

Social Impact Gateway Model - *New Funding Pathways and Opportunities. Real Community Impact.*

The Social Impact Gateway (SIG) is a grant-making and social value delivery platform, designed to:

- Enable corporates and public sector partners to collaborate and invest in trusted VCSEF organisations tackling various issues such as social inequality, injustice, the climate crisis and more.
- Offer VCSEF organisations a simple, fair, and transparent way to access funding and capacity-building support.
- Provide expertise in compliance, monitoring, and impact reporting, ensuring public and private funding is protected, well managed, and aligned with legislative requirements.
- Offer another option for single point of access for consultation and research opportunities - facilitating better social impact outcomes for local people through co-designed services/commissioning.



Currently powered by Medway Voluntary Action (MVA) in Medway & Swale and SEK in East Kent and, the SIG model has been designed for interoperability and agility to allow for future system/local government boundary changes.

The SIG isn't just another grant funding model; it's a growing network of VCSEFs and funders committed to long-term, meaningful impact. If you're ready to connect with new opportunities and amplify your impact, **we'd love to hear from you.**

A new pathway for statutory and corporate bodies to realise social value and improved outcomes:

The SIG is designed to provide new pathways to fund social impact initiatives and support at a local level; offering cost effective and quality-assured solutions to achieving system-wide, community centric impact.

The SIG will enable corporate and public sector partners to:

- ✓ Invest in quality-assured VCSEF organisations who are specialist in supporting communities with the wider determinants of health
- ✓ Work in partnership with VCSEF organisations who hold trusted relationships with a diverse range of people at a hyper-local level.
- ✓ Utilise a single point of access for research, engagement and co-design needs, helping to share tenders that will achieve better outcomes for communities.
- ✓ If preferred, outsource compliance, monitoring and impact reporting to the SIG - ensuring your investments are protected, well managed, and aligned with legislative requirements.

✓ Improve 'public benefit' outcomes under the Procurement Act 2023 - Section 12 requiring public contracts to consider public benefit and Section 13 emphasises transparency and accountability.

What you can expect as an investor in the SIG:

- Access to a diverse range of quality-assured potential VCSEF delivery partners
- Transparent fees for either the SIGs brokerage or fully managed service
- Support from our experienced team throughout your investment process, helping you to optimise your goals from inception to outcomes
- Compliance, monitoring and impact reporting services
- A new approach to achieving meaningful and impactful social impact, with sustainable working relationships with the VCSEF.

How It Works

- 1. You decide on your investment goals and criteria**
- 2. SIG will promote the new funding opportunity** to their VCSEF affiliates
- 3. SIG will manage funding application process** (shortlisting, independent decision panel and successful application list)
- 4. You decide to opt for brokerage or fully managed service** from SIG – allowing you control to either manage the award process and contract monitoring in-house or to fully outsource contract compliance, monitoring and reporting
- 5. We help promote impact success achieved through SIG** — through our networks and wider world.

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