

Partnerships Stage 1 Questions



Stage selection

1. Which stage are you applying for?

Response type: Radio buttons

Guidance: Please ensure you have read the "What the fund supports" 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 (/Downloads/GBEPartnership/Privacy Notice.pdf)

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

Eligibility

4. Is the lead applicant a Local Authority based in England?

Response type: Yes/no

Guidance: The Partnerships Grant is only open to Local Authorities acting as the lead applicant.

Organisation

5. Local Authority Name

Response type: Text box

6. Local Authority registered address

Response type: Label

7. Address line 1

Response type: Text box

8. Address line 2

Response type: Text box

9. Address line 3

Response type: Text box

10. Town

Response type: Text box

11. County

Response type: Text box

12. Postcode

Response type: Postcode

13. Your org website

Response type: Text box

14. Project Director's name

Response type: Text box

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

15. Director's telephone number

Response type: Phone number

16. Director's email address

Response type: Email

17. 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).

18. Their job title

Response type: Text box

19. Telephone number

Response type: Phone number

20. Email address

Response type: Email

21. Name of an alternative contact

Response type: Text box

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

22. Their job title

Response type: Text box

23. Telephone number

Response type: Phone number

24. Email address

Response type: Email

25. 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

26. Do you have an existing community energy partner for this application?

Response type: Yes/no

Guidance: You do not need to have a confirmed partner at Stage 1. Funding can be used to identify and establish partnerships.

27. If a community partner has not yet been identified, please explain how a suitable partner will be identified and selected.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 250 (max)

28. Provide details of your project partner.

Response type: Label

29. Community partner name

Response type: Text box

30. Organisation type

Response type: Text box

Guidance: Community benefit society, registered charity etc.

31. Organisation address

Response type: Multi-line text box

32. What is the organisation's registration number?

Response type: Text box

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

33. Nature of partnership

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 250 (max)

Guidance: Please describe the current relationship between local authority and community partner.

34. Please set out what due diligence checks you have undertaken/or plan to undertake on your partner community energy group, in particular to identify and mitigate potential fraud and reputational risks.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 250 (max)

Project Overview

35. Will the project meet the Partnerships grant 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.

36. Please explain how the project will meet the Partnerships grant 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.

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

Response type: Checkboxes

Guidance: Select all applicable technologies.

38. What is the name of this project?

Response type: Text box

Guidance: Maximum 100 characters.

39. Tell us briefly what your project is about.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 250 (max)

Guidance: Summary of scope and purpose.

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

Response type: Integer

41. 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.

42. Tell us briefly what your partnership aims to deliver

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 250 (max)

Guidance: This may include pipeline development, partnership formation activity, or enabling work.

43. Please describe how this project will be governed, including roles, responsibilities, decision-making arrangements and oversight.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 250 (max)

44. Please explain how governance and partnership arrangements will be formalised during the project.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 250 (max)

45. Describe the pipeline of potential projects this partnership will explore or develop

Response type: Multi-line text box

Guidance: Include number of projects, types, stage of development, and level of confidence (if known).

Technical & Delivery

46. Describe the technical feasibility of your project.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 300 (max)

Guidance: Include assumptions, constraints, and key risks.

47. 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.

48. Why is the identified project opportunity a credible clean energy opportunity, and how will it contribute to clean energy, decarbonisation or environmental outcomes?

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 500 (max)

Guidance: Describe:

- the project opportunity being pursued;
- the current stage of development;
- the clean-energy technology, asset or activity involved;
- the location or area affected;
- the intended energy, carbon or environmental outcomes; and
- the principal technical, land, grid, planning, legal, commercial or delivery constraints that will need to be addressed.

49. Does your project include any innovative elements?

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 250 (max)

Guidance: Describe any novel or innovative aspects.

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

Response type: Radio buttons

Guidance: Select current status.

51. 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.

52. What consents or permits are required?

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 250 (max)

Guidance: List consents and their current status.

53. Is planning permission required?

Response type: Yes/no

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

Response type: Date

Guidance: Provide a date or estimate.

55. 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.

56. 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.

57. 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.

58. In which region will the project take place?

Response type: Radio buttons

Guidance: Select region or indicate unknown.

59. Do you know the full project site address?

Response type: Yes/no

60. What is the address?

Response type: Label

Guidance: Provide full address.

Response type: Postcode

61. Address line 1

Response type: Text box

62. Address line 2

Response type: Text box

63. Address line 3

Response type: Text box

64. Town

Response type: Text box

65. County

Response type: Text box

66. Postcode

67. Country

Response type: Radio buttons

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

Response type: Yes/no

69. How many sites are you applying for funding for?

Response type: Text box

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

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 300 (max)

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.

71. 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.

72. Please provide details of any proposed lease, licence, option, disposal or other property arrangement relating to public land or assets.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 1000 (max)

Guidance: Include:

- landowner;
- recipient;
- proposed route (lease, licence, option, disposal or other arrangement);
- duration;
- proposed consideration;
- valuation approach;
- market testing undertaken;
- selection process;
- approvals required;
- any exclusivity or preferential rights granted; and
- how the arrangement complies with applicable governance, property, procurement and subsidy-control requirements.

Community Benefits

73. 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.

74. 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.

75. 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.

Shared Learning

76. Project applicants are encouraged to participate in shared learning with peers. Commitment to shared learning participation may form part of your grant contract. Are you happy to proceed on this basis?

Response type: Yes/no

Partnership

77. Describe the proposed or intended roles and responsibilities across the partnership, including how decisions will be made

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 300 (max)

Guidance: Where no partner is confirmed, describe the intended governance model and approach.

78. How will the Local Authority work with community energy organisations to deliver this project or pipeline?

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 300 (max)

Guidance: Include how partners will collaborate, or how this will be established if not yet in place.

79. How was, or how will, the community energy partner be identified and selected?

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 300 (max)

Guidance: Explain the selection method, organisations considered, criteria, assessment process, conflicts of interest and value for money considerations.

80. Does any partner, developer, investor, supplier, landowner or other organisation hold, or expect to receive, exclusivity, preferred status or future rights relating to the site, project or development opportunity?

Response type: Yes/no

Guidance: Include formal and informal arrangements.

81. Please provide details of the exclusivity or future rights arrangement.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 300 (max)

Guidance: Include the party, nature of the rights, duration, consideration, legal status, valuation, competition considerations and public value protections.

82. Who will own and have rights to use any feasibility studies, technical reports, financial models, data, designs or other outputs produced using grant funding?

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 500 (max)

Guidance: Describe:

- who will own the outputs;
- who will have rights to access or use them;
- whether any party will receive exclusive, preferential or commercialisation rights;
- any restrictions on sharing or future use; and
- how these arrangements support delivery of the project and represent value for money.

Funding

83. How much grant funding are you applying for?

Response type: Currency

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

84. Please provide a breakdown of project costs and proposed use of grant funding.

Response type: File

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

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

85. 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.

86. What would happen to the proposed funded activity if you did not receive GBE 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.

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

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 1000 (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.

Where relevant, include any discussions, expressions of interest, heads of terms, offers or agreements with developers, investors, lenders, landowners, offtakers or other commercial parties, and explain why these do not remove the need for grant funding.

88. What specific barrier is preventing the proposed partnership or project development activity from proceeding without grant funding?

Response type: Checkboxes

Guidance: Identify the main barriers preventing progression.

89. Please explain how the grant will address these barriers.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 350 (max)

Guidance: Explain how the grant will change behaviour, unlock activity and contribute to the objectives of GBE Local Partnerships.

90. If applicable, please distinguish between activities that have already been completed, activities currently underway, and the new activities for which GBE 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 GBE 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.

91. 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.

92. What is the minimum amount of GBE 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 GBE funding and, if so, what would change. Your response should describe: applicant contributions, minimum viable scope, activities lost under a lower award, delays and impacts on community benefit. Where 100% funding is requested, explain why the applicant, project partners and other beneficiaries cannot reasonably contribute, why alternative public, commercial or third-party funding is unavailable or insufficient, what would happen if a lower award were offered, and why the requested level of funding would not provide an unjustified economic advantage.

93. Does this application include staff costs for the applicant or any project partner?

Response type: Yes/no

94. Please provide details of all staff costs included in the application.

Response type: File

Guidance: For each staff cost, provide:

- the employing organisation;
- the role and employment status;
- whether the cost relates to an existing employee, a new appointment, additional contracted hours, overtime or backfill;
- the project activity and outputs the individual will deliver;

- the number of hours or days charged to the project;
- the salary or pay rate and calculation methodology;
- employer National Insurance and employer pension contributions;
- the total amount claimed;
- whether the post, hours or activity are already funded or included in an approved organisational budget;
- where an existing employee is used, any additional hours, backfill arrangements or defined activity that will be displaced; and
- evidence that the cost is additional, necessary and directly attributable to the funded project.

Staff costs must not include profit or mark-up and must not relate to routine functions, ordinary administration or general organisational activity that would be undertaken without the grant.

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

Response type: Date

Guidance: By investment in the project, we mean the point at which a formal commitment is made to proceed with project delivery, such as entering into contracts, appointing suppliers or contractors, committing capital expenditure, or making a final investment decision.

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

Response type: Label

97. Account name

Response type: Text box

98. Sort code

Response type: Text box

Guidance: Enter the number without any spaces or hyphens.

99. Account number

Response type: Text box

Procurement

100. Do you have a defined procurement approach?

Response type: Radio buttons

101. 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.

102. How will you ensure compliance with procurement requirements?

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 300 (max)

103. 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.

104. 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.

105. 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

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

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 300 (max)

Guidance: You must show evidence that you have appropriate monitoring in place to keep your project on track, as well as adequate evaluation to learn from any issues or best practices and be able to feed these back.

107. 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

108. How will health and safety responsibilities be managed throughout the project and across the partnership?

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 250 (max)

Guidance: Describe the arrangements that will be used to identify, assess and manage health and safety risks associated with project delivery. Include governance arrangements, named responsibilities, reporting processes, and how health and safety requirements will be communicated to project partners, consultants and contractors where relevant.

Project Management

109. 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.

110. 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.

111. 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

112. 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

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

Response type: Yes/no

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

Response type: Label

115. 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>).

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

Response type: Label

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

Response type: Label

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

Response type: Yes/no

119. 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

120. 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

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

Response type: Label

122. 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

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

Response type: Label

124. 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

125. 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

126. 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

127. 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

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

Response type: Label

129. Please provide further information on ringfencing arrangements.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 250 (max)

130. 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

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

Response type: Yes/no

132. 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

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

Response type: Label

134. Please provide further information on ringfencing arrangements.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 250 (max)

135. 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

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

Response type: Label

137. Has the applicant, a project partner, a project company or any connected organisation received, been awarded or applied for public financial assistance relating to this project, partnership, site, energy asset, development opportunity or substantially similar activity?

Response type: Yes/no

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

138. Please provide details of all relevant public financial assistance.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 350 (max)

Guidance: Include recipient, scheme, dates, amount, status, activities supported, outputs, relationship to the application, overlapping costs and continuing obligations.

139. Will any organisation other than the lead local authority receive grant funding, grant-funded resources, services, project rights or another material economic advantage arising from this award?

Response type: Yes/no

Guidance: Consider all organisations connected to the project structure.

140. Please identify all organisations that may receive a material economic advantage from the proposed award.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 350 (max)

Guidance: Include local authorities, community energy partners, SPVs, landowners, developers, investors, suppliers, advisers, delivery partners and connected enterprises. Describe funding, rights, ownership interests, future benefits and how terms have been or will be established at market value.

Equality

141. 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

142. Age

Response type: Yes/no

143. 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)

144. Disability

Response type: Yes/no

145. 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)

146. Gender reassignment

Response type: Yes/no

147. 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)

148. Marriage or civil partnership

Response type: Yes/no

149. 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)

150. Pregnancy and maternity

Response type: Yes/no

151. 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)

152. Race

Response type: Yes/no

153. 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)

154. Religion and belief

Response type: Yes/no

155. 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)

156. Sex

Response type: Yes/no

157. 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)

158. Sexual orientation

Response type: Yes/no

159. 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

160. 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

161. Participation in a criminal organisation

Response type: Yes/no

162. 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.

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

Response type: Yes/no

164. Corruption

Response type: Yes/no

165. 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.

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

Response type: Yes/no

167. Fraud

Response type: Yes/no

168. 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.

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

Response type: Yes/no

170. Terrorist offences or offences linked to terrorist activities

Response type: Yes/no

171. 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.

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

Response type: Yes/no

173. Money laundering or terrorist financing

Response type: Yes/no

174. 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.

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

Response type: Yes/no

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

Response type: Yes/no

177. 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.

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

Response type: Yes/no

179. 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

180. If yes, please provide further details.

Response type: Multi-line text box

Word count: 300 (max)

181. 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

182. 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

183. Breach of environmental regulations

Response type: Yes/no

184. 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)

185. Breach of social obligations

Response type: Yes/no

186. 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)

187. Breach of labour laws

Response type: Yes/no

188. 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)

189. 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

190. 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)

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

Response type: Yes/no

192. 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

193. 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.

194. 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.

195. 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

196. I confirm that the application does not seek funding for activities or costs that have already been completed, commissioned, incurred, paid for or unconditionally committed before the date permitted under the scheme. I further confirm that neither the lead applicant

nor any project partner has entered into any irrevocable commitment in reliance on receiving funding, except where expressly permitted by the scheme rules.

Response type: Yes/no

Sign off

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

Response type: Label

198. Name

Response type: Text box

199. Position

Response type: Text box

200. I have completed all parts of the form.

Response type: Yes/no

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

Response type: Yes/no

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

Response type: Yes/no