

Grant-pool 2024

# **Collaborative Projects**

## Criteria and Guidance

Apply for funds up to £50k to provide support for organisations and groups to work collaboratively towards a shared objective, that furthers a just transition to an agroecological system of food and farming in the UK.

This is a 2 stage application process. We will ask you to complete an Expression of Interest application for the first stage and if invited to the second stage only then will we ask you to complete the full application form.

## **FAQs**

## Eligibility

- Collaboration members must be based in and working in the UK
- Collaborations must include at least 2 groups/organisations
- At least one of the collaboration members must be a current or former FTF grantee or named partner on a FTF funded project
- The objective of project is for public benefit and partners involvement should not give rise to more than incidental personal benefit

#### What we won't fund

- Work or projects solely providing safety net services or emergency response services (food banks etc)
- Projects focussed on food waste or food surplus (this does not include farm based work like gleaning)
- Religious or party-political work
- Individuals

#### Criteria

#### Projects must be in the UK and:

- Pursue and/or promoting an agroecological approach to food and farming
- Contribute to a 'just transition'
- Connect the movement in one of the following ways:
  - Bringing together groups doing similar work
  - Linking up different parts of the food system e.g., growers, producers, sellers, eaters
  - Broadening the agroecological movement by building links with other sectors I.e. climate, health, water, gender

## We Will Prioritise Collaborations/projects:

- Demonstrating they have done preparatory work to support a successful collaboration
- With a proposed division of funding based on proportionate need and/or clear reasoning behind budgetary allocations
- Demonstrating clear thinking about what can realistically be achieved with the funding offered
- With plans for how information & learning will be shared
- Operating with an understanding of existing communities and movements

#### **Process and Logistics**

- Groups can apply for up to £50K per collaboration
- Funds can be spent over a 2 year time period
- Applications will be invite only to current or former FTF grantees but existing members can invite new groups/organisations as part of the proposed collaboration
- Reporting will include annual catch-ups with FTF's grants manager and a final headline financial report

\*Groups using the Open Collective platform will not be required to submit a financial report

# How to Apply

#### Download and complete the EOI application form and send to info@farmingthefuture.uk

Once you have submitted your application you will receive a confirmation email within 2 weeks. If you have not heard from us after 2 weeks please get in touch.

Below is a timeline with key dates for the fund:

29th March 2024: EOI Deadline

3<sup>rd</sup> May 2024: Notifications and Invitations to second round

28<sup>th</sup> June 2024: Deadline for full applications

Mid July 2024: Decision notifications

Mid August 2024: Funding out

If you have any questions please email Ashley at <u>ashley@farmingthefuture.uk</u> but please do read through the <u>criteria and FAQs</u> to see if your question has already been answered first. ©