

# Create

# Innovation

**1:1 in-person Arts Council  
grant advice sessions**



# Purpose

**Arts Council England is offering 30 minute 1:1 in-person advice sessions for creatives and organisations based in Rochdale borough at Fire Up on:**

- **Friday 28<sup>th</sup> July** – between 12:30 and 16:00
- **Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> September** – between 12:30 and 16:00

You'll have the chance to discuss an idea for funding with an Arts Council England Relationship Manager and receive bespoke advice and guidance from them. Limited advice sessions are available and will be allocated on a first come, first served basis, lasting up to 30 minutes. These sessions are suitable for those who already have a [\*\*National Lottery Project Grants\*\*](#) idea in mind. You can also discuss [\*\*Developing Your Creative Practice\*\*](#) for personal development activities in supported disciplines, for example undertaking a period of research.

**Prior to attending you should attend one of the introductory webinars** on July 20<sup>th</sup> and August 24<sup>th</sup> if you haven't already been to one. There are a range of other resources on the Arts Council England [\*\*website\*\*](#) to help you with your application plans. The link to book the webinars is: [\*\*Arts Council England Events, North Events | Eventbrite\*\*](#)

# How to book

To book your 30 minute advice session, please contact [info@fireuprochdale.co.uk](mailto:info@fireuprochdale.co.uk) and include the following details:

- Name
- Artform/s
- Brief overview of project/idea
- Access Requirements

**The sessions will be held at the 'Fire Up' Creative and Digital Co-working Space** close to Rochdale Railway Station and Metrolink. Whether it's flexible access to a single desk or the use of private offices in a dedicated space, Fire Up has been created to offer hybrid workplace solutions to ignite growth in your business. To find out more about this space check out the [website](#).

The building is wheelchair accessible, and accessible parking spaces are provided.

If you can't make these dates but are interested in a 1:1 session, please do get in touch and we'll let you know when future dates become available.

# Other free sessions coming up!

- **Start-up Advice Drop-in**

Every Wednesday afternoon in July, Growth Company Start-up Advisor Hywel Evans is providing drop-in advice sessions. These are targeted at pre-start businesses, so if you have an idea and are wondering about how you could take this forward - drop-in, or get in contact with Hywel on [hywel.evans@growthco.uk](mailto:hywel.evans@growthco.uk)

- **Creative Business Drop-in**

We're looking to schedule some drop-in sessions to connect you with the Growth Company's programmes for the creative sector in September – so if you're a creative business in Rochdale borough look out for more details on [Fire Up - Fire Up \(fireuprochdale.co.uk\)](http://fireuprochdale.co.uk)

- **Inclusive Recruitment Workshop**

In response to requests across the creative sector, we're looking to schedule an 'Inclusive Recruitment' session in mid-late July, with follow up sessions in September on specific topics. Watch this space and look out for details on [Fire Up - Fire Up \(fireuprochdale.co.uk\)](http://fireuprochdale.co.uk)

**If there's other training or advice that you think could help unlock growth in your creative business then please get in contact with Oliver Boaler – [o.boaler@investinrochdale.co.uk](mailto:o.boaler@investinrochdale.co.uk)**