

Additional Q&A for the Families and Communities Fund from 11th to 31st July

CRITERIA

Q1 Scottish Government is keen to only fund part of an organisation's core costs. Is there an opportunity anywhere in the form to tell you what the full costs are, what the percentage is that you are applying to have funded and where the rest of the funds are coming from?

- We've tried to minimise the amount of info people need to put into the application form, and extra info like the percentage of your costs your applying to have funded we can get from your accounts which you'll be attaching to your application. So, rather than ask you to repeat it we'll just get it from there.

Q2 In question 7.12 the guidance tells us to provide the names of all the partners we will be working with. We work with a very large number of partners. Should we list everybody or just some key people or organisations and provide a broader statement around the variety of others that we engage with?

- Just take a common sense – of course we don't want a list of hundreds of other organisations, so giving us a big picture view such as 'we work in partnership with X organisations' and then outlining the key ones and the overall variety e.g. other charities, local authorities, etc. would be a good approach.

Q3 Can we have outcomes that are about our overall organisation?

- Scottish Government would expect the majority of outcomes to be linked to the people organisations work to support. However, it is possible to have one of the three outcomes linked to your organisation, or for one of the indicators for an outcome to be about the organisation. Either way you'd need to be able to demonstrate the link between this and the focus of the fund on early intervention and prevention.

Q4 Will the funding be evenly distributed across all five national indicators?

- No. The one or two national outcomes chosen by you in the application will not be a part of the assessment process, and all eligible applications will be assessed in exactly the same way. This information is being asked for on the application form so that when information about the fund is reported in the future it can be directly linked to the national outcomes.

This question was included in the first Q&A about the fund, and we have provided

additional clarification: The spread of applications across the five national outcomes will not form part of our assessment. However, the link between the work you are applying to have funded and the national outcome/s you have chosen will be assessed.

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