

Am I Eligible?

This document outlines all of the possible answers to the options on our Am I Eligible? Section.

1. Do you represent:

- A UK charity registered with the Charity Commission for England, Wales or Northern Ireland or the OSCR or a UK organisation with exempt charity status.
 - UK registered charities and organisations with exempt charity status are eligible.
- A UK registered company
 - If you are a campaigning organisation that has strong and clear reasons for not being a UK-registered charity, including not being able to register, then you can apply to us as a company limited by guarantee with an asset lock. You must meet all of our other funding criteria. For more detail, see our [FAQs by clicking here.](#)
- An individual
 - We do not make grants to individuals. We only fund UK registered charities or organisations with an exempt charitable status.
- An overseas charity
 - We only support work overseas if it is in the UK Overseas Territories and is delivering environmental work related to the triple planetary threat. For more detail, see our [FAQs by clicking here.](#)
- A University
 - We do not usually fund universities, and not for their core work. Exceptionally, we may consider an application from a specialist unit if you are a centre of excellence and a leader in your field. You must have an operating budget of between £100k and £10m, and being undertaking work that it is distinctive, involves partnerships with charities or similar, has a budget that includes no contribution to central overheads, and strongly meets our funding criteria.
- A hospital, hospice or school
 - We do not accept applications from hospitals, hospices or schools.
- A fiscally hosted group
 - We accept applications from fiscally hosted organisations which meet all our other funding criteria. For more detail, see our [FAQs by clicking here.](#)

2. What is your organisation's annual income?

- Not yet known. We are a newly established charity.
 - We only consider applications from organisations with an annual income above £100,000.
- Below £100,000
 - We only consider applications from organisation with an annual income above £100,000.
- Between £100,000 and £10 million
 - We will consider applications from organisations with an annual income between £100,000 and £10 million. This must be evidenced by your most recently published annual accounts.
- More than £10 million

- We only consider applications from organisations with an income below £10 million. The only exception to this is for environmental organisations acting as intermediaries for work happening in the UK Overseas Territories.

3. What type of funding are you requesting?

- Capital funding
 - We do not fund capital developments, building refurbishment or the purchase of individual items of equipment.
- Core restricted funding
 - Our preference is to provide core funding. This can include (but is not limited to) staff salaries, training and expenses, day-to-day running costs and operations, monitoring and evaluation, including research, communications and digital innovation.
- Core unrestricted funding
 - If most or all of the activity that your organisation undertakes fits with our funding criteria, and you are a UK-registered charity, then you can apply for unrestricted core funding. However, if there are aspects of your work that are not relevant, we ask that you specify where the funds would be directed to within your organisation.
- Project funding
 - Our preference is to provide core funding. If you think a project grant would be best, you can apply for that instead, but bear in mind that we do have less experience in distributing and managing project grants. Organisations applying for project grants must still demonstrate overall alignment with our funding criteria.

4. What is the geographical focus of your work you are asking us to fund?

- UK wide
 - We fund organisations from any part of the UK whose work has impact across the UK.
- England, Scotland, Wales or Northern Ireland
 - We accept applications from organisations that have national significance within one or across multiple countries within the UK.
- At a local level (e.g. with a particular town or region)
 - If you are a local organisation making a difference locally only, without having any influence nationally or at a UK level, then your application will not be successful.
- Overseas
 - We only support work overseas if it is in the UK Overseas Territories and is delivering environmental work related to the triple planetary threat. For more detail, see our [FAQs by clicking here.](#)

5. Does the work you are requesting funding for fall within any of the following activities which are excluded from our funding?

- General and round-robin appeals
 - We do not accept general or round-robin appeals.
- Individuals, including student grants or bursaries
 - We do not support individuals, including student grants or bursaries.
- Capital and equipment

- We do not fund capital developments, building works or refurbishment, or individual items of equipment.
- Promotion of religion or places of worship
 - We do not fund work that promotes religion or places of worship.
- Learning and participation activities, where this is the primary focus of the application
 - We do not generally fund learning and participation activities, but may consider some element of this as part of a wider application that is otherwise strongly aligned with our funding priorities.
- Leisure, individual holiday schemes or respite breaks
 - We do not fund leisure, individual holiday schemes or respite breaks.
- Sport, where this is the core of the organisation's activities
 - We do not fund organisations when sport is their core activity.
- Boxing
 - We do not fund any projects where boxing is used as a tool of engagement or as an activity.
- Education, such as initiatives linked to the curriculum, arts or environmental educational projects
 - We do not fund education work including initiatives linked to the curriculum, or arts and environmental education work.
- Animal welfare, captive breeding and animal rescue centres
 - We do not fund work in the areas of animal welfare, captive breeding and/or animal rescue as the main purpose of the work.
- Medical research or treatment, including drug and alcohol rehabilitation services
 - We do not fund medical research or treatment, including drug and alcohol rehabilitation services.
- Work based in prisons
 - We do not fund work in prisons that should receive statutory funding and does not pursue wider systems change.
- One off campaign
 - We will fund campaigns, but they must meet our funding criteria and be part of a clear long-term strategy for the organisation. We do not fund campaigns if they are stand alone and do not tie in strongly with the organisation's wider work.
- One-off events, such as conferences, trips, seminars, master classes, summer schools, single commissions, productions or festivals
 - We do not fund one-off events such as conferences, trips, seminars, master classes, summer schools, single commissions, productions or festivals.
- Onward distribution of our funds as grants to other organisations
 - We do not allow onward distribution of our funds unless we have explicitly agreed to join a funder collaboration or pooled fund where this will happen. If you would like to invite us to join a pooled fund, we recommend that you contact us before applying for a discussion about this.
- Work that attempts to advance the rights of one group or groups by removing the rights of another group or groups, and stokes division.
 - We do not fund work that seeks to remove the rights of specific groups of people. Building greater trust and connection and reducing polarisation within society are key priorities within our strategy.
- None of the above

The list above covers our common exclusions, but please do check the Funding Guidelines to be sure your application will be eligible

6. Is your organisation's core mission/work aligned with one of the following areas?

- Tackling the triple planetary crisis by mitigating and adapting to climate impacts, reducing pollution and protecting and restoring nature.
 - This is one of the priority areas in our funding strategy and is therefore eligible.
- Reducing polarisation within society, for example by building greater trust and connection, and increasing the levels of participation and influence in the political process (which is sometimes referred to as political equality).
 - This is one of the priority areas in our funding strategy and is therefore eligible.
- Promoting the development and adoption of economic models and systems that support people and planet and reduce wealth inequalities.
 - This is one of the priority areas in our new funding strategy and is therefore eligible.
- Advancing equity and justice for marginalised communities impacted by the issues above.
 - This is one of the priority areas in our funding strategy and is therefore eligible.
- Two or more of the above
 - We welcome applications that focus on multiple areas, but this is not a requirement. Your application is only required to address one of the above areas as a minimum.
- None of the above
 - If your work does not address at least one of the areas above, your application will not be successful.

7. Does your organisation have a track record of changemaking work? By this, we mean work that is focused on creating change in existing and/or new systems, e.g. by challenging long-held orthodoxies and business as usual approaches, including helping us to see the world differently, or pursuing alternative and better approaches for people, society and the natural world, or having evidence-led approaches to policy, advocacy and campaigning work.

- Yes, we have an existing track record of this type of work
 - This is one of the key criteria in our new funding strategy and is therefore eligible.
- No, but we intend to start doing this type of work
 - While technically we can accept applications that aspire to changemaking, generally successful applicants are able to point to an existing history and expertise in this area.
- No, this is not a priority for us
 - If you do not deliver this type of work, your application will not be successful.

8. Does your organisation actively involve individuals and communities with personal or direct experience of the issues? For environmental organisations, this can include involving communities in creating change.

- Yes, we have an existing track record of this type of work
 - This is one of the key criteria in our new funding strategy and is therefore eligible.
- No, but we intend to start doing this type of work

- While technically we can accept applications that aspire to involve individuals and communities, generally successful applicants are able to point to an existing history and expertise in this area.
- No, this is not a priority for us
 - If you do not deliver this type of work, your application will not be successful.