

# COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENTS



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Community Developments is the Sandwell Homes' newsletter for local community activists, Tenant and Resident Associations (TRAs), Housing Service Panels (HSPs) and others that actively work within the Sandwell community.

Information is collated from a range of sources, featuring the latest from Sandwell Homes, Sandwell Community Information & Participation Services (SCIPS), Sandwell Council of Voluntary Organisations (SCVO), the External Funding Team, the Communities Unit and many more.

Sandwell Homes Community Involvement Team constantly updates and reviews content, to ensure you're fully briefed on everything you need to know. We hope you find this edition useful...

In addition to this bulletin, the Sandwell Homes Community Involvement Team are happy to help individuals and groups search for specific funds and / or policy documents using the GRANTfinder, database which is constantly being updated with thousands of funding opportunities.

To arrange a time to visit a member of the team, please call Derek Fletcher on 0121 569 6466 or via email at [derek\\_fletcher@sandwellhomes.org.uk](mailto:derek_fletcher@sandwellhomes.org.uk)



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# Lloyds TSB enterprise awards

## New Scheme Open for Young Businesses

The Lloyds TSB Enterprise Awards will offer students and graduates in England, Scotland and Wales the chance to win up to £50,000. Two Awards will be made - Best Enterprise and Best Start-up Enterprise business.

There are eight initial heats with cash prizes of either £1,000 (Best Start-up) or £5,000 (Best Enterprise) to be won in each heat. National winners will receive either a £10,000 (Best Start-up) or £50,000 (Best Enterprise) cash investment, together with business mentoring to take their business through to the next phase of growth. All prize money must be re-invested into the winning businesses.

Students aged 18 and above and those who have graduated in the last five years in England, Scotland and Wales may apply. The applicant must have founded or co-founded a business which has been trading for more than a year.

**THE DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF APPLICATIONS IS 30 JANUARY 2012.**

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# funding to help tackle knife crime

England and Wales

The Prince's Trust has announced that the 'Ben Kinsella Fund' is now accepting applications. The fund is aimed at supporting young people aged 14 to 25 in England (excluding the East of England) and Wales, to start up their own project to help promote anti-gun, knife and gang violence messages to their local community.

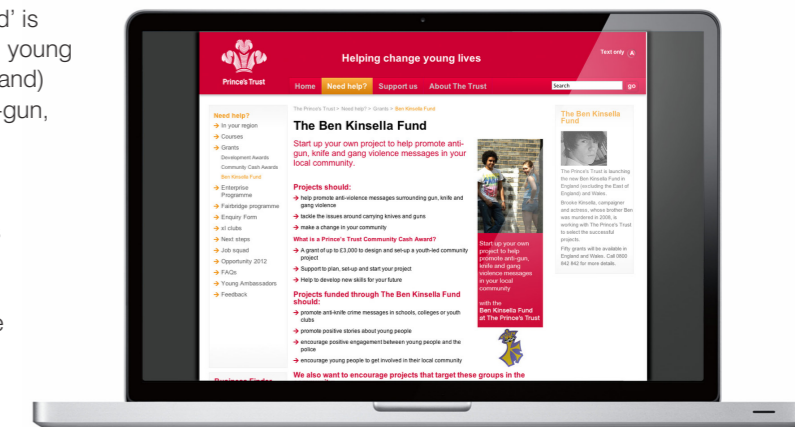
The projects the fund is seeking to support should:

- Promote anti-knife crime messages in schools, colleges or youth clubs
- Promote positive stories about young people
- Encourage positive engagement between young people and the police
- Encourage young people to get involved in their local community

They are also encouraging projects that target the following groups in the community:

- Girls
- Children of 12 years and younger
- Parents

Available grants are of up to £3,000.



**FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE BEN KINSELLA FUND AT THE PRINCE'S TRUST OR TO APPLY, PLEASE CALL 0800 842 842 OR TEXT "CALL ME" TO 07983 385418.**

[http://www.princes-trust.org.uk/need\\_help/grants/ben\\_kinsella\\_fund.aspx](http://www.princes-trust.org.uk/need_help/grants/ben_kinsella_fund.aspx)

# civil society charity awards

**THE CHARITY AWARDS RECOGNISE AND CELEBRATE EXCELLENCE IN THE LEADERSHIP AND MANAGEMENT OF CHARITIES ACROSS THE UK.**

UK charities of any size are eligible to apply under a number of broad categories of activity, as follows:

- Advice, Support and Advocacy
- Arts, Culture and Heritage
- Children and Youth
- Disability
- Education and Training
- Environment and Conservation
- Grantmaking and Funding
- Healthcare and Medical Research
- International Aid and Development
- Social Care and Welfare

Entry may be for a project that demonstrates outstanding innovation and best practice, or a managed improvement in the organisation which may help other charities overcome similar problems. The deadline for applications is 9 March 2012.

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# community buying challenge launched (UK)

A £60,000 initiative has been launched by the Department for Business, Innovation and Skills (BIS) and Co-operatives UK to promote community buying models.

Community buying involves groups of individuals combining their buying power to purchase goods or services together and get better deals from shops and other suppliers.

The Buy Better Together challenge will highlight new models of community buying, stimulate enterprise and promote shared learning.

Both BIS and Co-operatives UK have contributed £30,000 to the challenge.

The competition is open to groups and organisations within the public, voluntary or business sectors. Awards will be made to support training, mentoring and seed funding for stand out projects, with a £15,000 prize available for an overall winner.

The prize fund will open in January 2012.

**INTERESTED APPLICANTS CAN REGISTER HERE:  
WWW.SURVEYMONKEY.COM/S/STXL82C**

# creative england development fund - new scheme open

Creative England is the first agency to provide dedicated support to film, television, games and digital and creative services in the English regions, outside London. The Fund will enable the development of filmmaking talent in the English regions.

A total of £250,000 is available for distribution. Individual awards will range from £2,500 to £25,000; however, it is anticipated that the majority of awards will not exceed £10,000.

Funding is available for the costs of developing a screenplay (or the equivalent for documentaries) such as research costs, writer's fees, script editor/developer support and script readings. Funding is also available for screenplays that are ready to be presented to potential financiers, to help with budgeting, scheduling, casting, producing

teaser trailers/pilots, and other expenses associated with raising finance and generating sales and distribution interest.

Individual writers, writer/directors and/or producers based in the English regions (outside Greater London) may apply. Applications are also invited from writer/director/producer teams.

Applications may be submitted at any time and will be assessed on a rolling basis.

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# coventry building society foundation



Support for charities in the region covered by the Coventry Building Society's branch network that are aimed at improving the quality of life and the opportunity among those who are disadvantaged or deprived, the consequence of which may lead to social exclusion. The maximum level of grant is £3,000. Grants are normally between £500 and £2,000.

Applications that focus on the following will be welcomed:

- Young people, particularly those who are disadvantaged
- Vulnerable groups such as the frail elderly, people with physical disability, people with learning difficulties or those who are mentally ill
- Small neighbourhood groups in areas where they are experiencing the greatest disadvantage
- Supporting communities and voluntary organisations through assisting them in the achievement of social and community development

Applications may be submitted at any time.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ON HOW TO OBTAIN THIS FUNDING OPPORTUNITY LOCALLY,  
PLEASE CONTACT THE COVENTRY BUILDING SOCIETY ON 0845 766 5522**

# landaid

# LandAid™

The property industry's charity which supports projects that help disadvantaged young people has announced that its grants programme is currently open for applications.

Grants of between £5,000 and £25,000 are available through two funding streams. The Training, Education and Support Fund aimed at disadvantaged young people aged 16-25 and the Capital Projects Fund which supports the refurbishment, conversion, extension or new build of facilities for young and disadvantaged people.

The closing date for applications is 5 pm on the 31st January 2012

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION SEE [HTTP://WWW.LANDAID.ORG/GRANTS/](http://www.landaid.org/grants/)**

# dickie bird foundation grants to help disadvantaged young people participate in sports

Disadvantaged young people under the age of 18 who do not have the financial means to participate in sport can apply for financial support from the Dickie Bird Foundation. The foundation aims to help disadvantaged young people to participate to the best of their ability in the sport of their choice irrespective of their social circumstances, culture or ethnicity.

The Foundation grants can help with the cost of clothing and equipment and make a small contribution towards travel expenses within the UK. The Foundation will only accept applications from individuals not organisations. Applications can be submitted at any time and will be considered at Trustees meetings in February, April, June, August, October and December.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION SEE  
[WWW.THEDICKIEBIRDFOUNDATION.CO.UK](http://www.thedickiebirdfoundation.co.uk)**



# and finally...

**IF YOU HAVE ACCESS TO THE INTERNET DON'T FORGET TO CHECK OUT SANDWELL COUNCIL OF VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS (SCVO) FUNDING DIGEST AT [HTTP://WWW.SCVO.INFO/SUPPORT-SERVICES/FUNDING-DIGESTS/](http://www.scvo.info/support-services/funding-digests/)**