



Connecting Hastings and Rother Together (CHART)

Call 2 Applicant workshops
March 2019

Aims of the workshop

- To give applicants a sound understanding of the CHART strategy including:
 - The profile of areas
 - The needs of the community
 - The interventions that CHART funded projects should be looking to deliver
- To provide information about what we expect from applicants

Who can apply for Work Package 3?

- Qualifying charities
- Services of General Interest (eg, a Registered Provider) or bodies designated or controlled by the state
- Public sector

With

- Three years auditable accounts
- “Clean” public sector match funding for 50% or more of their project costs
- Ability to satisfy other usual due diligence criteria

A visit to the CHART area

- Watch the video
- Look at the clues
- After the first half of the video, we will all use ONE word to describe what we have seen
- Watch the second half of the video
- Look at the clues
- Which CHART area are we in?
- What is the focus here?

Work Package 3: Projects

- **Work package 3: Community development and outreach (ESF):** Work with local communities and organisations to build confidence and capacity to tackle local problems and improve the coordination of responses
- **£325,000** for Call 2
- The aim of work package 3 is to offer capacity building activities within the voluntary and community sector or communities at neighbourhood level.

Work Package 3: Projects

- **The output measure is:**
 - Participants that are unemployed including long-term unemployed
 - Participants that are inactive
 - Participants that are aged over 50
 - Participants that are from ethnic minorities
 - Participants that have disabilities
- **The results measure is:**
 - Participants in education or training on leaving
 - Unemployed participants in employment, including self-employment on leaving
 - Inactive participants into employment or job search on leaving

Work Package 3: Call 1 Projects

- None
- The most challenging of all four work packages to reconcile aims with outputs and results measures
- A lot of pre work has taken place before call 2 started to simplify this for applicants



Work Package 3: Projects

Call 2 focus

- **Particularly seeking two projects**
- A project that focuses on capacity building in the voluntary and community sector
 - Outputs and results delivered as part of this project should directly be the result of the enhanced capacity (e.g., due to the strengthening of volunteering programmes)
- A project building capacity of individuals in neighbourhoods
 - Neighbourhood capacity building is best combined with Work Package 4 to support capacity building with skills development
- Think about how your project might provide:
 - a pathway towards employment for the people you support
 - a project that builds on, but does not duplicate, current work in the area
 - economic development opportunities for organisations and for participants
 - Links to European Regional Development Fund programming
 - Strong intervention logic

Work Package 3: Projects

You'll need to be able to show us:

- A very, very, very detailed budget, by quarter
- That the location you intend to deliver your project from is in the CHART area
- That you have public sector match funding for your project, which is not European
- That our funding is funding of last resort
- Demand for what you are offering
- That you understand the participant journey and needs within your project
- That you have a plan in place for procurement and it complies with EU rules
- That you understand whether or not you or your beneficiaries are getting State Aid from CHART and what you will do about it if you are
- That you have the knowledge and systems in place to handle EU compliance
- That you are able to keep detailed and accurate records and evidence and supply them upon request
- That your project will deliver our outputs and meet the needs set out in the CHART strategy

The role of the “Lead” applicant organisation

Responsible for:

- ✓ Submitting the application
- ✓ Entering into a contract with Accountable Body
- ✓ Submitting monitoring information and grant claims to the Accountable Body
- ✓ Ensuring the delivery of all project activities, including those delivered by other partners
- ✓ Receiving ESIF funding from the Accountable Body
- ✓ Liability for any repayments, including funding related to the activity of partners
- ✓ Distribute funding once grant claims have been paid by the Accountable Body

And also:

- ✓ Project cash flow – plan for 6-9 months in case of claim issues
- ✓ Overall ESIF compliance of project
- ✓ Managing performance of partners
 - ✓ You may need to make tough decisions mid project if a partner is not able to continue.

This is a lot to deal with and does come with risk, but is rewarding too!



What do I do now?

CHART is right for me

- Call 2 is open for applications for all Work Packages at 8:00 on Thursday 20 March
- Complete an Expression of Interest form and submit to chart@hastings.gov.uk
- You will need to call the team to discuss before submitting

CHART isn't right for me

- Look at conventional finance for your idea, e.g a loan
- Get some free support from a CHART funded project to work out next steps (from September 2019)
- Look at other grants schemes (East Sussex Funding News is a good starting point)

How will I remember all this?

- All of today's videos and slides will be on www.hastings.gov.uk/chart from 18 March along with:
 - Lead applicant checklist
 - Participant journey worksheet
 - Outputs and results worksheets
 - Help cards
 - FAQs
 - Handbooks
 - Templates
- And don't forget to call us!