



Ward Flexibility Funding Application Form

Thank you for your interest in Stockport Council's Ward Flexibility Fund. To give your group the best chance of success please read the guidance notes and the questions on the application form carefully.

Please ensure that all boxes on this form are completed. You must also include all additional information that is requested.

1. About Your Organisation

1. Name of Organisation/ Group

Seashell Trust

2. Organisation/Individual Address

[REDACTED]

3. Main Contact Details (for correspondence)

Title: Ms

Name: Zoe Dunbar

Role: Trusts and Statutory Manager

Address:

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Postcode:

[REDACTED]

Home Phone Number:

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

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4. Please provide your bank account details

Account Name: [REDACTED]

Account Number: [REDACTED]

Sort Code: [REDACTED]

5. What is the status of your Organisation/ Group?

Please Tick

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| A New Group | <input type="checkbox"/> | Voluntary Organisation | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| A Registered Charity No. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Company Limited by Guarantee No. | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Applying for Charitable Status | <input type="checkbox"/> | Unregistered Association | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Friendly Society | <input type="checkbox"/> | Other (Please specify) | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Housing Association | <input type="checkbox"/> | | |
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6. Please describe the main activities of your Organisation/ Group

Seashell supports children and young adults with the most complex disabilities in the country to reach their potential and live their best lives through our Cheadle-Hulme based specialist school, college, residential care facility and outreach services that reach over 8,000 people a year.

7. When was your Organisation/Group established?

With a rich 200-year history, Seashell was founded as the Royal Schools for the Deaf in 1823, bestowed with royal patronage from Queen Victoria. Originally residing in Salford, we moved to our site on Stanley Road in Cheadle-Hulme in the 1950s.

Reconstituted as the Seashell Trust in 2008, we are now one of only a handful of specialist education charities to support children and young adults with multiple and highly complex needs.

8. Does your organisation have the following policies and procedures in place?

If you are awarded a grant you will be required to send copies of all relevant documents as part

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| A governance/management committee | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| A Constitution/governing document/set of rules | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| An Equal Opportunities Policy | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| A Child Protection Policy (where necessary) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| A Health and Safety Public liability | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

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2. About Your Application

9. Please give us a brief description of your proposed/planned project or activity

You may wish to include details of what activities will take place, where will it happen, how often and who will take part. If you are applying for equipment you can tell us what will it be used for and why is it needed.

A recent study by Greater Manchester Moving identified **high levels of inactivity** in Stockport with **1 in 4 adults** and **over half of children** living in the borough experiencing inactivity. Over **70%** of disabled people in the UK say they want to be more active but don't get the opportunity. In areas like Stockport there is a lack of any form of inclusive fitness provision to help disabled communities to get fit and improve their wellbeing.

We believe the local disabled community deserve better than this.

That's why we would be delighted if you would support CADS, our award-winning sports and activities programme for children with complex disabilities in the local area.

Now in its 20th year, CADS supports over **300 disabled children** a year to develop their confidence, self-esteem, health and fitness through clubs in the school holidays and every Saturday through access to the following activities:

- **Sports** such as cycling, football and sensory tennis (right).
- **Creative and wellbeing activities** like crafts and yoga.
- **Special events** including inclusive drama with partners Triple C and animal handling with Home Safari.

Unlike other holiday clubs and community sporting provision, we offer 1:1 support for children, which means they can engage in activities in a safe and supported way.

Because of his complex needs and challenging behaviours, it is almost **impossible** for Tom to attend any inclusive social/play sessions. CADS gives him the chance **to do things other children do** in an environment where he feels secure and happy. He has developed friendships and that's just so important to him." Parent of CADS beneficiary Tom from Stockport

We are specifically requesting support towards inclusive activity costs from local providers to include inclusive yoga, animal handling and drama classes.

10. Who will benefit from this grant?

e.g. local residents, young people, older people and how?

Local children with multiple and complex disabilities to include learning and communication difficulties; multi-sensory impairments; neurological conditions like severe autism, mobility issues; acute health conditions and rare genetic syndromes.

10(a) How Many Stockport residents will benefit?

Last year, CADs supported 302 young people from the local area. With 60% of participants attending from the borough of Stockport we expect the grant will benefit approximately 180 children with disabilities from Stockport who we expect to attend CADs this year.

10(b) Are there any restrictions on who will benefit from the funding?

Only children with complex disabilities are eligible to attend CADs and benefit from the funding.

11. Your Project's Budget

Please provide a breakdown of cost for your project including VAT where applicable and submit any estimates for the purchase of equipment or work to be done.

11(a) How much will the project/activity cost in total?

CADs costs £87,000 to run which covers the costs of sports equipment, activity delivery providers and staff time.

11(b) Tell us about other any other sources of income you have already applied for or raised so far in relation to this project

We have secured the following grants towards the cost of delivering CADs over the next year:

£40,000 from Children in Need: CADs beneficiary Bailey was recently featured on the Children in Need tv show. Paddy McGuinness visited Seashell's inclusive cycling track as part of his CiN fundraising cycle challenge and met our CADs beneficiaries.

£15,000 from the North West Young People's Development Trust

£3,000 from the Russell Trust

This leaves us with a shortfall of £29,000 which we are continuing to fundraise for.

12. How much are you applying for from the Ward Flexibility Budget?

We invite external providers to come into CADs to deliver bespoke inclusive sporting events and activities.

We are requesting £832 to cover the following activity costs for our Saturday and holiday CADs programme over the next year:

X8 Inclusive yoga sessions with Yogability: £315

x5 Rebound Therapy sessions with Bounceback: 237

X5 Inclusive sports sessions with LuSu sports: £280

12(a) If the amount you are applying for covers only part of the project/activity, then please tell us how do you intend to fund any shortfall?

The total budget for external activity costs for CADS is £5,000 and we have applications currently pending with several grant making trusts to cover these costs including the Blair Foundation, Oldhurst Trust and Northern Customer and Community Improvement Fund.

13. What is the planned timescale for spending this grant?

Start: January 2025

Finish: July 2025

3. Which Wards are you Applying to?

You may tick more than one box. Please note that no grant of more than £1,000 in total will ordinarily be made.

Please tell us for each ward you wish to make an application to:-

- (a) **how many people will benefit in that ward; and**
 (b) **what proportion of funding from your overall application you are seeking from each ward.**

	Number of beneficiaries	How much funding you are seeking
Bramhall & Cheadle Hulme South Area Committee		
Bramhall North	<input type="checkbox"/>	£
Bramhall South & Woodford	<input type="checkbox"/>	£
Cheadle Hulme South	<input type="checkbox"/>	£
Central Stockport Area Committee		
Brinnington & Stockport Central	<input type="checkbox"/>	£
Davenport & Cale Green	<input type="checkbox"/>	£
Edgeley	<input type="checkbox"/>	£
Manor	<input type="checkbox"/>	£
Cheadle Area Committee		
Cheadle East & Cheadle Hulme North	<input type="checkbox"/>	£
Cheadle West & Gatley	<input type="checkbox"/>	£
Heald Green	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	£832
Heatons & Reddish Area Committee		
Heatons North	<input type="checkbox"/>	£
Heatons South	<input type="checkbox"/>	£
Reddish North	<input type="checkbox"/>	£
Reddish South	<input type="checkbox"/>	£
Marple Area Committee		
Marple North	<input type="checkbox"/>	£
Marple South & High Lane	<input type="checkbox"/>	£
Stepping Hill Area Committee		
Hazel Grove	<input type="checkbox"/>	£
Norbury & Woodsmoor	<input type="checkbox"/>	£
Offerton	<input type="checkbox"/>	£
Werneth Area Committee		
Bredbury & Woodley	<input type="checkbox"/>	£
Bredbury Green & Romiley	<input type="checkbox"/>	£
Totals		£832

This total should add up to the figure you provided in **Question 12**



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4. Application Checklist and Declaration

1. I am authorised to make this application on behalf of the above organisation
2. I certify that the information contained in this application is correct
3. If the information changes in any way I will inform Democratic Services accordingly.
4. I give permission for Democratic Services to contact my organisation and/or myself by phone, mail or e-mail with information about its activities and funding opportunities.
5. I/ we agree (if required) to attend an Area Committee meeting to explain how the proposal will improve the environmental, economic or social wellbeing of the area and to answer any questions.
6. Our details can be used for promotional purposes should this request be successful
7. I/We will use this grant for the proposed project/activities stated in our application.
8. I/we will not use the grant for any other purpose prior to contacting Democratic Services in order to seek authorisation.
9. I/we will provide appropriate proof of expenditure to Democratic Services, within 12 months from the Grant being made.
10. I/we will highlight the support of the Area Committee in recent publicity material.
11. I/we agree to providing information to assist in the future monitoring of the effectiveness of the funding including reporting back to the Area Committee on how the grant has been spent and what difference it has made.
12. I/we agree that the content of this completed application form and any supplementary information provided may be published on the Council's website and other publications as part of the application process.

Print your name: ██████████

Signature:

or if submitted electronically tick this box to signify your agreement to the above terms

Date: 22 November 2024

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