

EDUCATION & LEISURE (LIFELONG LEARNING & CULTURE): SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENT CRITERIA

The Lifelong Learning & Culture service arm provides funding to voluntary organisations working in the areas of:

- Sport and Active Leisure
- Arts
- Heritage
- Open Spaces
- Children's play and young people's leisure
- Events and festivals that contribute to a vibrant and cosmopolitan city culture

and who wish to collaborate with us in one or more of our key outcome areas:

- Making York More Eventful: Enjoying, participating in, and taking the lead in cultural events and activities
- Engaging in Learning: Developing creative expression and talent, becoming more informed and acquiring skills for life
- Being Healthy: Enjoying good physical and mental health and having an active lifestyle
- Making a positive Contribution: Being involved with the life of the city and its many communities
- Taking Pride and Pleasure in the Environment: Appreciating and understanding the city and its surroundings
- Economic Well-being: Enjoying the economic benefits of a thriving cultural sector
- Staying Safe: Being protected from harm and neglect
- Infrastructure Planning: Improving the quality of the city's cultural infrastructure

We only fund organisations who are open to all sections of the community (any membership schemes must not deter use by the wider community). Organisations must be primarily for the benefit of York residents. They must be working towards a policy of equality that enables access for people with physical or mental impairments and of different cultures and gender.

Funding is limited and eligible applications will be prioritised according to the extent to which they:

- Provide programmes which support our current priorities for external purchasing
- Deliver new activity or provision, e.g. developing a new approach or a new piece of work
- Meet clearly identified need
- Actively increase participation, particularly amongst the target groups:
 - Children and young people (5-24)
 - Older people
 - People with mental or physical impairments
 - People of low incomes
 - People of different cultures
- Meets the Council's York Pride objectives