

## Funding Alignment Summary

OWGP and GBE are collaborating to ensure our funding calls are complementary and aligned with industrial strategy. Both funds overlap in scope and application windows and are *not* mutually exclusive, and so the below table summarises the key points on each fund to support applicants as part of the wider commitment by OWGP and GBE to work together to align funding opportunities.

### Areas of alignment:

- Funding supports development or expansion of UK manufacturing facilities
- Funding is for capital (CapEx) rather than operational expenditure (OpEx)

### Key differences:

- Funding sources, total funding amounts and timelines differ between the calls.
- What is covered by funding also differs, with OWGP covering the priority areas of the Industrial Growth Plan (see link below), while the GBE fund covers critical components only (see list below)

	OWGP	GBE
Name of fund	<a href="#">Industrial Growth Fund (IGF)</a>	<a href="#">Great British Energy (GBE) Supply Chain Fund: Offshore Wind and Networks</a>
Funding source	Private (provided by members of the Offshore Wind Industry Council)	Public
Funding amount	Ranging from £300k – £25m per project	No minimum or maximum per project (must be the ‘minimum necessary’ for the project to proceed in the UK)

Short programme description	The programme is designed to accelerate capital investment in domestic manufacturing of key components, systems and services in offshore wind and will support the development or expansion of facilities that align with IGP priorities.	The Fund offers capital grants to construct new, or extend existing, manufacturing facilities in the UK, to build capacity for key constrained components in offshore wind and enabling electricity networks sectors.
Funding options	Grants, repayable grants, or capacity reservation options.	Grants (applicants can apply if they have received other public funding but must disclose all sources of public funding).
Fund objectives	<p>Boost supply chain capability and capacity, accelerating investment in domestic facilities for fixed and floating offshore wind.</p> <p>Create high-value jobs and strengthen supply chain resilience.</p> <p>Enable projects that deliver long-term growth, exports and technology leadership.</p>	<p>Increase UK manufacturing capacity of key constrained offshore wind and electricity network components.</p> <p>Create and support new and existing jobs in the UK, including in industrial clusters.</p> <p>Promote more resilient and sustainable means of production by encouraging investment in shorter or greener supply chains.</p>
Eligibility: What	Projects must align with one of the ‘Make’, ‘Nurture to make’ or ‘Protect’ priorities <a href="#">outlined in the IGP</a> . Priority will be given to the “Make” category priorities. Some DEVEX costs may be permitted as part of the end-to-end project.	The project (when completed) must manufacture one or more of the following Critical Components: mooring and anchoring, blades, nacelles, towers, monopiles, transition pieces, HVDC cables, HVAC cables (incl. Dynamic), power transformers (AC and DC), HVDC converter stations, switchgear, reactive power management and control systems.

Eligibility: Who	UK-based organisations seeking to expand existing or build new supply chain facilities that align with IGP priorities. These proposals can be CIB compliant, or CIB non-compliant projects. Inward investment is encouraged but applicants must be an entity registered for business in the UK.	Companies registered under the Companies Act 2006. The applicant must be the entity that will own the constructed assets comprising the project, hold the contracts of employment for jobs classed as direct jobs and carry out the agreed project activity.
Eligibility: Where	United Kingdom.	All United Kingdom locations, subject to Windsor Framework considerations.
Eligibility: Costs	<p>Includes: Must be capital expenditure (CapEx) directly related to the Project including: Materials, equipment, labour, subcontracts and overheads are eligible expenditures subject to due diligence and <u>CIB Allocation Framework</u> where applicable.</p> <p>Excludes: Operating expenditure (OpEx).</p> <p>NB: Pre-Financial Investment Decision (FID) investment may be eligible as part of the total expenditures set out in the Project Proposal. All Project Proposals must cover the full project lifecycle from pre-FID planning to commissioning.</p>	<p>Includes: Must be capital expenditure (CapEx) directly related to the Project with a limited scope including: buildings, production equipment and machinery; any associated infrastructure that facilitates delivery and is linked to the specific product being manufactured; and/or research and development costs associated with the manufacturing facility (provided that the grant must also be for construction of those relevant facilities).</p> <p>Excludes: Operating expenditure (OpEx), costs related to land purchase or property transactions, associated service and maintenance agreements, embedded warranty costs, interest costs.</p>

How to apply	Online, via <a href="#">Submittable portal</a>	Online, via <a href="#">application portal</a>
Key dates	<p>Application opens: 27th October 2025</p> <p>Application closes: 19th December 2025 (Must submit Section 1 of the application to be considered) Applicants will then have until 21st January to submit the full application.</p> <p>Period to draw down funding: We do not have a deadline by which projects must be commissioned. For CIB projects, the funding must be spent by the end of the last delivery year of the allocation round.</p>	<p>Application opens: 11<sup>th</sup> December 2025</p> <p>Application closes: 10<sup>th</sup> December 2026 (open for initial 12-month period or until the Fund's budget is fully allocated, whichever is earlier)</p> <p>Period to draw down funding: Delivery period of April 2026 to March 2030.</p>
Application process (brief overview)	<p>The application begins with a brief eligibility check, followed by a single questionnaire of 11 sections. Applicants provide company, financial, project, and industry information, along with a project plan and business plan showing expected growth. OWGP may interview applicants to verify information, and all applications undergo due diligence during assessment and before the funding agreement is finalised.</p>	<p>There will be three submission stages via the portal (Eligibility, Readiness Review, and Full Application stages) with a separate application form for each stage, followed by a Portfolio-Based Review stage (no submission required). If an applicant is successful at each of these 4 stages, they will progress to due diligence and may be offered a grant funding award.</p>
Apply here	<a href="https://owgp.org.uk/programme/industrial-growth-fund/">https://owgp.org.uk/programme/industrial-growth-fund/</a>	<a href="https://gbesupplychainfund.energyscurity.gov.uk/">https://gbesupplychainfund.energyscurity.gov.uk/</a>