



## Community Kitty - Updated Information for Applicants July 2021

In our final six-months, CELL Big Local is expanding its Community Kitty offer for local groups and organisations who want to make a positive difference in the CELL area. Instead of £500 per project, we will be offering up to a maximum of £1,000.

### What can Community Kitty funding be used for?

Community Kitty funding is very flexible, and can be used to support the delivery of a wide range of community activities, such as

- events
- training courses
- group activities
- trips
- buying equipment or resources
- creating publicity materials

We're particularly keen to receive applications that help to:

- **Increase digital inclusion for both residents and groups OR**
- **Help our community to bounce back from COVID.**

However, as long as your idea has the potential to benefit others in the CELL community, we'd love to hear from you!

We are happy to consider more than one application from an individual, group or organisation, providing that each application represents a new activity, event or venture. The only exception to this is funding towards transport costs, where we will only fund up to 50% of the full cost, but will accept multiple applications from the same group for different trips.

**Note:** When planning any group activities, please ensure that you are able to run these safely, and in-line with the government guidance on COVID-19. Please explain briefly in the application form how this will be done.

### Community Kitty funds can't be used for:

- activities that happen or start before the funding is confirmed
- items that mainly benefit individuals (for example equipment that is not shared)
- political or religious activities
- projects or activities which the state has a legal obligation to provide
- VAT you can recover

## How to apply

To apply for funding, please complete the enclosed Community Kitty Application Form. **Please note that while the application form is short and simple, this is your opportunity to show that the funds are genuinely needed, so please do give us some detail!**

Applications will be considered by a panel of local residents, and we would expect decisions to have been made within 3 weeks of application. We would therefore advise you to apply well in advance of the proposed activity.

Once you have spent your grant, we will also ask you to complete a short feedback form to let us know how your grant has made a difference.

If you need any more information, please get in touch at [enquiries@cell-biglocal.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@cell-biglocal.org.uk) or telephone 07450 716601.

Thank you for helping to make Cresswell, Ellington, Linton and Lynemouth a 'better place to live, work and play'. We wish you every success with your application.

Yours faithfully

Clare McKay  
CELL Big Local Project Co-ordinator

## Community Kitty Application Form

Please complete all pages of this application form. The front page will be removed before your application is passed for consideration.

Applicants' personal information will be retained only for the purposes of managing this funding application process and any grant awarded.

Applicant(s) contact details
Name of contact person:
Address:
Postcode:
Telephone:
Email:

In order to meet the requirements of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), CELL Big Local conforms to the Privacy Policy of YMCA Northumberland (our Locally Trusted Organisation). This is part of our ongoing commitment to keep your data safe and increase transparency. If you'd like to be sent a copy of the Privacy Policy, or find out more about how GDPR may apply to you, please email us at [enquiries@cell-biglocal.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@cell-biglocal.org.uk).

If you'd like to receive email updates on the work of CELL Big Local and other relevant opportunities within the CELL community, including those from our partners, please tick

Name (of applicant):

Date:

Signature (of applicant):

If you need help completing this form, please contact Clare McKay, Project Coordinator on 07450 716601 or email [enquiries@cell-biglocal.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@cell-biglocal.org.uk)

<b>1. About you, your group or organisation</b>
Name of your group or organisation (if applicable):
What do you / your group currently do?
Who currently benefits from your activities?

<b>2. About your proposed project</b>
What do you / your group need money for? (max. 200 words)
How much money do you / your group need from the Community Kitty?
Who will benefit from this idea, and how? (max. 200 words)

<b>Does this project contribute to any of CELL Big Local's priority themes?</b>							
<b>Children &amp; Families</b>	<b>Housing</b>	<b>Environment</b>	<b>Community Facilities</b>	<b>Getting Around</b>	<b>Strengthening Communities</b>	<b>Digital Inclusion</b>	<b>Community Covid Recovery</b>
If yes, in what way?							
What measures will need to be put in place to ensure any activity is Covid-safe? (max. 200 words)							

**Please tell us what evidence of progress you'll be collecting. We may request copies of this information as part of our overall project evaluation.** (Please indicate all that apply with a 'Y')

Numbers of beneficiaries	Photos/Videos	Case studies	Surveys	Quotes	Participant progress monitoring	Formal evaluation

**Other (please state):**

All individuals represented in photo/videos/anonymised case studies must have given written permission to enable CELL Big Local to receive and use all such items. We can provide a Consent Form for this purpose. If you have any questions, please contact CELL Big Local on 07450 716601.

**3. Grant Details** Please provide a breakdown of the costs associated with the proposed project

Item	Cost £
<b>Total Cost</b>	

Once completed, please return this form by email to [enquiries@cell-biglocal.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@cell-biglocal.org.uk) or by post to **CELL Big Local, c/o YMCA Northumberland, North View, Ashington, Northumberland NE63 9XQ**