

Social Value Grant



RHP Group is working in collaboration with The Hill Group on the regeneration of Ham Close. There will be 452 new affordable and private sale homes and two new community facilities replacing the existing 192 homes.

As part of the procurement process and in addition to the section 106 funding, The Hill Group committed an additional £250,000 a year for a period of eight years to invest in social value and sustainability to support and build stronger communities in all areas that RHP operate.

This investment in our communities will contribute towards the improvement of the economic, social, and environmental wellbeing of our customers and the communities that they live in.

The grant will be launched during 2024 and we welcome applications from our customers, community groups, registered charities, and not for profit groups or social enterprises.

Applications should demonstrate there is a clear benefit for our customers and the wider community and what the likely outcome will be.

We will promote the grant and how to apply through our website, social media platforms, at community events, activities and hubs, through key partners and stakeholders and wider press and media.

The projects funded through this community grant should support at least one of RHP's Community Engagement Team's four priority areas:

- ▶ **Health and Wellbeing**
- ▶ **Learning and Development and being work ready**
- ▶ **Financial Security and Support**
- ▶ **Safety and Control**
 - If an applicant received funding in the 2024 funding round and wishes to apply again for 2025, please include details about how the 2024 grant has benefitted the community (ideally include testimonials).
 - If projects involve working with children or vulnerable adults, applicants must ensure that they have the appropriate safeguarding policies and procedures and a safer recruitment policy in place and be willing to provide evidence of these.

Application process: The grant is open now. Applications will be reviewed by a panel (two RHP senior managers and one representative of the Hill Group). The panel will meet at least four times a year, however can meet more frequently if urgent applications need to be considered.

A minimum of two members of the panel are required to approve and for transparency, fairness and financial governance, this will be signed off by an RHP Executive Director.

Applicants will then be notified of the outcome after each panel meeting.