

FUNDING UPDATE

The National Lotteries Commission (NLC) continues to adopt and incorporate efforts to tighten controls against fraud and corruption, and has over the past year introduced additional measures of validation for all applying organisations.

In 2022, new verification requirements were introduced to confirm the compliance status and details of organisations approved for funding, before payments could be processed.

In the current financial year (2023/24), and as part of the ongoing review and improvement of the Grant Funding business process, the NLC has adopted an additional assessment of applications received for funding, which includes site inspections. These initiatives are employed to ensure that only legitimate not-for-profit organisations that are working to uplift the communities they serve, receive NLC funding.

While care is taken to ensure compliance with the processes detailed above, their implementation may unfortunately impact the timelines for turnaround on grant applications, and we wish to appeal for patience from stakeholders in this regard.

The NLC remains mindful and considerate of the pressures of the economic climate, particularly on the not-for-profit sector, and seeks to assure applying organisations that work is continuing steadily to ensure that funding reaches its intended beneficiaries in communities across South Africa.