

Evening Standard Special Project

What are we doing?

This is a two-part programme focusing on the potential of London's housing estates. Part 1 is a pilot backing Angell Town residents and groups trying to transform their estate. Part 2 is a pan-London rollout asking charities and groups operating on estates across the capital to apply for grants to tackle social problems on their estate - such as unemployment, crime, health, isolation and also greening.

What has been our approach?

Our goal is to improve the life of residents by responding to issues THEY identify as important and ideas they have for generating improvement in their neighbourhood.

Who is eligible to apply for grants?

- If you are a charity or community group operating on an estate in London, you can apply for a grant of £2,000 to £20,000. Apply by 23 November to The London Community Foundation, the charity that manages the Dispossessed Fund, at: www.londoncf.org.uk/grants/london-estates.aspx
- Groups operating for the benefit of Angell Town may apply for grants of £1,000 to £5,000 at www.londoncf.org.uk/grants/angell-town-.aspx. The same deadline applies.

Who is funding the project?

- The London-wide rollout is a £1,200,000 programme funded: £400,000 from Citi banking group, £400,000 from the Government, £200,000 from the Evening Standard Dispossessed Fund, £100,000 from Mount Anvil, and £100,000 from Linklaters.
- The £250,000 Angell Town pilot is funded: £100,000 from Citi banking group, £100,000 from Lambeth council, £50,000 from the Dispossessed Fund.

Why are we doing this?

To focus attention on the positive potential of our housing estates, the parts of the capital most impacted by gang turf war and poverty, and home to 20 per cent of Londoners.

What grants have we approved?

The following Angell Town grants have been approved so far:

New 3G Astro turf football pitch PLUS football training and mentoring

Delivered jointly by Football Beyond Borders and Lambeth Tigers

Grant: £30,296 (£18,796 for the pitch and maintenance, £11,500 for training)

This project is in response to a petition by Angell Town resident Timon Dixon and his friends to revamp the estate's rundown concrete and rubber football pitch and which raised more than 1,000 signatures. The old pitch will be ripped up and a new 3G Astro turf pitch laid in October. When the new pitch is ready in November, two football charities – Football Beyond Borders and Lambeth Tigers - will each deliver two training sessions a week run by FA-accredited coaches. Lambeth Tigers is co-headed by

David Marriott, who grew up on Angell Town and whose brother Adrian was murdered in 2004. Timon also suffered tragedy when his brother Ogarra was shot dead on the estate this summer. Timon and his friends are supported by Football Beyond Borders.

Boxing training and job readiness

Delivered by Dwaynatics

Grant: £17,341

Founded by single mother of seven and church minister, Lorraine Jones, Dwaynatics will offer boxing training for males and females, as well as job fairs, health workshops and job skills training. This project was set up from scratch by a Dispossessed Fund grant and is spearheaded by Lorraine who is backed by a dynamic group of young people. It builds on the work of Lorraine's son Dwayne, who started a boxing club on the estate to divert young people from gangs before he was tragically stabbed to death last year. They have developed strong relations with Lambeth Police who has provided them with temporary premises under the railway arches near the estate as well as boxing kit and support.

Outdoor gym and fitness sessions

Delivered by Block Workout

Grant: £15,000

Founded by former gang member Terroll Lewis, who grew up on Angell Town before a spell in Belmarsh Prison led him to reassess his life, Block Workout will install permanent outdoor gym equipment on the estate and deliver two street workout fitness sessions every Saturday, one each for males and females, as well as informal mentoring. Block Workout already operates in Brixton and has pioneered a popular method of training that deploys callisthenics (training using your own bodyweight), everyday items and the built environment.

Business start-up training

Delivered by Tree Shepherd

Grant: £12,940

Founded by Colin Crooks, this social enterprise will provide business start-up training for up to 25 people – prioritizing Angell Town residents (all ages welcome) - with potential business or social enterprise ideas. It also includes £500 start-up grants for up to five candidates who will be chosen through a Dragon's Den style selection process. Tree Shepherd will deliver it over two months from January 2016. To apply to be on the programme, please email: info@treeshepherd.org.uk.

Daytrips into London

Delivered by My London

Grant: £5,000

Founded by community organiser Kamika Nathan, a single mother of five and Angell Town resident, My London will deliver one field trip a month for residents of all ages. Planned excursions include a boat ride down the Thames, skating at the Natural History Museum, tickets to the Lion King, golf at Alexandra Palace, a visit to Clink Prison, and a tour of Buckingham Palace.

Food and craft market

Delivered by It's Your Local Market

Grant: £5,000

Founded by entrepreneur Andrea Brown, a married mother of seven and a former Angell Town resident, this project will launch a weekly Saturday market on the estate run by residents and with residents as stall holders and offering a range of fresh produce, clothing, crafts and workshops.

The grant approval process was managed by [The London Community Foundation](#), fund-holders of the Dispossessed Fund.