



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 4?

- 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 4: Projects

- **Work Package 4 EMPLOYABILITY SUPPORT (ESF):** Direct support to the most vulnerable unemployed / inactive CHART residents to move closer and into the labour market
- **£658,000** for Call 2
- The aim of work package 4 is to provide and coordinate packages of support to individuals which address multiple issues simultaneously, and provide continuity of support over extended periods to move people into work and help maintain them there

Work Package 4: 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 4: Call 1 Projects

- Two projects
- A project offering to match people with a guaranteed interview for a job they are supported to work towards
- A project to support people homeless or at risk of homelessness into work



Work Package 4: Projects

Call 2 focus

- **Particularly seeking projects that focus on support for:**
 - Over 50's
 - Unemployed including long term unemployed
 - People with disabilities including mental health, physical and learning disabilities
 - BME communities
 - Strong links into volunteering, welfare advice and generational unemployment
 - Interventions targeting specific neighbourhoods
 - Projects should work to “target” these groups as opposed to simply being “inclusive” of them.
- 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 and social mobility opportunities for participants
 - Links to European Regional Development Fund programming
 - Strong intervention logic

Work Package 4: 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!