

The Clare Social Chapter Fund 2019/20

Through our engagement work we want to galvanise people to take action on improving leadership in their local area. We want to strengthen our network of Clare Social Fellows to support each other and other social leaders, to grow both their local and national networks around leadership.

After almost 10 years of delivering our leadership programmes, the Clare Social Leadership Fellows have grown to more than 500 Fellows spread across the UK. We know that the power of the networks created are one of the most powerful outcomes of the programmes.

Since 2018 we have been travelling the country talking to Fellows and where possible connecting people up in their local areas through Chapters and one-off events. The success of these activities has encouraged us to do more.

We have created a Chapter Fund to encourage more Fellows and social leaders to establish Chapters in 2019/20. We want to help social leaders to continue their leadership journey and create spaces where you can learn from each other, support each other and collaborate to have a greater collective impact. Ultimately, we want to support you to work with others to take practical action to improve leadership in the contexts within which you work (e.g. your organisations, localities and/or sectors) to better enable a social sector that is led with skill, efficiency and ethical values.

We will support up to 10 new Chapters in the first instance.

About the Chapter commissioning fund:

- Applicants can apply for up to £2000 to support local activity that will establish a Chapter. Chapters should be set up by Clare Social Fellows in the first instance, networking with other Clare Social Fellows and social leaders. Once the Chapter has been created the scope of the participants can be widened to include other social leaders and to suit the purpose of the group.
- The funding should be used to resource establishing the Chapter and running it for the first 12 month period but **cannot** be used to cover salary costs.
- Chapters should aim for a minimum of 4 meetings per year with no less than 6 members. These can take place in person, via online communication platforms or a mixture of both.
- Applicants will be expected to produce a plan for the Chapter within its first 3 months of existence to include shared purpose, objectives and actions for the first 24 months of the Chapter. These should align with Clare Social Leadership values. This will be a condition of funding.



- We are unlikely to fund more than one Chapter in the same region, so joining up with other Fellows is advisable. Contact us to help you link with others in your area.

Application process

Please send in your application (word document no more than 1000 words) with your thoughts on the following questions:

1. Where do you want to establish your Chapter? (Town/City, Area, & Region)
2. Will your Chapter be formed around location or a theme or both?
3. Please tell us your thoughts on how you think a Chapter in your location could support leadership?
4. Who will lead the setting up of your Chapter and who else will be involved initially? How will you invite others to be involved in the Chapter?

Send your email to patricia@cloresocialleadership.org.uk with the subject heading Clare Social Chapter application.

Decisions will be made by a panel including Clare Social Leadership's Director of Innovation, Engagement Manager and Director of Marketing and Communications plus 2 Clare Fellows.

Key dates

- 20 May deadline for expressions of interest
- 17 June application deadline
- 1 July Panel decision, awards announced

Following the offer of funding, new Chapters will be expected to agree to Clare Social Leadership's conditions of funding prior to any payments being made.

Should you wish to discuss your application ideas please contact:

Patricia Stead, Engagement Manager. Contact me on patricia@cloresocialleadership.org.uk or call me on 07931 522050.

[To register your interest, please click here.](#)