

Further Information for Charity Partnership Applicants

1. How long will the process take?

We anticipate the full process will take approximately **6–7 months** from start to finish. This timeframe allows sufficient time for partnership mobilisation. Please note that timelines may change due to unforeseen circumstances. Any changes to process timelines or mobilisation dates will be communicated promptly to all applicants.

2. What will the selection process look like?

Our application process is designed to ensure alignment with our business objectives and our vision and mission. It consists of the following stages:

- **Stage 1: Eligibility Check**
Applications will be reviewed to confirm they meet the eligibility criteria. Successful applicants will be invited to submit a full application.
 - **Stage 2: Full Application Review**
Full applications will be evaluated independently by our governance group.
 - **Stage 3: Presentation**
Applicants progressing to this stage will be invited to deliver a presentation. Guidance will be provided on what to include.
 - **Stage 4: Team Voting**
We actively encourage organisations to engage with our sites and team members, so they are well-informed before casting their votes. Final votes will be counted, and the chosen organisation will be notified.
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3. Can we apply for both Northern Ireland and Mainland UK?

Yes, organisations may apply for both regions if they meet the eligibility criteria.

4. Can we speak to someone about our application?

All requests should be directed to charitable.fund@welcomebreak.co.uk. To ensure fairness and consistency, we cannot provide guidance on what to write in your application. However, all submitted applications will be reviewed, and if further information or clarification is needed, we will contact you. General queries about the application process are welcome.