



Kensington and Chelsea  
Safer Neighbourhood Board  
**Information and Guidance for 2026/27 Applicants**

## 1. Introduction

Safer Neighbourhood Boards (SNB) have become an important borough level mechanism for delivering local police accountability and engagement.

Kensington and Chelsea SNB were established in 2014 by the London Mayor's Office for Policing and Crime (MOPAC). Its purpose is to give local people and victims a greater voice in establishing local policing and crime priorities, as well as monitoring police performance and confidence.

The board includes local people, Councillors, the Borough Commander (or their representative) and representatives such as Victim Support, Neighbourhood Watch, Local Authority, Young People, Independent Custody Visiting Panel, and the Stop and Search Monitoring Group. Through this strong community representation, the Board's goal is to achieve a safer and more peaceful community within Kensington and Chelsea.

The Police and Crime Plan 2022/25 (PCP) commits MOPAC to continuing to support the work of SNBs. The Police and Crime Plan 2022/25 can be found using this link:

<https://www.london.gov.uk/mopac-publications/londons-next-police-and-crime-plan>

## 2. Safer Neighbourhood Board Grant Funding and Priorities 2026/27

The Board receive an annual grant from MOPAC to fund a range of projects and activities that meet the Police and Crime Plan priorities. It also supports projects focused on issues and concerns identified by the local community, and which support delivery against the MOPAC Police and Crime Plan priorities.

For 2026/27 the SNB are inviting community groups and voluntary organisations that are properly constituted and provide services for people who live, work or study in Kensington and Chelsea to bid for funding of between £3,000 and a maximum of £4,000 to deliver projects and initiatives in line with the **priorities and outcomes** detailed below:

### **Priority 1 – Reducing violence and criminal exploitation (including violence against women and girls)**

To deliver the following outcome areas:

- Reducing violence affecting young people and vulnerable groups.
- Preventing and disrupting criminal exploitation, including county lines and gang-related harm.
- Improving safety and feelings of safety for women and girls.
- Reducing the harm caused by drugs and associated criminality.
- Strengthening partnership work to prevent serious violence and exploitation.

### **Priority 2 – Building safer and more confident communities**

To deliver the following outcome areas:

- Increasing public confidence in local policing and community safety services.
- Reducing gaps in trust and confidence between different community groups.



- Ensuring fair, respectful, and transparent engagement between the police and residents.
- Supporting community-led initiatives that promote cohesion and reduce fear of crime.

### **Priority 3 – Improving support for victims of crime**

- To deliver the following outcome areas:
- Improving access to timely, appropriate support for victims of crime.
- Reducing repeat victimisation, particularly for domestic abuse, sexual violence, and hate crime.
- Strengthening pathways between statutory services and specialist victim-support organisations.
- Ensuring victims feel heard, informed, and supported throughout the justice process.

### **3. Eligibility Criteria**

**What types of projects and activities will the SNB fund to deliver the outcome areas set above?**

- Workshops
- Awareness raising events
- Diversionary/positive activities
- Community engagement
- Prevention Projects and activities
- Advocacy/ Support

**What types of projects and activities will the SNB not fund?**

- Individuals via individual bank accounts or individuals who are not part of a community group, charity or other constituted organisation.
- Religious or political activities, however religious groups can apply for non-religious activities.
- Work or spending that has already taken place.
- Projects for which there is a statutory obligation to provide a service or for which an organisation is already funded to provide a service.
- Capital projects, works or items.
- Projects that duplicate existing provision.
- Initiatives which do not meet the priorities/outcomes and criteria.
- General business development or websites.

### **4. Assessment Process**

There is a three-stage assessment process.

#### **Stage 1**

All organisations are required to complete an application form which will be checked in the first instance for compliance and to check that all the sections have been completed in full and that supporting evidence (where appropriate) is provided. Applications that are not completed in full will not be accepted to stage 2 of the process.

#### **Stage 2**

Members of the SNB Executive Panel will assess applications individually. The SNB Executive Panel Members will hold a consensus meeting to review each application and score them. Each application form will be scored out of 0 to 5 based on the marking scheme on page 5 of this



guidance. The applications with the overall highest scores to the value of the total grant will be shortlisted. The SNB may reduce the grant value.

### Stage 3

For stage three of the process, shortlisted applications which have been approved by the SNB will be recommended to MOPAC who will make the final decision about which projects will be funded. There is no appeal process.

The SNB will inform all applicants of the outcome via email. Projects must be ready to start in quarter 2 (July to September) and all activities must be delivered by 31 March 2027.

### 5. What happens if the application is successful?

Even if successful, the grant amount may differ from your application request.

Depending on the type of project being delivered, organisations will be required to sign a funding agreement, provide due diligence information, and submit performance monitoring information twice yearly but this will be confirmed if your application is successful.

If you wish to apply for funding, please save and complete an application form and submit it to [snbadmin@westway.org](mailto:snbadmin@westway.org) with the subject heading: SNB Grant Application + the name of your organisation.

If you require support, please contact Mark Didimakon using the same email address above.

**All forms should be submitted by 11.59pm on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2026. Late applications will not be accepted, and we reserve the right to close applications early once we have received the desired number of submissions.**

### 6. Completing the Application Form

Make sure that sections 1 - 6 of the form are completed. Please complete the questionnaire in Annex A and also ensure that you include two references.

All application forms will be scored out of 0 to 5 using the marking scheme on Page 5 of this guidance document.

Ensure that any supporting documents are attached and can be clearly read. See Annex B for due diligence requirements.

#### **Section 1**

Complete all the contact information providing the name of the person who is the project lead.

#### **Section 2**

Provide a brief outline of your service group or organisation. Complete the questionnaire in Annex A.

#### **Section 3: About the Project**

**3.1:** Overview of the project or initiative that you'd would like the SNB to fund.



- Consider the overall project and what is to be delivered as well as how you would like the SNB funding to be used. Make sure you include dates of when the project will start and end.

### **3.2: Priorities:**

- Choose one or more priorities that the project will focus on. You must select one or more, otherwise your application will not be considered by the SNB. The associated outcomes can be found on page 1 and 2 of the guidance.

### **3.3: Key activities:**

- Detail the activities that will be delivered as part of your project, include how many, who the target reach is and when they will be delivered. For example, the workshops or sessions you will be offering and how will this be used to achieve the associated outcomes. For example, 5 raising awareness sessions will be delivered which focuses on topics such as identifying exploitation and where to seek help and support, and or behaviour and attitudes.

### **3.4: Outcomes:**

- Consider what outcomes will be delivered as a result of the activities listed in your response to Question 3.3. These should link clearly to the priorities and outcome areas set out in Section 2 of this guidance. Applicants may also identify any additional positive outcomes resulting from their project. Examples include reducing violence or exploitation affecting young people or vulnerable groups, improving safety and feelings of safety (particularly for women and girls), increasing confidence and trust in local policing, strengthening community cohesion, or improving access to timely and appropriate support for victims of crime. These outcomes should be **Specific Measurable Achievable Realistic and Timely (SMART)** where possible.

### **3.5: Monitoring and Impact:**

- Consider the things you can monitor to show whether your project has achieved its intended outcomes.
- You can use quantitative or qualitative measures to assess impact. For example, you might want to use data, questionnaires, feedback forms, interviews, observation, closing assessments, professional judgement, risk assessments for example.
- Some of the information may already be collected by your organisation, however, consider how you will specifically monitor the impact of this project.
- Some outcomes, whether positive or negative may happen that you did not plan. In this instance, it's important to keep a record of unexpected outcomes as they happen.

### **Section 4**

List the funds requested for the project or service. Make sure that costs are reasonable and value for money. Include quotations where applicable. If you are awarded funding, please be advised that you will be required to keep all receipts and proof of payments, as Westway may conduct audit spot checks and request evidence of spend.

### **Section 5**

Include on the form any additional information that may be useful.

### **Section 6**

Ensure that the forms are signed by the Director or equivalent post.



## Marking Scheme

Score	Rating	Criteria for Awarding Score
0	Unacceptable (fail)	The information is omitted/no details provided, or irrelevant answer provided.
1	Poor (fail)	The Panel has serious reservations that the Applicant understands the requirement in the question. The proposal provides very limited evidence and assurance that the relevant aspect of the project would be delivered to the expected standard and there are serious doubts about aspects of the response.
2	Fair	The response is superficial and generic in its scope. The Panel has some reservations that the Applicant understands the requirement in the question. The proposal provides some limited evidence and assurance that the relevant aspect of the project or requirement would be delivered to a satisfactory standard.
3	Satisfactory	The Panel is reasonably confident that the Applicant understands the requirement in the question and the proposal provides some satisfactory evidence and assurance that the relevant aspect of the project or requirement would be delivered to a satisfactory standard.
4	Good	The submission is robust and well documented. The Panel is confident that the Applicant understands the requirement in the question and the proposal provides good evidence and assurance that the relevant aspect of the project or requirement would be delivered to a good standard.
5	Excellent	The proposal is innovative and adds value. The Panel is completely confident that the Applicant understands the requirement in the question and the proposal provides very good evidence and assurance that the relevant aspects of the project or requirement would be delivered to an excellent standard.

### **Annex A:**

Please complete the Questionnaire in Annex A.

### **Annex B:**

Please review and tick the relevant boxes.