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# **Road Safety Community Grant Fund Guidance**



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## Introduction

### 1. About the Fund

#### What is the fund?

The Dyfed-Powys Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC) invites applications to a Road Safety Community Grant Fund.

The fund supports community based, preventative road safety initiatives that contribute to reducing death and serious injury on Dyfed-Powys roads and improving public confidence in road safety.

This guide sets out eligibility, priorities, funding criteria and application requirements.

#### Why is it needed?

Analysis of recent surveys conducted by Dyfed-Powys Police and the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner reveal that Road Safety is one of the top concerns for communities across the Dyfed-Powys area.

This concern is consistently replicated across Carmarthenshire, Ceredigion, Pembrokeshire and Powys, suggesting high visibility and community impact of road safety issues.

This is reinforced by analysis of collision data received over the last two years indicating that there are high levels of serious road harm across the force area.

### 2. Fund Objectives

#### How does this fund align with the Police and Crime Plan priorities?

The Dyfed-Powys Road Safety Community Grant Fund directly supports Priority 2 of the Police and Crime Plan 2025–2029 by investing in evidence-led, preventative activity that reduces harm, strengthens community resilience and responds to one of the most significant concerns raised by local people.

Through partnership working, community engagement and targeted prevention, the Fund contributes to safer communities, increased public confidence and the Plan's wider vision of preventing harm before it occurs.

#### What are the priorities?

To support solutions to local road safety risks, proposals must demonstrate a clear link to one or more of the following:



- Reduction of serious injury and fatalities
- Prevention of high-risk driving behaviours
- Increased road safety awareness and compliance

### 3. Funding values

**Total amount of funding available:** £500,000

**Large Grant:** up to £50,000 per applicant

Full applications and due diligence checks will be undertaken

**Small Grant:** up to £2,000 per applicant

Condensed application with lighter touch due diligence checks to be undertaken

**Number of grants:** multiple awards available

**Grant delivery period:** Project delivery must be concluded by 31 March 2028 including evaluation activity.

## Eligibility

### 4. Who can apply?

Applications are welcome from all types of organisations based in and/or delivering within Dyfed-Powys.

### 5. What are the criteria?

Applicants will be expected to demonstrate how their proposals promote and/or support road safety initiatives.

### 6. What we can fund – eligible

The fund may support, but is not limited to:

- Education and awareness programmes
- Behaviour-change campaigns



- Community road safety engagement events
- Training and skills development linked to road safety
- Evidence-led pilot projects

All activity must be preventative in nature and focused on road safety outcomes.

## 7. What we cannot fund - ineligible

The fund cannot support:

- Statutory functions, including enforcement costs
- Capital infrastructure or road engineering works
- Ongoing core organisational costs unrelated to road safety
- Political or lobbying activity
- Retrospective costs
- Activity that is already supported by: [Dyfed-Powys Police & Crime Commissioner/ Services and Partnerships](#)

## Application process and outcomes

### 8. Dyfed-Powys OPCC funding portal

Applicants must submit a completed application form that includes:

- A project budget and delivery plan
- Evidence of governance and financial controls (on request)
- Risk assessment and evaluation approach

The OPCC reserves the right to:

- Part-fund proposals
- Apply conditions to grant awards
- Decline/ withdraw funding if delivery or compliance requirements are not met

### 9. Key Dates

**Fund launch:** 15 June 2026



**Application deadline:** 19 July 2026

**Assessment period:** 20 July 2026 to 14 August 2026

**Notifying applicants:** week commencing 24 August 2026

## 10. Monitoring and Reporting

Successful applicants will be required to:

- Submit quarterly progress updates
- Provide an end-of-project evaluation
- Share learning and good practice with partners

Grant recipients must comply with OPCC monitoring arrangements and publicity requirements.



## Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ's)

### 1. What is the purpose of this fund?

The Road Safety Community Grant Fund supports community-based, preventative initiatives that reduce death and serious injury on roads across Dyfed-Powys and improve public confidence in road safety.

### 2. What types of projects are you looking to fund?

We are looking for projects that deliver preventative road safety outcomes, including (but not limited to):

- Education and awareness programmes
- Behaviour change campaigns
- Community engagement initiatives
- Training and skills development
- Evidence-led pilot projects

Projects should clearly demonstrate how they will address local road safety risks.

### 3. Do projects need to align to specific priorities?

Yes. Projects must demonstrate alignment with at least one of the fund's priorities, including:

- Reducing serious injury and fatalities
- Preventing high-risk driving behaviours
- Increasing awareness and compliance with road safety

### 4. Who can apply?

Applications are open to organisations delivering within Dyfed-Powys, including community groups, charities, social enterprises, councils and partnerships.

Partnership bids are encouraged where organisations can demonstrate collaborative delivery.

### 5. Can organisations apply more than once?

Organisations may submit more than one application; however, each project must be distinct and clearly justified.



**6. Do we need to be a registered charity?**

No. You do not need to be a registered charity, but you must be able to demonstrate appropriate governance, financial management and delivery capability.

**7. How much funding can we apply for?**

- Small grants: up to £2,000
- Large grants: up to £50,000

**8. Do we need to provide match funding?**

Match funding is not mandatory. However, projects that demonstrate additional funding or contributions may be viewed more favourably as they show wider support and value for money.

**9. Can staffing costs be included?**

Yes, staffing costs can be included where they are directly related to the delivery of the funded project and limited to the duration of the grant.

**10. Can we purchase equipment using the grant?**

Yes, where equipment is necessary to support delivery of the project (e.g. engagement or educational materials). High value capital equipment is out of scope. However, requests for smaller value items will be considered on a case-by-case basis, and equipment must not be used for enforcement purposes.

**11. Can we submit additional information after applying?**

The OPCC may contact applicants to request clarification if needed as part of the assessment process.

**12. How will applications be assessed?**

Applications will be assessed against criteria such as:

- Evidence of need
- Alignment with fund priorities
- Community benefit
- Deliverability and value for money

Applications are scored by a dedicated scoring panel and considered holistically to reach a final decision.



### 13. Is there a minimum score to be awarded funding?

There is no automatic fail based on a single question. Applicants are encouraged to provide as much detail as possible and aim to meet the word count limit for each question as much as possible.

Final decisions are based on overall scoring and panel consensus.

### 14. When must projects be delivered?

Projects and any associated evaluation must be delivered within the agreed funding period (up to approximately 18 months from award, depending on final guidance timelines).

### 15. What is the difference between outputs and outcomes?

- **Outputs** are the measurable activities delivered (e.g. number of workshops, people reached).
- **Outcomes** are the changes or benefits achieved (e.g. increased awareness, behaviour change, reduced risk).

Applicants should clearly describe both in their application.

### 16. What happens if we are unsuccessful?

Due to demand, not all applications will be funded. Feedback may be provided where possible to support future applications.

