

# **Project Funding**

Eligibility, Application and Assessment Information



## Who is this funding category for?

This funding is for your organisation if:

- your organisation has been constituted for more than 2 years, and
- the work you want to do advances Barnwood Trust's <u>strategic goals</u> for at least one year,
- but a commitment to disability or mental health outcomes is not explicitly cited in your charitable objects or published governing document.

If your organisation is less than 2 years old, or is not formally constituted, you will not be eligible for this funding. Please refer to our Small Grants Funding for more information.

If your charitable objects or governing document contain a commitment to disability or mental health outcomes, then you may wish to apply for Unrestricted Funding.

## Key features of this funding

This funding must be spent on work that proactively aligns with Barnwood Trust's vision and strategic goals, and that benefits disabled people and people with mental health conditions in Gloucestershire. Examples of what the Trust would fund in this programme include: an inclusion and access post to enable disabled people to engage with a community resource; running a community mental health programme over several years; running an inclusive physical activity or arts project; running a staff development programme to improve understanding of disability and mental health conditions; undertaking research on disability or mental health-related topics; running co-design projects with disabled people and people with mental health conditions.



#### Key features of this funding

- Open to established charitable and community organisations delivering work in Gloucestershire whose governing document or charitable objects do not show an explicit commitment to disability and mental health outcomes, but would like to do work that aligns with Barnwood's strategic goals (click here to view our vision and strategic goals)
- Multi-year funding for up to 3 years (a minimum of 1 year)
- Can apply for between £10,000 and £100,000, or the equivalent of £33,000 per year if less than 3 years

- Funding can be spent on anything that delivers the proposed work, including project staff salaries, evaluation costs, and associated overheads
- Ongoing learning relationship with Barnwood Trust
- Organisations cannot apply for another grant from Barnwood Trust during this funding period\*

<sup>\*</sup>Barnwood Trust periodically runs one-off, themed funding rounds, which may be open to current grant recipients.



## Questions and assessment criteria

Once your due diligence assessment is complete (see section 3, Step 1 of the main information pack), your Funding Relationship Manager (FRM) will send you the application form to fill in. The following table shows the questions you will need to answer on your application to Barnwood Trust. It also outlines what assessors are looking for when they score your application, as well as how many points you can receive for each answer you write.

Applications can receive a total possible score of 19 points. Any application scoring 12 points or higher will be funded, and any application scoring 11 points and below will be declined.

If any of your responses scores 0, your application will be declined. Your FRM will support you to ensure that the likelihood of your answer scoring 0 is low ahead of your application being brought to a panel meeting.



Assessment criteria	Questions that assess these criteria	What assessors are looking for	Total possible score
Compelling vision	1. Please explain your organisations vision and how you will deliver this over the funding period.  (up to 500 words)	<ul> <li>This criterion is about your vision for this project. You should demonstrate that:</li> <li>You have a clear and cohesive vision for this project and what you would like to achieve;</li> <li>You can articulate why it makes sense for your organisation to apply for funding from Barnwood Trust to deliver this project;</li> <li>This project is compatible with Barnwood Trust's vision (that Gloucestershire will be a better place when disabled people and people with mental health conditions are equal, empowered and their rights are upheld);</li> <li>You have a compelling plan to ensure the voices of disabled people and people with mental health conditions play a role in the creation</li> </ul>	Key: 5 = exceeded 3 = met 1 = partially met
		and/or delivery of this project.	0 = not met

Barnwood	2. How will this project help	This criterion is about how your project will	5
alignment	to deliver one of more of Barnwood Trust's strategic goals? (up to 500 words)	support the delivery of Barnwood Trust's strategic goals. You should demonstrate:  • That the project will contribute to the delivery of at least one of the following strategic aims:  Disabled people and people with mental health conditions across Gloucestershire:  1. have choice of opportunities that meet their hopes and passions  2. are included and involved in their communities and the places where they live	Key: 5 = exceeded 3 = met 1 = partially
		<ol><li>access their rights and see positive change on disability issues</li></ol>	met 0 = not met
The local context	3. How do you know that there is a need and demand for this project?	This criterion is about how the need and demand for the project was identified. You should demonstrate that:	3
	(up to 300 words)	<ul> <li>You can clearly identify who you would like to reach with this project and why they will benefit;</li> </ul>	Key: 3 = exceeded 2 = met 1 = partially
		Your organisation has a solid, local knowledge and understanding of your target beneficiaries.	met 0 = not met

Expected	4. Please provide us with	This criterion is about what you plan to deliver,	3
1 '	a brief timeline or a brief	and how you plan to spend your grant. You	
delivery plan		, , , , , ,	
and budget	project plan in a format of	should demonstrate that:	
	your choice outlining what you will deliver and when. Please provide no more than	<ul> <li>Your plans to deliver the project are realistic and achievable;</li> </ul>	
	2 sides of A4, or a small Gantt chart.	<ul> <li>Your projected spend fits with and is proportionate to your plans;</li> </ul>	
	5. Please provide a project budget using the template provided. Your budget should show how this funding will be spent over the funding period*, as well as the amount you would like Barnwood to release each year. We recommend that you request an amount that aligns with the needs to deliver the intended work over the full funded period – this includes any predicted inflationary increases.	Your budget adequately covers the time and resource you will need to successfully deliver your project for the funding period, and your proposed draw-down schedule reflects this.	Key: 3 = exceeded 2 = met 1 = partially met 0 = not met

<sup>\*</sup>Remember that your budget can include associated costs, such as staff recruitment, training, equipment to deliver the project, and salary costs for project staff.



Impact and learning	6. How will you know that your organisation has achieved the vision you outlined in Question 1?  (An additional Question 7 is included in the application form, but this is not scored.)  8. How will you share this learning with Barnwood?	<ul> <li>This criterion is about your approach to learning and evaluating the impact of your project. You should demonstrate:</li> <li>A commitment to working towards and learning about at least one of the themes identified in question 7 of the application form;</li> <li>Enthusiasm and curiosity for learning what works, what doesn't and how you can improve;</li> <li>A commitment to sharing your learning with Barnwood Trust through your Funding Relationship Manager.</li> </ul>	Key: 3 = exceeded 2 = met 1 = partially met
		Relationship Planager.	0 = not met

## **Next steps**

Please refer to the Funded Partner Programme Information Pack for information on the decision-making, award and funding relationship management process.