

To be successful a group MUST:

- Carry out positive work in the community and be of charitable nature and be 'Not for Profit' status.
- Be Community, Social or Environmentally focused
- Based within the area of benefit (see map on centre pages)

The Project should offer / be:

- Improve, enhance, protect and conserve the natural and built environment; or offer heritage conservation; or promote or advance social welfare; or provide better appreciation of the natural and urban environment; or create a safe habitat for flora and fauna.
- Be based within the preset Area of Benefit for funding
- Demonstrate lasting benefit to the community.
- Benefit all members of the community regardless of race, gender or religion.
- Be from an established group or charity able to demonstrate clear banking or financial records, and not an individual or commercial organisation working for profit.

Excluded groups:

1. Groups other than community, self-help and voluntary groups – to apply for funding a group must be either: a community, self-help or voluntary group; a charity; or a local branch of a national charity. Groups which use their surplus for the benefit of a business or individuals are excluded from the fund.
2. Statutory Bodies – Government funded organisations such as schools and local councils fall outside the funding criteria of the Community Fund. Please note – Whilst schools are not eligible to apply, if the project is open to the wider community and not part of the curriculum (link for a successful school) then they may apply but must be able to demonstrate the benefit.
3. We do not fund Companies Ltd by Guarantee unless they are a registered charity.
4. Groups that have received funding within the last 3 years. Any group that has received funding must wait 3 years before re-applying.

Excluded projects:

1. Non-charitable purposes – A group does not have to be a charity to apply, however, the project funded must have a charitable purpose, i.e. benefit the wider community.
2. Overseas activities – The Community Trust Fund cannot support projects for the benefit of communities overseas.
3. Sponsorship / Cash Donations- Funding that's specifically for sponsorship or request for general cash donations are excluded from the fund.
4. Religious worship – The Community Trust Fund welcomes applications from religious or faith groups for projects that are designed to benefit the wider community. However, projects that are deemed to promote a particular religion are excluded from the scheme. For example, an application to refurbish a building that is owned by a particular religious group, but is open to members of the community outside that group, would be considered. An application for prayer mats or refurbishment of pews would not be supported.
5. Core activities of statutory services – Statutory services seeking funding for core activities such as a school library or essential hospital equipment are excluded from applying.
6. Improvements to property not owned by the applicant, or leased to the applicant for a period of less than 15 years, are excluded from the fund. If eligible, you need to get written permission from the owner of the property before applying to the Community Trust Fund.
7. Party political activity – The Community Trust Fund cannot support fundraising, campaigning or any other activity associated with any political party.
8. Individual sponsorship – The Community Trust Fund cannot fund individuals, regardless of the charitable purpose e.g. appeals to provide assistance for a single child with an illness.

Applications for grants are processed by the Administrator and are assessed by a board of seven Trustees who have been appointed by the Manchester Airport Consultative Committee to represent the Local Authorities of Stockport, Trafford, Manchester, Cheshire East, Cheshire West & Tameside and a member of the Airport Company Board. The Fund's Trustees meet quarterly to consider grants in January, April, July and October. Applications should be received no later than the first Friday of the month preceding the meeting.

If you would like to discuss your application please contact the administrator on 0161 489 5281 or trust.fund@manairport.co.uk.

All applications MUST be completed online to avoid rejection on: www.manchesterairport.co.uk/CommunityTrustFund

Manchester Airport Community Trust Fund Criteria & Application Information



Thank you for your interest in Manchester Airport Community Trust Fund. Manchester Airport receives many requests for funding throughout the year. These requests are dealt with through Manchester Airport Community Trust Fund; a registered charity that allocates money donated by the Airport and aircraft noise infringement penalty payments for the benefit of the local community.

The Trust makes grant awards of **£3,000 maximum**, to support eligible charitable projects that have a community, social or environmental focus, based within an Area of Benefit (see map in centre pages) local to the Airport.

Northenden Allotment & Garden Society received £2,068 towards the refurbishment costs of their group hut.

Catholic Childrens Society (St Aidans Centre) received £2,500 towards acoustic panels for main hall.

Inviting & encouraging applications at the Cheshire Show June 2010.

Community Trust Fund

Area of Benefit covered by Manchester Airport Community Trust Fund

Your project must be based within the
boundary line to be eligible for a grant.



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