



Together Fund Guidance Notes

Overview:

As part of the We Fish As One campaign, The Angling Trust is pleased to announce it is working with Sport England to help connect inactive people from priority groups with local, community angling projects. Thanks to a funding award from Sport England, the Angling Trust is looking to invest in community projects that target the following groups;

Lower socio-economic groups

Culturally diverse communities

Disabled people

People with long-term health conditions.

Insight from Sport England indicates that these groups have been disproportionately affected by the pandemic, significantly impacting their ability to engage with sport and physical activity.

Approach:

The Angling Trust is inviting applications from community groups interested in delivering projects engaging the groups highlighted above. We are looking to support the delivery of events and activities that support groups develop an ongoing angling habit rather than a simple 'taster' session.

Importantly, we will be looking to support projects that can demonstrate sustainability and will not be reliant on this funding in future years.

A simple application form has been devised but initially, the Trust would welcome the opportunity to have a conversation with a project to assess its suitability (contact details are listed below).

Who Can Apply:

The primary focus of this grant is supporting voluntary community partners. We are welcoming applications from angling clubs, charities, community organisations, however we recognise that we may need to fund other organisations to best support local communities and people.

All organisations will be required to have a recognised constitution in place and the application must not duplicate any funding already received by Sport England.

Projects must be based and delivered in England.

Funding:

A total of £70,000 will be distributed to community projects. It is expected that the average grant award will be £3,350.

The funding can be used to fund the following items;

- Fishing Equipment and Tackle
- Bait and Terminal Tackle
- Training (coaching courses)
- Coaching fees (although the project must demonstrate its sustainability)
- Venue Hire

The following items cannot be funded through the Together Fund;

- Activities or costs which are already covered by other government funding including rates
- Capital works
- Activities promoting religious or political beliefs
- Where there is personal benefit to an individual

Deadlines:

The application process will open between **Monday 16th January and Friday 24th February**. The funds may be allocated before the deadline so interested partners are encouraged to submit an application in advance of the deadline.

All projects MUST be delivered by 30th September 2023.

How to apply:

Any organisation interested in applying should initially get in touch with James Roche on james.roche@anglingtrust.net or 07791786251 to discuss the project and assess its suitability.