



## Nudgee Trust Grant Purpose

In accordance with the Trust Deed, the purpose of the Fund is “... the provision and maintenance of facilities, resources and programs for the purposes of providing assistance, support, accommodation and counselling for children, adolescents and adults in need, including the intellectually and physically disabled and the aged and infirmed.”

The Trustee will review grant applications against the following criteria:

**Direct service delivery:** the Trustee prefers projects that are focused on direct service delivery over capital expenditure-related projects.

**Extending mission:** the Trustee encourages ministries to provide applications that extend the reach of the mission with a focus on meeting the needs of marginalised or vulnerable populations. The Trust does not fund business as usual activities or expenditure. Preference is given to services that are unfunded where they extend the reach of the mission.

**Measurable social impact:** The Trustee has a strong desire to see the Trust funds applied to projects that have a clear, demonstrable and measurable social impact. This impact may be measurable in financial terms, but other measures are equally valuable where change is occurring through the impact of the project. In addition, the Trustee encourages then use of the theory of change (see appendix 3) to articulate how the project will have an impact.

**Co-design:** The Trustee looks favourably on projects where the ultimate end user or beneficiary has been engaged in the design of the project – i.e. doing it ‘with’ rather than ‘to’. The Trustee is looking for evidence the project will engage users, communities, or stakeholders in genuine co-design processes to ensure relevance, responsiveness, and shared ownership

**Evidence informed innovation:** The Trustee welcomes applications for projects supported by a strong evidence base, or which will add to the knowledge base through capturing and assessing the impact of the project.

**Environmental responsibility:** Applicants are encouraged to ensure projects are environmentally responsible and demonstrate consideration of environmental impact and a commitment to ecological sustainability in project design. Where possible, incorporating measures addressing the environmental impact of the project – positive or negative.

**Projects that would be otherwise unfunded:** Preference is given to services that are unfunded where they extend the reach of the mission.

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