

# EXPERIENCE WEST SUSSEX

## Experience West Sussex Grants and Funding Webinar

Chat update linked to the video. [Click here to view](#)

### Opening Poll

Have you been able to access grants and funding for your organisation during Covid?

Yes	No
80%	20%

### Closing Poll

What further support would you like to see for Tourism, Leisure Hospitality in 2022?

Opportunities for networking and collaboration	21%
Greening your business	16%
Digital skills training	9%
All of the above	9%
Funding and grants	7%
Planning advice	7%
Recruitment and retention	7%

### Chat and links

Angela Crane: Hi Angela Crane here from Adur & Worthing Councils

[marie@stophamvineyard.co.uk](mailto:marie@stophamvineyard.co.uk) : Hi from Marie at Stopham Vineyard !

Stephanie Danvers @alwayspossibleuk: Welcome everyone to Experience West Sussex Funding webinar, thanks for joining us today

Sam Smithson: Hi Everyone - Samantha Smithson here (Experience West Sussex)- I will be uploading links as Jo mentions them... so they will be sent around with the chat...

Karen Tyrrell: Good Afternoon Everyone,

Karen Tyrrell

Growth Relationship Associate

Arun, Chichester, Horsham & Mid Sussex

Coast to Capital Growth Hub

[Karen.Tyrrell@c2cbusiness.org.uk](mailto:Karen.Tyrrell@c2cbusiness.org.uk)

Miriam Nicholls: Hi Miriam Nicholls from Arun District Council - [Miriam.nicholls@arun.gov.uk](mailto:Miriam.nicholls@arun.gov.uk)

Lynda Spain: Lynda Spain here from Horsham District Council

Steve Pomery: Hi all, Steve here at Tottington Manor Hotel

Melanie Burgoyne: Hi everyone - Melanie Burgoyne here from Chichester District Council  
[mburgoyne@chichester.gov.uk](mailto:mburgoyne@chichester.gov.uk)

Maurice Bacon: Hi all Maurice Bacon here from Loxwood Joust

Griff: Hi Griff from Woodfire Camping

Michele Allen: Hi all, Michelle Allen here - Business & IP Information Specialist from BIPC Sussex (Brighton & Hove) and representing our local branch - BIPC Crawley.

Rachel Knowles: Hello, Rachel here from Trenchmore Farm

Julian Cole: Hi - Julian Cole, Sussex Luxury Accommodation

Lynda Spain: The link for Horsham District businesses is:  
<https://www.horsham.gov.uk/coronavirus/coronavirus-business-support-grants>

Stuart Keast: The link for Businesses that fall under Crawley Borough Council is:  
<https://crawley.gov.uk/emergency/coronavirus-information/businesses-and-employers/business-support-grants>

Toyubur Rahman: Hi Everyone. the links to access Covid Grants at Chichester DC is  
<https://www.chichester.gov.uk/businessratesannouncements>

Miriam Nicholls: And for Arun businesses - <https://www.arun.gov.uk/business-covid-19>

Sam Smithson: Adur & Worthing businesses link: <https://www.adur-worthing.gov.uk/coronavirus/business-support/>

Amanda Duke: As co-chair of Steyning Arts (a volunteer organisation) what can I apply for?

Sam Smithson: Try visiting Coast to Capital Growth Hub website <https://www.c2cbusiness.org.uk/>

General enquiries - Contact Us | Coast to Capital Growth Hub (c2cbusiness.org.uk)

Growth relationship Associate, [Karen.Tyrrell@c2cbusiness.org.uk](mailto:Karen.Tyrrell@c2cbusiness.org.uk)

Karen Tyrrell: Hi Amanda, I can assist with searching for grants for creative industries. I will follow up this webinar with some information.

Michele Allen: Hi all, Michelle Allen here from BIPC Sussex -

As well as being a hub for entrepreneurs to network and attend events, we provide 121 expert advice and access to a wealth of free information -including free access to GRANTfinder which is a great database that does exactly what it says on the tin – helps you find a grants. BIPC Crawley [www.westsussex.gov.uk/businessinformation](http://www.westsussex.gov.uk/businessinformation)

AND Here is a link to our website, for information about the BIPC Sussex regional hub in Brighton & Hove and get in contact: <https://brighton-hove.gov.uk/bipc>

Sam Smithson: <https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/business-and-consumers/start-or-grow-your-business/business-west-sussex/>

Sam Smithson: Innovation support <https://rise-innovation.uk/>

Sam Smithson: Coast to Capital Growth Hub<https://www.c2cbusiness.org.uk/>

Sam Smithson: Business and IP Centre Sussex  
<https://arena.westsussex.gov.uk/web/arena/currentoffer/business>

Sam Smithson: Greening your business - <https://www.clean-growth.uk/locase/>

Sam Smithson: National Park Authority <https://www.southdowns.gov.uk/>

Sam Smithson: Community funding opportunities <https://www.southdowns.gov.uk/national-park-authority/our-communities/grants-and-funding/>

Karen Tyrrell: <https://zerocarbonbusiness.uk/>

Sam Smithson: Just googled this too...for Jubilee inspired creative arts  
<https://www.artscouncil.org.uk/our-open-funds/let%E2%80%99s-create-jubilee-fund>  
<https://www.ukcommunityfoundations.org/news/arts-council-jubilee-fund>

Amanda Duke: best email address for Steyning Arts is [steyningarts@gmail.com](mailto:steyningarts@gmail.com)

Sam Smithson: <https://www.thecreativeindustries.co.uk/>

Angela Crane: Strangely - TK Maxx in Worthing on their national announcements in store is promoting their Community Fund

Stephanie Danvers: I agree with Jo, the BIPC is an amazing facility

Angela Crane: <https://www.tkmaxx.com/uk/en/tkmaxx-and-homesense-foundation>

Michele Allen: Here's the website for the BIPC again: <https://brighton-hove.gov.uk/bipc>

Amanda Duke: thankyou all very helpful ideas, some I'm familiar with some new to me.

Sam Smithson: I have put the link in for BIPC above

Michele Allen: And again for BIPC local office at Crawley:

[www.westsussex.gov.uk/businessinformation](http://www.westsussex.gov.uk/businessinformation)

Michele Allen: Or do send BIPC Sussex at Brighton & Hove email [bipc@brighton-hove.gov.uk](mailto:bipc@brighton-hove.gov.uk) and we'll help signpost you and just chat through what you might need.

Amanda Duke: thanks, re; your idea about East Sussex newsletter

Angela Crane: Just for covid grants £65M for Adur and Worthing combined

Sam Smithson: more info from Experience West Sussex for business support

Sam Smithson: <https://www.experiencewestsussex.com/industry-support/>

Or email - [getinvolved@experiencewestsussex.com](mailto:getinvolved@experiencewestsussex.com)

Angela Crane: Nothing more from me but I can be contacted on [angela.crane@adur-worthing.gov.uk](mailto:angela.crane@adur-worthing.gov.uk)

marie@stophamvineyard.co.uk: Thank you very much for all this advice. Very helpful !

Angela Crane: YES!!!!

Michael King: Hi Angela, I would really appreciate a few minutes of your time if you could spare it. thanks, Michael - Fins & Forks - [finsandforks@gmail.com](mailto:finsandforks@gmail.com)

Angela Crane: Hi Michael - I'll send you an email. Happy to speak with you :-)

Sam Smithson: You can also watch the business support training programmes Recover and rise series on youtube

[https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLHySOrgNym2wrHNP2Hj8QZKIXp\\_IX5tI](https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLHySOrgNym2wrHNP2Hj8QZKIXp_IX5tI)

Julian Cole: Would appreciate a chat with Linda Spain of HDC - Julian Cole, Sussex Luxury Accommodation: [jpcole100@btinternet.com](mailto:jpcole100@btinternet.com)

Lynda Spain: Hi Julian - email me on [lynda.spain@horsham.gov.uk](mailto:lynda.spain@horsham.gov.uk)

Julian Cole: Will do - thank you.

Sam Smithson: [Samantha.smithson@coastalwestsussex.org.uk](mailto:Samantha.smithson@coastalwestsussex.org.uk) for any business support questions you have

Amanda Duke: thankyou all for your support and sharing this information

Sam Smithson: [getinvolved@experiencewestsussex.com](mailto:getinvolved@experiencewestsussex.com)

Sam Smithson: [Jo.Williams@westsussex.gov.uk](mailto:Jo.Williams@westsussex.gov.uk)

Sam Smithson: thank you

Michele Allen: Thank you!

**Summary is to go and check your local council's website – sign up to their newsletters and sign up to Experience West Sussex newsletter and Coast to Capital's news so you don't miss out. There is potential for other funding options that may come out throughout the year**

## Additional support for questions raised in the webinar:

- 1) Don't miss out on Funding opportunities – visit your local district and borough website for details – get in touch with them to find out if you are eligible for any funding.
  - **Omicron Hospitality and Leisure (OHLG)** [Check if you're eligible for the Omicron Hospitality and Leisure Grant - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)
  - **Covid Additional Relief Fund (CARF)** - <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-additional-relief-fund-carf-local-authority-guidance>
  - **Additional Restrictions Grant (ARG)** [Check if you're eligible for the coronavirus Additional Restrictions Grant - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)

Check your individual council websites for full details. You can check what district or borough you are in here <https://www.gov.uk/find-local-council>

- [Adur and Worthing Councils](#)
- [Arun District Council](#)
- [Mid Sussex District Council](#)
- [Chichester District Council](#)
- [Crawley Borough Council](#)
- [Horsham District Council](#)

### 2) Chichester Hothouse – Open to business in West Sussex

**The Business Hothouse is a free business support program that runs until September 2022.**

The Business Hothouse is a free business support programme, run by experts, that is funded through the ERDF and HM Government. It's open to any business or individual based in the coast-to-capital area and runs until September 2022.

We offer 12 free hours of expert knowledge support across any these six key areas of business:

- **Perfecting Productivity and Going for Growth**
- **Finding Finance & Funding**
- **Developing Leaders & Managers**
- **Invest4 Grant Funding**
- **Commercialising Innovation**
- **How to Start a Start-up**

Our support is provided through in-person and online workshops, boot camps and 1-2-1 sessions. The best way to find out where and when we're delivering these is to **sign-up to our Emailer here**, which we broadcast once a fortnight or to check **our Facebook Page**.

### 3) National Lottery Funding – Platinum Jubilee - <https://platinumjubilee.gov.uk/funding/>

**Are you seeking funding to support an event or activity you are planning for The Queen's Platinum Jubilee? A range of options are available.**

More than £22 million of National Lottery funding is being made [available to help communities across the country celebrate the Platinum Jubilee](#):

- The National Lottery Community Fund's [Platinum Jubilee Fund](#) will provide grants of up to £50,000 to 70 impactful community projects across the UK. In addition, grants of up to £10,000 from The National Lottery [Awards For All programme](#) will be available for community-led events throughout 2022.
- Arts Council England's [Let's Create Jubilee Fund](#) will support voluntary and community organisations in England to develop creative and cultural activities as part of Platinum Jubilee celebrations with grants of up to £10,000.
- The Arts Council has also announced [£175,000 to help libraries celebrate](#). The funding will be distributed by n [Libraries Connected](#), and will provide £1,000 for each library service
- Throughout the year community organisations will also be able to apply for grants from the Arts Council's [National Lottery Project Grants programme](#), which has been refreshed with new guidance to better support a broader range of ambitious cultural projects.
  
- The [National Lottery Heritage Fund](#) will support communities to take action to help natural green spaces flourish as a legacy of the Platinum Jubilee. Additional funding will create [70 paid placements for young people from under-served and disadvantaged backgrounds](#). More details of these funds will be shared in January.
- [Sport England's](#) Queen's Platinum Jubilee Activity Fund, which will open at the beginning of 2022, will focus on the role of sport and physical activity in tackling inequalities and building stronger communities. More details of this fund will follow in coming months.

For local authorities there are some funding options for local authorities as part of existing schemes:

- The Government's [Welcome Back Fund](#) aims to help boost the look and feel of high streets and seaside towns. If you've signed up, the Welcome Back Fund could help with basic preparation for Platinum Jubilee activities before 31 March 2022.
- The [High Streets Strategy](#) is an opportunity to spruce up streets for the festivities. It could be used to promote the Platinum Jubilee, local history or local heroes.

You may also wish to generate your own funds to support specific events to mark this significant milestone in our shared history. And don't forget that community events don't need to cost a lot of money. It's amazing what you can achieve with a little bit of community spirit!

- 4) Arts Council Funding and Culture Recovery Fund <https://www.artscouncil.org.uk/CRFgrants>
- 5) East Sussex County Council run an excellent funding newsletter – you can sign up to this service. [Funding News – monthly updates on sources of funding | East Sussex County Council](#)

- 6) **Small business grants** – Check out your own local council for **LEAP funding** – Below is the detail from Horsham District Council - but do check your own area for full details .

**HORSHAM DISTRICT COUNCIL - LEAP is now open to applications until Monday 28 February 2022. [Apply online now.](#)**

LEAP grants are a small injection of funding of up to £2,000 aimed at start-ups and small businesses based in the Horsham District, with less than 20 FTE employees. You will need to match fund the grant funding by contributing towards 25% of your total project cost with your own investment.

In order to apply, you must meet the following requirements:

- Registered with Companies House or HMRC
- Less than 20 employees (FTE)
- Located in Horsham District
- 25% match funding
- Must have a fully costed, 3-year business plan

Please note: the LEAP grant cannot go towards project expenditure that was spent prior to the date of application. Applicants who have received 2 or more LEAP grants in the past are also excluded from submitting any further applications.

Eligible project expenditure includes: equipment, building works, e-commerce, etc. but does NOT include salaries, overheads, rent or stock.

**Apply for LEAP funding**

Applying is easy. All you need to do is fill in our [online application form](#) and include the following:

- Details of the project you are applying for and how it will help establish or future-proof your business
- The timescale of the project you are intending to use the funding for
- A breakdown of how you will use the grant, plus your own financial contributions. Use our [LEAP Grant project expenditure sheet](#) to do this.
- Your fully costed, 3-year business plan. If you require a business plan template and advice, please visit [the Government website](#). You can also find more useful links on our [Start Up Local page](#).

[Apply online now](#)

**Grant money release dates**

This round of LEAP funding is open to applications until 28 February 2022. Appraisal panel meetings are held every 4 weeks, therefore applicants are notified of a decision within 4 weeks of submitting their application.

Appraisal panel meetings are currently scheduled to take place on the following dates:

- Friday 4 February 2022
- Friday 4 March 2022

To make sure you're the first to know when the next LEAP funding round opens, [sign up to our Business email newsletter](#)

If you have any queries, please contact our Economic Development Team at [BusinessDevelopment@horsham.gov.uk](mailto:BusinessDevelopment@horsham.gov.uk)