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| **Proforma for District Oversight process for circuit-based NPNPs**  **Circuit-based NPNP Guide** [**methodist.org.uk/circuitnpnpfunding**](https://www.methodist.org.uk/circuitnpnpfunding)  **The purpose of this form is to assist districts to create an oversight process for approval by the Connexional Mission Committee** | |
| **Aim:** A district process of accompaniment, prayer and shared discernment for circuit-based NPNP communities.  **Submit:** The district NPNP team will receive each circuit-based NPNP submission for approval and send each approved submission to the Project Funding Office (Julian Bond) for final scrutiny and releasing of funds (on an annual basis). | |
| 1. District appointed NPNP lead/coordinator.   See role description document. |  |
| 1. District NPNP team   e.g., a small team of three to five committed people (dependent on the size of the district) with the knowledge and skills to support and accompany the circuits in discerning a vision for an NPNP e.g., a District Missioner, an experienced pioneer/planter, Learning Network colleague etc. |  |
| 1. How will you work as a team?   e.g., frequency of meetings, gather for prayer, reflect of potential NPNPs. |  |
| 1. How will the district NPNP team accompany the circuits in discerning a vision for an NPNP community?   Chapter 3 in Circuit Guide [methodist.org.uk/media/30510/starting-new-christian-communities-npnps-section-2.pdf](https://www.methodist.org.uk/media/30510/starting-new-christian-communities-npnps-section-2.pdf) |  |

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| 1. Describe the process for reviewing Circuit NPNP submissions using the NPNP criteria.   (see Ch12 Fruitfulness Markers in the Circuit-based NPNP Guide [*methodist.org.uk/media/30512/starting-new-christian-communities-npnps-section-4.pdf*](https://www.methodist.org.uk/media/30512/starting-new-christian-communities-npnps-section-4.pdf)) e.g., Who will be part of the Circuit NPNP review panel (the use of independent critical friends is often helpful) When will the Circuit NPNP submissions panel meet? |  |
| 1. How do you intend to allocate the circuit NPNP funding and ensure matched funding from other sources for each circuit based NPNP? |  |
| 1. How will the Circuit NPNP process be communicated across the district? |  |
| 1. How will you provide ongoing support and monitoring as the NPNPs develop. Initial six-monthly and then annual monitoring is expected of all NPNPs. |  |

**NPNP Criteria**

The template below forms the Connexional review criteria for reviewing all district and circuit NPNP submissions. Please use this form when reviewing potential circuit-based NPNPs.

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| Funds will be awarded to proposals for new circuit-based NPNPs that meet the following criteria. | | |
| Criteria | Criteria met/unmet | Comments |
| 1. A clear foundational *gospel vision*, including evidence of listening to God and prayer. |  |  |
| 1. Be focused on *intentional* evangelism and discipleship. |  |  |
| 1. Have done substantial *contextual discernment* about community needs and local church/circuit resources   For Church at the Margins projects – people with ‘lived experience’ from the community involved in design and development of the project. |  |  |
| 1. A good *manager/overseer/coaching culture* and support from the Circuit Leadership Team and Superintendent (or in some circumstances district support) |  |  |
| 1. Have plans in place for how the project will *inspire* other circuits/churches |  |  |
| 1. Meet Connexional policies for *safeguarding* and *EDI*. |  |  |
| 1. Have DPC and senior district leaders’ *ownership* |  |  |
| 1. Have a fully costed *budget*. |  |  |
| 1. Have clear and realistic *outcomes or fruit* emphasising missional culture change. |  |  |
| 1. Have a *biannual review process* |  |  |