

# FUNDING YOUR COMMUNITY

*Tarmac Landfill Communities Fund*

Your guide to  
applying for grants

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## 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 Tarmac.

The company works closely with Derbyshire Environmental Trust, which administers the scheme on Tarmac's behalf.



## 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)

Tarmac, a CRH company, is the UK's leading sustainable building materials and construction solutions business. Our innovative products and solutions not only deliver the infrastructure needed to grow the UK economy today but also help to create a more sustainable built environment for the country's long term future.

The company has over 150 years of experience and directly employs around 6,900 people across a nationwide network of over 400 sites. Our solutions span aggregates, asphalt, cement, lime, readymix concrete, road contracting services, building products and recycling services. This unique combination of people, technology and assets enables us to offer customers unrivalled choice, innovation and flexibility.

Since the Landfill Communities Fund was established, Tarmac has donated almost £16 million to local communities and projects throughout the UK.

# HOW TO APPLY

Local groups can apply for funding for a wide range of community and environmental projects close to a Tarmac waste, cement and lime or quarrying site 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 (excluding religious 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 or other projects subject to proportional registration
- 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 directly relates to community facilities available to the general public and where there is evidence of wider community use)
- core funding (e.g. running costs)
- projects that have been declined in the previous two years
- cemeteries

## GENERAL CRITERIA FOR MAKING APPLICATIONS

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

- projects should be situated – other than in exceptional circumstances – within 4 miles of a Tarmac waste, cement and lime, or quarrying site. Please visit **tarmac.com**
- 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
- must not have started (e.g. no retrospective funding)
- applicants must have a constitution, elected officers and a bank account
- should have all match funding in place (or be seeking 100% of the project costs)
- should have identified/confirmed the third party contribution
- should have all permissions in place for the project to proceed (including planning permission, any faculty or listed building consent necessary)
- should have any lease agreements or other landowner approvals in place
- should be in a position to make their first grant claim within 6 months of a grant offer and make their final grant claim (and complete the project works) within 12 months of a grant offer

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



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1. Contact Derbyshire Environmental Trust on telephone **01629 539182** or **01629 538614** or by email at **det@derbyshire.gov.uk** for an application pack and guidance on the eligibility of your project
2. Complete the application form and return it to Derbyshire Environmental Trust with any supporting information e.g. business plan or funding priorities
3. Your application will be considered by the Tarmac Landfill Communities Fund Committee (normally four meetings per annum). Applicants will be informed of decisions by letter
4. If successful, obtain and submit copies of at least three competitive quotations for the work
5. Derbyshire Environmental Trust will seek to adopt the project and then register it with ENTRUST (the regulatory body) to ensure compliance with the Landfill Communities Fund
6. When registration is confirmed, applicants will be sent a draft legal agreement and asked to provide the Third Party Contribution
7. After the Third Party Contribution has been received and the formal contract agreed the project may start.

## PAYMENTS TO CONTRIBUTORS

Tarmac 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.  
Tel **01629 539182** or **01629 538614**  
Email **det@derbyshire.gov.uk**









# CASE STUDIES

## Alrewas Village Hall, Staffordshire



The donation through the scheme has helped create a fresh, vibrant and welcoming atmosphere for the local community to use going forward. A brand new annexe, new kitchen and toilet facilities, a new frontage, outside landscaping and internal decoration are just some of the many improvements made possible to the village hall.

*“None of this could have been achieved without the generous grants received from Tarmac through the Landfill Communities Fund. We are extremely grateful for their support in helping us provide the village with a modern flexible facility for future generations”.*

Tony Jones, Chair of the Alrewas Village Hall Management Committee

## Mountsorrel Railway Project and heritage centre, Leicestershire



Since 2008, we have helped support the restoration of a stretch of the historic Great Central Railway, part of the Mountsorrel Railway Project. As well as donating money through the LCF, we were able to donate thousands of tonnes of ballast from our Mountsorrel Quarry.

*“We would like to give our thanks to Tarmac who donated many thousands of tonnes of railway ballast and also digger time to help with track bed repairs and ballast laying.”*

Steve Cramp, Volunteer Project Leader

## Carol Close Playground, Norfolk



Our Landfill Communities Fund grant has helped to replace old play equipment that had little value. The play area is now a welcoming facility for the whole community and features a new seesaw, adventure tower, activity trail, two five a side goals and additional seating.

*“The old park was a wasted open space; without Tarmac’s generous grant this refurbishment would not have been possible.”*

Barbara Cattermole, Parish Clerk of Stoke Holy Cross Parish Council

## Hartham Common 4 Rivers, Hertfordshire



The project sought to restore a length of river through removal of over shading trees and vegetation and reintroduce conservation grazing to an area of traditional riverside flood meadow. The focus on improving biodiversity in this area was key and the removal of the trees and shrubs was essential - thanks to the Landfill Communities Fund donation, this was successfully done, giving nature a chance to thrive again.

*“Our recent award has been essential in helping make our Four Rivers project possible. Through the delivery of the project we have been able to restore a popular section of river through a prominent town centre greenspace and reintroduce conservation grazing”.*

Lee Tyson, Countryside Management Service Operations Manager.

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 landfill operators to support eligible environmental projects across Derbyshire and further afield and has secured almost £18 million for more than 800 projects to date. Since 1998 the Trust has distributed funds on behalf of Tarmac and from 2005 has been responsible for the administration of Tarmac Landfill Communities Fund nationally.

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Tel **01629 539182** or **01629 538614**  
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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**  
Email **information@entrust.org.uk**  
**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 Tarmac (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 Tarmac's sites, please visit **tarmac.com**





