

Newcastle Port Community Contribution Fund

Guidelines for 2018 | Round 4




In April 2014, the NSW Government established the Newcastle Port Community Contribution (NPCC) Fund. At least \$1 million is paid into the NPCC every year through the Newcastle Port lease agreement. The Fund is available for projects which enhance or maintain landside infrastructure and community amenity around the port of Newcastle.

Apply for Round 4 funds now.

The NSW Government is inviting applications for projects for Round 4 of the Newcastle Port Community Contribution Fund (NPCC).

To apply, you need to complete the application form. Your application must address all eligibility and assessment criteria on pages 3 and 6.



2018 Fund Balance is \$1,002,024
Applications Open: Friday 18th May 2018
Applications Close: 5pm, Friday 13th July 2018

Briefing Session

To learn more about eligibility of NPCC projects and how to make your application, register for our briefing session

10am, Tuesday 5th June at Dobell Room, Rydges Newcastle,
Corner Wharf Road & Merewether Street, Newcastle NSW 2300.

To register email hdc@hdc.nsw.gov.au

You can send your questions to hdc@hdc.nsw.gov.au or call (02) 4904 2750.

HDC will manage your application

The fund is administered by Hunter Development Corporation (HDC). HDC appoints an independent panel to assess the applications and may ask you for additional information during this process. The panel then makes a recommendation to Government who will make the final decision.

Successful applicants

If your application is successful, you will need to sign a Funding Deed that will detail how and when the funds are paid.

Please note that the timing of payments will depend on your project scope, cost and program. You will also need to meet certain conditions which can include obtaining any applicable approvals, appointing contractors, sufficient evidence and prior expenditure of your other funds, before you can receive your funds.





Eligibility Criteria

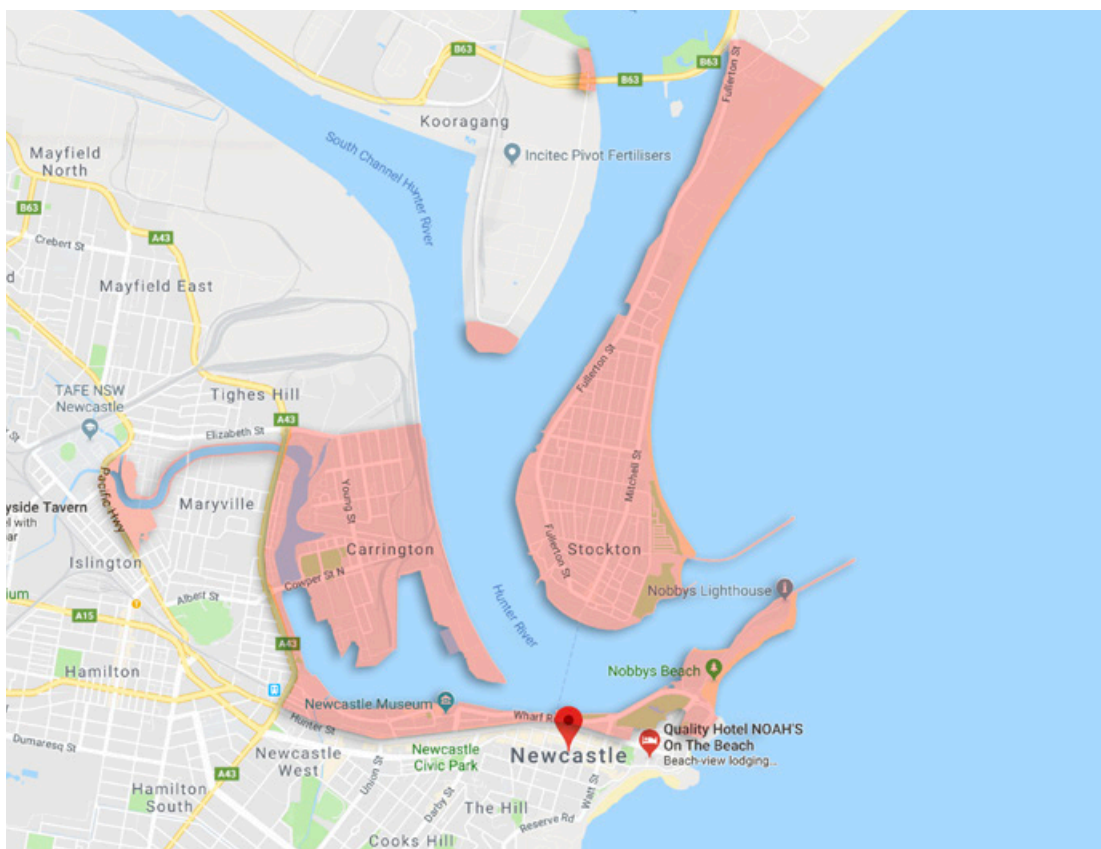
To be eligible for funding:

1. Project Area

The project must be primarily located within the area defined by this map.

Projects located in the waterways adjacent to the defined area are also eligible.

The location of your office or business address is not part of the eligibility criteria.



Left: All projects must be located within the areas defined in the map.



2. Project Type

Your project could be either:

- Environmental
- Public domain
- Port related community infrastructure
- Heritage restoration or interpretive works
- Placemaking or activation
- Smart city or digital innovation
- Other project type with demonstrated public benefit

Your application must demonstrate how your project fits into one or more of these categories.

The following project types will not be eligible:

- Repair, maintenance or operational
- Equipment that isn't part of a broader project
- Projects consisting largely planning or design
- Smartphone applications



Above: 2017 funded project.
Refurbishment of Nobbys
Beach clubhouse and
change room facilities.



3. Funding Request

The funding sought must be for between \$10,000 and \$500,000 exclusive of GST. Funding for the planning and design must be no more than 10% of the total funding requested.

4. Applicant

The applicant must be a community group, not-for-profit, local council, state government agency, or other organisation that owns, manages or occupies land within the project area. The applicant must also agree to enter into a Funding Deed.

5. Landowner Consent

If the project is to be delivered on land not owned by the applicant, written consent from the landowner must be provided prior to applying. If you cannot provide written evidence of landowner consent, your application will not be considered.

6. Public Project

The project must be for the benefit of the community. Projects that are private or commercial or located on private land - not accessible either physically or visually to the community - will not be eligible.



Assessment Criteria

Applications will be assessed against the following criteria:

1. Economic, environmental and social benefits of the project.

This will include consideration of:

- The degree of sustainable public or community benefit
- The project's contribution to local tourism, community engagement, activation, community infrastructure and amenity, heritage or environmental quality, innovation or smart city technology
- The degree to which the project addresses a demonstrated need or requirement

2. Project attributes including consideration of:

- The total cost and value for money of the project
- How you and your partners will deliver the project
- The applicant's occupation of the land; and where occupation is temporary, the arrangements for long-term management where the project is permanent in nature
- The applicant's capacity to deliver the project in a reasonable time. Consideration will be given to projects that can be delivered within the current financial year
- The extent of co-funding for the project and the applicant's capacity to effectively manage funds and spending
- Project risks and proposed risk management approaches
- Projects that are collaborative in nature, can leverage or provide other funding may be given preference.