Young Mayor’s Budget

Curriculum for Life Projects

Outline and application form

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1. **Introduction**

Lewisham has a well-established elected Young Mayor and Young Advisors Group. Each year a young person between the ages of 13 and 17 years is elected to represent their peers in Lewisham and also takes part in regional, national and European projects and discussions. They work with politicians, council officers and partners like the Health Services and the Police to improve and develop services for young people and make sure their views and opinions are part of decision making processes. The young Mayor also has a budget of £25,000 to spend, after consultation with other young people in the borough.

Over the past two years the Curriculum for Life has been part of the Young Mayor Budget proposals. The aim is to develop a Curriculum for Life for Lewisham with in the schools and wider community. This was through consultation with young people across the borough to identify what young people want to learn that is currently outside the mainstream curriculum.

This includes things like first aid, mental health and wellbeing, debating and discussion about ethical, social and world issues to help form opinions and build confidence and self-esteem. It also includes practical issues such as knowing about rights in employment, taxation and pensions, an extension of preparing young people for life after/outside school.

There is a budget of £20,000 allocated to pay for activities and sessions which will be piloted in some schools and voluntary organisations across the borough. The evaluation of those sessions will be shared with other schools and organisation to help develop the curriculum.

1. **Small funding pot project description**

There is a small funding pot of £20,000 for schools and other organisations to apply to initiate/ continue /develop or expand a project addressing any of the areas and issues identified in the Curriculum for Life. We aim to fund between 8 and 10 projects, with a maximum budget of £2000.00.

We would like the projects to be creative and led by the pupils themselves with the support of teachers/youth workers they can be simple ideas and ways that pupils/ young people think will effectively contribute to the aims of the Curriculum for Life.

The projects can link into existing initiatives in a schools and projects or be new. Students pupils / young people should be central to the management and delivery of the project, and where possible it should aim to be sustainable and transferable. Where necessary experts and additional support can be brought in to deliver the project.

The projects could be for year 7s upwards or a group within the community.

The Young Mayor and Young Advisors will be assessing the applications, and may want to meet with students/teachers or ask further questions for clarification.

* 1. **Where will the project be provided**

The projects will be based in school/schools or in the community, we’ll aim for a spread across the borough and organisations.

* 1. **When will the project be provided**

The application process will be launched on July 16th 2019 at the Schools conference at the civic suite. The application form will be available and completed applications need to be returned by Friday 18th October 5pm. Funding will be allocated by the Fri 22nd November 2019 with projects running through the Spring Term 2020. A conference to feedback and plan the next steps will be held at the end of the Spring Term 2020.

1. **Staffing and management issues**

Schools and organisations will be responsible for the development and delivery of the project and all staff members involved in the project and for safeguarding.

Successful organisations will receive a contract for the project outlined and will need to provide bank details and safeguarding information.

1. **Monitoring and reporting**

The Young Mayor and Advisors would like to either visit the school/s to meet and see projects or schools can talk about their project when they visit the civic suite. A short report and financial report will be required at the end of the project, and you will be expected to attend an event at the end of the Spring term to present what young people have learnt from the project, and help us plan the next steps.

**Curriculum for Life Project Application Form**

Before completing this form, please read the guidance notes and relevant service specification.

Please submit your completed application form by 5p**m on Friday 18th October 2019**  electronically to Malcolm.ball@lewisham.gov.uk or katy.brown@lewisham.gov.uk

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| Organisation Name:School names |  | Funding required: |  |
| Name of main contact |  |
| Telephone No. |  | Email: |  |
| Project start date: |  | End date: |  |

**PLEASE NOTE: A 200 WORD LIMIT IS APPLIED TO EACH SECTION**

**Question 1**

Please provide a description of your project, what are its aims, what will you do, who will you work with?

**Question 2**

How has this project been identified and developed by pupils/ young people?

**Question 4**

How will students or young people be involved in the design / delivery of the project?

**Question 5**

Will you partner with any other organisations, for example Parent Teacher Associations, school councils, voluntary groups, community groups or schools? If so, who and why?

**Question 6**

How much will it cost to deliver your project? Please provide a breakdown

**Question 7**

How will you know if your project has met its aims?