

BARNET COMMUNITY INNOVATION FUND



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Barnet Integrated Care Partnership

Second investment round – September 2021



Community Innovation Fund

What is it?

- Launched in Spring 2021, the CIF aims to improve health and wellbeing in the borough.
- A joint initiative with local NHS acute and community trusts, North Central London CCG, Barnet Council and the volunteer and community sectors represented by Barnet Together.
- Funded by Barnet Integrated Care Partnership and Barnet Council to support innovation and creativity, reflect the diversity in the borough and advance equality.
- Builds on the momentum of the partnership work between Barnet Council, Barnet Together and the CCG during the COVID 19 Community Response

Objectives

- Strengthening the range of early intervention and prevention projects to support Barnet's ICP agenda
- The development of a stronger, more resilient and sustained community sector that can develop collaborative partnerships
- Community-based projects that seek to support residents most impacted by COVID-19 and other health inequalities.



Governance

Health & Wellbeing Board


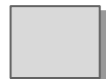
Integrated Care Partnership Executive

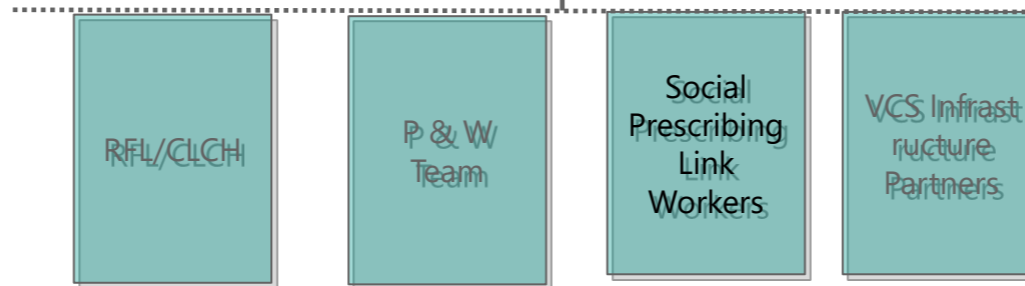
Innovations & Investment Fund Board (ICP Sub Group)
 Chaired by AD Comms, Engagement & Strategy
 Deputy Chair AD JCU,
 Representatives of RFL, CLCH, VCS and partners.

Funders
 Partners & Significant Local Investors

Funding Review Panel (Grant Review Officers)

Stakeholder Working Groups
 VCS & Infrastructure Partners

 Decision making board/group
 For information/advisory



Community Innovation Fund 1st Round

Summary

- 37 applications received
- 14 shortlisted
- 7 awarded grants
- Total funding requests of £889,463
- Total value of applications shortlisted £233,265
- Total grants awarded £126,460
- Large number of strong bids

Applications Shortlisted

	£2K	£10K	£65K	Total
Unpaid carers	1	1	0	2
Digital inclusion	0	2	0	2
Employability	0	1	4	5
Mobility	0	3	2	5
Total	1	7	6	14

Applications Received

	£2K	£10K	£65K	Total
Unpaid carers	1	4	2	7
Digital inclusion	2	4	4	10
Employability	1	2	7	10
Mobility	2	4	4	10
Total	6	14	17	37

Grants Awarded

	£2K	£10K	£65K	Total
Unpaid carers	0	1	0	£9,918
Digital inclusion	0	1	0	£9,937
Employability	0	0	2	£83,354
Mobility	0	3	0	£23,250
Total	0	5	2	£126,460



Awarded organisations



Barnet



Diocese of Westminster



communityfocus
THE ALL INCLUSIVE ARTS CENTRE

arts depot



Twiningenterprise



Organisation	Priority	Summary of the project
Westminster Roman Catholic Diocese Trustee	1	The project aims to develop an Online Carers Forum for unpaid carers of adults with learning disabilities living in Barnet.
Community Focus Inclusive Arts	2	The project will use arts to develop residents digital skills, as well as digital support peer networks.
Barnet Citizens Advice	3	The programme will provide a CAB adviser to provide support to enable those who are self-employed to stay in business, such as advice on business debt, and to those currently unemployed to set up a business.
Twining Enterprise	3	The programme will provide 4 Employment Specialists to support 100 clients per year with mental health problems overcome their challenges to secure sustained employment.
The Arts Depot Trust Limited	4	A falls prevention dance and movement outreach programme designed by dance artists specialists and an NHS Frailty Lead Physiotherapist.
Community Network Group	4	Support programme for over 40 Farsi speaking, isolated elderly people with weekly exercise sessions, emotional wellbeing workshops and digital inclusion lessons.
Stonegrove Community Trust	4	Funding for a Postural Stability Instructor to work within Rehab services in the NHS, delivering two classes per week to help people to regain lost mobility.

Community Innovation Fund 2nd Round

- The next funding round will open **1st October** and close **1st November 2021**
- The funding pot for this round is **£320,000**
- Those seeking lower level of funding can apply at any time.
- Applications will be assessed using a point rating scale (e.g. 1 = poor; 5 = exceptional)
- Application process and evaluation will be proportionate to the level of funding
- We are actively encouraging partnership / collaborative bids



Funding Pot of £320,000

The fund will provide three levels of grant funding:

- **Small grant: up to £2,000**
- **Start-up grant: up to £10,000**
- **Big idea grant: £10,000 to £65,000**

	up to £ 2,000	£2,000-£10,000	up to £65,000)
% of the round 2 fund (£320,000)	11% (c. £35,000) Will fund 17-21 org. (3-4 a month)	40% (c. £128,000) Will fund 12-16 org.	49% (c. £156,000) Will fund 3-4 larger projects



Funding Principles

- Grants are provided as an investment – an opportunity for you to test out projects with the expectation that grantees will seek external funding to sustain the project. Barnet Together can offer support and advice regarding funding opportunities.
- Monitoring requirements will be proportional to the level of funding.
- Funding can be used to match funding from other external sources, as long as the project is delivered in the agreed timeframe.



Community Innovation Fund 2nd Round

- **priority 1:** Mental Health and Wellbeing support particularly focusing on pandemic related crisis support and interventions
- **priority 2:** Initiatives that promote Diversity, Equity and Inclusion
- **priority 3:** Sustainable Green Spaces for healthy leisure projects
- **priority 4:** Projects supporting Families, Children and Young people, with a particular focus on family health promotion



Priority 1

1. Mental Health and Wellbeing support
2. Projects focusing on pandemic related crisis support and interventions
3. Support for People with Dementia and their families
4. Addressing mental health inequalities
5. Tackling stigma, offering outreach and identifying people who are less likely to engage with the statutory services
6. Projects focusing on young people's mental health and wellbeing.

Priority 2

1. Initiatives that promote Diversity, Equity and Inclusion
2. Particular interest in projects addressing racial and health inequalities (e.g. higher prevalence of cardiovascular diseases and diabetes in ethnic minorities living in Grahame Park, Burnt Oak and Colindale)

Priority 3

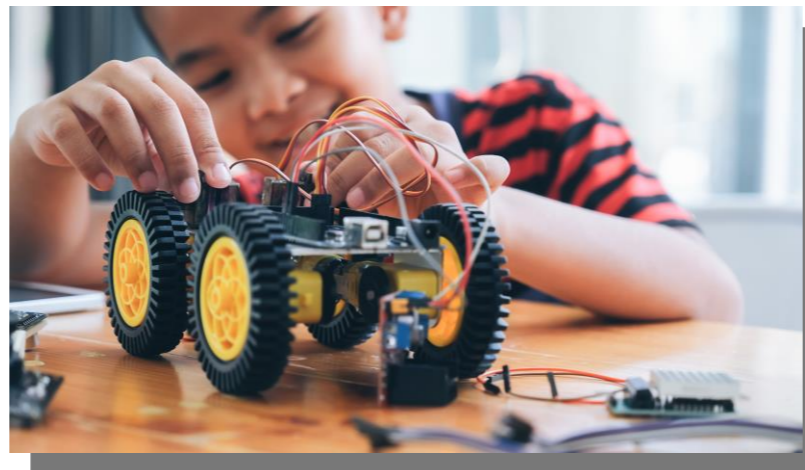
1. Sustainable Green Spaces for healthy leisure projects that are linked to residents improved health

Priority 4

1. Projects supporting Families, Children and Young people with a particular focus on family health promotion and targeting areas of the borough with poorer health outcomes (Grahame Park, Burnt Oak and Colindale).

Innovation

- Research, development and / or implementation of a new process, product or service
- Testing new ideas and establishing successful projects to create new value
- Testing an existing idea out wider / a new audience / or working with strategic or community partners / collaboration with other organisations



Tell us

- “Who” “why”, “what” and “how” of your project
- What is new or innovative about your project
- What the money will be used for
- 1-5 specific outcomes you are hoping to achieve
- How you will know that the project has worked (or not)
- What will you do with the learnings
- What will happen after the funded project is complete



Difference between input and outcome



Output: Direct and measurable products, often expressed in participant numbers or activity units

Outcome: Impact, achievement, result of our activities

No of participants attending set number of mobility classes

Increased physical activity, reduction of falls, lesser strain on health services

No of accessible sessions for people with a range of mobility challenges

Increased use of space by wheelchair users

No of sessions tackling social anxiety

Increased social confidence of the participants



Writing your application



- Read the guidelines

- Give yourself time

- Use simple language

- Be concise

- Be specific

- Be realistic

- Get someone to read your application

- Do get in touch (details below)

- Don't start writing without a clear idea of how your project fits the criteria

- Don't leave your application to the last minute

- Avoid buzzwords and jargon

- Don't repeat the same information

- Don't use generic terms

- Don't overpromise

- Forget to check

- Don't suffer in silence

Good luck!

Partnership and Collaboration

Successful partnerships can help cut costs, improve outcomes and reduce duplication. Here are some examples:

- positive/physical activity with group therapy/counselling – e.g. sports provider and therapy provider
- foodbanks working with debt advice, employability, digital inclusion or therapy services
- community centres acting as a local hub for health with wider providers offering services – blood pressure clinics – healthy eating
- community support projects utilising trained volunteers to address inequalities (peer support /peer champions)
- data sharing – how can the data you collect be shared with strategic partners to influence service delivery/support for residents



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