

South Staffordshire Climate Change Festival

2022



Climate Prize

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Grant funding for local communities taking action to tackle climate change

As part of our Climate Festival, South Staffordshire Council is offering grant funding to local community groups to support projects which help to tackle climate change. All projects must feature a community event, and successful projects will be entered into a mini competition for additional funding at the end of 2022.








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Projects eligible for funding:



We will accept applications for the following funding categories, and have provided example projects below (we welcome applications for other projects under the category headings):

 Protect, restore and adapt nature	 Improve air quality	 Flood risk resilience	 Reducing waste	 Climate mitigation measures
Tree planting, rewilding, local stewardship, increasing biodiversity	Walking and cycling initiatives, planting, personal exposure awareness raising	Flood risk plans, flood management equipment, community awareness raising	Community food gardens, litter picks, recycling schemes, Community fridges, leftover food cooking demos	Energy use reduction initiatives, renewable energy, EV point installations

Funding available:



Seed funding of up to £200 is available, either for a whole project or a smaller part of a larger project. 5 projects in each of our 5 localities (meeting one of the category headings above) will be awarded seed funding based on scoring of their application. In late 2022, seed funded projects which have been successfully delivered will be automatically entered into a mini competition for further funding of up to £200 for 5 winning projects (one in each category), to be reinvested into the project, or an expansion of the project. The best projects will be those that engage the community the most in their project. This will be awarded in Dec 2022 at a climate festival ceremony.

Who can apply for funding?



Any community group within South Staffordshire can apply for funding. This includes very small businesses (less than 5 employees), charities, societies, voluntary groups, Parish Councils and schools.

Application Closing Date



Applications will be accepted throughout January 2022 until the closing date on **Monday, February 28, 2022 at 5pm**



FAQs



Q. How do I apply?

Applications can be made online <https://www.sstaffs.gov.uk/climatechange festival2022>. Alternatively, a printable application form is available online <https://www.sstaffs.gov.uk/climatechange festival2022> or a hard copy can be requested by contacting waste@sstaffs.gov.uk or **01902 696000**. Printed applications can either be scanned and sent and emailed to waste@sstaffs.gov.uk or posted to 'Climate Prize, Waste and Recycling, South Staffordshire Council, Wolverhampton Road, Codsall, South Staffordshire, WV8 1PX'

Q. Do I need match funding?

No, match funding is not required. We will fund up to 100% of the project costs (up to £200). If you are applying to this fund as a partial contribution towards a larger project you will need to demonstrate you have secured the remaining funding, or the funding is for a discreet element which is not dependent on securing other funds.

Q. When will funding be received?

Successful applicants will receive funding within 6 weeks of the application deadline. You will need a bank account for funds to be transferred to. A funding awards ceremony will be held in Spring 2022.

Q. When do projects need to be delivered?

All projects need to be completed before December 2022, along with a community event for the project.

Q. How are applications assessed?

Applications will be assessed against standard criteria for the relevant project category. The highest scoring projects in each locality area will be awarded seed funding of up to £200. In December 2022, all seed funded projects which have been successfully delivered will be entered into a mini competition for further prize funding.



Terms and Conditions



- Projects must be delivered within South Staffordshire.
- A maximum of £200 seed funding can be applied for, and must be spent before December 2022.
- Funding is only available for new projects, and not for existing costs.
- Only one application can be made per group.
- Any conflicts of interest must be declared on the application form.
- Funding requests for maintenance, operational costs, and projects which are commercial in nature are not eligible.
- A case study of the project may be produced and used for promotional purposes. By applying, you agree to provide representatives from South Staffordshire Council access to the project, along with information about its delivery, impact and photographs/videos as reasonably requested.
- A community event must be held before December 2022 either as part of the project, or to promote the project.
- Projects which have been awarded funded must not be altered without prior approval by South Staffordshire Council. Unspent funding, or funding no longer required for the original purpose (unless otherwise agreed) must be refunded to South Staffordshire Council.

Data Protection



The information you give us will be used by South Staffordshire Council to assess the application, transfer funding, administration, and for representatives of South Staffordshire Council to contact you through the duration of the project as reasonably necessary.

- Personal details will not be shared with 3rd parties.
- We will use information relating to the location, nature, and impact of the project for analysis, research and promotional activities.
- We reserve the right to make public the name of the community group, information about the project itself and the funding provided, but we will not disclose personal details.

For more information on data protection, please visit:

<https://www.sstaffs.gov.uk/council-democracy/data-protection.cfm>

For further information, please contact **Ryan Taylor - r.taylor2@sstaffs.gov.uk**,

Rachel Melvin - r.melvin@sstaffs.gov.uk, call us on **01902 696000** or visit:

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