

Grant Funding - FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

We note that we can only make one application. Could this include a mix of Funding Categories eg. 5 x Student Awards Sponsorship and 2 x Sponsorship of Organisations?

We are anticipating receiving a high volume of applications and because of this, we can only receive one application per organisation. Within the application, the organisation will need to clearly identify the funding category they wish to be considered for. Multiple funding categories at this stage will not be considered. The funding limit (threshold) within each funding category is fixed and cannot be exceeded.

We note the example projects and have several ideas however we are confused by the Current Projects list. Does the Current Projects list comprise those that are approved to date? Would our application need to meet the requirements of the Funding Categories plus the suitable examples shown in the Current Projects?

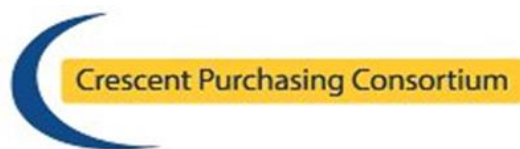
The Current Projects list has been provided to give a full illustration of the width of different projects possible against the total scale of funding that the Charity is offering to the education sector. The list of suitable examples has been given purely to illustrate some examples of funding that could be requested. Funding applications for the Sponsorship of Student Related Events and Activities projects would have to adhere solely to the evaluation criteria and funding categories of this specific project.

Would specialist IT Equipment be considered for the project linked to the category Innovative Teaching or Learning Resources?

Yes

I am in the process of preparing an application for a grant for a new scheme. I would like to know if I can apply for more than one grant (as I have another scheme, I would like some help with), or can I only apply for one grant for one scheme? Given that the maximum is £5,000 for event or activity this would prevent me from applying for both schemes with one application.

The Sponsorship criteria state that there is only one application per organisation allowed.



Could you please advise if the funding for student awards is £500 in total or is it £500 per student we wish to support?

We had hoped to apply for more than one student as we have a 'hardship' fund that provides funding to students for a variety of things such as travel, equipment and necessary protective clothing. However, my understanding is its only for 1 student, is that correct?

If you are thinking of funding a student award event or something similar then the funding threshold is £500 per application, and one application per organisation.

A number of questions and scenarios covering member spend qualification.

The member used the washroom services framework 2 years ago and are still in contract with the supplier and the spend is still coming in. Would this count even though the actual procurement was more than a year ago?

The member has spent a lot with CPC over the years but just not in the last year as their contracts haven't been up for tender.

There will potentially be members who have used the insurance, cleaning and catering frameworks etc so we will be getting income from them in the period February 2022 – February 2023, but because they used the frameworks prior to February 2022 would not qualify. Would this be correct?

The number of frameworks used by the member in the qualifying period has decreased by 2 but overall spend has increased. The member has therefore not introduced any new frameworks although they have spent some more on desktop hardware than they did in the previous year. Would they qualify?

Any member utilising a framework in the qualifying 12-month period where spend is showing on spend reports does meet the spend criteria.

The school is a member of CPC and became a part of a Multi Academy Trust. We were wondering if any/all of our schools could apply for the CPC funding.

Any member with spend in the relevant period will qualify. A multi academy trust will need to meet the spend criteria in order to qualify. Academies who are members of CPC but also members of a trust will qualify under the spend criteria but their spend does not automatically give qualification to the trust. The spend needs to be registered against the actual member

Would you be able to advise what category and level of funding would be available / we can apply for towards Duke of Edinburgh resources / activities?

We cannot give exact guidance on the detail of every potential application. Please refer to the Examples of suitable and non-suitable activities document for guidance. Should you feel your organisation meets the necessary qualification criteria, please complete the application with a detailed explanation of your event.

Can we get any more information on the sponsorship project please? Is there an area of the website to see anything?

Yes, all the information is on our main website. <https://www.cpl.group/funding>

Following the meeting earlier in the summer, our school is planning to submit a funding grant bid, but I have a question around allowable costs.

I understand that staff costs would not be allowed, but if we were to bring in an external organisation to deliver an aspect of the programme, would that be allowable.

You are correct that we do not fund staff vacancies or someone who is going to be on your payroll. Funds payable to an external organisation to deliver something acceptable under the criteria would be allowed.

We have been successful in our application for funds. How soon could the funds be provided?

Once all documentation has been completed, signed and returned, we expect to be able to provide funds within 2 weeks of documentation receipt.

We generally use supplier x and they are on the CPC framework. We would like to award direct to supplier x or do we need to go through a mini tender to meet the T&Cs of the funding?

Any procurement related activity must go through the framework. We would always advise use of a mini tender to achieve and provide proof of best value for money. Direct award to suppliers is possible under most of our frameworks but it is important to make sure the supplier is aware you are awarding business through the framework so that spend is properly registered allowing qualification.

Will there be further sponsorship funding opportunities in the future?

There will definitely be other opportunities. Please keep watching our website for updates

Do I have to use a CPC framework to pay for my project?

No. We do encourage it if possible as it is more sustainable for our charity, however, we recognise that our frameworks may not cover the particular project you have planned.