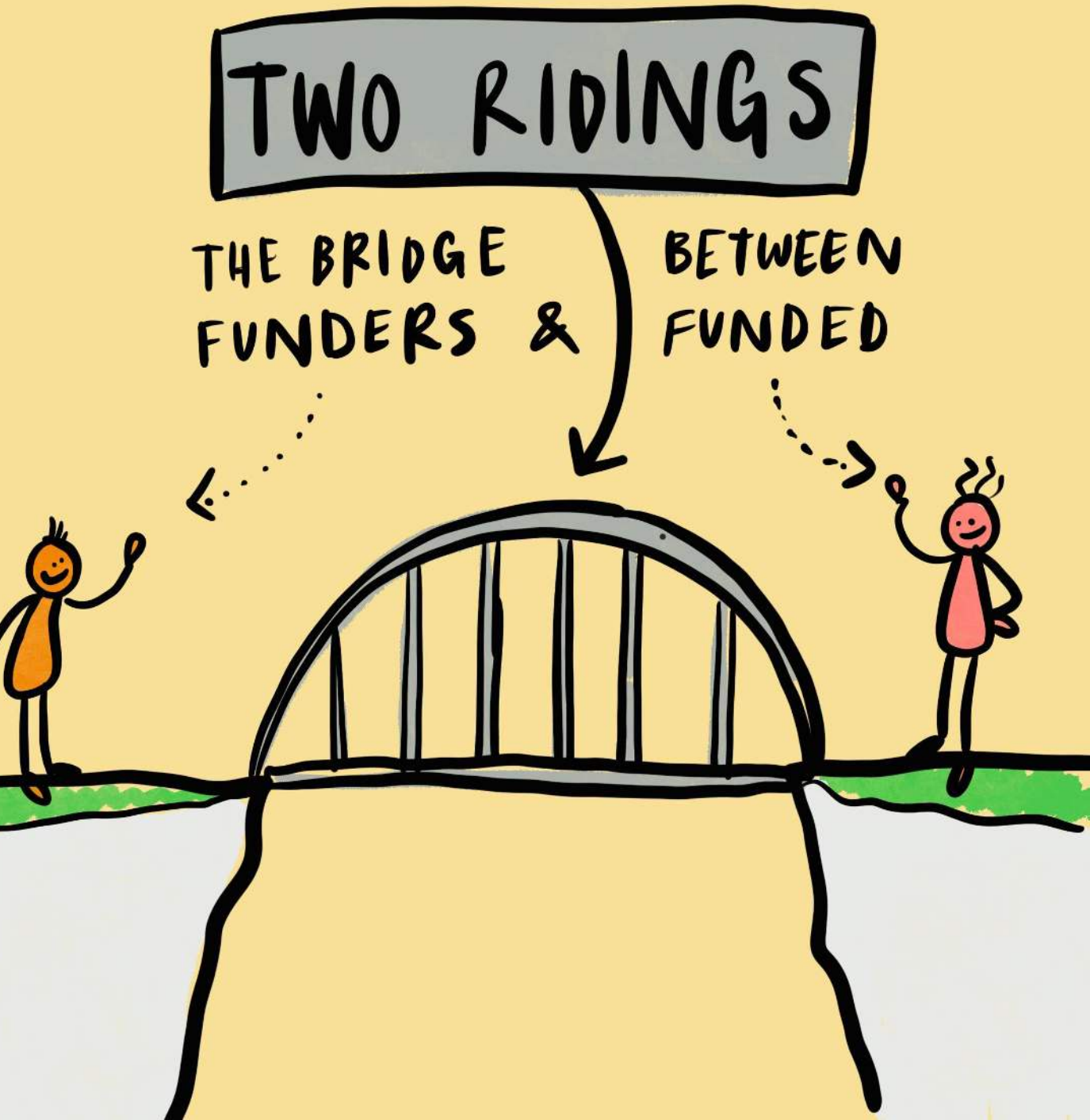




Hull Community Fund

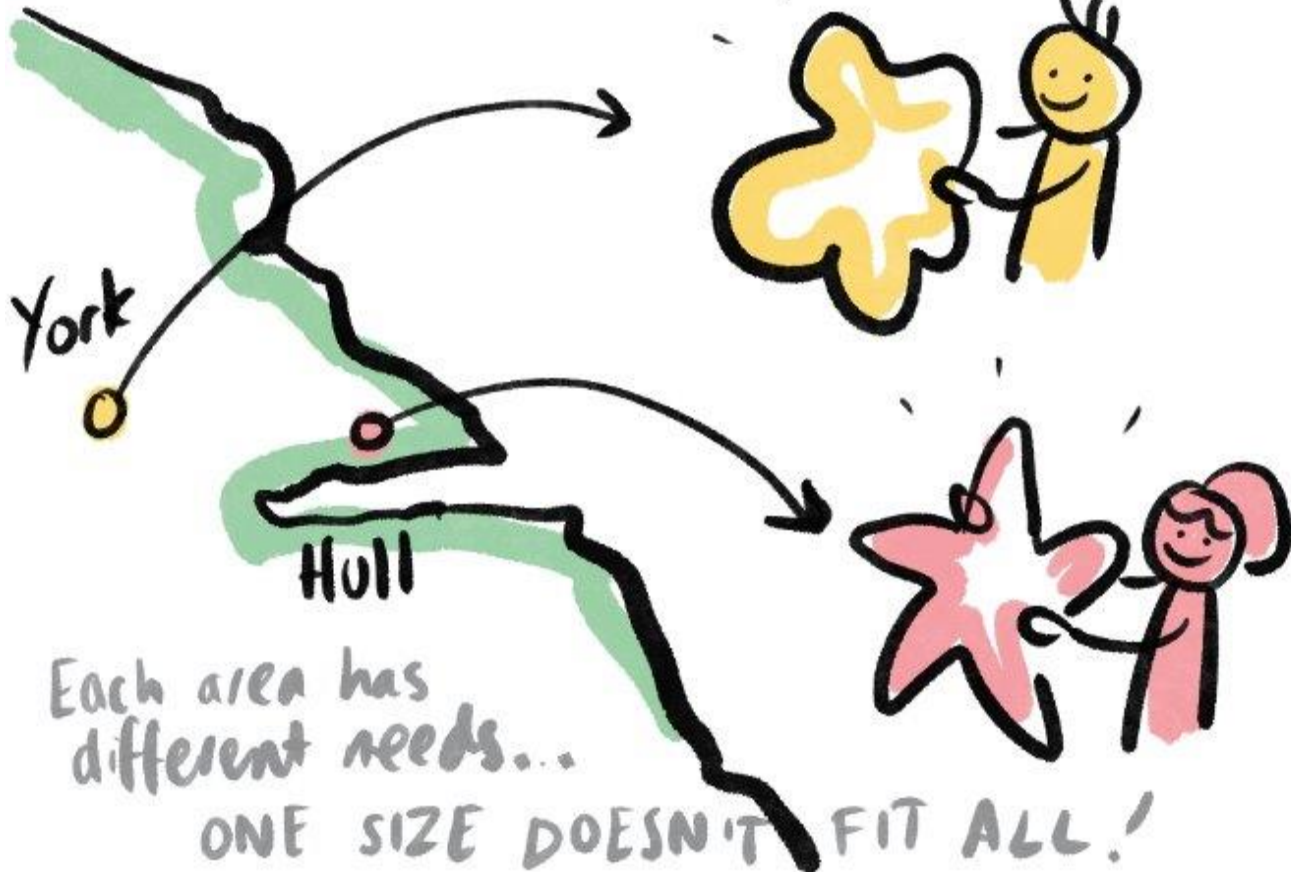
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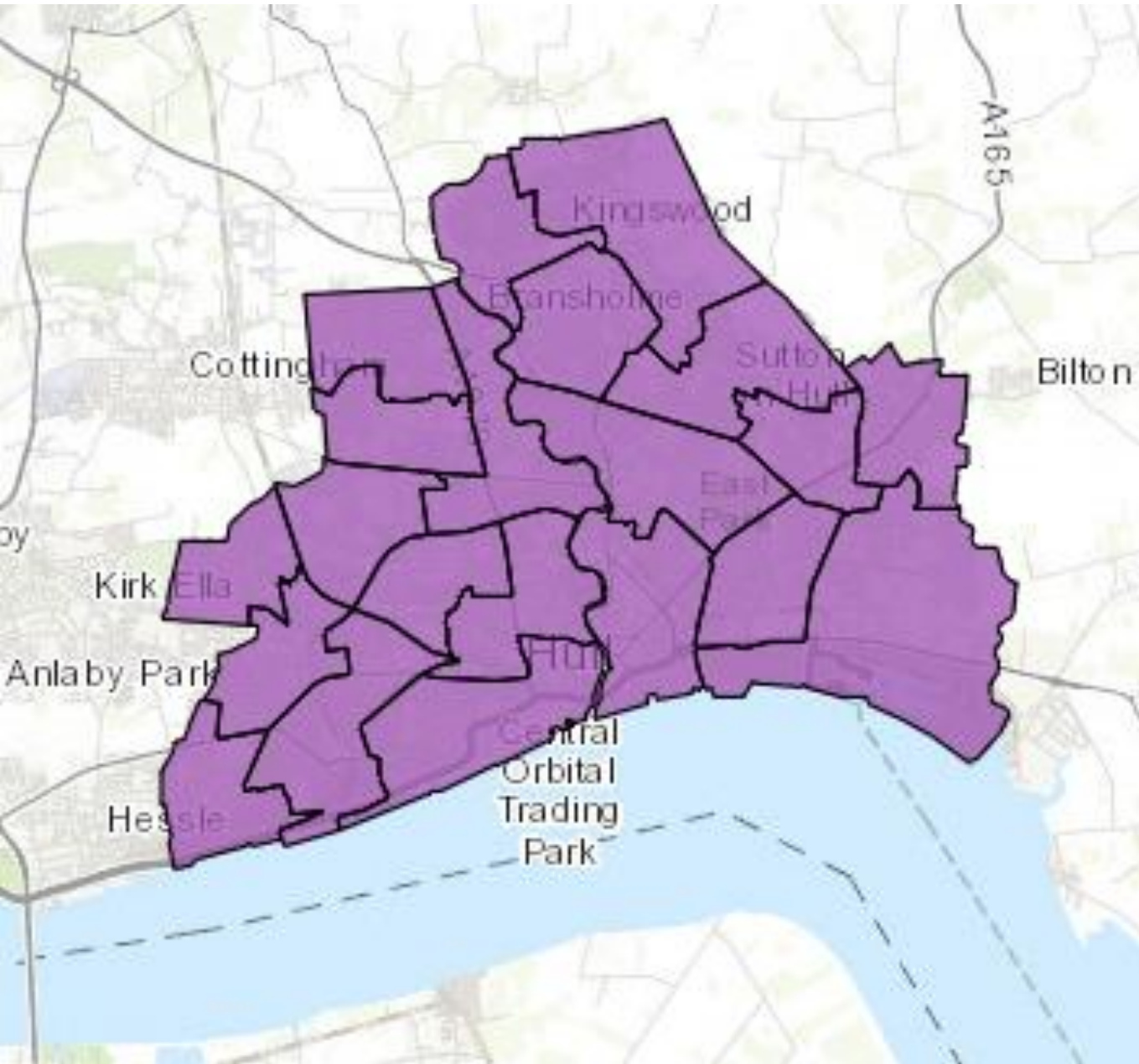
- Two Ridings Community Foundation is a registered Charitable incorporated organisation
- We are the bridge between donors who provide the funding and community organisations who provide support for people
- In 2023 distributed £2.1 million in the form of 632 grants helping to improve people's lives across the region
- Volunteers help us assess applications
- Decisions on grants are made by community panels using participatory decision making spaces – basically folks like you!

BESPOKE

OFFER FOR EACH AREA



- Funds separated by geography – North Yorkshire, York, East Yorkshire & Hull
- Some funds are focused on specific geographical areas and or aimed at specific thematic areas
- 50% of our grants go to groups with £50k & under income per annum
- We want to support amazing people doing amazing things and are happy to provide any assistance needed, before, during and after the funding period.



Hull Community Fund

Fund set up as a partnership with five organisations (Hull City Council, Hull CVS, HEY Smile, Forum & Two Ridings)

- Area – serving the Hull community
- Grant pot this year - £50,000
 - X3 Step-Change grants (> £10k)
 - 10-20 activity grants (> £2k)
- Build on and strengthen the impact and potential of Hull's voluntary and community groups, especially for those who experience greatest disadvantage.



Fund priorities

Will reflect the six shared ambitions of Hull City Council's new community plan for the city's development:

- Safe and welcoming neighbourhoods
- A healthier and fairer Hull
- Reaching our potential
- Economic growth that works for all
- Responding to the climate and nature emergency
- Our culture, our heritage, our city

WE
CONVENE



How decision are made

- Decision making that emphasises a ‘nothing about us without us’ approach
- Moving decision making closer to the issues
- Mixed panel of local infrastructure organisations, council and local community
- Decisions on Hull Community Fund grants will be made by folks like you!
- Do you want to get involved? We would love to hear from you



Where the money comes from

- Donors may be private individuals, independent trusts or foundations, statutory bodies or corporations.

Flow-through = £ to be spent out on grants within a fixed time period

Endowment = £ invested and the income is drawn down in perpetuity

The partnership has come together to make Hull Community Fund a reality



Other funds to apply to

- Small Grants – up to £2.5k (under £150k turnover)
- Dulverton Trust Fund- grants up to £5k (under £200k turnover)
- Community First Prime Opportunity Fund – grants up to £500
- Step Change – grants up to £10k (opening September)

Guidance on how to apply

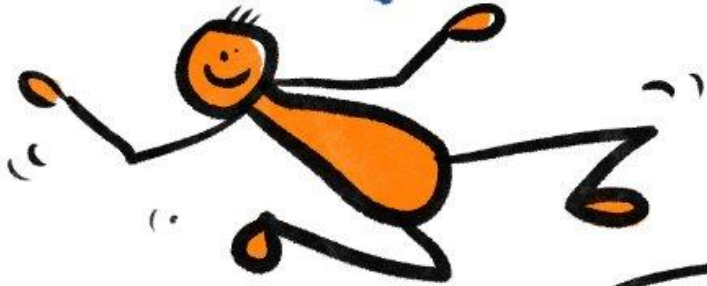
- Check your eligibility – turnover, area etc
- Ensure you have all the supporting documents
- Read the guidance notes!
- Call or email with any queries
- Submit application prior to the deadline
- Talk to our assessor



What are we looking for?

- Is this a workable project?
- Is there evidence of need & community engagement?
- Will the project reach the right people & make a significant impact?
- If the project is working with children, young people or vulnerable adults, do the group appear to have a good understanding of safeguarding issues?
- Does the project represent good value for money?
- Is the budget clear and itemised, with clarity on where & how the money will be spent?
- Will the project be able to provide evidence of impact?
- How well does it meet the identified criteria and priorities for the scheme

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Grant writing top tips: Dos

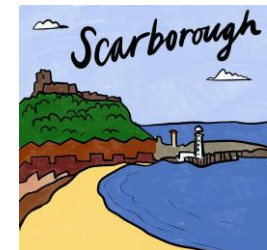
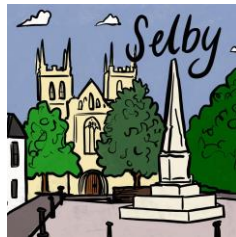
- Check how applications will be prioritised – this is especially important if programmes are over-subscribed
- Check that you have covered everything you need in the budget and that it adds up
- Wherever possible, ask for core cost contributions as well as direct costs
- Think about what and how you will monitor on your project
- Write your draft answers in Word first, it is easier to see word count & make amendments
- Get a friend who knows nothing about your project to read the application – if it makes sense to them it will do to us
- Give yourself time to apply and do your project justice
- Make sure you include an up-to-date bank statement so we can pay you!

Grant writing top tips: Don'ts

- Cut and paste is your friend, just make sure you check it first before submitting
- You are the experts, not us. We need to understand what you need and the impact - Don't use a lot of jargon
- Maximum word count is just that – don't use it all if you don't need to
- Ask for the amount you need, just don't ask more than the maximum award allowed

Come to our monthly Drop-In sessions

- 9th July, 10am Shouting about your project, how to do it and why it is important
- 7th August, 2pm Come and chat with us!
- 3rd September, 10am Step Change funding launch
- 2nd October, 2pm How to apply for funding
- 5th November, 10am Monitoring: Why we ask for it and what we are looking for
- 4th December, 2pm We are listening: Tell us how 2024 has been for you and what you want to talk about in 2025



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