If you answered **B** for Question 29, go to **Section J** next.*

Section I: Section 6: Equalities Monitoring (Individuals)

Why are we asking these questions?

We ask these questions to understand who is accessing the fund and whether there are any groups or individuals face barriers to applying. We look at patterns across the Fund and more broadly at Ealing Council.

Your answers will not be used to assess your application and will not affect any funding decision.

All of these questions are optional. You may choose "Prefer not to say" for any question.

30. What is your age group (optional)

**Only choose one option.*

- ◯ A) Under 18
- ◯ B) 18-24
- ◯ C) 25-34
- ◯ D) 35-44
- ◯ E) 45-54
- ◯ F) 55-64
- ◯ G) 65+
- ◯ H) Prefer not to say

31. What is your gender? (optional)

**Only choose one option.*

- ◯ A) Woman
- ◯ B) Man
- ◯ C) Non-binary
- ◯ D) Prefer not to say
- ◯ E) My gender is not listed (please self-describe)

If 'My gender is not listed (please self-describe)', please specify

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32. Do you consider yourself to have a disability or long-term health condition? (optional)

**Only choose one option.*

- ◯ A) Yes
- ◯ B) No
- ◯ C) Prefer not to say

33. What is your ethnic group? (optional)

**Only choose one option.*

- ◯ A) Arab
- ◯ B) Asian or Asian British
- ◯ C) Black, African, Caribbean or Black British
- ◯ D) Mixed or Multiple Ethnic Groups
- ◯ E) White
- ◯ F) Prefer not to say
- ◯ G) Another ethnic group (please specify)

If 'Another ethnic group (please specify)', please specify

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*Go to **Section K** next.*

Section J: Section 6: Equalities monitoring (group)

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34. Which communities does your organisation primarily support? (optional)

(Tick all that apply)

**Choose as many as you like*

- ☐ A) Children and young people
- ☐ B) Older people
- ☐ C) Disabled people
- ☐ D) Women and girls
- ☐ E) Men and boys
- ☐ F) Black, Asian and minoritised ethnic communities
- ☐ G) Refugees, migrants or asylum seekers
- ☐ H) LGBTQ+ communities
- ☐ I) People on low incomes
- ☐ J) People with long-term health conditions
- ☐ K) Everyone in the local community
- ☐ L) Other, please tell us more:

If 'Other, please tell us more:', please specify

Section K: How did you hear about the Fund?

This information is not used to assess your application. We monitor this information to help us understand what is most effective in terms of reaching difference audiences.

35. How did you hear about this fund? (optional)

**Choose as many as you like*

- ☐ A) Ealing Council Do Something Good website
- ☐ B) Ealing Council social media
- ☐ C) Email from Ealing Council
- ☐ D) Town Team event or meeting
- ☐ E) Community social media (for example Hanwell Facebook group, Acton Next Door)
- ☐ F) Poster or leaflet
- ☐ G) Community organisation
- ☐ H) Friend, neighbour or colleague
- ☐ I) Other (Please tell us all)

If 'Other (Please tell us all)', please specify

Section L: Final Declaration

Please confirm all of the following:

36. The information provided in this application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

**Only choose one option.*

- ◯ A) Yes

37. I understand that Ealing Council may request additional information to support this application.

**Only choose one option.*

- ◯ A) Yes

38. If successful, I will use the funding for the purposes described in this application.

**Only choose one option.*

- ◯ A) Yes

39. I understand that I may be required to provide evidence of expenditure and project delivery if funding is awarded.

**Only choose one option.*

- ◯ A) Yes

40. I will obtain any permissions, licences, insurance, safeguarding arrangements or approvals necessary to deliver the project safely and legally.

**Only choose one option.*

◯ A) Yes

41. Full Name

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42. Position in Organisation (if applicable) (optional)

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43. Date

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