Sustainability Grants/ Funds - Funding Sources and Information

Background

There are a wide range of sources on the internet where information on grants/ funding can be found.

Some example sources of information

- Welsh Government News / Finance Finance locator | Business Wales (gov.wales)
- Scottish Gov: https://www.sseenergysolutions.co.uk/small-business-sustainability/green-grants-loans
- Sustainability West Midlands: Funding Opportunities Sustainability West Midlands [UK wide]
- GrantFinder: https://www.grantfinder.co.uk/funding-highlights/funds/environment/
- SwoopFunding: https://swoopfunding.com/uk/business-grants/sustainability-grants/

There is also some guidance on applying for grants and funding, as follows:

- Guide to grants and funding Essential guide to environmental grants and loans | Money Donut

There are Active Partnerships across England and many will be able to offer advice on local funding opportunities – find your local Active Partnership at www.activepartnerships.org/active-partnerships

Grants/Funding Examples

The table below lists a range of funding including closing deadlines and brief details about the funding that is available. The exact details of what is required to access the funding has not been covered here and would need to be checked via the links provided. The Welsh Green Digital Academy is a known source to access consultancy advice on developing a carbon footprint, which was successfully applied for by the Pinnacle Club.

Funding	Funding dates	Fund details
Sustainability West Midlands		
Sport England's Small Grants Programme	30 June 2023	Seeks to develop opportunities for communities to get more people physically active, with
	closes	funding of between £300 and £15,000 per project. The fund is to particularly support
		projects focusing on environmental sustainability.
Magic Little Grants	31 October	Localgiving is once again offering their Magic Little Grants of £500 for small charities and
	2023	community groups, with one of the main priorities of the programme being to support
		projects that encourage climate action.
Smart Energy / Sub-metering Monitoring Funding	No closing date	Available to businesses in Staffordshire. Staffordshire Business Environment Network
		(SBEN), through Staffordshire County Council, is providing businesses with sub-metering
		monitoring grants of up to £5,000 (50% match funded).
Climate Action Fund - Energy and Climate	No closing date	from the National Lottery Community Fund aims to inspire and support communities
		across the UK to address the energy and climate crisis. The fund is looking for projects that
		show how communities can address climate change while tackling energy challenges

		through community-led climate action. Note that the Nature and Climate strand of this
		funding is also still available for projects that focus on the link between nature and climate
GrantFinder		randing is also sell available for projects that rocus on the link between hatare and elimate
Green Digital Academy Busnes@LlandrilloMenai	Not known	Gwynedd or Anglesey based.
(gllm.ac.uk)	Not known	Working with a mentor, we can help you to evaluate your current position and develop a plan to access training and funding to support you to reduce your carbon footprint. • green.digital@gllm.ac.uk • 08445 460 460
Welsh Water Community fund Dŵr Cymru Welsh Water (dwrcymru.com)	Not known	Grants are available to voluntary and community organisations working in the Welsh Water area to support projects that provide benefits to local communities The funding is intended to support registered community groups with local community initiatives promoting health, wellbeing and environmental objectives.
Swoopfunding		
Eco-I North West Capital Grant Scheme	Not known	aimed at SMEs across England's North West and seeks to support low carbon business innovations. It offers match-funded grants that can be used to purchase and install new equipment or technology, but it cannot be used to support running or maintenance costs
The Marches Energy Grant	Not known	will offer free advice, energy assessments and grants for energy efficiency and renewable energy measures to SMEs from all sectors in Herefordshire, Shropshire and Telford and Wrekin. Grants worth up to £20,000 are available.
Low Carbon Workspaces	Not known	offers match-funded grants of between £1,000 and £6,750 to SMEs in Buckinghamshire, Bedfordshire, Berkshire, Hertfordshire, Milton Keynes and Northamptonshire. Grants can be used to cover the cost of projects that will reduce your business' greenhouse gas emissions.
Carbon Reduction Grant – Manchester <u>Energy Efficiency Grant</u>	Not known	If you have an SME in Greater Manchester, you might be eligible for an Energy Efficiency Grant of between £1,000 and £12,500 to help with up to 50% of the costs of your energy efficiency improvements. The grants are available on a first-come first-served basis and can be put towards the cost of a new LED lighting system for your premises, heating equipment upgrades, replacement drives or motors and process efficiency investments.
Business Energy Efficiency Programme – Worcestershire, Herefordshire & Shropshire	Not known	The <u>Business Energy Efficiency Programme</u> (BEEP) provides free energy and resource efficiency reviews and grants of up to £20,000 (up to 40% of the total project costs) for SMEs within Worcestershire, Herefordshire, Telford and Wrekin and Shropshire who want to use energy more efficiently.
Other		
Veolia's Sustainability Fund	29 September 2023	Do you have a project idea that will help transform your local community or environment? We want to hear from you! Launching 21 April 2023, just in time for Earth Day, Veolia's Sustainability Fund could help your project come to life with a cash donation, in kind resources or volunteers.
<u>Greggs Foundation</u>	Not known	Who do we support?

		Any not for profit organisation can apply, preference will be given to small, locally based and community led organisations with a turnover not in excess of £300,000 per annum. Schools are also encouraged to apply providing the project is accessible to the community outside of school hours. Schools are given the same level of priority as small locally based organisations.
Energy for Business – Derbyshire, Nottinghamshire and Leicestershire	Not known	provide grants of up to £10,000 to businesses in Derbyshire, Nottinghamshire and Leicestershire. The grant is for businesses that wish to improve energy efficiency, reduce greenhouse gas emissions or who are implementing sustainable energy technologies. The capital funds 40% of the project cost through match funding and the maximum cost of the project must be no more than £24,999.
Carmarthenshire - UK Shared Prosperity Fund: Business Growth Grant	Not known	Grants are available to support existing local businesses in Carmarthenshire to grow and/or ensure their sustainability, as part of the wider UK Shared Prosperity Fund programme.
New Grants Programme for Historic Building Projects in England	Available since 14 April 2023	Following on from the achievements of the Transforming Places through Heritage programme, this new funding for 2023-2024 will focus on helping charities and social enterprises through the early stages of planning to restore and re-use historic buildings. Project Viability Grants of up to £10,000 can be used to meet a range of costs, including fees for professionals to undertake initial surveys, designs and costings, advice on legal and governance matters, and help with outline business planning, market testing, and fundraising strategies. It prioritises projects that: involve the new use of a vacant historic building help revive high streets are in the top 30% most deprived areas involve and support communities traditionally underrepresented among heritage
		 asset owners have a strong focus on environmental sustainability and energy efficiency contribute to local regeneration schemes.

If you aware of other funding opportunities please send the details to huts@thebmc.co.uk.

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