

# Funding Advice Bureau

## Funding Advice in Barnsley

There are a number of funders who are keen to support community activities, but find that not enough of their money goes to Barnsley. Barnsley Council are funding South Yorkshire Funding Advice Bureau (SYFAB) to employ a worker, Karen Walke, to help more local groups access funding.

## Workshops

She will be running a number of workshops across Barnsley to help community groups understand what sources of money are available, which are suitable for their group, and how to put an application together.

The sessions are aimed at small groups – those run by volunteers, not paid staff, and particularly those who may not have had outside funding for their activities before. The workshops are free, and being organised with the help of the Area Councils to make sure they are at a time and place that best suits people.

## Help with bids

Karen can help community groups in Barnsley put bids in for funding. She won't write them – it's better that groups learn how to do it than rely on someone else. She can discuss who to apply to, and comment on draft applications. She won't have the time to help everyone who asks, so will prioritise groups most in need of help – those run by volunteers, and working with disadvantaged communities.

## SYFAB Website [www.syfab.org.uk](http://www.syfab.org.uk)

This is a free resource available to any groups in Barnsley, big or small. Groups can register to receive a weekly ebulletin, Funding News, with details of new funds; upcoming deadlines; events or research relating to funding. You can also search for particular funders on our database of 200 local or national funders, or look up resources in the 'Knowhow' section.

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