**Youth Offer Community Chest funding:**

Friday16th June, applications open

Friday 7th July, application close at midday

Tuesday 11th July, applications go to panel

Final decisions made by Friday 15th July

Up to £500 funding is available to groups, organisations and enterprises to provide additional activities and/or equipment, though this is not available for individuals to apply for themselves. The grant purpose is to increase and enhance young people’s engagement in youth services, activities and provisions over a period of 6 months. The provision must be targeted towards young people aged between 11 and 19 (up to 25 with specified additional needs). Applications are invited from existing Youth Offer providers and other current Youth Services and provisions across the Island that deliver sessions for young people.

***Commissioning outcomes you can help us to achieve***

* Increase young people’s awareness of the youth activities and opportunities that are available locally and across the Island through social media networks, sharing of promotional material, signposting etc
* Increase the number of disadvantaged young people who participate and engage in Youth services/ provisions
* Increase youth engagement through detached youth work in areas not currently supported by the Youth Offer or other Youth Projects
* Support the delivery of the Duke of Edinburgh awards
* Increase young people’s participation in youth projects and opportunities across the Island
* Increase the number of young people accessing targeted early help support
* Improve young people’s confidence and self-esteem
* Increase young people’s participation in service design, delivery and governance
* Improve health and wellbeing and feeling, being safe and resilience
* Improve outcomes for more vulnerable young people by being aware of and making appropriate referrals to agencies and partners (including adult services) including; Choices, Strengthening Families programme, Parenting and Family Support

***Evaluation criteria for Youth Community Chest funding***

The grant panel when evaluating applications for funding will consider these areas:

* The number of young people benefiting from the activity/ provision
* The extent to which the young people benefit
* Past performance of the provider (e.g. feedback from parents/users of provisions, data collection)
* The extent to which more vulnerable young people are likely to benefit from the activity/ provision
* Availability for other activities/provision in the local area
* Need of the activity/provision
* Key outcomes highlighted within the application
* Affordability and value for money
* Accessibility for all children
* Safety of the provision

***The following will not be funded through Youth Community Chest funding***

* General management costs
* Training
* Marketing
* Building refurbishments
* Refreshments/snacks
* Personal equipment, clothing or other personal/commercial gain