

Hi Everyone,

Here's an opportunity that I know will prove very popular!... Although the closing date is December, I suspect that this will be heavily over-subscribed, therefore I would advise any organisation considering an application to do so as soon as possible.

On the website there will be details of how and where to apply etc.

Please contact Defra, not me, if you have any questions....

and I do hope that some of our local organisations are successful!

| Description of Fund and Web-Site for more details & Application | Grant Value |
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| <p data-bbox="300 786 1442 831" style="text-align: center;">Village Halls - Improvements: Small Capital Grants / ACRE-Defra</p> <p data-bbox="204 871 1420 1014">Designed to help the volunteers running village halls make easy steps towards capital improvements for things like boiler replacements, disability access, insulation, toilet upgrades and new kitchens. Grants are available to cover 20% of the eligible capital project costs including the VAT. Smaller projects will be prioritised. All project work must be complete before the end of March 2025.</p> <p data-bbox="204 1059 679 1093">To be eligible, the village hall must:</p> <ul data-bbox="253 1102 1426 1261" style="list-style-type: none">• Be charity owned and managed by the community.• Be located in a local rural area with a population of less than 10,000 people.• Have a freehold or leasehold in place. If a leasehold interest, there must be at least 21 years left to run on the lease. <p data-bbox="204 1310 1374 1344">Please note that funding is NOT for projects that solely seek to repair, maintain or renew.</p> <p data-bbox="204 1388 1026 1422">Full details and how to apply: Village halls small grants fund - ACRE</p> | <p data-bbox="1469 763 1576 875">£2,000 - £5,000 (capital)</p> |

Best wishes,

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