## FUNDING FOR SIDE SADDLE MAKERS

The Queen Elizabeth Scholarship Trust (QEST) is a charity dedicated to supporting excellence in British craftsmanship by offering scholarship and apprenticeship funding to talented makers looking to further their training and expand their skills.

Since it was founded in 1990 QEST has awarded over £5million to 625 craftspeople working in crafts ranging from farriery to saddlery, thatching to jewellery design and many more. We're looking to encourage more applications from saddle and side saddle makers.

The next application round will be open 10 January – 13 February 2022. Individuals can apply for up to £18,000 to further their training through college courses, vocational training or specialist one-to-one classes with a master craftsperson, or alternatively for apprenticeships of up to £12,000 to train with a master craftsperson.