

## Election

A very long month with voting and counting day being very long.

Everything now in place on committees etc.

## New offices

# We're moving on the 26 May



Our Broadland and South Norfolk Council offices at Thorpe Lodge will be closing on 26 May 2023. From Tuesday 30 May, we will be based at Broadland Business Park in the [Horizon Centre](#).

Our move to the Horizon Building will provide huge savings, and any future increases in energy prices will be offset, thanks to lower running costs and the hundreds of solar panels that are already installed at the Horizon building.

Our new building is also much more environmentally friendly. The move will help dramatically reduce our carbon footprint by around 84%. This huge reduction will help us achieve our target of Net Zero by 2030. The building also has existing electric car charging points that could be used as a revenue generator by making them available to residents out of hours.

If you need a face-to-face meeting with a member of our team from 30 May, you will be able to find us at:  
**The Horizon Centre, Broadland Business Park, Peachman Way, Norwich NR7 0WF**

## Grant

*Pride in Place Community Grant Guidance: Round 2 Introduction* Broadland and South Norfolk Councils have created a Pride in Place Community Grant, with funding from the UK Shared Prosperity Fund, released by the government in 2022.

The Pride in Place programme has two overall objectives: Following on from a successful Round 1 of applications, that enabled us to fund exciting capital projects across the districts and feasibility studies to understand the needs of the communities, the councils are now able to open up the scheme for second-round applications. Through the Pride in Place workstream it has been highlighted that community involvement in decision making in local regeneration is key. Grants are therefore available for eligible organisations to improve community cohesion and engagement and understand local needs to develop appropriate community facilities.

**Aims:**

- Strengthening our social fabric and fostering a sense of local pride and belonging, through investment in activities that enhance physical, cultural and social ties and access to amenities, such as community infrastructure and local green space, and community-led projects.
- Building resilient, healthy and safe neighbourhoods, through investment in quality places that people want to live, work, play and learn in, through targeted improvements to the built and natural environment or innovative approaches to crime prevention.

As part of the UK Shared Prosperity Fund programme there are a range of outputs and outcomes that the councils have agreed to achieve when spending this funding, therefore when writing your application please take these into account and include how your project will meet these outcomes and outputs. Grants available:

- Revenue funding: This grant supports the investment in bringing communities together to create a greater sense of pride in place. This could be to address a specific challenge or to take up an opportunity. We encourage applications with wide engagement and ongoing community benefit, for example the offer of positive activities, and the creation of volunteering opportunities. Within your application we would like to know what match funding is available to support your project. Volunteer costs can be included. Please note we are not able to support applicant's core running or staffing costs (i.e. existing staff) but will consider essential project delivery requirements such as training. Possible project examples:

- o Addressing an issue of antisocial behaviour through providing positive activities for young people.
- o Building community cohesion in places where there have been large scale residential developments through community events.
- o Funding to provide support to local volunteer groups.

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2 Outputs: Number of local events or activities supported Number of volunteering opportunities supported Number of people reached

- Feasibility funding: Funding is available to help improve understanding of local needs and develop future community and green infrastructure projects. This grant can be used to cover the full cost of a feasibility study, although we would encourage an element of matched funding with your application.

- o Feasibility study to understand the viability of a proposed multi-sport site.
- o Feasibility study relating to proposed new community centre developments.
- o Feasibility study to determine the viability and options of land for a green structure project.

Outcome: Increased number of projects arising from funded feasibility studies

- Capital funding: There is a limited amount of capital funding in Round 2, available to South Norfolk organisations (a total of £35,520), as Broadland District Council funds are already committed for 2023-2024. Grants are available to cover 50% of the total cost of a project, up to £25,000 will be available for investment in capacity building and infrastructure support for local civil society and community groups. Funding is available towards the cost of new or improved community facilities.

- o Funding towards the Improvement work to an existing village hall.

- o Funding towards a new community sports pitch.

- o Funding towards a green infrastructure project.

Outcomes: Improved engagement numbers Number of new or improved community facilities as a result of support Output: Number of facilities supported or created Additional Information: 1. Funding is competitive: This means grants will not automatically be awarded to all applicants. Applications will be considered on their individual merits. We may not have the

funds to support all approvable applications. If so, we will offer funding to those scoring highest in a clear and transparent appraisal process.

2. You will need to submit evidence to support your application including:

- Research to show there is a real need and demand for the proposed project.
- Evidence of match funding for example an offer of funding (letter) or bank statement for "own funds."
- Evidence that the project is sustainable, for example the ongoing benefit to the community or how ongoing revenue costs will be covered.

3 • Evidence that all relevant permissions have been approved e.g. planning permission, landlord agreement. Please note we are not able to provide funding towards statutory requirements.

- For any expenditure over £2,500, three comparable quotes are needed for each item of expenditure. Each quote must be based on the same specification, for example using the same materials and measurements. In instances where a member of staff is being recruited, we will require evidence of this process, including evidence of the advert, recruitment process, contract etc.

Application Timeline:

- Round 2 open to applications - 07 June 2023
- Round 2 closing date - 28 July 2023
- Decision on applications - last week of August 2023

4. Please note:

- We will not be able to cover any costs that have been incurred before a grant offer is made.
- We will not support any activities promoting religious or political beliefs, nor projects which discriminate against protected characteristics including race, religion, disability, gender, or sexual orientation.

- Projects must commence within six months of grant approval and complete no later than 31 December 2024.

- Grant payments will be made in arrears. You must provide evidence that contracted outputs have been delivered and the items have been paid for in full before you submit a grant claim. This will require evidence of expenditure, through the supply of invoices and receipts.

- VAT will not be included in grant offers unless this cannot be recovered by the organisation.

- Projects must complete a quarterly update report outlining progress against agreed milestones. Where schemes do not proceed or are at risk of not being delivered within agreed time frames, the grant offer will be withdrawn. Funds cannot be transferred to another project.

Future applications: A further funding round will open in November 2023, for 2024-2025 funding. Capital, revenue and feasibility funding will be available across both authority areas.

Projects will be expected to commence on 1st April 2024. Projects must complete no later than 31 December 2024. For further information or enquiries please email:

[prideinplace@southnorfolkandbroadland.gov.uk](mailto:prideinplace@southnorfolkandbroadland.gov.uk) or call Andy Sexton on 01508.535348



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