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# Girls and Young Women Local Groups Fund Updated Questions & Answers

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## Clarification Questions & Answers (17-27 January 2026)

**34. I attended the webinar and checked the eligibility checklist, and have answered yes to all questions on the list -however I have a further question regarding question 2: We have experience working with young women who have been affected by gangs, violence and exploitation in our group projects; however not exclusively. Our young people are referred to us through Youth Justice, CAMHS, social services, etc.. therefore they would have been directly affected by these issues but referred to us for their impact on their emotional wellbeing and mental health.**

To ensure fairness to all prospective applicants, we are unable to provide an assessment of your eligibility prior to submission. We have developed a short [eligibility checklist](#) which sets out the criteria organisations must meet to apply. If you can answer yes to all of the questions in the checklist, your organisation is eligible to apply for the Fund.

We recognise that girls and young women who are affected by and/or have experienced harm linked to gangs, violence and exploitation, may have experienced these harms in a range of contexts and interacted with various services as a result of these harms. Please see the *Propsectus* in the [key documents section](#) on the Fund's webpage for more information about the girls and young women the Fund aims to support.

**35. We don't exclusively work with young women and girls; however, we will be launching 2 groups in April that will be for young women and girls and facilitated by a female coaching team. I would like to check these points before submitting an application.**

Organisations do not need to work exclusively with girls and young women to be eligible to apply. We welcome applications where the proposed project focuses on the girls and young women the Fund aims to support, and where organisations meet the eligibility criteria.

We have developed a short [eligibility checklist](#) which sets out the criteria organisations must meet to apply. Whilst you do not need to have prior experience of delivering group work, you must be able to demonstrate that your organisation has at least one year of experience (or a "track record") of working with girls and young women who are affected by gangs, violence and exploitation. Please see the *Eligibility Checklist* in the [key documents section](#) on the Fund's webpage for more information.

**36. Given the Fund’s emphasis on strengthening local groups through development support, learning, and peer networking, we believe there may be strong alignment with XXXX expertise and delivery model. We would therefore welcome clarification on whether an organisation such as ours would be eligible to apply, and if so, whether you would recommend an initial conversation ahead of submitting an application.**

To ensure fairness to all prospective applicants, we are unable to provide an assessment of your eligibility prior to submission. We have developed a short [eligibility checklist](#) which sets out the criteria organisations must meet to apply. If you can answer yes to all of the questions in the checklist, your organisation is eligible to apply for the Fund.

**37. There are questions related to Diversity, Equity and Inclusion as part of the application. If we are submitting a partnership bid, please advise how both organisations can supply this information to ensure that the full scope of the delivery partners’ experience is reflected?**

These questions will not be scored, and should only be completed by the lead partner submitting the application on the website. The partner applicant will need to submit the [Partner Applicant Form](#) and their supporting documents by email to [gywlocalgroupsfund@socialfinance.org.uk](mailto:gywlocalgroupsfund@socialfinance.org.uk) using the subject line below so we can easily link it to the lead application. Should the grant application be successful, the answers relating to Diversity, Equity and Inclusion for the partner applicant(s) will then be requested.

*Partner Org. Name – Partner Applicant Form (Lead Applicant: Lead Org. Name)*  
*Example: Agenda Alliance – Partner Applicant Form (Lead Applicant: Abianda)*

**38. How will the grant agreement work for joint applications?**

We have also set out below how we envisage setting up the grant agreement when dealing with a joint application and this remains subject to understanding better your partnering arrangements and the needs of the Project.

At the time of this response, where two or more organisations are submitting a joint application, our intention is that the grant agreement will be between Social Finance and each of the organisations. This will allow the grant agreement to reflect the relationship between all of the parties, including delineating clearly the parties' respective responsibilities under the grant agreement. In particular, the schedules of the grant agreement will need to reflect how the parties intend to deliver the Project, with clear distinct delivery obligations; similarly, the payment schedule will need to detail payments to each individual organisation. As part of the onboarding process we will need to understand how your specific partnership has been set up and, as a result of such review, may need to revisit the liability clause in the grant agreement to reflect such partnering arrangement.

## Webinar 2 - Questions & Answers (21 January 2026)

**39. Is the fund interested in the voices of girls and young women who may be involved in gangs and violence outside the UK, particularly young women who have been trafficked and who are refugees or asylum seekers?**

The Fund is aimed at girls and young women from across London, so project activities must benefit girls and young women who live in London or whose lives are rooted in London communities (for e.g., through their social networks, family or community ties, where they attend school or work, or where they are registered with services such as a GP).

We recognise that girls and young women who are affected by and/or have experienced harm linked to gangs, violence and exploitation, may have experienced these harms in a range of contexts, and may include girls and young women who have been trafficked, and who are refugees or asylum seekers.

**40. Does #2 co-production happen within #1 group work sessions?**

There are two types of co-production activities that are part of the Fund programme - monthly co-production and quarterly co-production. (*Please also refer Q&A no.26*)

Monthly co-production activities will be run by local groups and the girls and young women they engage with. They will involve creating space for girls and young women to share reflections on their experiences and understand what it looks like for to them to be seen, heard, respected and supported. These activities are expected to take 2 hours across each month to run but the exact nature of the activities will be decided by local groups. For example, you could run a dedicated 2-hour co-production session every month, or add four 30-minute co-production elements to an existing weekly activity – whatever works best for you and the girls and young women you engage with.

Quarterly co-production sessions will support the development of a network of local groups across London - enabling girls and young women and project professionals from all local groups to come together, share learning, collaborate and shape collective priorities emerging from monthly group sessions. These will be facilitated by Agenda Alliance, held in-person and are separate from Group Work.

Co-production and Group Work are distinct types of activities. Co-production is led by girls and young women and is focused on collectively generating knowledge, whereas Group Work is about providing safe spaces for connection and peer support. In practice, however, you may decide that you are able to weave these activities together when facilitating groups

- as long as you are achieving Fund objectives and meeting time-commitment expectations for both.

Grantees will be provided with a co-production pack and facilitation guidance which is currently being co-designed with young women with lived experience of violence and exploitation and previous experience of co-production processes. There will also be opportunities at quarterly meetings for grantees to discuss what is working well and what may not be - enabling grantees to adapt their approach throughout the programme.

*Please also refer to the answer to question 26 on this FAQ for more information on what is meant by co-production within this Fund.*

**41. Will you share this ppt with all attendees afterwards?**

A copy of the webinar PowerPoint will not be shared, but it will be accessible through the recording of the webinar, which will be published on the Fund's webpage

## Clarification Questions & Answers (2-16 January 2026)

- 1. We have received several questions about eligibility such as the following:  
“Could you please advise if [our organisation] would be eligible to submit an application for this specific funding opportunity?”**

We have developed a short eligibility checklist, which sets out the criteria organisations must meet to apply. Please see the *Eligibility Checklist* in the [key documents section](#) on the Fund's webpage.

- 2. "We support a cohort of girls through a specific weekly Girls' group. Considering this isn't the sole remit of our work, I wonder if we're eligible to apply for a grant in support of this specific area."**

Organisations do not need to work exclusively with girls and young women to be eligible to apply. We welcome applications where the proposed project focuses on the girls and young women the Fund aims to support, and where organisations meet the eligibility criteria.

- 3. "I wanted to clarify whether it is essential for the applicant organisation as a whole to be female-led, or whether it would be acceptable for an organisation with a male-heavy senior management team to apply, provided that the proposed project itself is entirely delivered by female staff and led by a female project lead/organisation director."**

We welcome applications from all types of eligible organisations. Organisations do not have to be female-led in order to apply.

However, we are especially interested in hearing from hyperlocal, grassroots and community-led organisations, which are created from and connected to local communities. The Fund aims to strengthen the sector supporting girls and young women affected by gangs, violence and exploitation, and enhance contemporary understanding of their experiences, and these organisations often work most closely with girls and young women who are less visible in research, programme design, policy, and responses to violence and exploitation.

Please see question 1a in the application form for a description of what we mean by 'By and for/community-led/ grassroots organisation.' The 'Information on Scoring' document on the webpage also provides further detail on scoring criteria and weighting for these types of organisations.

**4. Is there a minimum or target number of girls and young women you expect each funded organisation to engage over the 12-month period?**

We recognise that grassroots organisations vary widely in size. As a result, we have not set a minimum number and we hope that you can engage as many girls and young women with direct experiences as possible in your group work sessions.

**5. Is there an expectation that the same cohort of girls and young women will remain engaged throughout the full 12 months, so outcomes can be measured consistently across quarterly co-production sessions?**

We broadly expect that the same girls and young women will be engaged in the group work sessions throughout the funding period. However, we also recognise it is likely that there may be girls and young women who decide to no longer participate, and which may create an opportunity for other girls and young women join.

We require that two or more girls and/or young women participate in the monthly co-production sessions. We also require that two or more girls and/or young women per grantee attend the quarterly co-production sessions alongside project professionals. We recognise that not all the girls or young women you support will engage in the quarterly sessions and it does not have to be the same girls and young women attending each time.

**6. Alternatively, is there flexibility to deliver multiple groups with different cohorts during the funding period?**

Yes, organisations can apply for funding to deliver multiple groups with different cohorts, as long as each group focuses on girls and young women the Fund aims to support.

**7. If multiple cohorts are allowed, how should outcomes be tracked and reported—per cohort or aggregated across all participants?**

We are finalising our approach to the monitoring and evaluation of the Fund, and will work with successful grantees during mobilisation to ensure our approach is applicable across all funded activities.

**8. We received several enquiries about how to use the save function on the application form.**

The save function doesn't send an email with a saved in-progress application, so we have addressed this by removing this function to minimise any further challenges.

We recommend using the “Application Questions” document, which is a blank MS Word version of the form to draft your responses and available in the Key Documents section on our website. You can then copy and paste your final answers into the submission form.

**9. Can the Fund support projects that address gang-like harm arising from online extremist or misogynistic male networks, even where there is no formal criminal gang structure?**

Yes, girls and young women affected by online harms such as exploitation, grooming, radicalisation, hyper-sexualisation, violence, or circulation of violent content linked to peers, networks, or local contexts would form part of the cohort of girls and young women the Fund aims to support. Please note, the Fund is not intended to address wider online harms that girls and young women may experience.

We recognise that there a range of concerns with use of the term "gangs" as highlighted in research and by girls and young women themselves who have indicated that the term is reductive and often does not reflect their experiences. Building a better understanding of the experiences of girls and young women, and developing accurate language to describe their experiences are key learning objectives from this Fund.

Pages 8-9 in the [prospectus](#) provide futher on information about the girls and young women the Fund aims to support. Organisations are eligible to apply where they can clearly demonstrate that gang-associated violence or exploitation, or harm within a serious youth violence/exploitation context, forms part of the complex picture of harm experienced by the girls and young women they support.

**10. Is reinforcement of violence against women and girls considered within scope, particularly where this harm intersects with serious youth violence contexts?**

Yes, in a serious youth violence/exploitation related context or as they relate to gangs are all considered part of possible experiences of girls and young women affected by these issues.

We recognise that experiences of domestic violence, intimate partner abuse and sexual violence can overlap with gangs, violence and other forms of criminal exploitation.

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**11. Can organisations working preventatively—without labelling girls as “gang-involved” but addressing the environments that place them at risk—be considered eligible?**

No, this Fund is aimed at girls and young women across London up to age 25, who are affected by and/or have experienced harm linked to gangs, violence and exploitation. It is not intended for girls and young women who are only considered to be at risk of these issues.

We describe these types of harm, which includes a range experiences girls and young women may face, on pages 8-9 of the [prospectus](#).

**12. Could you clarify whether the types of violence referenced in your fund for girls and young women affected by gangs, violence, and exploitation includes domestic violence?**

We recognise that experiences of domestic violence, intimate partner abuse and sexual violence can overlap with gangs, violence and other forms of criminal exploitation. Pages 8-9 in the [prospectus](#) provide further information about the girls and young women the Fund aims to support. Organisations are eligible to apply where they can clearly demonstrate that gang-associated violence or exploitation, or harm within a serious youth violence/exploitation context, forms part of the complex picture of harm experienced by the girls and young women they support.

# Webinar 1 - Questions & Answers (27 November 2025)

## Key questions

### **13. How will you ensure intersectionality of race, gender and other intersections are a part of the processes, training and evaluation?**

Black and global majority girls and young women are typically overrepresented in relation to harm caused by gangs, exploitation, and violence.<sup>1</sup> We know that girls and young women have varied experiences by nature of identity, across race, sexuality, disability, neurodivergence, care experience etc., and these intersectional identities can lead to disadvantage, create or exacerbate harm in this context. They can also create barriers to young women being able to access effective and culturally competent support that meets their needs. Although sector professionals are acutely aware of these disproportionalities, there remains a lack of data, research and policy attention on the overrepresentation of Black and global majority girls, and on the invisibilisation of other communities. The knowledge co-produced with girls and young women throughout this Fund will help to address these gaps. An understanding of how intersectionality plays out in girls and young women's lives and the support that they do or don't receive, and whether their vulnerability is recognised, is central to the Girls and Young Women Local Groups Fund.

Intersectionality is embedded across the Fund, from design to delivery. This includes:

- Co-designing the Fund's prospectus with girls and young women, whose lived expertise directly informed expectations for group work, delivery staff, what the Fund will support and what meaningful outcomes are for girls and young women.
- Designing a straightforward, accessible application form and clear scoring guidance to support grassroots organisations to apply.
- Adopting an inclusive moderation approach that centres lived experience, and a panel with diversity of voice and identity.
- Delivering co-production sessions that will create space for girls and young women to share reflections on the inclusivity of group work, identify gaps, and discuss how intersecting aspects of identity shape their experiences of harm.
- Providing training that will cover safe, trauma-informed and culturally responsive co-production, including fostering inclusive group work dynamics.
- Designing the evaluation to capture how intersecting aspects of identity shape engagement and outcomes, while aiming to keep requirements low burden.

We have incorporated flexibility and co-design into the co-production and development to ensure they meet the needs of both grantees and girls and young women, and intersectionality and inclusion will be at the core of these processes. We have provided more information on this below in the project delivery section.

We are keen to hear from grassroots organisations that will typically represent underrepresented communities of young women, whose work ensure more girls and young

<sup>1</sup> Local Government Association, 2024, [Girls involved in youth violence: Key findings and recommendations.](#)

women receive support that recognises how oppression, discrimination and harm are exacerbated by intersections of identity. We want to understand applicants' understanding of intersectionality and how they embed this lens in their practice and how they support the inclusion of girls and young women with varied experiences by nature of identity, across race, sexuality, disability, neurodivergence, care experience etc. This knowledge and expertise will also help advance learning for the sector.

We are committed to ensuring intersectionality and inclusion remain central to the Fund. We will continue to learn as the programme progresses, and we welcome feedback and suggestions to help make the Fund inclusive and impactful for girls and young women, grantees and the wider sector.

#### **14. Are trans-women and girls considered eligible for support from this Fund?**

Yes. This Fund is committed to equity and to maximising inclusion of trans and non-binary young people who experience misogyny and whose lived experience aligns with that of girls and young women.

Each organisation will have its own policy on trans inclusion in their work with girls and young women. We expect organisations to follow their own procedures and to demonstrate in their applications how they will maximise inclusion within their organisation's remit and legal responsibilities. We expect grantees to operate in line with these principles, ensuring all participants feel the space is nurturing and responsive to their needs.

### **General Fund information and organisation eligibility criteria**

#### **15. What are the end dates for the project and funding period?**

Funded project delivery, including group work, will run from 22 June 2026 to June 2027. We expect to hold the final event to bring together learning from across the Fund and to share the co-produced recommendations from the girls and young women with the sector in September 2027. This will mark the end of the overall project.

#### **16. Can organisations make more than one application?**

Organisations may submit only one application as the main or sole applicant. Organisations can be included in up to two partnership applications, provided they are a substantive partner in only one. In the second partnership application, they may only be a junior partner (for example, supporting a small aspect of delivery such as facilitating or speaking at a single group work session). Organisations cannot be a substantive partner or the sole applicant in more than one application.

#### **17. Can a Community Interest Company (CIC) apply?**

Yes. Not-for-profit registered community interest companies (CICs), whether limited by guarantee or limited by shares, are eligible to apply.

### **18. Are local authorities eligible to apply?**

Local authorities and other statutory agencies are not eligible to submit sole applications. They may be included in a partnership application, where a non-profit organisation is the lead applicant.

This approach reflects the Fund's aims to support grassroots organisations, which are created from and connected to local communities. These organisations often work most closely with girls and young women who are less visible in research, programme design, policy, and responses to violence and exploitation. We would strongly encourage interested local authorities to consider how they could work together in partnership with local organisations to best meet the aims of the Fund.

### **19. Is there a minimum or maximum number of London boroughs organisations must work in?**

The Fund is a London-wide programme. There is no minimum or maximum number of or specific boroughs organisations are required to work in. Organisations must be able to deliver activities within London. Please note that travel across London may be needed to participate in co-production and grantee skills-development activities.

### **20. Can organisations work with girls and young women who are currently living outside London, such as in secure units?**

Project activities must benefit girls and young women who live in London or whose lives are rooted in London communities (for e.g., through their social networks, family or community ties, where they attend school or work, or where they are registered with services such as a GP). Organisations may work with girls and young women who are temporarily placed outside London (for e.g., in secure units), where this clearly aligns with the intended programme activity and aims.

### **21. Is there a maximum income or turnover threshold to be eligible to apply?**

There is no maximum income or turnover threshold. In your application, we ask that your organisation has been active for at least one year and can provide a set of annual accounts.

### **22. What are the eligibility criteria for organisations to be able to apply?**

In order to apply, organisations must meet all the following criteria:

- Be a not-for-profit organisation that fits within the eligible organisation types listed in the prospectus (p. 14)
- Have existing relationships and experience engaging with girls and young women who are affected gangs, violence and exploitation. Eligible organisations may or may not have experience delivering group work.
- Have robust safeguarding, risk management, data protection and data security processes.
- Pay at least London Living Wage (LLW) for any posts funded by the grant.
- Ensure all project staff have valid DBS checks, and associated risk assessments.

- Have a governing document.
- Have a governing body of three unrelated members.
- Have a UK bank account with two signatories.
- Have at least one year of activity with annual accounts.
- Agree to sign the grant agreement if successful (this will be made available prior to applications opening).
- Be able to start delivery by 22nd June 2026 (latest).
- Be able to take part in monitoring and evaluation, skills, and capacity development sessions.

**23. Are organisations that work with girls and young women affected by domestic abuse, sexual violence, or other forms of VAWG eligible?**

We recognise that experiences of domestic violence, intimate partner abuse and sexual violence can overlap with gangs, violence and other forms of criminal exploitation.

Organisations are eligible to apply where they can clearly demonstrate that gang-associated violence or exploitation, or harm within a serious youth violence/exploitation context, forms part of the complex picture of harm experienced by the girls and young women they support.

**Project delivery (group work, co-production & development)**

**24. Is there an expectation on numbers of women engaged per group/workshop?**

We recognise that grassroots organisations vary widely in size. While we hope that you can engage as many girls and young women with direct experiences as possible in your sessions, the minimum requirement is that two or more girls and/or young women participate in the monthly co-production sessions. We also require that two or more girls and/or young women per grantee attend the quarterly co-production sessions alongside project professionals. We recognise that not all the girls or young women you support will engage in the quarterly sessions and it does not have to be the same girls and young women attending each time.

**25. What is the age range for this programme?**

The Fund supports girls and young women up to age 25. We recognise that experiences of violence, exploitation-related harm and adultification can begin early, particularly for Black girls, and that younger girls may be overlooked or unable to access culturally competent support. For this reason, we have not set a lower age limit and welcome applications from organisations working with younger girls whose expertise can help advance learning across the sector.

All participating organisations must clearly demonstrate how they will keep girls and young women safe, including their consent processes, safeguarding procedures, and how they will ensure age-appropriate delivery of group work.

Co-design and co-production activities are expected to involve older girls and young women, who are willing, ready, and able to participate safely and meaningfully in these sessions.

**26. Can you explain what is meant by co-production within this Fund and what the sessions will look like?**

Co-production refers to the process of making improvements to support services for girls and young women, so that changes are designed and delivered by the girls and young women who access them. It centres the idea that girls and young women are best placed to lead change that affects them. Rather than just being involved in the conversation, or leading the conversation, it's also deciding what to talk about in the first place. This means that as a professional, your role is to support girls and young women to lead sessions themselves. This could be:

- Engaging in conversations with girls and young women about shared issues and how they want to share that knowledge with decision-makers
- Developing the skills and capacities of girls and young women
- Working with girls and young women to create sessions that reflect how they want to be heard

Co-production sessions can fit within existing activities which you already hold or activities you were intending to run with girls and young women. For example, if you hold a weekly craft group you could weave co-production into this group or hold separate co-production sessions that use other methods – it's up to you. We do expect 2 hours of monthly co-production activities but it's up to you whether this is one 2-hour session or several shorter sessions. You will be provided with guiding materials to support you with co-production.

**27. Do organisations have to use the guided materials?**

The co-production materials will be based on broad themes that emerge out of the co-design process but will not act as a rigid workshop plan. How helpful and relevant the packs are for you will depend on how comfortable you feel with co-production and how much support you require. While you are not expected to use the materials in their entirety, you will be expected to co-produce around the themes that they raise. If you don't find the initial materials helpful you will be able to provide feedback and suggestions throughout the course of the project.

**28. Will the quarterly 'full day' co-production sessions be delivered during the school holidays to maximise attendance?**

We are hoping to hold these during school holidays to make sure that as many girls and young women as possible are able to attend, but the exact dates are yet to be confirmed.

**29. Can you provide more detail about the development and training sessions?**

The aim of the development and training sessions are to support, upskill and embed promising practice within local groups. They will be centred around shared learning. The initial development and training sessions will be delivered during the induction. The induction will include analysis of needs and assets of the grantees with future development and training sessions being designed to meet these needs. Key themes may include trauma-

informed practice, centring around lived experience, strengths-based and contextual safeguarding, creating safe spaces for peer support, and more. Content of all sessions will be provided in advance so that there is sufficient time to prepare.

### **30. What is the exact commitment for development and training sessions in addition to quarterly meetings?**

We will run an in-person induction for all grantees, which includes the development sessions at the start of the program. The induction will occur in April 2026. Wherever possible, additional development sessions will be worked into the existing quarterly and monthly co-production sessions – to minimise any additional time commitments. The specific details of the development and training programme will emerge from the ongoing co-design process, we aim to update you on this in January 2026. All training and development sessions will occur between April 2026 and February 2027.

### **31. How is intersectionality being considered within the co-production and development delivery?**

We believe that grantees and girls and young women are the experts. The programme is therefore structured around co-design with girls and young women and project professionals at all stages.

Conversations around intersectionality and inclusion will be explicitly embedded within co-design processes to ensure that the resulting programme design, from the development sessions to the facilitation guides, reflects girls and young women intersectional needs. The coproduction sessions will discuss the gaps girls and young women and yourselves as project professionals have identified – these will include creating space for girls and young women to share their reflections on the inclusivity of the group work.

The training that you will access as part of the program will cover safe, trauma informed, and culturally responsive co-production that engages with talking about how girls and young women's experiences will be shaped by the intersecting forms of discrimination they encounter on a personal and systemic level, including racism and Islamophobia.

Grantees will also have a responsibility to manage the dynamics of their group work in ways that are inclusive and acknowledge the different needs and experiences of the girls and young women in the space. This will be supported through the facilitation materials, training and co-production sessions.

Grantees will also be given opportunities to lead quarterly co-production sessions to ensure their intersectional expertise are spread amongst the network.

Additionally, Agenda Alliance bring their expertise in intersectionality and multiple unmet needs to the program, to oversee both co-design and co-production throughout the lifetime of the Girls and Young Women Local Groups Fund. Agenda will ensure that girls and young women and project professionals are supported to have open conversations about how their experiences of violence and exploitation and services may interact with other experiences

such as poor mental health, conflict with family or poverty, compounded by their gender, age, race, religion, whether they have a disability, and other factors.

**32. Group work might surface needs for young women and girls involved in the program.**

**If 1:1 support is required to enable young women to engage, will this be funded by the grant?**

Due to the complex harms that the girls and young women taking part have experienced or are experiencing, we anticipate that they may need additional pastoral care to ensure their wellbeing when issues arise during the group work funded by this project. Applicants should include the associated costs in their funding application to account for delivering group work safely. If 1:1 support is needed to facilitate that, it will be supported by the Fund and should be written into the funding application. Similarly, if there are other practicalities that need to be fulfilled, or support required so that girls and young women can engage in group work (e.g. travel, refreshments, childcare), these should also be outlined in the funding application.

Safeguarding capabilities will be assessed as part of funding applications, and participating organisations should ensure they have robust safeguarding processes in place. We want to see how support will be embedded throughout and wrapped around the group space you are creating, including processes to enable participating girls and young women to be referred for additional support should this be needed. Programme partners can support grantees in growing their awareness of available support options, including through MOPAC and Violence Reduction Unit commissioned services.

**33. Where can I give feedback about this fund and the grantee support?**

There will be opportunities for grantees and girls and young women to offer feedback throughout. The quarterly co-production sessions will create dedicated space for grantees and girls and young women to offer their reflections on the process including facilitation materials, development and training sessions. This feedback will directly influence the design and delivery of future sessions and materials. Outside of these co-production sessions, grantees will be able to discuss the fund and offer feedback through contact channels with Agenda Alliance and Social Finance.

For more information about the Girls and Young Women Local Groups Fund or if you have any questions, please visit our [website](#) or email us at: [gywlocalgroupsfund@socialfinance.org.uk](mailto:gywlocalgroupsfund@socialfinance.org.uk).