



Application Instructions and Form

Overview and Funding Criteria

The final phase of funding from the Community Health Catalyst (CHCat) Programme is being made available through the Medway & Swale Social Impact Gateway.

The £15,000 funding is being made available for Medway and Swale voluntary, community, social enterprise and faith (VCSEF) groups to apply for – with a maximum funding bid value of £3,000 per organisation.

The funding must be used to support Medway and Swale Health and Care Partnership's (H&CP) priorities across geographic areas experiencing the greatest health inequalities.

In order to meet the funding criteria, any applications must ensure that proposed Projects/Initiatives:

- Engage with participants from within the Core20+5 communities in Medway and Swale, particularly those within CHCat geographical target areas (Medway Central, Gillingham South, Sheppey and Sittingbourne).
- Provide new and innovative opportunities engaging those experiencing or are most at risk of experiencing Health Inequalities.
- Deliver activities aimed at supporting outcomes for at least one of the following priority areas:
 - Increased physical activity / reduction in frailty
 - Improved mental health
 - Improved health through lifestyle changes
 - Improved access to clinical support/services
 - Improved local socio-economic, cultural and environmental factors
- Align to specific outcome measurement criteria (from prescribed list).
- Demonstrate how the impact of activities will deliver the outcomes required, benefit the participants and contribute to improving overall health.
- Are deliverable by 31st January 2026.
- Do not replicate existing activities (internal or external).

Application Process

The closing date for applications is 3rd October 2025.

Application is via the Medway and Swale Social Impact Gateway (SIG) and open to SIG Affiliates – who can access the application form via this link

<https://forms.office.com/e/1UsBwntNhA>, please ensure you enter your SIG Affiliate Number in the relevant field in the application form.

If you're not already signed as a SIG Affiliate, then you can do this by visiting: [Medway Voluntary Action | MVA's New Social Impact Gateway Programme](#)