



HM Government

Fund to improve outcomes for Gypsy, Roma and Traveller communities in education, health and social integration

Weighting of Criteria

All entries must demonstrate how they meet the criteria below.

Criteria	Weight (%)
<p>Essential Criteria <i>How the project will make a positive impact.</i> It is essential that projects have a positive impact, and that they clearly define how their proposed intervention would improve one of the three areas (social integration, educational attainment and health). Proposals will also need to include defined objectives that are measurable and specific.</p> <p>Aspects to consider:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is it clear from the project why the intervention is needed in the area? What evidence is there to support this? • Will the intervention proposed effect positive change, or address a difficult issue? • How broad is the project's reach? Does the proposal consider specific local needs, or does it propose generalised approaches on a larger geographical scale? • Are the project's milestones SMART? Is it clear what the projects seeks to achieve, and how it will reach its goals? • What evaluation methods is the project proposing? Are they sufficient to demonstrate progress? Are they reasonable, given the project's scope? • Are the proposed objectives stretching? • Does the proposal demonstrate experience in running successful projects? 	30%
<p><i>How the project will help build capacity within the community, and become sustainable in the future.</i> We want these projects to be vehicles for better social integration, and help build capacity within the community.</p> <p>Aspects to consider:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will the organisation collaborate with other delivery partners, such as schools or local authorities, to further their reach and obtain buy-in from non-Gypsy/Roma/Travellers? • Can the organisation match-fund, or will it seek to? • Will the project become sustainable in the long term? 	20%
<p><i>Whether the project is community-based.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We will prioritise projects that are born out of consultation with the community, and that meet a real local need. It will be essential that organisations demonstrate projects are led by the community, and reflect its diverse needs. <p>Aspects to consider:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is it clear from the proposal that the organisation is trusted by the local community? • Does the proposal demonstrate the existence of local networks, such as volunteer networks, on which the organisation can draw to further the project? 	30%
<p><i>Whether the project delivers value for money.</i> Projects will need to demonstrate value for money, and we will be looking at how organisations would make most of the grant. Preference will be given to projects that can demonstrate innovative thinking and business acumen.</p> <p>Aspects to consider:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is the project bid within the funding bracket? Is the cost breakdown detailed? • Does the proposal outline ways to ensure costs are kept to a minimum, and resources can be maximised? • Does the project demonstrate awareness of the current market (e.g.: cost of technology, etc.)? • Are costs proposed for each aspect of the project reasonable, proportionate, and fair? 	20%

Desirable criterion: <i>Whether the project addresses one or more of the recommendations made to the United Kingdom by international bodies.</i>	N/A
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Assessment

All completed entries will be considered by a panel against the stated criteria. The evidence put forward by each entry in response to each criterion will be assessed against a five-point scale:

- 0 - absence of evidence / criterion not met
- 1 - meets some of the requirements of the criterion
- 2 - meets most of the requirements of the criterion
- 3 - meets all of the requirements of the criterion
- 4 - meets all of the requirements of the criterion and proposes an innovative approach that would deliver tangible results and would have a positive impact on the community

Scoring guide

Score	Rating	Description
0	absence of evidence / criterion not met	A proposal at this rating: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Builds very little or no confidence that the bidder can deliver the requirements due to insufficient evidence of relevant ability, understanding, skills, resources and quality measures; • Builds very little or no confidence that the bidder's approach/solution will deliver the requirements due to insufficient evidence or an inappropriate approach/solution.
1	meets some of the requirements of the criterion	A proposal at this rating: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raises reservations that the bidder can deliver the requirements due to insufficient evidence of relevant ability, understanding, skills, resources and quality measures; • Raises reservations that the bidder's approach/solution will deliver the requirements due to insufficient evidence or an inappropriate approach/solution.
2	meets most of the requirements of the criterion	A proposal at this rating: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suggests that the bidder can deliver the requirements through evidence of relevant ability, understanding, skills, resources and quality measures; • Provides an acceptable approach/solution to delivering the requirements utilising standard strategies, plans, tools, methods or technologies.
3	meets all of the requirements of the criterion	A proposal at this rating: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Builds confidence that the bidder can deliver the requirements through evidence of relevant ability, understanding, skills, resources and quality measures; • Provides a good approach/solution to delivering the requirements utilising appropriately tailored strategies, plans, tools, methods or technologies.
4	meets all of the requirements of the criterion and proposes an innovative approach to delivering results	A proposal at this rating: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Builds a high level of confidence that the bidder can deliver the requirements through evidence of relevant ability, understanding, skills, resources and quality measures; • Provides an exceptional approach/solution to delivering the requirements utilising appropriately tailored and at times innovative strategies, plans, tools, methods or technologies. <p><u>Note:</u> A proposal at this rating will have demonstrated an innovative approach applicable to impact, financial viability and sustainability.</p>

The assessment panel will make recommendations to the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government as to which proposals to fund.

The final decision as to which proposals receive funding will rest with the Communities Secretary.