

Stage selection

1. Which stage are you applying for?

Response type: Radio buttons

Guidance: Please ensure you have read the "How the fund works - the three stages" section of the guidance before selecting a stage. The remainder of the application form will be tailored to the stage selected and this choice cannot be changed once your application has started.

Privacy notice

2. Privacy notice

Response type: Link

Guidance: If you do not accept the terms of the privacy notice, you should not continue with the application.

3. I agree to the terms in the above privacy notice

Response type: Yes/no

Organisation

4. Organisation name

Response type: Text box

Guidance: Enter the full legal name of your organisation as registered.

5. Organisation registered address

Response type: Label

6. Address line 1

Response type: Text box

7. Address line 2

Response type: Text box

8. Address line 3

Response type: Text box

9. Town

Response type: Text box

10. County

Response type: Text box

11. Postcode

Response type: Postcode

12. Country

Response type: Radio buttons

13. Your org website

Response type: Text box

14. What is your org's VAT number?

Response type: Text box

15. Can you recover VAT from HMRC?

Response type: Yes/no

16. What are the main business activities of your organisation?

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 30 (max)

Guidance: Briefly describe your organisation's main activities and areas of work.

17. Project Director's name

Response type: Text box

Guidance: Provide the name of the individual accountable for the project.

18. Director's telephone number

Response type: Phone number

19. Director's email address

Response type: Email

20. Name of day-to-day project contact

Response type: Text box

Guidance: Provide the name of the individual responsible for delivering the project (e.g. project manager).

21. Their job title

Response type: Text box

22. Telephone number

Response type: Phone number

23. Email address

Response type: Email

24. Name of an alternative contact

Response type: Text box

Guidance: Provide a secondary contact in case the main contact is unavailable.

25. Their job title

Response type: Text box

26. Telephone number

Response type: Phone number

27. Email address

Response type: Email

28. Are you applying with a GBECF eligible partner?

Response type: Yes/no

29. If yes, please provide details of who this partner is.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 300 (max)

30. Have you, or any parent company, subsidiary or enterprise under common control with the applicant, received public sector funding in the last 3 years?

Response type: Yes/no

Guidance: Include grants, loans, or other funding from government or public bodies.

31. If yes, please provide details.

Response type: List

32. What is the name of the fund or scheme that provided the funding?

Response type: Text box

33. What is the name of the body or government department that provided it?

Response type: Text box

34. How much funding was awarded to you?

Response type: Currency

Guidance: Rounded to the nearest pound.

35. When was the award made?

Response type: Date

36. Please specify any existing conditions from these awards your company is still committed to.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 250 (max)

37. Are you (the applicant) the legal entity who will own the asset(s), hold contracts of employment and carry out the agreed project activity?

Response type: Yes/no

38. Select the legal structure under which your organisation is registered

Response type: Radio buttons

39. When was your organisation incorporated or established?

Response type: Date

Guidance: Provide the official registration or incorporation date.

40. What is your organisation's registration number?

Response type: Text box

Guidance: Provide the official registration number relevant to your organisation type (e.g. Companies House, FCA Mutuals, Charity Commission).

41. Does your organisation have a defined community or local membership or beneficiary base?

Response type: Yes/no

Guidance: Includes membership organisations, community-led groups, or organisations serving a defined local area or group.

42. Briefly describe your community or beneficiary group.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 250 (max)

Guidance: Provide a short description of the community served (e.g. geographic area, membership, or target group).

43. Is your organisation community-owned, community-controlled, or publicly controlled?

Response type: Radio buttons

Guidance: Indicate whether the organisation is controlled by a defined community, public body, or private entity.

44. Is your organisation currently subject to insolvency proceedings, administration, or financial distress?

Response type: Yes/no

Guidance: Includes winding-up orders, administration, or similar proceedings.

Project Overview

45. Will the project meet the GBECF requirement for at least 50% legal and financial community ownership when operational?

Response type: Yes/no

Guidance: The community organisation must hold at least a 50% legal and financial ownership interest in the project company or project asset when the project is operational. In the case of a project company, the legal ownership interest requirement means holding at least 50% of the issued share capital and voting rights in the company that will own the project assets. In all cases, the 50% financial interest requirement means being entitled to receive at least 50% of the financial returns generated for the project's owners.

46. Please explain how the project will meet the GBECF requirement for at least 50% legal and financial community ownership when operational.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 500 (max)

Guidance: Include:

- the ownership structure of the project;
- the community organisation(s) involved;
- the percentage legal ownership and voting rights that will be held;
- the percentage financial interest and entitlement to project returns;
- when ownership will be secured; and
- how ownership will be protected over the operational life of the project.

47. What is your project's primary generation technology?

Response type: Checkboxes

Guidance: Select all applicable technologies.

48. What is the name of this project?

Response type: Text box

Guidance: Maximum 100 characters.

49. Tell us briefly what your project is about.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 250 (max)

Guidance: Summary of scope and purpose.

50. What is the installed capacity of your project? (KW)

Response type: Integer

51. Is the project being developed as a behind-the-meter or front-of-meter project?

Response type: Radio buttons

Guidance: Behind-the-meter projects primarily supply energy directly to a connected building, organisation or site, reducing energy imported from the grid. Front-of-meter projects primarily export energy to the electricity network for wider distribution. If the project includes elements of both, select the option that best reflects the primary purpose of the project.

Technical & Delivery

52. Describe the technical feasibility of your project.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 300 (max)

Guidance: Include assumptions, constraints, and key risks.

53. How would you describe the level of technical/execution risk?

Response type: Radio buttons

Guidance: Select the most appropriate level of risk.

Low risk

The technology and delivery approach are well established, risks are understood, and there are no significant technical barriers to successful delivery.

Medium risk

Some technical, commercial or delivery risks remain, but they are understood and can be managed through planned mitigation measures.

High risk

The project involves significant technical uncertainty, complex delivery challenges, unproven approaches, or material dependencies that could affect successful delivery.

54. Does your project include any innovative elements?

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 250 (max)

Guidance: Describe any novel or innovative aspects.

55. What is the ownership status of the land or building?

Response type: Radio buttons

Guidance: Select current status.

56. What level of landowner engagement has been secured?

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 250 (max)

Guidance: Describe agreements or support in place. We would expect Heads of Terms agreements to be obtained for projects applying for stage 2

57. What consents or permits are required?

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 250 (max)

Guidance: List consents and their current status.

58. Is planning permission required?

Response type: Yes/no

59. When was or will planning permission be applied for?

Response type: Date

Guidance: Provide a date or estimate.

60. When do you expect a planning decision (or when was the decision made if planning permission has already been granted)?

Response type: Date

Guidance: Provide expected or actual determination date.

61. What is the total investment cost of your project (including any assumed grant)?

Response type: Currency

Guidance: Provide total cost, rounded to the nearest pound. For Stage 1 and Stage 2 applications, provide your best estimate based on the information currently available. For Stage 3 applications, costs should be supported by more detailed evidence such as quotations, cost plans, contractor estimates or professional advice where available.

62. When will the project be fully completed?

Response type: Date

Guidance: Provide the date on which all grant-funded activities are expected to be completed and all project outputs or deliverables are expected to have been achieved.

63. In which region will the project take place?

Response type: Radio buttons

Guidance: Select region or indicate unknown.

64. Do you know the full project site address?

Response type: Yes/no

65. What is the address?

Response type: Label

Guidance: Provide full address.

66. Address line 1

Response type: Text box

67. Address line 2

Response type: Text box

68. Address line 3

Response type: Text box

69. Town

Response type: Text box

70. County

Response type: Text box

71. Postcode

Response type: Postcode

72. Country

Response type: Radio buttons

73. Are you applying for funding for more than one site?

Response type: Yes/no

74. How many sites are you applying for GBECF funding for?

Response type: Text box

75. Please provide details of any additional sites included within this application for GBECF funding, and explain why funding is being sought for multiple sites.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Guidance: Your response should describe how the additional sites contribute to the project's objectives, whether they form part of a single project or portfolio, and why they are being progressed together. Please provide postcodes for these locations.

76. Does the project involve a land or property transaction?

Response type: Yes/no

77. Who owns the land or property?

Response type: Text box

Guidance: Freehold/leasehold details.

78. Is the purchase by part of a wider group or group director?

Response type: Yes/no

79. If yes, outline the stages of purchase

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 250 (max)

Guidance: Maximum 250 words.

80. Please upload a project plan

Response type: File

Guidance: As a minimum, your project plan should include:

- Key stages and milestones (e.g. feasibility, planning, procurement, construction, commissioning)
- Timeline and delivery schedule, including start and completion dates
- Roles and responsibilities within the project team
- Key dependencies and assumptions (e.g. planning permission, supply chain, funding)
- Critical path activities, where delays could impact delivery
- Outputs and deliverables expected at each stage

Where available, please provide a Gantt chart or similar structured format.

81. What energy and environmental impacts is the project expected to deliver compared with what would happen without the project?

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 500 (max)

Guidance: Provide, where relevant:

- expected annual energy generation and/or energy savings;
- technology and operating model;
- expected operational life;
- energy source and/or displaced energy source;
- baseline or counterfactual scenario;
- estimated greenhouse gas and other environmental impacts;
- methodology, assumptions and evidence; and
- any material environmental risks or adverse effects.

If impacts cannot yet be quantified, explain why and what further work will be undertaken.

82. If this is a heat or heat network project, what are the current and proposed sources of heat and how will the project reduce greenhouse gas emissions?

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 500 (max)

Guidance: Include:

- current heating system and fuel source;
- proposed heating system and fuel source;
- expected heat demand;
- efficiency assumptions;
- emissions factors used;
- fuel sourcing arrangements;
- the counterfactual heating system; and
- the basis on which greenhouse gas savings have been estimated.

If your project is not a heat or heat network project, please ignore this question.

83. If this project includes battery storage, how does the battery form an integral part of the associated eligible generation project?

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 500 (max)

Guidance: Include:

- associated generation technology and capacity;
- storage capacity and duration;
- charging source and expected charging profile;
- expected discharge or demand profile;
- control and operating strategy;
- expected network, flexibility or local energy benefits; and
- how environmental benefits have been estimated without double counting benefits attributed to the associated generation asset.

If your project does not include battery storage, please ignore this question.

Skills & Experience

84. Please describe the skills, experience and qualifications of the team who will deliver this project.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 500 (max)

Guidance: Include previous project delivery experience, transferable skills, and relevant technical expertise.

85. Please upload CVs or biographies for key personnel involved in the project.

Response type: File

Guidance: Include project leads, trustees, directors, employees or specialist advisers.

86. Please describe how your organisation will govern, oversee and financially manage the proposed grant award.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 750 (max)

Guidance: Include:

- who will be accountable for the project and management of the grant;
- the governance and oversight arrangements that will apply;
- how key decisions will be made and approved;
- how responsibilities will be allocated within the organisation;
- the role of any project partners or external advisers;
- how expenditure will be authorised, recorded and monitored; and
- how sufficient organisational capacity will be maintained throughout delivery.

Feasibility

87. Please upload the feasibility study that supports this application.

Response type: File

Guidance: The study should demonstrate project viability and readiness for development.

88. Please explain how the feasibility study demonstrates readiness for Stage 2.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 500 (max)

Guidance: Summarise key findings and recommendations.

Planning

89. Please upload any written planning advice received from the Local Planning Authority.

Response type: File

Guidance: Include pre-application advice where available.

Community Benefits

90. Explain your organisation's connection to the local community.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 300 (max)

91. Describe ownership and control of the project and its assets.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 300 (max)

Guidance: Explain who will own and control the project and any associated assets. This should include:

- Who will own the project and assets at completion.
- Governance and voting arrangements.
- Any shared ownership arrangements with third parties.
- How ownership and control will be maintained over time.

92. Describe how you have engaged, or will engage, with the community.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 300 (max)

Guidance: Provide evidence of how the community has been, or will be, involved in the project.

93. What benefits do you expect the project to deliver for the local community if it progresses successfully?

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 1000 (max)

Guidance: Describe the types of social, economic, environmental or financial benefits that could arise, who is expected to benefit, and how these benefits relate to the project's proposed ownership and delivery model.

Employment & Skills

94. How will the funded activity be resourced?

Response type: Radio buttons

Guidance: Please indicate how the project will be delivered using grant funding. This may include existing staff time, recruitment of new staff, consultants, contractors, or a combination of these.

95. How many Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) jobs do you expect this project to support during the funded development period?

Response type: Integer

Guidance: Include direct jobs created, retained or supported through delivery of the project. Where relevant, include permanent staff, fixed-term staff and contracted roles.

96. Will the role(s) supported through this grant be delivered by existing staff, new hires, or a combination of both?

Response type: Radio buttons

Guidance: Select the option that best reflects how the funded activity will be resourced.

97. Are the role(s) supported through this grant expected to be filled by people living within the local area?

Response type: Radio buttons

Guidance: Consider whether the role holders currently live, or are expected to live, within the community or local area that the project is intended to benefit.

Funding Requirement

98. How much grant funding are you applying for?

Response type: Currency

Guidance: Enter the total amount of GBECF grant funding you are requesting, rounded to the nearest pound. This should be the amount required from GBECF only and should align with the project cost breakdown provided elsewhere in the application.

99. Please provide a breakdown of project costs and proposed use of grant funding, and provide evidence of this

Response type: File

Guidance: Provide a breakdown of anticipated project expenditure by cost category. This should include the amount requested from GBECF, any match funding, and other funding sources. For example: feasibility studies, technical assessments, legal costs, planning and permitting, community engagement, project management, capital equipment, installation costs and other project expenditure.

Please upload evidence for project costs e.g. quotes from suppliers.

Download the costs template (opens in new tab) (/Downloads/GBECF/GBECF Expenditure Table.xlsx) and save it locally. Complete the template then upload it.

100. If claiming for overheads, please upload a separate costs breakdown for this expenditure.

Response type: File

Guidance: For each overhead cost, provide:

- the overhead category;
- the amount being claimed;
- the allocation methodology used;
- how the cost relates directly to delivery of the funded project; and
- confirmation that the cost is not being recovered through another project, funding source or charging mechanism.

101. Will you be able to defray (funds have left your bank account) sufficient funds to draw down the grant requested by the programme/scheme end date?

Response type: Yes/no

Guidance: Scheme end date - March 2028.

102. What would happen to the proposed funded activity if you did not receive GBECF funding?

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 350 (max)

Guidance: For Stage 1, describe whether the feasibility or early development work would proceed, when it would proceed, the scope of work that could otherwise be undertaken, and the effect on the

project's ability to reach a robust go/no-go decision.

For Stage 2, describe whether the proposed development work would proceed, when it would proceed, the scope that could otherwise be undertaken, and the effect on the project's ability to reach investment or construction readiness.

103. What alternative sources of funding or contribution have you considered for the proposed activity?

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 350 (max)

Guidance: Include any:

- unrestricted organisational resources;
- project-specific budgets or reserves;
- contributions from partners, landowners, developers or other organisations;
- charitable or philanthropic funding;
- commercial finance;
- community investment; and
- other public funding.

For each source, state the amount considered, whether it has been applied for or discussed, its current status, available terms, timing and why it cannot reasonably fund all or part of the proposed activity.

104. What is the minimum amount of GBECF funding required to deliver the proposed activity?

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 350 (max)

Guidance: Explain whether the proposed activity could proceed with a lower level of GBECF funding and, if so, what would change. Your response should describe:

- the minimum viable scope of the proposed activity;
- whether delivery would be delayed, reduced or otherwise changed at lower funding levels;
- any activities or outputs that would be removed or scaled back; and
- why the amount requested represents the minimum level of funding reasonably required to deliver the intended outcomes.

105. If applicable, please distinguish between activities that have already been completed, activities currently underway, and the new activities for which GBECF funding is requested.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 350 (max)

Guidance: Describe if relevant:

- any relevant work already completed;
- any work currently underway;
- if the GBECF funding applied for is for new activities; and
- how the proposed activities will help the project progress to the next stage of development, investment decision, construction milestone or operational outcome, as applicable.

If the project has previously received public funding, explain how the proposed activities are distinct from, and additional to, activities that have already been funded.

Funding cannot be used for completed work, expenditure already incurred, or activities that duplicate work previously supported through public funding. Confirm that the activities for which funding is requested meet these requirements. Where relevant, explain any financial, capacity or participation

barriers affecting the community's ability to develop the project and how the proposed grant funding would help overcome those barriers.

106. Have you entered into any contract, purchase order, appointment, financing commitment or other legally binding arrangement relating to the activities or costs included in this application?

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 350 (max)

Guidance: Please include any contracts, consultant appointments, supplier orders, financing arrangements, land agreements or other legally binding commitments relating to the activities or costs for which funding is being sought. Please state if this does not apply to your application.

107. When will investment in the project start (or likely to start)?

Response type: Date

Guidance: By investment, meaning formal commitment to proceed, entering contracts, appointing suppliers/contractors, or making final investment decision.

108. When will the investment decision be made?

Response type: Date

109. Please describe your anticipated route to construction funding.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 500 (max)

Guidance: Include community shares, loans, grants, investment or other sources.

Financial Evidence

110. Can you provide your organisation's (the applicant) signed and audited (if applicable) accounts for the previous three years?

Response type: Yes/no

111. If yes, please upload these accounts.

Response type: File

112. If no, please explain why not.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 50 (max)

113. Can you provide your immediate Parent company's signed and audited (if applicable) accounts for the previous two years?

Response type: Yes/no

114. If yes, please upload these accounts.

Response type: File

115. If no, please explain why not.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 50 (max)

116. Does your org belong to a Group?

Response type: Yes/no

117. Can you provide your Group's signed and audited (if applicable) accounts for the previous two years?

Response type: Yes/no

118. If yes, please upload these accounts.

Response type: File

119. If no, please explain why not.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 50 (max)

120. Please provide bank account details for which the grant will be paid into.

Response type: Label

121. Account name

Response type: Text box

122. Sort code

Response type: Text box

Guidance: Enter the number without any spaces or hyphens.

123. Account number

Response type: Text box

Procurement

124. Do you have a defined procurement approach?

Response type: Radio buttons

125. Please briefly explain your proposed supplier selection approach.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 300 (max)

Guidance: Best practice is to have 3 quotes to ensure value for money.

126. Please summarise your proposed responsible sourcing strategy.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 500 (max)

Guidance: Including:

- Indication of potential suppliers (if known)

- The region of origin for proposed supply chain (if known)
- Rationale for selecting suppliers (if known)
- Any other relevant detail.

127. Please summarise your proposed social value strategy and commitments.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 500 (max)

Guidance: Including:

- How you could approach social value and any possible commitments you have already made in this regard
- Consideration of how the community has been, or will be, involved in the project
- How the project benefits local communities, including disadvantaged or under-represented groups
- How you would consider affordability, access, and distribution of benefits from the project, including how the project benefits local communities and under-represented or disadvantaged groups
- Any plans to create local jobs, entry-level positions (for example apprenticeships), implement skills and education initiatives, skills, or provide opportunities for local supply chain actors.

128. Please summarise your proposed environmental sustainability strategy.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 500 (max)

Guidance: Including:

- Consideration of opportunities to reduce energy use and carbon emissions in project design, delivery and operations
- Consideration of nature and biodiversity
- Potential to increase the use of recycled materials where appropriate
- Any other relevant considerations.

Delivery Risks

129. Please identify any other key uncertainties associated with the successful delivery of the project

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 300 (max)

130. Please upload risk assessment

Response type: File

Guidance: Your risk assessment should demonstrate that you have identified, assessed, and mitigated key risks to successful delivery.

As a minimum, your submission should include:

- A risk register identifying key risks across:
 - Technical and delivery risks
 - Planning and consenting risks
 - Financial and funding risks
 - Supply chain and procurement risks
 - Governance and capability risks

For each risk, include:

- Risk description
- Likelihood and impact rating

- Mitigation measures in place
 - Residual risk after mitigation
 - Risk owner
- Commentary on any critical or high-rated risks, including how these will be actively managed

131. Please upload your organisation's health and safety policy or declaration.

Response type: File

Guidance: Upload your organisation's current health and safety policy. If you do not have a formal policy, please provide a signed declaration explaining how health and safety responsibilities will be managed for the project.

Project Management

132. How will you monitor progress, evaluate success and capture learning throughout the project?

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 500 (max)

Guidance: Include reporting arrangements, outputs and lessons learned.

133. Please confirm that you will participate in shared learning activities with other GBECF projects.

Response type: Yes/no

Guidance: Participation may include case studies, events or sharing lessons learned.

134. Please confirm that you will complete and provide a project case study if requested by GBE.

Response type: Yes/no

Guidance: Case studies will be proportionate to the funding received.

135. Please confirm that you will provide future monitoring information for up to 5 years to support evaluation of the programme.

Response type: Yes/no

Guidance: This may include generation, carbon savings, community benefits and project outcomes.

Subsidy Control

136. This section of the online application form will ask you questions relating to Subsidy Control and the Windsor Framework.

We may require additional information from you in relation to Subsidy Control during the appraisal of your application. You will be asked to confirm if you are a project applicant who is conducting activities that will affect trade of goods or the electricity market between Northern Ireland and the EU.

Your responses to questions relating to Article 10 of the Windsor Framework will help to determine if you fall within the scope or out of scope of the Framework.

Response type: Label

137. Does your enterprise trade in goods or wholesale electricity?

Response type: Yes/no

138. Once you have saved this answer, you will be required to answer additional questions.

Response type: Label

139. If you are a service provider, is this service specifically tailored to the needs of a particular company or a sector that trades in goods in Northern Ireland?

Response type: Yes/no

Guidance: If you are unclear on this or would like further support, see Section 4 - Application of Article 10(1) to services ("servitisation") of the Guidance on the scope and application of Article 10 of the Windsor Framework (opens in new tab) (<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/complying-with-the-uks-international-obligations-on-subsidy-control-guidance-for-public-authorities/guidance-on-the-scope-and-application-of-article-10-of-the-windsor-framework>).

140. Once you have saved this answer, you will be required to answer additional questions.

Response type: Label

141. Your enterprise has been identified as likely to be outside of the scope of the Windsor Framework.

Response type: Label

142. Is your enterprise (i.e. the legal entity seeking the subsidy) incorporated and registered in Northern Ireland?

Response type: Yes/no

143. Your enterprise has been identified as potentially in scope of the Windsor Framework. GBE will assess this further if your application is successful.

Response type: Label

144. Is the maximum estimated value of the subsidy greater than:

- £3 million if you are a Small or Medium Enterprise as defined in Section 465 of the Companies Act 2006. A Small or Medium Enterprise will meet two or more of the following requirements:**
- Turnover of not more than £36 million**
- Balance sheet total of not more than £18 million**
- Not more than 250 employees**

- £10 million for any other enterprise

Response type: Yes/no

145. Your enterprise has been identified as likely to be outside of the scope of the Windsor Framework.

Response type: Label

146. Does your enterprise currently have (or will the subsidy result in) 10% or more of the market share in Northern Ireland?

Response type: Yes/no

147. Your enterprise has been identified as likely to be outside of the scope of the Windsor Framework.

Response type: Label

148. If you trade goods or wholesale electricity into Northern Ireland, are those sold below market price, or at different market conditions?

Response type: Yes/no

149. Your enterprise has been identified as potentially in scope of the Windsor Framework. GBE will assess this further if your application is successful.

Response type: Label

150. Does your enterprise - and any active subsidiaries or parent company - have locations (i.e. some form of physical presence) in Northern Ireland? This does not include back-office functions (such as human resources, IT services, accounting etc.).

Response type: Yes/no

151. Has your enterprise implemented appropriate ringfencing arrangements to prevent the economic benefit passing through to your Northern Ireland operations? Ringfencing arrangements to evidence that the benefit is not passing through might include transfer pricing, separate accounting, separation of entities or a combination of these methods.

Response type: Yes/no

152. Your enterprise has been identified as likely to be outside of the scope of the Windsor Framework.

Response type: Label

153. Please provide further information on ringfencing arrangements.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 250 (max)

154. Your enterprise has been identified as potentially in scope of the Windsor Framework. GBE will assess this further if your application is successful.

Response type: Label

155. Does your enterprise plan to have locations in Northern Ireland in the future?

Response type: Yes/no

156. Has your enterprise implemented appropriate ringfencing arrangements to prevent the economic benefit passing through to your Northern Ireland operations? Ringfencing arrangements to evidence that the benefit is not passing through might include transfer pricing, separate accounting, separation of entities or a combination of these methods.

Response type: Yes/no

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Response type: Label

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Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 250 (max)

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Response type: Label

160. Your enterprise has been identified as likely to be outside of the scope of the Windsor Framework.

Response type: Label

Previous Funding

161. Has the applicant, project, project company, partner or any connected enterprise previously received or been awarded public financial assistance for this project, a related project, the same site, the same asset, or a substantially similar activity?

Response type: Yes/no

Guidance: Include grants, loans, guarantees, equity investments, tax advantages and other forms of public financial assistance.

162. Please provide details of all previous public financial assistance.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 500 (max)

Guidance: For each award provide:

- beneficiary;
- funding body;
- scheme;
- award date;
- amount and form of support;
- funded project, site, activity and costs;
- whether the award has been fully spent;
- outputs delivered;
- relationship to this application;
- whether any of the same costs are included in this application; and
- any continuing conditions or obligations.

163. Does this application include activity that repeats, updates, replaces, or builds upon work that has previously been funded or completed?

Response type: Yes/no

Guidance: Consider whether the proposed activity relies on, extends or revisits previous work.

164. Why is the proposed work necessary and additional?

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 500 (max)

Guidance: Explain:

- the earlier work and its funding source;
- whether it was completed to the required standard;
- what has materially changed;
- why an update, extension or further phase is necessary;
- why the new scope could not reasonably have been included previously;
- which elements are genuinely new;
- and how duplication of funding or activity will be avoided.

Beneficiaries

165. Will any organisation or enterprise other than the applicant receive funding or another material economic benefit from the project?

Response type: Yes/no

Guidance: Consider all organisations involved in project ownership, delivery, operation or financing.

166. Please identify all organisations or enterprises that may receive funding or another material economic benefit from the project.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 500 (max)

Guidance: Include where applicable:

- the applicant and grant recipient;
- asset owner;
- project company or SPV;
- parent companies, subsidiaries and enterprises under common control;
- shareholders, members and investors;
- commercial developers;
- landowners;
- delivery partners;
- connected suppliers or contractors; and
- any party receiving intellectual property rights, exclusivity, project rights, reduced capital exposure, favourable services or other non-cash benefits.

For each organisation, describe its role, ownership relationship, contractual relationship, benefits received and how relevant terms have been or will be established at market value. Where the organisation is connected to the applicant, project company or another project participant, also describe the nature of the connection, any proposed contractual arrangements, the expected value of any payments or benefits, how the organisation was selected, any market evidence used to support the arrangement, and any measures in place to manage conflicts of interest.

Equality

167. Do you believe that the project or its outcomes will have a disproportionate positive or negative impact on certain people or groups based on the following?

Response type: Label

168. Age

Response type: Yes/no

169. If yes, please describe the impact or impacts (positive or negative) that the project is expected to have, the group or groups which may be affected, and the steps (if applicable) that will be taken to mitigate any negative impact.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 250 (max)

170. Disability

Response type: Yes/no

171. If yes, please describe the impact or impacts (positive or negative) that the project is expected to have, the group or groups which may be affected, and the steps (if applicable) that will be taken to mitigate any negative impact.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 250 (max)

172. Gender reassignment

Response type: Yes/no

173. If yes, please describe the impact or impacts (positive or negative) that the project is expected to have, the group or groups which may be affected, and the steps (if applicable) that will be taken to mitigate any negative impact.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 250 (max)

174. Marriage or civil partnership

Response type: Yes/no

175. If yes, please describe the impact or impacts (positive or negative) that the project is expected to have, the group or groups which may be affected, and the steps (if applicable) that will be taken to mitigate any negative impact.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 250 (max)

176. Pregnancy and maternity

Response type: Yes/no

177. If yes, please describe the impact or impacts (positive or negative) that the project is expected to have, the group or groups which may be affected, and the steps (if applicable) that will be taken to mitigate any negative impact.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 250 (max)

178. Race

Response type: Yes/no

179. If yes, please describe the impact or impacts (positive or negative) that the project is expected to have, the group or groups which may be affected, and the steps (if applicable) that will be taken to mitigate any negative impact.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 250 (max)

180. Religion and belief

Response type: Yes/no

181. If yes, please describe the impact or impacts (positive or negative) that the project is expected to have, the group or groups which may be affected, and the steps (if applicable) that will be taken to mitigate any negative impact.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 250 (max)

182. Sex

Response type: Yes/no

183. If yes, please describe the impact or impacts (positive or negative) that the project is expected to have, the group or groups which may be affected, and the steps (if applicable) that will be taken to mitigate any negative impact.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 250 (max)

184. Sexual orientation

Response type: Yes/no

185. If yes, please describe the impact or impacts (positive or negative) that the project is expected to have, the group or groups which may be affected, and the steps (if applicable) that will be taken to mitigate any negative impact.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 250 (max)

Convictions

186. Please indicate if, within the past five years you, your organisation or any other person who has powers of representation, decision or control in the organisation has been convicted anywhere in the world of any of the offences below.

Response type: Label

187. Participation in a criminal organisation

Response type: Yes/no

188. If yes, please provide further details.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 300 (max)

Guidance: This should include: Date of conviction and the reasons for conviction, identity of who has been convicted. If the relevant documentation is available electronically please provide the web address, issuing authority, precise reference of the documents.

189. Have measures been taken to demonstrate the reliability of the organisation despite the existence of this relevant ground for exclusion?

Response type: Yes/no

190. Corruption

Response type: Yes/no

191. If yes, please provide further details.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 300 (max)

Guidance: This should include: Date of conviction and the reasons for conviction, identity of who has been convicted. If the relevant documentation is available electronically please provide the web address, issuing authority, precise reference of the documents.

192. Have measures been taken to demonstrate the reliability of the organisation despite the existence of this relevant ground for exclusion?

Response type: Yes/no

193. Fraud

Response type: Yes/no

194. If yes, please provide further details.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 300 (max)

Guidance: This should include: Date of conviction and the reasons for conviction, identity of who has been convicted. If the relevant documentation is available electronically please provide the web address, issuing authority, precise reference of the documents.

195. Have measures been taken to demonstrate the reliability of the organisation despite the existence of this relevant ground for exclusion?

Response type: Yes/no

196. Terrorist offences or offences linked to terrorist activities

Response type: Yes/no

197. If yes, please provide further details.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 300 (max)

Guidance: This should include: Date of conviction and the reasons for conviction, identity of who has been convicted. If the relevant documentation is available electronically please provide the web address, issuing authority, precise reference of the documents.

198. Have measures been taken to demonstrate the reliability of the organisation despite the existence of this relevant ground for exclusion?

Response type: Yes/no

199. Money laundering or terrorist financing

Response type: Yes/no

200. If yes, please provide further details.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 300 (max)

Guidance: This should include: Date of conviction and the reasons for conviction, identity of who has been convicted. If the relevant documentation is available electronically please provide the web address, issuing authority, precise reference of the documents.

201. Have measures been taken to demonstrate the reliability of the organisation despite the existence of this relevant ground for exclusion?

Response type: Yes/no

202. Child labour or other forms of trafficking in human beings

Response type: Yes/no

203. If yes, please provide further details.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 300 (max)

Guidance: This should include: Date of conviction and the reasons for conviction, identity of who has been convicted. If the relevant documentation is available electronically please provide the web address, issuing authority, precise reference of the documents.

204. Have measures been taken to demonstrate the reliability of the organisation despite the existence of this relevant ground for exclusion?

Response type: Yes/no

205. Has it been established, for your organisation by a judicial or administrative decision having final and binding effect in accordance with the legal provisions of any part of the United Kingdom or the legal provisions of the country in which the organisation is established

(if outside the UK), that the organisation is in breach of obligations related to the payment of tax or social security contributions?

Response type: Yes/no

206. If yes, please provide further details.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 300 (max)

207. Have you paid, or entered into a binding arrangement with a view to paying, the outstanding sum including where applicable any accrued interest and/or fines?

Response type: Yes/no

208. Please indicate if, within the past three years, anywhere in the world any of the following situations have applied to you, your organisation or any other person who has powers of representation, decision, or control in the organisation.

Response type: Label

209. Breach of environmental regulations

Response type: Yes/no

210. If yes, explain what measures have been taken to demonstrate the reliability of the organisation despite the existence of this relevant ground for exclusion.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 300 (max)

211. Breach of social obligations

Response type: Yes/no

212. If yes, explain what measures have been taken to demonstrate the reliability of the organisation despite the existence of this relevant ground for exclusion.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 300 (max)

213. Breach of labour laws

Response type: Yes/no

214. If yes, explain what measures have been taken to demonstrate the reliability of the organisation despite the existence of this relevant ground for exclusion.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 300 (max)

215. Bankrupt or is the subject of insolvency or winding-up proceedings, where the organisation's assets are being administered by a liquidator or by the court, where it is in an arrangement with creditors, where its business activities are suspended or it is in any

analogous situation arising from a similar procedure under the laws and regulations of any State

Response type: Yes/no

216. If yes, explain what measures have been taken to demonstrate the reliability of the organisation despite the existence of this relevant ground for exclusion.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 300 (max)

217. Entered into agreements with other organisations aimed at distorting competition

Response type: Yes/no

218. If yes, explain what measures have been taken to demonstrate the reliability of the organisation despite the existence of this relevant ground for exclusion.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 300 (max)

Conflicts of Interest Declaration

219. Are you aware of any actual, potential, or perceived conflicts of interest relating to this application, the project, its delivery, procurement activities, funding arrangements, or any organisations or individuals involved?

Response type: Yes/no

Guidance: A conflict of interest may arise where an individual or organisation has private, financial, professional, or personal interests that could influence, or be perceived to influence, decisions related to the project.

220. If yes, please provide details and explain how the conflict is being managed.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 300 (max)

Guidance: Include details of the conflict, the individuals or organisations involved, and any measures in place to manage or mitigate the risk.

221. I declare that all actual, potential, or perceived conflicts of interest relevant to this application have been disclosed.

Response type: Yes/no

Guidance: Applicants must notify GBE promptly if any new conflicts of interest arise during the assessment or delivery of the project.

Grant Declaration

222. I confirm that the expenditure included in this application relates solely to eligible project activities. The application does not seek funding for ordinary operational expenditure, general organisational overheads, routine functions, business-as-usual activities, or activities that would be undertaken in substantially the same form without GBECF funding. I further confirm

that the application does not seek funding for costs that have already been completed, incurred, paid or unconditionally committed.

Response type: Yes/no

Sign off

223. Please fill in the information below before submitting the application.

Response type: Label

224. Name

Response type: Text box

225. Position

Response type: Text box

226. I have completed all parts of the form.

Response type: Yes/no

227. I declare that all the information I have provided in this form is correct to the best of my knowledge.

Response type: Yes/no

228. I am authorised to submit this form on behalf of my organisation.

Response type: Yes/no