

New National Lottery Awards for All Scotland online application form:

We expect to move to a new and improved online application for National Lottery Awards for All on **Monday 29 July**. This date is not yet confirmed but we wanted to give you as early notification as possible. If the date changes, it will move to a later date.

- Please note, the final date for submitting an application **using the current online form is Sunday 28 July at 23:59**.
- Any work they have saved in the current form will not transfer across automatically to the new application form - so applicants who are not confident of submitting their application before the 28th July should copy and paste the content of their applications and save them to their own device, and not only on our online form.
- PDF or paper applications will be accepted as normal throughout this period
- We expect a new PDF form will be available from the 29th of July, but we will continue to accept the old forms for a period to minimise the impact on applicants

Extended turnaround times for our funds

Up until the end of this calendar year, we expect it will take longer than usual to inform applicants of our decision on their application. The summary below lays out the maximum turnaround times for our different levels of grant during this period (as well as some of the improvements being made).

National Lottery Awards for All Scotland: It could take up to 18 weeks for us to tell applicants our decision (followed by a further 2 weeks to pay their grant if successful).

Young Start, Community Led Activity, Improving Lives Medium (Grants between £10k and £150k): Applicants should note that it could take up to 6 months for us to tell them our decision.

Improving Lives Large (over £150k): it could take up to 6 months from the date they submit a stage one application for us to tell them our decision and, if successful, a further 4 months for their final second stage decision.

Community Assets and Scottish Land Fund: We aim to keep the timescales for both of these funds unchanged. Please note, Community Assets will close to new business on **October 4 2019**

We are hopeful that for most applicants we will not need as long as we have indicated above. If you are working with any potential applicants who would be seriously affected, please ask them to get in touch with us as soon as possible to discuss this, and we will do our best to be flexible.