

LEARNING, CULTURE AND CHILDREN'S SERVICES (LIFELONG LEARNING & CULTURE): SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENT CRITERIA

The Lifelong Learning & Culture service provides funding to voluntary organisations who meet the following essential criteria:

They must be working in one of the following areas:

- Sport and Active Leisure
- Arts and Culture
- Heritage
- Parks and 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** - More York residents and visitors will enjoy participating in, and taking the lead in cultural events and activities.
- **Engagement in Learning** – More people will be supported into learning by providing opportunities for everyone to be part of a creative learning community, particularly focusing on the most disadvantaged.
- **Being Healthy** – More residents will enjoy the good physical and mental health that comes from increased participation in active lifestyles.
- **Supporting Stronger Communities** – Local communities will be supported to direct their own cultural activities and to take ownership of well maintained public spaces. Access will be open to all and we will enhance the quality of life of individuals and communities.
- **Developing a Vibrant Cultural Infrastructure** – Residents will enjoy an increasingly thriving cultural sector and the economic benefits that flow from it.

They must be open to all sections of the community (any membership schemes must not deter use by the wider community). They must be primarily for the benefit of York residents. They must be working towards a policy of equality and must actively increase participation particularly amongst the following target groups:

- People with mental ill health, learning difficulties, physical or sensory impairments
- Young people in care or living in transient families, young parents, young people who are bullied, and those who have low skills or are not in education, employment or training
- Older people, particularly those living alone
- Rough sleepers, homeless people
- Carers
- People from black and minority ethnic (BME) communities, including asylum seekers, and travellers
- People living in the most deprived neighbourhoods in York