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Funding for your community

# The Landfill Communities Fund

Your guide to applying for grants

## About Lafarge Aggregates Limited

Lafarge Aggregates Limited is a major supplier of construction materials including rock, sand & gravel and recycled aggregates as well as road surfacing solutions and waste management services.



With some 1,800 employees at 200 sites across the UK, the company leads the way with its innovative approach to waste management. Product ranges include high-performance asphalts and concretes, and an extensive range of primary and secondary aggregates. Lafarge is passionate about customer care and is proud of its active approach to sustainability and safety, driving hard towards zero harm to its employees, contractors, visitors and neighbours.

Lafarge is proud of its focused approach to sustainability, from quarry restoration and nature conservation to recycling, product development and alternative transport. Lafarge Aggregates Limited aims to operate responsibly and play an active role in the communities in which it operates.

Since the Landfill Communities Fund was established, the company, which operates 50 waste recovery/disposal sites, has donated over £6.4 million to hundreds of local community and environmental projects throughout the UK.

### THE LANDFILL COMMUNITIES FUND

The Landfill Tax Credit Scheme (as it was originally named) was established by the Government in 1996. It enables landfill operators to donate part of their annual tax liability to enrolled Environmental Bodies for a variety of approved community and environmental projects. Landfill operators can reclaim 90% of their contribution as a tax credit which means the remaining 10% must be provided either by them or an independent third party.

More information about the scheme can be found at:

[www.entrust.org.uk](http://www.entrust.org.uk)



### THE LANDFILL COMMUNITIES FUND

This leaflet has been produced to explain how local groups can apply for funding for a wide range of community and environmental projects close to sites operated by Lafarge Aggregates Limited. The company works closely with Derbyshire Environmental Trust, which administers the scheme on Lafarge's behalf.

# How to apply for a grant from Lafarge Aggregates Landfill Communities Fund

**Local groups can apply for funding** for a wide range of community and environmental projects close to a Lafarge Aggregates Limited landfill, recycling or quarrying operation, provided they are within 10 miles of any licensed landfill site.

## Eligible project categories

### Reclamation

- reclaiming or restoring land, whose use has been prevented by a previous activity

### Pollution Reduction

- preventing or reducing pollution which was caused by a previous activity

### Public Amenity

- providing, maintaining or improving a public park or other public amenity. This includes a wide range of projects such as children's play areas, village and community halls, tree planting, public footpaths, etc. The project must focus on "direct project works"

### Biodiversity

- conservation or promotion of biodiversity through the provision or enhancement of a natural habitat, or the maintenance or recovery of a species in its habitat on land or water

### Historic Buildings

- maintaining, repairing or restoring buildings which are of historical or architectural interest and where the expenditure will result in community benefit

## Exclusions

The following projects will not be funded:

- car parks, road improvements and footpaths adjacent to roads
- conferences
- purchase of vehicles
- school based projects (unless the primary intent is to create or improve a public amenity on a like for like basis with similar facilities open to the public)

- feasibility studies
- projects at allotments
- ongoing maintenance of projects, e.g. annual planting or clearing
- repairs and maintenance to religious buildings (except where the project relates to community facilities available to the general public)
- core funding (e.g. running costs)
- projects that have been declined in the previous two years

## General criteria for making applications

In addition to being within 10 miles of any licensed landfill site, projects must

- be situated – other than in exceptional circumstances – within seven miles of a Lafarge Aggregates Limited landfill, recycling or quarrying operation. For a full list of Lafarge's sites, please visit [www.lafarge-aggregates.co.uk](http://www.lafarge-aggregates.co.uk)
- projects must normally be open to the public, not operated for profit and the work must not be required by any condition, order, notice or agreement
- not have started (e.g. no retrospective funding)
- applicants must have a constitution, elected officers and a bank account

## Applicants should be able to demonstrate:

- community benefits (e.g. new or improved facilities, number of people to benefit, does it duplicate provision) and/or
- the benefit to the environment (e.g. protects/ enhances biodiversity/ landscape, addresses climate change, improves appearance/ character of the area, uses recycled materials)
- community support/ involvement (e.g. fundraising and volunteering)
- managerial, financial and environmental sustainability

## How to apply

- Contact Derbyshire Environmental Trust on telephone **01629 539182** or **01629 538614** or by email at [det@derbyshire.gov.uk](mailto:det@derbyshire.gov.uk) for an application pack and guidance on the eligibility of your project.
  - Complete the application form and return it to Derbyshire Environmental Trust with any supporting information eg business plan or funding priorities.
  - Your application will be considered by the Lafarge Aggregates Landfill Grant Committee (normally four meetings per annum). Applicants will be informed of decisions by letter.
  - If successful, obtain and submit copies of at least three competitive quotations for the work.
  - Derbyshire Environmental Trust (or, depending on where the project is located, another Environmental Body\*) will seek to adopt the project and then register it with ENTRUST (the regulatory body) to ensure compliance with the Landfill Communities Fund.
  - When registration is confirmed, applicants will be sent a draft legal agreement and asked to provide the third party contribution.
  - After the Third Party Contribution has been received and the formal contract agreed the project may start.
- \* *Derbyshire Environmental Trust administers the scheme on behalf of Lafarge Aggregates Limited, but other Environmental Bodies may distribute the funding according to the location of the projects.*

You will be notified which Environmental Body will manage your project if an application is successful.

## Payments to Contributors

Lafarge Aggregates Limited and Third Party Contributors can only supply goods, services or supplies to funded projects if they are either donated free of charge or supplied at prime cost (direct costs excluding any contribution to overheads, fixed costs or profit).

**Please note:** Successful applications may be funded at any amount up to the requested figure, depending on available funds and/or other priorities.

Before applying, please contact Derbyshire Environmental Trust to find out if your project is eligible to apply for funding.

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## FUNDING FOR YOUR COMMUNITY

### Education Resource Centre, Alrewas, Staffordshire

The National Memorial Arboretum refurbished a disused room, creating an education resource centre equipped with hi-tech computers and presentation equipment to be used by schools, veterans and the Arboretum's Friends group, as well as being made available to the general public.



"This new centre will enable us to share a message of remembrance with young people in a modern, practical environment."

**Charlie Bagot Jewitt,**  
Chief Executive,  
National Memorial Arboretum

### National Cycleway, Ayot Greenway, Hertfordshire

Groundwork Hertfordshire improved a 2.5 mile multi-use, traffic-free path between Welwyn Garden City and Wheathampstead, which forms part of National Cycle Network route 57.



"The access work on the Ayot Greenway has refreshed an excellent user-friendly sustainable transport link between a village and bustling town."

**Geoff Watkins, Operations Project Officer,**  
Groundwork Hertfordshire

### Skate Park, Fleckney, Leicestershire



An LCF grant helped the Fleckney Skate Park Committee raise enough money to build a skate park in their village, aimed at eight to 16-year-olds.

"We're so pleased that the Lafarge donation puts us on course to get the new facility, which will be a great asset for the village."

**Rob White, Project Manager**

### Number 66, West Cornforth, County Durham

With help from an LCF grant, Cornforth Partnerships opened a youth drop-in centre that holds sessions, training courses and open days, with the aim of maximising the use of the centre by residents of the village of West Cornforth.



"This funding has enabled us to turn our young people's aspirations for a place to call their own into a reality with this much loved and used drop-in centre."

**Helen Winskill, Project Co-ordinator,**  
Cornforth Partnerships



To meet the need for landfill tax contributions to go through an independent Environmental Body, Derbyshire Environmental Trust was established in August 1997. The Trust seeks funds from local landfill operators to support eligible environmental projects across Derbyshire and has secured over £8.25 million for more than 440 projects to date. Since 1998 the Trust has distributed funds on behalf of Lafarge Aggregates Limited and from 2005 has been responsible for the administration of Lafarge Aggregates Limited Landfill Communities Fund.

**Derbyshire Environmental Trust, County Hall, Matlock, DE4 3AG**

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ENTRUST is the national regulatory body of the Landfill Communities Fund. ENTRUST is responsible for providing guidance about the Landfill Communities Fund and can be contacted as follows:

**Tel:** 01926 488 300 **Fax:** 01926 488 388

**Email:** information@entrust.org.uk

**www.entrust.org.uk**

#### Third Party Funding

Before the grant can be released applicants will normally be expected to nominate an independent third party contributor who will pay to Lafarge Aggregates Limited (via Derbyshire Environmental Trust) 10% of the grant awarded. This is in addition to, and not part of, the project costs. The Third Party Contributor cannot be an Environmental Body and must not benefit in any unshared way.



For a full list of Lafarge's sites, please visit:

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