



### **Ford Britain Trust Background**

Ford Britain Trust was established in April 1975, with the purpose of supporting the local communities where Ford and its employees live and work. Ford Britain Trust pays particular attention to projects focusing on education, environment, children, the disabled, youth activities and projects that provide clear benefits to the local communities. To date over 4 million pounds has been awarded by means of an open grant application program.

### **Benefits of the Ford Britain Trust**

- It provides a mechanism through which local grassroots organizations can apply for much needed support
- Ford employees can vouch for organizations and therefore have a process by which they can offer assistance
- Ford are one of the few organizations to operate their own Trust, which has corporate reputation advantages

### **Eligibility criteria:**

#### **Grants cannot be provided to:**

- Individuals
- CIC
- Local Authorities, Councils, Government and Government Departments

#### **Grant applications from the following organisations will be considered:**

- Registered charities
- Schools/PTAs (Non-fee paying, state sector schools only. Independent/private; fee paying schools will not be considered)
- Non-profit organisations (including small clubs and societies)

#### **Grant applications are considered for the following purposes:**

- Contributions to capital projects (e.g. refurbishments)
- Capital expenditure items (e.g. furniture/equipment/computers)
- Contribution towards the purchase of new vehicle (maximum grant £3,000\*)

#### **Grant applications supporting the following activities will be considered:**

- Work that has clear benefits to the local community/environment
- Work with young people/children
- Education/schools (mainstream)
- Special education needs
- People with disabilities

#### **Grant applications are NOT considered if they support the following purposes or activities:**

- Core funding; General running costs
- Major building works
- Sponsorship or advertising
- Research
- Overseas projects ; Travel
- Religious projects ; Political projects



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- Purchase of second-hand vehicles
- Third party fundraising initiatives (exceptions may be made for fundraising initiatives by Ford Motor Company Limited employees and retirees)

**Grant applications will be considered for projects being undertaken/expenditure being made in all UK postcodes however locations near Ford Motor Company Limited / FCE Bank plc UK operations are given a higher weighting:**

- Essex (including East London)
- Bridgend (South Wales)
- Southampton
- Daventry
- Manchester
- Liverpool

**Additional conditions:**

- Applications for IT equipment will be subjected to the list below:

Colour printer (laser)	£200
Projector	£250
i-Pad / i-pad mini	£400
Desktop PC (inc software)	£500
Laptop (inc software)	£500
MacBook	£1,000
3D Printer	£1,250
Smart Board	£2,200

\*Grants towards buying new vehicles will be for a maximum of £3,000. If you are intending to buy vehicles, you will need to confirm that at least two thirds of the purchase price has been raised from other funding sources.

**Eligibility to reapply for a Ford Britain Trust Grant:**

If your organization has received a Ford Britain Trust small grant donation, your organization is eligible to reapply 12 calendar months following receipt of the grant award.

If your organization has received a Ford Britain Trust large grant donation, your organization is eligible to reapply 3 calendar years following receipt of the grant award.