

# Big Lottery Fund - Mission



“The Big Lottery Fund is committed to bringing real improvements to communities and to the lives of people most in need”

# Our funding approach



1. Prevention
2. Long term
3. Evidence
4. User informed
5. Partnership
6. Local
7. Impact



# Big Lottery Fund - outcomes



**Outcome 1:** People having better chances in life, with better access to training and development to improve their life skills

**Outcome 2:** Stronger communities, with more active citizens, working together to tackle their problems

**Outcome 3:** Improved rural and urban environments, which communities are better able to access and enjoy

**Outcome 4:** Healthier and more active people and communities

# Supporting the environment



**Changing Spaces**

**Parks for People**

**Rethinking Parks**

**Our Environment, Our Future**

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# Awards for All



- **£300 - £10,000**
- **12 months to spend grant**
- **New activity and projects**
- **Repeat and regular activities –**  
*If income less than £30,000 in last financial year*
- **Not for running costs**
- **Simple application form**
- **Up to £10,000 in any 12 month period**

# What can Awards for All pay for?



- equipment hire or purchase
- information technology equipment
- building and refurbishment work
- professional fees
- training
- updating equipment and premises for health and safety reasons
- volunteer expenses
- transport costs
- venue hire

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# Awards for All cannot pay for...



- Activities that happen or start before BIG pays the grant
- Day to day running costs – including salaries, routine repairs and maintenance
- Existing activities and repeat or regular events\*
- Items that mainly benefit an individual
- Building and refurbishment work costing more than £25,000 (including VAT)
- Fundraising activities
- Activities which promote politics or religion
- Used vehicles

\* If income over £30,000 last financial year



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**allotments**

Updated play area

Healthy cooking classes

Training for volunteers

**BMX track**

**Sensory garden**

Access improvements

# Reaching Communities



## Two strands

- Reaching Communities (two stage)
- Reaching Communities Buildings (three stage)

## Outcomes focussed

## Community led

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food growing horticulture project

volunteer programme

access and explore local natural spaces

promoting healthy lifestyles

'ecotherapy' activities

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# Problem and cause



What difficulties do people in the community face?

Why do they face these difficulties?

Can you provide evidence of this?

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# Sources of evidence



## 'Soft' evidence

- Consultations
- Focus groups
- Questionnaires
- Interviews
- 'Before and after' data
- Waiting lists

## 'Hard' evidence

- Local statistics
- Census
- Research reports
- Strategies & policies
- Deprivation index
- Local and national priorities



# Project Outcomes

Who - people or organisations who will benefit	How - should relate to change or difference	What - what will the change/ difference be?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Young People</li><li>▪ Lone Parents</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Improve</li><li>▪ Decrease</li><li>▪ Reduce</li><li>▪ Expand</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Confidence</li><li>▪ Skills</li><li>▪ Relationships</li><li>▪ Isolation</li></ul>

- Increased participation in environmental activities leading to local people learning new skills
- Increased community involvement in managing and maintaining local green spaces, leading to reduced vandalism and littering
- Improved local environments leading to increased use of green spaces by local people and improved wellbeing in the community

# Where to get help



Big Advice line: [0845 4 10 20 30](tel:08454102030)

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