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The following policies have been adopted by the Coalfield Regeneration Trust. This policy addendum should be read in conjunction with the Main grants programme Information Booklet – August 2008

ENGLAND - Tapered Cap (Capital and Revenue):

A tapered cap on all applications has been introduced limiting the maximum award per grant that could be awarded throughout the lifetime of the grants programme. This is detailed below:

Awards made in year 1 - £300,000 (2008/2009) cap.

Awards made in year 2 - £200,000 (2009/2010) cap.

Awards made in year 3 - £100,000 (2010/2011) cap.

Statutory Bodies:

Projects will be considered on an individual basis. A statutory body is required to make a material contribution (minimum 20%) and demonstrate close working partnerships with Third Sector organisations.

Health and Well Being

In line with the objectives to improve the Health and Wellbeing in coalfield communities the Trust will consider supporting activities that:

- **Are community based and prevent ill health by addressing:-**
 - a. Healthy eating
 - b. Teenage conception
 - c. Substance misuse
- **Are additional to statutory provision and provide support to:-**
 - a. Carers
 - b. Extra curricular activities for the young
- **Support the Trusts Sports Legacy and Game On Programmes that:-**
 - a. Improve participation
 - b. Promote healthy lifestyles
 - c. Increase capacity, aspirations, skills and employability
 - d. Divert from anti-social behaviour
 - e. Engage the community
 - f. Build infrastructures that last.
- **Utilise a Health related project or activity as a vehicle for delivering the Trust's wider objectives of:-**
 - a. Assisting people into work
 - b. Providing training and skills for unwaged people
 - c. Increasing the number of new volunteers

The Trust recognises that there are a whole range of Health and Wellbeing activities that provide significant support to communities, in line with the terms of the Trust's aims and objectives and considering the Trust's limited resources, it will NOT support:

- Any activity that is a primary statutory responsibility;
- Activities that should be mainstream provision (e.g. mental health counselling);
- Activities which duplicate the Trusts existing Sports Legacy and Game On programmes or are significantly similar in nature or designed to extend there provision;
- Counselling Projects, unless the activity is part of a wider initiative that assists people into work, training or volunteering;
- Statutory Bodies delivering Health and Wellbeing Projects unless it can be clearly identified that they are innovative and will provide a platform from which the community can benefit into the future; and
- Activities where the prime focus of funding is to support treatment related services for the critically or terminally ill and local Health Support Groups. (Whilst Local Support Groups would not be eligible through the Main Grants Programme, they would be eligible to apply for Bridging the Gap)

Citizens Advice Bureaux:

The Trust has made significant investment in support for Citizen Advice Bureaux activity. While all future applications will be judged on their individual merits, the Trust will only receive applications for capital projects and in all cases they must demonstrate:

- evidence of need for the service;
- they are providing an additional service delivering either debt advice and/or income maximisation that is area specific;
- they have systems in place to monitor the uptake of advice and its impact on income maximisation and/or debt reduction from the Trust's targeted eligible areas; and
- any volunteer programme is related to the additional service and not Citizen Advice Bureaux core provision.

Sports Projects:

Applications for sports projects will be judged on their individual merit, but in all cases they must;

- Demonstrate how they have linked to other funders of sporting activity (e.g. Sport England, Football Foundation, etc).

Community Interest Companies (CIC's):

CIC's are eligible to apply for CRT funding for specific projects on the following basis:

- The project must demonstrate significant social benefit.
- The company must demonstrate consultation with its stakeholders.
- Any income generated as a result of the project should be re-invested directly into the project but cannot be used for director's remuneration.

Costs that the Trust will not fund include:

- Director's remuneration (This includes directors remuneration within management and administration costs).