



LANDFILL COMMUNITIES FUND

a funding information leaflet from *funderfinder*

Previously called the Landfill Tax Credit Scheme and established in 1996, the fund encourages and enables landfill operators (LOs) to support a wide range of environmental projects by giving them a 90 per cent tax credit against their donations to Environmental Bodies (EBs). ENTRUST is the regulator of the fund and is responsible for ensuring that environmental bodies (EBs) comply with the landfill tax regulations. ENTRUST does not provide funding. The funding is available directly from the landfill operators.

There are a number of ways that you can access the funding: organisations can register as Environmental Bodies with ENTRUST to get money directly from a landfill operator, or alternatively, many organisations benefit from the Fund without enrolling as an Environmental Body, but choosing instead to work with an environmental body that distributes landfill tax money (a Distributive Environmental Body or D-EB). These are often local environmental organisations connected to one particular landfill operator and they are able to establish their own criteria for funding.

In order to be eligible for funding an organisation must:

- be a non-profit distributing body
- not be controlled (either directly or indirectly) by: a local authority; a body corporate controlled by one or more local authorities; or a registered landfill operator.

Applications should meet one of the following objects:

- projects that involve reclaiming land, the use of which has been prevented by some previous activity
- projects that reduce or prevent pollution on land
- projects that provide or maintain public amenities or parks within 10 miles of a landfill site
- delivery of biodiversity conservation for UK species habitats
- projects to restore or repair buildings for religious worship, or of architectural or historical interest within 10 miles of a landfill site
- projects fund the cost of administrative, financial or other similar services, supplied to other enrolled environmental bodies (EBs).



Further information

Full details can be found on ENTRUST's website: www.entrust.org.uk

You can also find out about landfill sites in your area from your local authority or via the Environment Agency on 0845 933 3111. In Scotland, you may have to request details from the Scottish Environmental Protection Agency (SEPA): www.sepa.org.uk/

The following websites provide examples of funds set up by landfill operators and the types of work they fund. Check the fund's website for a full list of the distributive bodies in your area.

Banks Foundation	www.banksfoundation.org.uk
Biffaward	www.biffaward.org
CEMEX	www.cemexcf.org.uk
Evolve EB	www.evolveeb.co.uk
Veolia Environmental Trust	www.veoliatrust.org/
Sita Environmental Trust	www.sitatrust.org.uk
Waste Recycling Environmental Ltd	www.wren.org.uk

You can also download a complete listing of landfill operators from HM Revenue & Customs (HMRC) website: www.hmrc.gov.uk

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