

St Albans City & District Response Capital Funding 2021-2022

It is important that you read these notes before starting your application.

SADC Grants support Voluntary and Community organisations to deliver support and preventative services to the most vulnerable in the district.

Applications are considered on how well they meet St Albans City and District Council priorities including those set out in the [St Albans City & District Inclusion Strategy](#). Note: the Inclusion Strategy is currently being updated but please refer to this current one for the purposes of your application

Everything you need to know about applying for Response Capital Funding can be found in this document or links provided.

Amount of Funding

Response Capital Funding is for year-round applications with grants awarded between £200 and £2,000 from a total pot of £6,000.

We will consider applications that:

- Are for capital items that help your service users access your service. This could cover a wide range of items, such as arts, IT equipment or ramps etc. If you are not sure, just enquire.
- Can demonstrate that service users have been involved in making the application or if not applicable, that service users' needs have been fully considered
- Request funding between £200 and £2,000 (please note that SADC may choose to only partially fund)
- Demonstrate how they contribute to the Inclusion Strategy
- Provide value for money and tangible impact for the residents of the District
- Demonstrate an understanding of the needs locally in St Albans City and District

Who can apply

- Constituted Voluntary and Community Sector organisations (organisations do not have to be a registered charity)
- Social Enterprise organisations/ Community Interest Companies (Company Limited by Guarantee model)
- Organisations applying/in receipt of Community Revenue Funding and Response Project Funding can apply.

Who cannot apply

- Private Companies and individuals
- Statutory organisations or groups controlled by public sector organisations such as Local Authorities, Primary Care Trusts and Schools, (this includes Parent Teacher Associations making applications for items that will only benefit a particular school community)
- Community groups who do not have a constitution, bank account and management committee/ trustees
- Organisations whose purpose is to give out funding to other groups, the grant must be used by the applying organisation
- Organisations operating outside of St Albans City and District and who do not serve the needs of those living, working or studying in the district
- Strategic Partners cannot apply for capital funds.

What activities /projects/ services cannot be funded:

- Funding cannot replace or duplicate existing funding
- Contributions towards large general fundraising appeals e.g. £2000 towards a £50,000 project. The application should list specific items needed
- Commercial ventures
- Retrospective funding (i.e. grants for items that have already been purchased)
- Services/activities that promote one particular faith or religious belief. However, the fund could support a faith group that is delivering something that is inclusive and open to all
- Applications that support the furtherance of any one political party

Other SADC grants

You can find out more SADC grant streams at <https://www.stalbans.gov.uk/grants>.

How to apply for a Response Capital Funding Grant

1. Complete the Capital Response Funding application form which can be found on the St Albans City and District website Grants page, along with Criteria and Guidance. <https://www.stalbans.gov.uk/grants>
2. You must submit a copy of your constitution and most recent accounts with your application
3. You can submit photos or images up to 4MB in size to support your application if you wish
4. Send your completed application form and supporting documentation to vcsgrants@stalbans.gov.uk. Note: this email address is for submission of grants only. Any questions should be sent to engagement@stalbans.gov.uk

The application must be completed in full and submitted with your constitution and recent accounts or the application will be ineligible and will not be considered. Hard copies will only be accepted in very exceptional circumstances with prior agreement.

You will be contacted within 4 weeks of submitting your application

Monitoring

To ensure that the funding has been spent appropriately organisations will be required to submit a short report on the difference the grant has made along with copies of receipts and photos.

Contact

If you have any questions about SADC Response Capital Funding or your organisations eligibility to apply, please contact: engagement@stalbans.gov.uk.