

Bristol Older People's Funders Alliance (BOPFA)

Quartet Community Foundation is a proud member of the Bristol Older People's Funders Alliance (BOPFA). BOPFA is a collaboration of local grant funders committed to better understanding and addressing the needs of older people in the greater Bristol area. Since 2016, BOPFA has facilitated regular meetings where members share knowledge, coordinate local funding, and work to attract new resources to support older people.

BOPFA is not a funding organisation in its own right, but members may work together to fund projects which align with their own strategic priorities.

Our shared objectives include:

- Establishing a forum for local funders of older people's work to exchange information.
- Creating a strategic funding framework based on the priority needs of older people.
- Providing a forum to listen and engage with experts on issues affecting older people, with a range of organisations invited to speak at BOPFA meetings.
- Encouraging partnerships and combining funding efforts in areas of common interest.
- Reducing barriers for VCSE organisations of all sizes to apply for funding.
- Leveraging member funds to attract additional national funding into the wider Bristol region.
- Sharing and celebrating best practices in evaluating the effectiveness of funded initiatives.

By working together, we aim to make a significant impact on the lives of older people in greater Bristol, ensuring that our charitable funds meet their priority needs and help organisations adapt to necessary changes.