Rochdale Borough prides itself on its spirit of co-operation and working in partnership, and for being home to strong, vibrant and cohesive communities. Diversity is one of our strengths, with our four townships being home to numerous distinctive communities.

As a Safer Communities Partnership we are positive about the future, we are not complacent and will continue to work hard together to help to make the Borough a safe, welcoming and attractive place to live, work and visit.

Our priorities are informed through analysis of crime and community safety data, and by listening to the views of those living and working in the borough. They reflect our most pressing community safety issues and are underpinned by an overarching commitment to safeguard and protect the most vulnerable people in society.

We are working with Action Together to distribute funding and offer development support to organisations.

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| **1. Purpose of the fund** |

Rochdale Safer Communities Partnership continue to make progress on all strategic priorities and intend to work alongside communities, organisations and projects which support the partnership to achieve communities that are:

* Free from the harm of domestic abuse
* and violence
* Free from the harm of organised crime
* and exploitation
* Safe from crime and anti-social behaviour
* Able to live, work, learn and socialise in harmony in their communities

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| **2. Projects must be** |

1. To provide additionality and should not cover overheads of administering the grants.
2. Used to enable the Voluntary Community Faith and Social Enterprise (VCFSE) sector to support the delivery of local and strategic priorities.

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| **3. Who may apply?** |

Registered charities, constituted voluntary, community sector or not-for profit organisations.

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| **4. Activities that may not be funded** |

1. Activities already started before funding is awarded.
2. Work that would normally be funded through mainstream budgets, that duplicates or replaces existing services or that the Council or other body has a statutory obligation to provide.
3. Parties.
4. Promoting religious or political causes.
5. Projects to benefit individuals.
6. Campaigning or carrying out activities to influence a Council decision in the exercise of its statutory functions.
7. Contributing to charitable collections or running fund-raising events.
8. General running costs, e.g. utility bills, maintenance and repair of assets, etc.

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| **5. Items that may not be purchased with Voluntary and Community Sector Grant** |

1. Alcoholic drinks.
2. Motor vehicles.
3. Items bought before written confirmation has been given that the grant applicant has been successful.
4. Insurance.

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| **6. Limitations** |

1. RCSP/Action Together does not accept any liability for damage, loss or future maintenance of any projects funded by Community Grants.
2. RCSP/Action Together reserves the right to withhold or reclaim the grant monies if the terms and conditions are not adhered to.
3. RCSP/Action Together reserves the right to add specific conditions relating to payment of the grant, the purpose of the grant and/or the activities to be funded.