

Criteria

The criteria relates to funding offered to Public Services Boards (PSBs) for the financial year 2019/20.

Proposals for funding must demonstrate how the group of PSBs would be enabled to build their strategic capacity and capability to support the delivery of well-being plans as well as consolidate work on the assessments and plans.

The funding will be available for the following purposes and can be used for one or more of the criteria set out below:

- Continuing to support community engagement. Effective engagement with communities continues to be an important aspect of the work of PSBs and this will aim to encourage the coordinated ongoing approach to community engagement.
- Consolidating gaps in the evidence base. The funding could be used to invest in consolidating gaps in data and enable PSBs to undertake additional evidence gathering.
- Supporting data to be made available in real time. The funding could be used to gather or present data around well-being in your region, or be used to adopt an online approach to data
- Supporting PSBs to take a more evaluative approach to the delivery of well-being plans by building in appropriate monitoring and evaluation activity to evidence outcomes and track progress over time.
- Enabling innovative ways of annual reporting (new for 2019-20 in support of the annual reports which are due to be published in July 2019). This will be about sharing learning from each other and adopting similar approaches. We would be able to accept running a pilot for one PSB, provided there is a clear intention to roll out the same approach to other PSBs in the region once its been tested.
- Supporting the scoping of collaborative projects that can be undertaken on shared objectives (new for 2019-20).

Monitoring and payment arrangements

- The Funding Recipient must monitor the progress of the work funded to ensure that the money is being spent as required and that financial controls are adequate.
- The Funding Recipient must submit to the Welsh Government on a quarterly basis a Progress Report which must demonstrate the extent to which the agreed objectives in the Funding Proposal are being met and must describe how the work which the funding is being used for relates to PSBs more generally.
- The Funding Recipient must submit proposals by **Friday 9th March 2019** on the proposal form at Annex 2.
- The funding period will be from 1 April 2019 – 31 March 2020 with the funding being paid in one instalment at the end of the funding period on completion of a satisfactory claim form.

Ineligible Activities

Proposals which do not demonstrate how they will contribute to supporting the delivery of the well-being plans and/or ongoing work to consolidate the assessments of local well-being will not be funded. This means, for example we would not be able to fund the following activities:

- development of or maintaining specific projects chosen by the PSBs, other than as part of the delivery of the well-being plan or consolidating the assessment or plan;
- general partnership support.

Upon receipt of a satisfactory Proposal Form which meets the criteria set out above, the Welsh Government will issue an award letter together with terms and conditions of the funding.