



Mayoral Renewables Fund Grant Scheme Primary Project Application Form

Please note - funding for the programme is subject to passing the application process and the finalisation of a signed Grant Offer Letter with the Department for Energy Security and Net Zero. As such, funding cannot be guaranteed at this stage.

This application form refers to primary projects **only**.

Extension/supplementary projects should be applied for using the Extension/Supplementary Application Form. Please refer to application guidance for more detailed information on the application process.

Please note: DESNZ and Great British Energy may use some of the information provided in this application to support further policy-making on energy – including developing our understanding of project pipelines and

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Privacy Notice

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<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/mayoral-renewables-fund-privacy-notice>

Disclosure of Information

Reasons for decisions on applications and claims will be recorded at all stages for good administration and to ensure that there is a clear audit trail for all decisions. Administrative records will be maintained for all applications irrespective of whether they are successful or not. The application (and supporting documentation) may be shared with other Government Departments and/or appointed advisers for the purposes of administering the application for funding.

All information provided by applicants may be disclosed in accordance with the operating Departments' legal obligations (including under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA), Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (EIR), the UK General Data Protection Regulations (UK GDPR). Data Protection Act 2018 (DPA) in the event that a request for information is received).

To help the Department deal with information requests, in the box below, please set out the reasons why any specific information should not be disclosed, including (if possible) by reference to the specific exemption contained in the relevant legislation (for example, because disclosure of the information would prejudice the companies' commercial interests under section 43 of the FOIA), explaining why this is the case.

Where appropriate, please also state whether the reasons for non-disclosure only apply for a particular time period. If an information request is received, the views will be considered as stated on the application form. However, the Department will ultimately decide how to respond to an information request and whether any information should be withheld, subject to the Information Commissioner's Office decision in the event of the requestor appealing the decision.

The name of the recipient of DESNZ funding and the amount of DESNZ funding awarded will be published.

More information on the FOIA and EIR (including information on exemptions) can be found at: http://www.ico.org.uk/for_organisations/

Section A: Applicant

A1	Name of Authority (i.e. the applicant)
A2	What is the legal status of your organisation?
A3	UK registered address <i>Include the postcode</i>
A4	Applicant website address (optional) <i>Enter a website e.g. 'www.example.com'</i>
A5	Project lead contact name - this should be someone with the delegated authority to enter into legal agreements on behalf of the applicant.
A5.1	Project lead's telephone number
A5.2	Project lead's email address
A6	Name of day to day project contact
A6.1	Day to day project contact job title
A6.2	Day to day project contact telephone number
A6.3	Day to day project contact email address
A7	Alternative contact name
A7.1	Alternative contact job title
A7.2	Alternative contact telephone number

A7.3	Alternative contact email address
A8	Are you (the Applicant) the legal entity that will own the asset(s) funded using this grant?
	YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>

Section B: Eligibility

B1	Please confirm that the project(s) you are proposing in this application will defray (expenditure incurred and funds left the bank account) all project costs before the end of FY 2025/26.
	YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>
B2	Please explain below how you will meet your proposed timeline for defrayal. (Max 300 words)
B3	Please confirm that your project will involve the installation of one of the renewable energy sources described in the scheme guidance.
	YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>
B4	Please confirm that you agree that post completion of the investment you will continue to collect data confirming both energy generated by project and a copy of energy bills to evidence any savings made.
	YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>
B5	<p>Please confirm that your project will contribute towards one or more of the objectives of the scheme:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contribute towards the GBE Local Power Plan ambition of developing up to 8GW of clean power in support of Clean Power 2030. Increase community benefits from, and support for, clean power. Increase energy resilience and security of the public estate. Improve geographic spread of benefits from energy investment. Provide an initial platform for GBE to work with, and learn lessons from, regional government.
	YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>
B6	What date will your project(s) start, or be likely to start?

B7	What date will your project(s) be operational (or be likely to be operational)?

Section C: Project

C1	Please outline your proposed project (<i>max 500 words</i>)	
C2	Does the proposed project build on existing work or is it an entirely new project?	
	<i>Select the answer from the following list</i>	<i>Select all that apply</i>
	Existing work	<input type="checkbox"/>
	New project	<input type="checkbox"/>
C3	In which region will the project take place?	
	North East <input type="checkbox"/> North West <input type="checkbox"/> Yorkshire & Humber <input type="checkbox"/> East of England <input type="checkbox"/>	
	East Midlands <input type="checkbox"/> West Midlands <input type="checkbox"/> South East <input type="checkbox"/> South West <input type="checkbox"/>	
C4	Full address, including postcode, of the site where all, or most of the activity associated with the project will take place, if known	
C5	Does the project involve a land or property transaction? NOTE: Any grant awarded should NOT be used to purchase land or for property transactions	
	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>
	If Yes, who owns the land or the freehold or leasehold?	
C6	Is planning permission required?	
	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>
	If Yes, what date was planning permission applied for (or is expected to be applied for)?	
	What date is the outcome of the planning permission application expected or when planning permission granted?	

C7	Describe the project in a way that is suitable for publication <i>Do not include any commercially sensitive information. If the project is awarded funding, this description will be published. 200-word limit</i>

Section D: Deliverability

D1	Please provide a high-level timetable that demonstrates how you will deliver the proposed project in FY 25/26. <i>Please note that the grant must be spent within FY25/26.</i>												
	Activity or milestone	Month 1	Month 2	Month 3	Month 4	Month 5	Month 6	Month 7	Month 8	Month 9	Month	Month	Month
	<i>Example activity</i>			x	x	x							
D2	Please set out the approach to project management and governance, to ensure the project will be delivered to budget and time. <i>(max 300 words)</i>												
D3	Please set out a risk assessment for your project that identifies the main risks, probability, severity, and mitigation.												
	Risk	Without mitigation		Mitigation measures	With mitigation								
		Likelihood (low, med or high)	Impact (low, med or high)		Likelihood (low, med or high)	Impact (low, med or high)							

D4	Please set out any key dependencies for the project's delivery (e.g. grid connection license, planning permission granted, successful environmental assessment) and the approach to obtaining these. <i>(max 300 words)</i>					

Section E: Benefits

E1	Please specify the megawatt capacity to be installed through the proposed project, with supporting evidence for your estimate.
E2	Please provide an estimate of carbon emission savings (tCO ₂ e) achieved over the lifetime of the project. Please include details of the methodology used to estimate and be sure to reflect a decarbonising grid in your baseline/counterfactual.
E3	Provide details of how the installed technology will integrate with the wider energy system (e.g. connected directly to the grid, private wire, battery storage, smart local energy system, etc.) <i>(max 300 words)</i>
E4	<p>Please provide details of any innovation associated with the proposed project.</p> <p><i>For example:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Solar co-located with battery and creating a virtual power plant</i> • <i>Solar with local energy markets</i> • <i>Multi vector projects looking at solar/heat</i> <p><i>(max 300 words)</i></p>
E5	<p>Please outline any expected lessons learned for Great British Energy that can be used for future work. <i>For example:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Partnership working with Local Government</i> • <i>Innovative use of specific technologies</i> • <i>Funding mechanisms – blended finance, joint ventures, etc</i> <p><i>(max 300 words)</i></p>

E6	Please specify the locations (postcode, LSOA) for the proposed project, and the areas that you expect will benefit from the project, noting the latter may be broader than the specific locations of the renewable infrastructure.
E7	Please provide details of any community engagement that is planned or has already taken place. <i>(max 200 words)</i>
E8	Please set out the type and approximate value of community benefits that you expect your project to deliver. This should include energy bill savings (to the public sector or within the community), if applicable. <i>(max 200 words)</i>
E9	Please provide detail of how you will identify and select your supply chain. What due diligence will you undertake to ensure the selected contractors are adhering to best practice, in particular around modern slavery requirements, social value and small and medium enterprise engagement. Additionally, what measures will you take to ensure that value for money is considered in the selection and how will the contracts be managed and monitored throughout delivery. <i>(max 500 words)</i>
E10	<p>Please set out the anticipated benefits for employees of any contracted companies involved in the delivery of the project. In particular:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Total number of FTE employees directly involved with delivery of project in contracted companies • Of these FTE posts, how many are Managers, Directors, Senior Officials? • Of these FTE posts, how many are in skilled trade occupations incl. skilled metal, electrical, electronic, construction and building trades? <p>Please provide supporting evidence within the body of the answer for any other anticipated benefits. Any attachments will be disregarded. <i>(max 500 words)</i></p>

Section F: Cost

F1	Please provide a summary of the total cost of the proposed project and the grant requested. Under the Mayoral Renewable Fund, phase one projects will be eligible for a maximum grant award of £700,000.		
	Total costs (£)		
	Total grant request (£)		
F2	Please give an approximate indication of when funding will be needed, including milestones.		
	Milestone	Funding amount	When will funding be required?
	Total		
F3	Please detail the total project development/construction costs (from your current position to asset build/service launch) to the best of your ability. We understand you may require the grant award before you can define later costs with confidence.		
	Activity or item	Cost (£)	Estimated or quoted?
	Total		

F4	Please provide more detail on how any costs related to administration (for example, staffing and project management costs) will be met.			
	Please note that under Section 98 of Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act 2006, a maximum of 10% of the grant administered as part of this scheme is permissible to be spent on admin costs to contribute to delivery. Please indicate whether this is your intention and set out how this portion of funding will be spent.			
F5	Please provide details of any additional sources of funding that will be used to deliver the proposed project, either considered or already obtained.			
	Funding source	Contribution (£)	Private funding?	Funding confirmed?
	Total			
F6	Please explain what would happen to the project if grant funding were not awarded. <i>(max 200 words)</i>			
F7.1	Please explain whether the proposed project would involve or facilitate the applicant engaging in economic activity that entails offering goods (including electricity) or services on a market and, if so, the anticipated scale and importance of this activity in the context of the project as a whole. <i>(max 300 words)</i>			
F7.2	If revenue is expected please describe where this revenue will be delivered and whether it will benefit the local community OR if this is not the case please provide an explanation of where any generated revenue will be used. <i>(max 300 words)</i>			

Section G: Due Diligence

Successful applications are subject to further proportionate due diligence. The purpose of this due diligence exercise is to enable DESNZ to assess the financial risk associated with supporting this project.

To enable this we ask that you:

G1	Confirm that you have attached finalised annual financial accounts for the last two financial years and the latest internal financial accounts for this current financial year.			
	YES	<input type="checkbox"/>	NO	<input type="checkbox"/>
G2	Please provide either:			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Confirmation and Evidence that you own the project location / building (we would accept relevant extracts from your non current asset register), or; Evidence that you have permission / approval from the owner to undertake the project at the location. 			
G3	Confirm that you have attached copies of your approved budget for 2025/26 and your medium term financial strategy / plan.			
	YES	<input type="checkbox"/>	NO	<input type="checkbox"/>
G4	Please provide evidence, as an attachment to the application submission, evidence that your project expenditure has been approved. This is particularly important if the total investment cost exceeds the grant requested.			

In addition to the financial assessment we may undertake a check of publicly available information (e.g. web searches / news publications) to support our due diligence conclusion.

It may be necessary for us to request additional information to enable this.

Section H: Team

H1	<p>Please confirm that a schematic showing the management reporting lines for the project management will be attached as an appendix alongside the application</p> <p><i>This should include those that have decision-making authority regarding the investment.</i></p> <p><i>This can be shared in 1, or at most, 2 files. Each file must be less than 15 MB.</i></p>
	<p>YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/></p>
H2	<p>Does the project team highlighted in the schematic above have experience of delivering projects of a similar scale and complexity?</p>
	<p>YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/></p>
	<p>If yes, please provide examples to support your answer above. <i>300-word limit</i></p>

Section I: Equality

11	Will the project or its outcomes have a disproportionate positive or negative impact against someone due to the following: <i>Select all that apply</i>					
	Age	<input type="checkbox"/>	Disability	<input type="checkbox"/>	Gender reassignment	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Pregnancy and maternity	<input type="checkbox"/>	Race	<input type="checkbox"/>	Religion or belief	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Sexual orientation	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sex	<input type="checkbox"/>	Marriage or civil partnership	<input type="checkbox"/>
12	If any of the above have been selected, please describe the impact or impacts (positive or negative) that the project is expected to have, the group or groups which may be affected, and the steps (if applicable) that will be taken to mitigate any negative impact.					

Section J: Declarations, Mandatory and Discretionary Exclusions

J1	I have completed all parts of the application form including additional information required to be submitted as appendices, including:		
	Description	Yes	No
	Section A: Applicant	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Section B: Eligibility	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Section C: Project	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Section D: Deliverability	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Section E: Benefits	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Section F: Cost	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Section G: Due Diligence	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Section H: Team	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Section I: Equality	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Section J: Declarations, Mandatory and Discretionary Exclusions	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
J2	I understand that it is my responsibility to ensure the bid is compliant with the UK's subsidy control requirements.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
J3	I declare that all the information I have provided in this form is correct to the best of my knowledge	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
J4	Please indicate if, within the past five years you, your organisation or any other person who has powers of representation, decision or control in the organisation have been convicted anywhere in the world of any of the offences within the summary below.		
J4.1	Participation in a criminal organisation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
J4.2	Corruption	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
J4.3	Fraud	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
J4.4	Terrorist offences or offences linked to terrorist activities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
J4.5	Money laundering or terrorist financing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
J4.6	Child labour and other forms of trafficking in human beings	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
J4.7	If you have answered Yes to any of the points above, have measures been taken to demonstrate the	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

	reliability of the organisation despite the existence of relevant ground(s) for exclusion? If you answer Yes to this question, please provide supporting evidence of the measures taken by your organisation separately alongside your application.		
J5	Has it been established, for your organisation by a judicial or administrative decision having final and binding effect in accordance with the legal provisions of any part of the United Kingdom or the legal provisions of the country in which the organisation is established (if outside the UK), that the organisation is in breach of obligations related to the payment of tax or social security contributions?		
J6	If you have answered Yes to the question above, please provide further details below. Please also confirm you have paid or have entered into a binding arrangement with a view to paying, the outstanding sum including where applicable any accrued interest and/or fines.		
J7	Please indicate if, within the past three years, anywhere in the world any of the following situations have applied to you, your organisation or any other person who has powers of representation, decision, or control in the organisation.		
J7.1	Breach of environmental regulations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
J7.2	Breach of social obligations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
J7.3	Breach of labour law obligations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
J7.4	Bankrupt or is the subject of insolvency or winding-up proceedings, where the organisation's assets are being administered by a liquidator or by the court, where it is in an arrangement with creditors, where its business activities are suspended, or it is in any analogous situation arising from a similar procedure under the laws and regulations of any State.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
J7.5	Entered into agreements with other organisations aimed at distorting competition.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
J7.6	Aware of any conflict of interest (whether perceived or actual).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
J7.7	If you have answered Yes to any of the above, explain what measures been taken to demonstrate the reliability of the organisation despite the existence of a relevant grounds for exclusion.		
J8	Signed		

	Name of signatory	
	Job Title	
	Date	

APPENDICES

Please attach additional information requested, throughout the application, below:

Section G Financial Accounts for last 2 years

Section H Project team structure