
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2002 No. 638

NATIONAL LOTTERY

**The Awards For All (England) Joint
Scheme (Authorisation) Order 2002**

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| <i>Made</i> | - - - - | <i>7th March 2002</i> |
| <i>Laid before Parliament</i> | | <i>11th March 2002</i> |
| <i>Coming into force</i> | - - | <i>1st April 2002</i> |

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred by paragraphs 2(1) and 3 of Schedule 3A to the National Lottery etc. Act 1993(1), and having received an application made for the purpose by the National Heritage Memorial Fund, the National Lottery Charities Board, the New Opportunities Fund, the English Sports Council and the Arts Council of England, hereby makes the following Order:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Awards for All (England) Joint Scheme (Authorisation) Order 2002 and shall come into force on 1st April 2002.

(2) In this Order—

“the 1993 Act” means the National Lottery etc. Act 1993; and

any reference to a joint scheme is to a joint scheme falling within section 25B of the 1993 Act(2).

Authorisation of joint scheme

2.—(1) The Secretary of State hereby authorises the Awards For All (England) joint scheme which is contained in the agreement entered into on 6th March 2002 between the National Heritage Memorial Fund (which is also known as “the Heritage Lottery Fund”), the National Lottery Charities Board (which is also known as “the Community Fund”), the New Opportunities Fund, the English Sports Council (which is also known as “Sport England”) and the Arts Council of England.

(1) 1993 c. 39; Schedule 3A was inserted by section 12(3) of, and Schedule 3 to, the National Lottery Act 1998 (c. 22). Paragraph 2(1) of Schedule 3A was amended (by the addition of sub-paragraph (6)) by paragraph 15(12) of the Schedule to the Scotland Act 1998 (Modification of Functions) Order 1999 (S.I.1999/1756).

(2) Section 25B of the National Lottery etc. Act 1993 permits a body which distributes money under section 25(1) of that Act to participate with one or more other such bodies in a joint scheme for the distribution of money under that provision. Section 25B was inserted by section 12(1) of the National Lottery Act 1998.

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(2) The Schedule to this Order (which, pursuant to paragraph 3 of Schedule 3A to the 1993 Act, contains a brief description of the nature and purposes of the joint scheme and other particulars of the scheme) shall have effect.

7th March 2002

Tessa Jowell,
Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport

SCHEDULE

Article 2(2)

PARTICULARS OF THE AWARDS FOR ALL JOINT SCHEME

1. The bodies participating in the Awards For All (England) joint scheme (“the joint scheme”) are the Heritage Lottery Fund, the Community Fund, the New Opportunities Fund, Sport England and the Arts Council of England.

2.—(1) The joint scheme provides for the making of grants of not less than £500 and not more than £5,000 to local community groups to support activities—

- (a) connected with the arts, sport or the national heritage;
- (b) connected or concerned with health, education or the environment; or
- (c) to be funded by charitable expenditure (within the meaning of section 44(1) of the 1993 Act).

(2) The purposes of the joint scheme are—

- (a) to encourage more people to become involved in local groups and projects by supporting activities which are open and accessible to everyone who wishes to take part;
- (b) to encourage the development of skills and creativity by supporting activities which are likely to develop the skills and creativity of those taking part; and
- (c) to improve people’s quality of life by supporting projects which improve people’s opportunities, welfare or environment, especially those of persons who are the most disadvantaged in society.

3. The joint scheme applies in England only.

4. The maximum amount of money that may be distributed under section 25(1) of the 1993 Act in any year under the joint scheme is £75 million.

5. The money to be distributed under section 25(1) of the 1993 Act under the joint scheme is attributable to each of the participating bodies in the following proportions, that is to say—

- (a) as to the Heritage Lottery Fund, 10.0 per cent;
- (b) as to the Community Fund, 29.3 per cent;
- (c) as to the New Opportunities Fund, 23.8 per cent;
- (d) as to Sport England, 24.4 per cent; and
- (e) as to the Arts Council of England, 12.5 per cent.

6. The joint scheme will have effect for a period of two years ending on 31st March 2004.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

By this Order, the Secretary of State authorises the Awards for All joint scheme for the distribution of National Lottery funds by the Heritage Lottery Fund, the Community Fund, the New Opportunities Fund, Sport England and the Arts Council of England. A brief description of the nature and purpose

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of the joint scheme, and other details about it, may be found in the Schedule to this Order. The joint scheme provides for the making of grants to local community groups of between £500 and £5,000. The purposes of the scheme are to encourage more people to become involved in local groups and projects by supporting activities which are open and accessible to everyone who wishes to take part; to encourage the development of skills and creativity by supporting activities which are likely to develop the skills and creativity of those taking part; and to improve people's quality of life by improving their opportunities, welfare or environment, especially those of persons who are the most disadvantaged in society. Further information about the scheme is available from Awards for All: England, 1st Floor Reynard House, 37 Welford Road, Leicester, LE2 7GA, or from the Awards for All website (www.awardsforall.org.uk).