# Community Energy Fund – Pre-application Form

**Please note - funding for the programme is subject to the finalisation of a contract with the Department for Energy Security and Net Zero. As such, funding availability cannot be guaranteed at this stage.**

Please complete this form so that the Greater South East Net Zero Hub can give you appropriate support to help you develop a strong proposal.

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| **Organisation** |  |
| **Main contact** | |
| Name |  |
| Telephone number |  |
| Email address |  |
| **Alternative contact** | |
| Name |  |
| Telephone number |  |
| Email address |  |
| **Project Location** | |
| Location |  |
| Post Code |  |

**Which grant stage are you applying to?**  Stage 1  Stage 2

**Do you have existing experience in community energy projects?**  Yes  No

If yes, please briefly outline this experience below (max 50 words).

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**Please outline your proposed project** (max 300 words)  
This should include your proposed technology or technologies, potential capacity, scheme location (with postcode), and how you plan to fund the capital costs.

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**What is the involvement in your project from the local community?** (max 300 words)  
Please provide a description of your group including governance, membership numbers and what level of awareness there is of the project in your wider community and whether there is any opposition.

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**How will revenue from this project benefit the local community where it will be delivered?** (max 300 words)  
This could include specific items, services or activities already identified, or a mechanism through which profits will be distributed or spent for community benefit.

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The Community Energy Fund is intended to help your project overcome barriers. These questions will help us to understand your current position, and where help may be needed.

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| **Please answer all the following:** | **Y** | **N** | **Comments (if applicable)** |
| Have you formed a legal entity to deliver the project? |  |  |  |
| Does your legal entity have a bank account? |  |  |  |
| Does your project rely on support/permission from any third parties (eg a landowner)? |  |  |  |

**Where did you hear about the Community Energy Fund?**

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Please email your completed form to [CEF@gsenetzerohub.org.uk](mailto:CEF@gsenetzerohub.org.uk).

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| **To be completed by the Greater South East Net Zero Hub:** |

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| **Project reference no.** |  |
| **Date received** |  |
| **Assessed by** |  |

**Notes on pre-application form:**

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| **Technology** |  |
| **Community engagement** |  |
| **Potential opposition** |  |
| **Legal entity** |  |
| **Permissions** |  |
| **Finances** |  |

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| **Next steps** |  |