

# The Edith M Ellis 1985 Charitable Trust

## Building Self-Belief CIO

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### 1.1 Please summarise what you are seeking from us

We are seeking support with transport and accommodation costs towards taking twenty Sixth Form students to present their 'Eco-Futures and Democracy Project' outcomes, at an exhibition at the 2021 United Nations Climate Change Conference.

The young people will be aged between 16 and 18 and all live in Consett, County Durham, a post-industrial town in the North East that is in the bottom 20% on the National Index of Multiple Deprivation.

### 1.2 Tell us more about your project, the impact it will have on those it aims to help, and why you consider the proposed approach to be innovative

Building Self-Belief CIO's core aim is to build stronger communities by building self-belief in young people living in socio-economically 'deprived' areas of the North East. We run targeted programmes that focus upon delivering mental health, wellbeing, arts based, future aspirations and community-centred activities.

We are planning the delivery of our first Eco-Futures Democracy Project, with a group of Sixth-Form students to run from September - December 2021, to coincide with the UN Glasgow Climate Change Conference.

We shall be working in partnership with the Royal Society of Arts, industrial engineers from a range of companies and 'After the Pandemic' an organisation that supports projects around communities, spaces and places and how they could be greener and more resilient on the other side of this pandemic.

The young people will lead a localised recycling initiative, take part in eco-based workshops, meet green industry specialists, develop ideas for a greener future and work to develop strategies to engage the wider community in eco-based projects. They shall also work with local community leaders and politicians to understand the importance of democracy and campaigning to bring about positive environmental change.

The young people shall be supported in:

- Bringing generations together – Developing their understanding of the impact of the closure of Consett Steelworks and how their town has recovered since.
- How different generation see the eco- future of the town.
- Conducting surveys and questionnaires that engage with local people around their views.
- Record podcasts and mini films that document their findings.
- Working with a range of stakeholders around the power of democracy to create positive change as well as engaging with cutting edge engineers around the enormous potential of eco-friendly approaches to industrial change.
- Preparing a final report to report on how they see the future of their town in industrial and ecological terms. Then presenting this report at the UN Glasgow Climate Change Conference.

The Royal Society of Arts (RSA) shall be working in partnership with us, and will use the programme delivery, methods and outcomes, as a pilot study. The RSA will then replicate our approach across the

country to encourage young people to get more involved in local and national democracy in terms of planning for their futures.

### 1.3 Which grant-giving categories does your project fulfil?

D - Climate change mitigation

F - Sustainable development

#### 1.3d Climate change mitigation

The project directly empowers young people in considering the climate-based impact of industry upon local communities, past and present.

The young people shall become Democracy and Climate Ambassadors, on a National level via the RSA, – focusing upon mitigating the effects of climate change by local action and promoting the eco-friendly modern industrial techniques that they have researched.

### 1.4 Which country is the project based in?

United Kingdom (GB)

### 1.5 Will the project continue after initial funding has ended?

No

### 1.6 How will the project be monitored and evaluated?

We shall monitor the project via weekly workshops, across a three-month period. This includes attendance records and regular email correspondence with the Pastoral Lead at Consett Academy, where the young people currently attend Sixth Form.

Their learning journey shall be evaluated by progress questionnaires at the beginning and end of the project, a short film made by the young people and a final research presentation in Glasgow, during the 2021 UN Climate Change Conference.

## 2.1 Expenditure

EXPENDITURE ITEM	AMOUNT	NOTES
Travel to Scotland from Consett	£1,000	Coach costs
Overnight Stay in Glasgow for one night of the UN Conference	£2,200	Hostel costs.
TOTALS	£3,200	

## 2.2 Income

INCOME SOURCE	TARGET AMOUNT	AMOUNT RAISED	NOTES
Fundraising	£	£	Ongoing
Grant support	£	£0	Awaiting grant support outcomes
TOTALS	£3,200	£800	

### 2.3 What is the total amount (in £ sterling) your organisation is requesting from The Edith M Ellis Trust?

£

### 2.4 Has your organisation made an application to The Edith M Ellis Trust before?

No

**2.5 Please state your organisation's annual turnover (in £ sterling)**

£73,168

**2.6 Do you wish to upload your audited accounts or financial statement?**

No

**2.7 Please tell us where payment should be made if your application is successful**

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**3.1 Your name**

Christine Thomas

**3.2 Your contact telephone number**

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**3.3 Your position within the organisation**

Chief Executive

**3.4 Your email address**

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**3.5 Organisation name**

Building Self-Belief CIO

**3.6 Please state the status of your organisation**

UK Charity

**3.7 Please summarise what your organisation does**

Our beneficiaries are young people, aged 9-18, who face challenges around bereavement, low income, domestic circumstances, low self-esteem and aspiration. They may also be isolated from local communities. We provide them with a range of programmes that give them the opportunity to maximise their potential if life.

The young people and their communities we serve also face significant socio-economic disadvantage.

Building Self-Belief CIO has supported around 550 young people since our creation in April 2018.

**3.8 UK correspondence address for organisation**

Building Self-Belief CIO

Office 85,

Viewpoint,

Derwentside Business Centre,

Consett, Co Durham,

DH8 6BN

**3.9 UK telephone number**

01914066377

**3.10 UK charity number (if applicable)**

1178101

**3.11 Year established**

2018

**3.12 Website (if applicable)**

<http://WWW.Buildingselfbelief.org>

**3.13 Social media accounts (if applicable)**

@BSBCIO - Facebook & Twitter

**4.1 How did you hear about The Edith M Ellis Trust?**

Directory of Social Change/Funds Online