



## The Opportunity - Go Parks Programme

We are pleased to announce new funding opportunities to deliver youth programmes across parks and open spaces in Coventry through spring and summer 2023. The funding will support greater access to healthy lifestyles provision through culture, sport and wellbeing activity.

The 2023 Go Parks Commissions are made possible by a partnership between Coventry City Council, Coventry City of Culture Trust and Positive Youth Foundation and will enable significant cultural activity to take place.

This Go Parks sports activity is funded by Sport England and managed by Coventry City Council. The funding was established following the pandemic, where the effects of isolation across the city have compounded inequalities, exacerbating pre-existing barriers to physical activity as well as creating new challenges.

The cultural activity is supported by Arts Council England, Esmée Fairbairn and Paul Hamlyn Foundation and forms part of the Coventry City of Culture Youth Legacy Commissions designed to activate and inspire new thinking, build creative skills, and support young people to take action to shape a better future for Coventry. Find out more about Coventry City of Culture Trust's Legacy Commissioning Model [here](#).

## The Proposal

We are looking for organisations with an interest in supporting a more sustainable and a better future for Coventry's young people. The successful organisation will design and deliver a programme of outdoor-based provision for young people between the ages of 8-25. Delivery will take place between **May - September 2023**.

We are looking to work with organisations based in Coventry and the West Midlands that:

- Are embedded into the work of the [Coventry Youth Partnership](#) (CYP) (or are willing to work alongside the CYP)
- Have successful experience of working with young people who are identified as being in need of additional support, including those who find themselves at risk of/ are NEET, risk of exploitation, low engagement in additional activities, poor health outcomes.
- Have a positive and collaborative mindset and experience of working successfully on programmes with multiple partners.
- Have a clear neighbourhood/community footprint in Coventry or are actively seeking to collaborate with organisations that do.
- Have a strong project management and an outcomes-led approach to work, including data collection and analysis.
- Have a good understanding of equal opportunity access planning and awareness to ensure that activities are accessible to a wide range of participants.
- Have experience of co-creation/co-design of activity with young people.
- Are conscious of the environmental impact of their work and design activity with this in mind.



There will be two distinct funds available within this commission:

- **Go Parks Physical Activity Fund - up to £5,000 available per organisation/per location.**
- **Go Parks Cultural Activity Fund - up to £5,000 available per organisation/per location.**

***Please Note:*** *The basic commission budget across physical and cultural activity is £5,000 per commission. However, we would enable larger commissions (up to £10,000) to be delivered by applicants who are able to strongly demonstrate need, ambition to work in partnership or across sites, or to scale an idea or programme. Please feel free to apply for multiple locations/pots based on your reach and ambitions.*

### Physical Activity and Creative Arts Funds: Activities and Outputs

#### Activities:

- Deliver an appropriate number of activity sessions in line with the needs of young people and budget awarded.
  - In many cases we would anticipate this would be regular weekly delivery of activity – however this may differ depending on the activity/artform

#### Outputs:

- Increase physical and cultural activity in local green spaces for young people aged 8-25
- Increase engagement from young people who are traditionally less likely to engage with sports, arts and/or culture within a park setting.
- Increase the number of young people feeling confident to access their local green spaces/parks
- Increased satisfaction of young people relating to opportunities and access to related provision
- Positively contribute towards partnership working in parks across the city
- Support participants to connect with a Summer 2023 celebration moment that will bring outputs from across all youth commissions together
- Increase connectivity across youth programmes and local policy developments by connecting with the recently commissioned Youth Leadership Advisory Group

#### Contact us

If you are interested in this opportunity, please complete the questions below and send them to Positive Youth Foundation ([info@positiveyouthfoundation.org](mailto:info@positiveyouthfoundation.org)) **by 5pm on Monday 13th February 2023**

Positive Youth Foundation, Coventry City Council and Coventry City of Culture Trust will consider the proposals and how they relate to the core Go Parks Programme. Shortlisted proposals will be reviewed by a panel that includes youth representation and representation from the wider Coventry Youth Partnership network. We reserve the right to accept or decline partners based upon the fit with local need and wider programme objectives. If you have questions, please get in touch on the email above.



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**Questions for potential partners**

**Please tick the commission fund you are applying for**

Go Parks Physical Activity

Go Parks Cultural Activity

**Name**

**Position**

**Organisation**

**Email/ Phone**

**Website**

**Please briefly outline why your organisation is suited to the delivery of this commission.**

**Include relevant experience of working with young people within the context of the opportunity.**

**(max 300 words)**



<p><b>What will you deliver to young people?</b></p> <p><b>Please clearly outline the offer i.e what, when, where, how, why, who etc.</b></p> <p><b>Please specify the duration and frequency of your project.</b></p> <p>Please refer to the dates identified within the information above.</p> <p><b>(max 500 words)</b></p>	
<p><b>Commissioned organisations will be responsible for the successful marketing of Go Parks Programmes.</b></p> <p><b>Please outline how your organisation will recruit young people to this project.</b></p>	

<p><b>Who will be the staff on this project?</b></p> <p><b>What relevant experience do they have?</b></p> <p><b>If you are working with artists/cultural practitioners, please provide examples of their previous work</b></p>	
<p><b>How will young people be kept safe on this project?</b></p> <p><b>What policies and procedures will you put in place?</b></p>	

<p>Please outline a clear budget for this work including how you got to the amount requested for each item:</p> <p>If you are applying for a cultural commission with a budget over £5,000 please ensure you strongly demonstrate ambition and need for additional funds.</p>	<b>Item</b>	<b>Unit Cost/Total Amount</b>
	Staffing	
	Venue Hire	
	Resources	
	Management Fee	
	Other: (Please Identify spend areas/add rows)	
	<b>Total</b>	
<p><b>Importantly, do you have provision available that the young people can attend outside of the Go Parks offer? i.e. can young people access your other youth sessions?</b></p> <p><b>How do you plan on sustaining the activity/engagement with the young people who participate after this funding ends?</b></p>		
<p><b>If further funding was made available for the winter months would you be interested?</b></p> <p><i>(Saying 'No' will not put you in a negative position. We are seeking feedback on if a potential winter project would be feasible outside of this commission)</i></p>	<p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>No <input type="checkbox"/></p>	
<p><b>How will you measure the success of the programme?</b></p> <p><b>What information will you collate and analyse? How?</b></p>		



<p><b>Is your organisation currently connected to or willing to join the Coventry Youth Partnership network?</b>          More information can be found here:  <a href="http://www.coventryyouthpartnership.org">www.coventryyouthpartnership.org</a></p>	
<p><b>Any other comments/ things we should know?</b></p>	

**Additional Information**

Policy Document	Required to be sent at this stage
Latest Filed Accounts	Yes – Please attach with your returned application form
Public Liability Insurance	Yes – Please attach with your returned application form
Safeguarding Policy	Yes – Please attach with your returned application form
Health & Safety Policy	Yes – Please attach with your returned application form
Most Recent Annual Report	Yes – Please attach with your returned application form
Risk Assessment	Yes- Please attach with your returned application form



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