# The Didcot Powerhouse Fund Expression of Interest

Please use this application form for Didcot Powerhouse Expressions of Interest to be submitted by midday on January 10th 2025.

#### Before starting please read the [criteria](https://oxfordshire.org/ocf_grants/the-didcot-powerhouse-fund/) for applying to The Didcot Powerhouse Fund.

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|  | ***I confirm that I have read the criteria and that this application meets those criteria*** |

If you have questions you may register for a workshop for applicants which will enable you to have a conversation with Elizabeth Paris from The Didcot Powerhouse Fund and a member of Oxfordshire Community Foundation about the type of projects that they are keen to fund and the eligibility criteria.

The workshop is at 1pm on Monday December 9th. Please use this [link](https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZcqdumpqz4uGNMOyl3InXNkVRq_t5YyBTDk) to register for the workshop.

If you have any other queries, then please contact the Grants Team via e-mail [ocf@oxfordshire.org](mailto:ocf@oxfordshire.org)

We recognise your right to Privacy and would refer you to our Data Privacy Notice available on our website. We believe that grant applications and their referees are providing their details on a legitimate interest basis. This means that we will contact you about this grant application, and that we will send your ongoing information about new grant opportunities from OCF and other funders, as well as relevant news. You can opt out of these news notifications by unsubscribing or by contacting us at [oxf@oxfordshire.org](mailto:oxf@oxfordshire.org)

* I agree that I have read and understood the above

# Key information - Organisation Name and Address Details

If you are applying as a partnership, please use the lead organisation details. Please note this will be the organisation which holds the funds should a grant be awarded.

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| Name of Charity | |  | | |
| Address | | Email(organisation contact during office hours) | Telephone(organisation contact during office hours) | |
| Website (or alternative) | | |
| Main Contact Person | | Surname (s) | Forename (s) | |
| Email | | | Mobile | |
|  | ***Use Organisation’s details for correspondence*** | | |

**What type of Organisation are you? (Select as many as appropriate)**

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|  | ***Registered Charity*** |
|  | ***Company Limited by Guarantee (please note companies limited by shares are ineligible to apply)*** |
|  | ***Unincorporated Club or Association*** |
|  | ***Community Interest Company*** |
|  | ***Charitable Incorporated Organisation*** |
|  | ***Other: please explain*** |

Please note that applications from individuals, for profit companies, public bodies or statutory organisations (including parish/town councils) are not eligible

## *Organisation Start Date*

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| ***Month*** | ***Year*** | |
| ***Please use the space below to provide any additional information e.g. we have been operating for longer but have been unregistered until this date*** | | |
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| ***Are you part of a regional or national organisation?*** | ***YES*** | ***NO*** |

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| Income over the last accounting year | ***£*** |

Please note that grants are available for organisations with income £5,000 – £750,000; where a number of organisations are making a joint bid, the size criterion applies to the total group income.

Small Grants of up to £500 may be available for organisations with annual income below £5,000 at the discretion of the grants panel.

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| Are you applying for a Small Grant of up to £500? | ***Yes / No*** |

## *Staffing and Volunteers*

***How many of each of the following are involved in the organisation?***

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|  | ***Full Time Staff / Workers*** |
|  | ***Part Time Staff / Workers*** |
|  | ***Board of Trustees*** |
|  | ***Volunteers (excluding board of Trustees)*** |

## *What do you deliver now? What is the value of this work in the community? Who are the beneficiaries? And where is it delivered? (Max 150 words)*

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| Are you based in the Powerhouse area? | ***Yes / No*** |
| Are you already delivering services in the Powerhouse area? | ***Yes / No*** |

## *If NO, is anyone currently delivering similar services in the Powerhouse area and if so how will your Powerhouse project add additional value to beneficiaries? (Max 150 words)*

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| Please note that priority is given to projects that do not duplicate existing services in the Powerhouse area, and which will be sustained beyond Powerhouse funding. |

# *Your Application for a Powerhouse Grant*

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| ***What is your proposed project? (Max 200 words)*** | | | |
| ***Duration of your project*** | ***Start Date*** | | ***End Date*** |
| Please note that successful applicants will receive their grant at the end of March 2025. While impact may take longer to achieve, the significant proportion of the project implementation should be completed by December 2025. | | | |
| ***How many people will benefit from this funding?*** | |  | |
| ***Primary Beneficiaries and age group (for example older people, those living with disabilities) (max 150 words)*** | | | |
| ***Please tell us where the beneficiaries of this specific project live:*** | | | |
| *Please note that at least 90% of the beneficiaries of the project must live in The Didcot Garden Town Area of Influence – see* [map](https://oxfordshire.org/ocf_grants/the-didcot-powerhouse-fund/) | | | |
| ***How will you spend this grant? (Max 200 words)*** | | | |
| ***What would the project achieve? (Max 200 words)*** | | | |

# Project budget

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| What is the total cost of the project? | £ |
| ***What has been raised so far?*** | £ |
| ***How much are you applying to us for?*** | £ |

# Next Steps

Your Expression of Interest will be reviewed by [The Didcot Powerhouse Grants Panel](https://www.didcotpowerhousefund.co.uk/grant-giving).

Some applicants will be taken forward to make a Detailed Bid where more detailed information on your project will be requested and supporting documents required. You will hear during the week of February 12th 2025 if you have been successful in being invited to make a Detailed Bid.

In the Detailed Bid you will be asked to provide

* More detailed information about the proposed project and timeline, and the beneficiaries
* Details on how the grant will be spent
* The top three impact measures you propose to use to report back on the impact the project has achieved.

And you will be asked to provide the following documents

* A bank statement and bank account signatories
* Financial accounts for the most recent financial year
* Management accounts or equivalent to include financial data at least up to 30th December 2024.
* Safeguarding Policy

We don’t want the application process to be off-putting so if you are unsure about how to provide impact measures, or management accounts, please contact The Didcot Charity Hub [lucinda@didcotfirst.org](mailto:lucinda@didcotfirst.org)

The deadline for Detailed Bids, including accompanying documents, is Friday February 28th 2025. Some applicants may be asked to give a brief presentation to the Grants Panel on the afternoon of Tuesday 18th March 2025. Successful applicants will receive funding by March 31st 2024.

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|  | I understand and can provide the additional information and documents required should I proceed to Detailed Bid |
|  | I would value support with some aspect of the additional information and documents required should I proceed to Detailed Bid |
|  | My organisation would be available if required to give a brief presentation to the Grants Panel on the afternoon of March 18th 2025 |

**Please submit this Expression of Interest by email to** [**ocf@oxfordshire.org**](mailto:ocf@oxfordshire.org)

**The deadline is midday on January 10th 2025**

The Didcot Powerhouse Fund is hosted by Didcot First and administered by Oxfordshire Community Foundation

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