

Administrative Framework Developed in Year 1 (2005/2006) of the Pre-Access Communities Project

Draft Guidelines for Approval of Funding for Pre-access Provision in Communities

1. Minimum of two partners one of which must be an HEI or FEC. Preference given to bids which include partners from communities, FEIs and HEIs.
2. Priority will be given to projects targeted at areas within the lowest 20% on the SIMD. Other areas will be considered where bids clearly reflect local priorities in areas with low participation/progression rates to higher education.
3. Bids will be welcomed that target particular groups e.g. disabled, ethnic minorities etc.
4. Funds are limited and bids exceeding £1500 to £2000 are less likely to be successful.
5. Funding will not normally be given for childcare, travel, venues and internal administration.
6. In-kind contributions should be identified.
7. Appropriate costs include teaching time, staff travel, publicity, course materials and handouts, awards ceremony and need to be broken down within the bid.
8. Guidance must be available to participants before, during and after the course and likely progression routes must be identified prior to course commencement with partners.
9. Partners must agree to take part in appropriate evaluation and tracking.
10. Bids must clearly show additionality. Funding will not be approved for provision that would have taken place anyway.