

Rebuilding the Pavilion - Potential Funders

Applications submitted

Rural Community Infrastructure Grant

- submitted on 28 February 2024 (closing date 29 Feb 2024)
- from the Rural England Prosperity Fund (Dept for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs)
- to support capital projects in rural areas
- projects need to be delivered by March 2025
- up to £20,000
- match funding required
- application made for £20,000 towards *Battle Pavilion - Access for All*
 - ramp/steps; wet room; accessible toilet, individual showers & toilets, public toilets
- £51,225 of BTC funding would be committed to this if the application is successful

Possible funding sources

Community Ownership Fund

- £150m funding from the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities
- to help communities across the UK take ownership of assets at risk of closure
- funding may support the purchase and/or renovation costs of community assets
- will run for 4 years until 2024/25
- town councils can bid for match funding
- expected that most awards will be for up to £250,000 of capital funding
- applications for revenue funding encouraged towards initial running costs (no more than £50,000 or 20% of the total capital funding applied for, whichever is smaller)
- express interest all year round (currently closed - 'is expected to reopen 'in late February')
- apply during a bidding window if EOI is successful

RDC Strategic CIL Climate Emergency Bonus Fund

- need to make clear what the bonus will allow them to do in addition to what is already proposed within their project
- projects from IMF which can also apply for "top-up" funding from this pot.
- fund can also be used to fully fund projects which meet its requirements.
- currently not accepting any Expressions of Interest as process is paused.
- contact cil@rother.gov.uk with questions or if urgent funding is required for a piece of infrastructure

Action contact cil@rother.gov.uk to enquire if BTC can apply for:

- top-up funding towards the solar power, rainwater capture for recycling and energy reduction control systems, green energy heating system and water heating system that was included in the project previously awarded funds from IMF
- a Climate Emergency Bonus Fund contribution towards green items not included in the tender (e.g. a mega stack of batteries for the solar power system)

British Gypsum

- supports projects within a 15 minute drive time of a manufacturing site
- can provide:
 - Financial contributions towards your local community project.
 - A donation of their materials or products, such as plaster, ceilings or drylining.
- supports projects that benefit the local community to make a difference on:
 - Poverty and inclusion and diversity in and around our site locations
 - Happy and healthy people and communities
- as a statutory body, BTC is eligible

Action Andrew Barton will make contact with the Mountfield Works.

National Lottery Reaching Communities

- £20,001+
- looking for projects that work with their community
- statutory bodies (including town councils) can apply
- funding to improve the places and spaces that matter to communities
- funding can be used for purchasing, refurbishing or developing land and buildings

NOTE: BTC has previously been turned down because Battle is not an area of deprivation

Funding sources for projects related to rebuilding the Pavilion

Sussex Community Foundation

- does not award grants for capital projects
- range from £1,000 to £10,000
- to help people who would like to live healthier, more active lives
- funding aimed at supporting smaller voluntary groups with an annual income <£100,000
- applications accepted from not-for-profit volunteer-led organisations, whose income and assets are used for exclusively charitable purposes
- can't fund organisations where the service provided is used as a vehicle or means to promote religious beliefs or accept applications from organisations that are part of local government

Action Gary Walsh will pursue funding on behalf of Battle Town FC. The 1st of 3 potential deadlines for submission is 3rd May.

Funds considered to be unsuitable

London Marathon Fund	only for projects in London
Football Foundation	not available - funds all allocated
Cash 4 Clubs	fund is closed
London City Hall	only for Londoners

KFC Youth Foundation	help young people through early intervention in communities near KFC restaurants; councils cannot apply
Postcode Society Trust	Funding for groups set up to support people from minority /marginalised groups; councils cannot apply
Wooden Spoon Charity	The children's charity of rugby. Projects must enhance and support the lives of children and young people with a cognitive age under 25 that are disadvantaged physically, mentally, or socially.
Peter Harrison	will accept applications from charities and CASCs for capital, revenue or project funding for specialised sporting equipment or facilities required to open opportunities to people who are physically, mentally, socially or economically disadvantaged. Major grants: between £5,001 and £30,000
Lottery Awards for all	£300 to £20,000 to improve the places and spaces that matter to communities, but only fund small land or refurbishment projects
Sport England Small Grants	for coaching costs, volunteer training, equipment, minor facility alterations, facility hire.
Sport Eng'd Active Together	crowdfunding initiative that can match fund up to £10,000 for things such as a loss of income due to the crisis, or any other coronavirus related needs.