

Dundee Partnership Community Regeneration Fund

Grant Application 2025/26

Applicant Information	
Name of Applicant Group	Lochee Boys and Girls Club
Activity Title	Evolution
Grant Requested (£)	£5000

- The Youth Inclusion Fund is to provide financial assistance for community initiatives aimed at working with Children and Young People. Applications should be for an activity (or activities) focused on including children & young people in activities, diverting young people from an existing undesirable activity or preventing them joining in with such activity. This should reflect a need that children and young people have been consulted on.
- The Small Grants Fund is for other applications that contribute towards achievement of the Dundee City Plan / Local Community Plan, usually up to £5,000, but there may be lower local restrictions on the amount. Therefore, it is important to check with the relevant Community Worker as listed on page 8 for any local restrictions or other requirements.

This application should address needs in one of the below Wards within which the Dundee Partnership supports activity. If an activity covers more than one Ward then an application is required for each Forum, but it is essential that each application can stand on its own if agreed and that the application is not for a city-wide activity, but a local activity that is to take place in more than one Ward.

TICK THE WARD WHERE YOUR PROJECT WILL OPERATE
Coldside
East End
Lochee*

PLEASE INDICATE WHICH TYPE OF GRANT YOU ARE APPLYING FOR
Small Grant x
Youth Inclusion

Maryfield	Please note that communications regarding this application will be sent to you via email unless you indicate otherwise. All communication for this application should be made to dundee.partnership@dundeecity.gov.uk
North East	
Strathmartine	

Checklist for the DP Community Regeneration Fund Application Form

Before submitting your application form to the Dundee Partnership Team, please use the below checklist to ensure that your form is as fully completed as possible. Please also note that submitting an incomplete form can cause delays in processing or rejection of your application.

Have you:

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| Read the guidance sections of the form | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Fully completed the information on the front of the form | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Provided a response to all sections of the application form (including indicating a section as 'N/A' where relevant) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Checked that your budget adds up properly? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Checked that your start date is after the date at which funds could be available, (see page 6) and that your end date is within the financial year? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Included appropriate, measurable outputs & outcomes? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Provided your groups accounts, or other appropriate financial information? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Sourced and attached all relevant quotes?
(multiple quotes are required where >£5,000 is being applied for to ensure value for money is being considered) | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Checked that the bank details or financial code are correct / complete? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Signed the form, given accurate contact details and ticked the GDPR box? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

Who is the grant for? (Name of Applicant Group / Department)		Lochee Boys and Girls Club	
Did you receive a Dundee Partnership grant during 2024-25? (If yes, list all grants below)			YES
Title of project funded	Amount granted	When	Was it fully spent?
Improve Accessibility for All	£2497	16/05/2025	Yes

Please give a description of what you want this grant for - (please limit your answer to 500 words or less).

The club has a 5 year plan to develop and extend our premises and in doing so extend our community reach. We have almost achieved the total funding required for this project which means we are investing north of £750k into the Lochee area. We have secured planning and are almost ready to submit warrant packages for the work to begin hopefully in summer 2026.

The funding we have secured is Capital funding and will cover the cost of the build however a major part of the development plan was to create a new community space in the current building and make the current gym hall a multi-functional space for different activities to take place. We will require to upgrade our current kitchen facilities, and we are creating a brand-new community room. We are hoping to use this space for a variety of purposes. It is large enough to host our club meetings and for a variety of training uses. We are hoping to use this space for parents to gather and enjoy a coffee and chat whilst waiting on their children who attend our boxing sessions. the main training environment which is vital if there is an issue identified.

It would offer our coaches an area to have conversations with young people out with the main training environment which is vital if there is an issue identified.

It would also be a great space for other groups to host their own meetings, group workshops, arts and crafts and by having a working kitchen it could also be used to enjoy food and even run simple cooking classes or similar.

We would use the funding to purchase multi-functional tables and chairs which would be located within the room and could be arranged to suit a multitude of purposes. Some interior

decorations, pictures etc which would soften the space and encourage some engagement in a quiet environment.

A big part of our plans to engage the community is to be able to hold events at the club, particularly junior boxing shows. This would require several chairs for patrons to use whilst they watch the show or event. An amazing opportunity for friends and family to see the progress their young people are making and to generate a small income to put back into club funds.

We would also purchase a large smart television so that parents could watch this whilst waiting for their young people, our coaches would like to show training technique videos and given that most of our shows and competitions are recorded boxers can analyse their performance with the coaches.

The television would also be of benefit for other groups who we hope will use the club after the project has been completed.

Which City Plan / Local Community Plan Outcome(s) will it address?

Our project represents excellent value for the funding requested by delivering a wide range of social, health, and economic outcomes that directly address the needs of one of Scotland's most deprived communities. With a plan of £705K the project will transform the club's existing facilities into a modern, inclusive, and accessible hub, significantly increasing its capacity to serve the Lochee community and ensuring a high return on investment for funders. The outcomes and objectives are ambitious yet achievable. The expanded facility will increase participation in physical activity across all age groups, helping to tackle Lochee's high inactivity rates and poor health indicators, which align with UN Sustainable Development Goal 3 (Good Health and Well-being). It will support improved mental health outcomes by integrating mental health awareness into coaching and delivering stress management workshops. Importantly, the project will reduce social inequalities by expanding programs for girls, women, and individuals with disabilities, addressing SDG 5 (Gender Equality) and SDG 10 (Reduced Inequalities). Beyond individual benefits, the project will deliver strong community-wide outcomes. The club will act as a multi-use hub, offering space for local charities, the NHS, and Dundee City Council to deliver joint initiatives, maximising local resources and providing wraparound services. This collaborative approach ensures the investment has a multiplier effect, benefiting not only club members but the broader Lochee community to tackle social isolation and improve mental wellbeing.

How many people will benefit from this project?	Over 200 weekly
<p>Will any specific groups benefit from this project? (male, female, age range or protected characteristic)</p> <p>We see community engagement as the foundation of everything we do. Our club serves as a vital community hub, offering a safe and welcoming space for individuals from all walks of life. In an area that faces significant socio-economic challenges, such as higher-than-average unemployment and mental health struggles, our programmes are specifically designed to foster connection and support. We bring together diverse groups—youth, families, individuals with disabilities, and those from minority backgrounds—to engage in meaningful activities that transcend social barriers. Through sports, fitness, and social initiatives, we help combat isolation, build relationships, and foster a sense of belonging. For many, the club is not just a place to stay active but a space where they feel part of something bigger than themselves, contributing to a stronger, more cohesive community. Our inclusive approach ensures that no one is left behind. With a growing number of women joining our boxing classes and 15% of our members being young girls, we are actively working to challenge traditional gender roles and break down barriers that often prevent certain groups from accessing sports and physical activities. Furthermore, we offer tailored programmes for individuals with disabilities, ensuring that people of all abilities can participate in physical exercise in a supportive environment. This commitment to inclusivity is reflected in the positive feedback we receive from the community, where many participants have shared that the club has provided them with not only physical fitness but also the confidence and social networks they had been lacking. Our expanding reach demonstrates that sport is a powerful tool in promoting unity, regardless of background or ability.</p>	

<p>Please say why the project is needed (please limit your answer to 500 words or less)</p> <p>Lochee Boys and Girls Club is committed to enhancing community wellbeing through strategic initiatives aimed at increasing physical activity and promoting safety. Recognising that 24% of Dundee residents reported never engaging in moderate physical activity as of 2019, the club plans to expand its range of affordable physical activities, including strength and conditioning classes, accessible to all age groups and backgrounds. By offering diverse programs, we aim to reduce inactivity rates and foster a healthier community. Collaboration is central to our strategy. We intend to partner with local charities and stakeholders to create a unified network dedicated to community health and safety. By aligning with organisations that share our vision, we can pool resources, share expertise, and implement comprehensive programs that address the specific needs of Dundee's residents. This collective approach is designed to maximise our impact and ensure sustainable positive change. Understanding the importance of accessibility, Lochee Boys and Girls Club will extend its operating hours to accommodate various schedules, ensuring more community members can participate in our programs. Additionally, in response to Dundee's higher-than-average crime rates, with 83.8 crimes per 10,000 population. We will collaborate closely with local police to enhance community safety and justice. Through joint initiatives, we aim to create a secure environment where residents feel safe to engage in physical activities and community events.</p>
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As outlined in our strategic plan, Lochee Boys and Girls Club is committed to increasing participation in physical activity, ultimately improving the overall activity levels within our local community. Regular physical movement has been widely recognised as a key factor in enhancing mental health and well-being, contributing to reduced stress, anxiety, and depression. Our club provides inclusive opportunities for men and women of all ages, ensuring accessibility regardless of background or experience. Furthermore, as part of our strategic objectives, we are prioritising mental health awareness among our coaching staff. To support this initiative, we aim to ensure that all coaches receive mental health awareness training, equipping them with the skills to recognise and address mental health challenges among participants. This focus is particularly important given that, according to Samaritans, three-quarters of suicides in the UK occur among men. By integrating mental health awareness into our programs, we seek to create a supportive environment where individuals not only improve their physical well-being but also feel safe and understood. Our commitment to both physical and mental health reflects our dedication to fostering a healthier, more resilient community.

What local consultation has taken place regarding this application?

(Please attach evidence summarising the results of any consultation)

Lochee Boys and Girls Club are at the core of the Active Places and Spaces initiative from the Scottish Government, showcasing the importance of creating activity-friendly environment for those that want to take part in physical education and mental wellbeing. The Scottish National Planning Framework 4, underlines the importance of transforming under-utilised spaces into active and thriving community hubs, benefiting the local community. Public Health Scotland states that for every £1 invested in prevention results in an estimated £14 return for improving health outcomes and reducing inequalities.

We have had amazing support locally for this project as there is a clear need for expansion and for a new community space in this area. Our project has been supported by several funders who clearly see that we have a solution for the local community. We are supported by Dundee City Council, NHS Tayside, Garfield Foundation to name a few.

How will the project / activity tackle deprivation or benefit those experiencing deprivation? (Refer to Section 1 of the Guidance Notes)

From data provided Lochee has an above the Dundee average of children in the local area and a massive 29% are living in poverty. This is something that as a local charity we are aware of and it is evident daily in the children we have engaged at the club. We strive to provide a facility where these young people can have access to

the same equipment and training as other facilities but at a reduced cost. By providing funding it would mean that these young people can attend sessions with no outlay for their own gloves or equipment. By having a new community space, we hope to encourage parents and carers to attend the premises where we could offer them an opportunity to engage with others and enjoy and hot drink and sometimes food. We would also look to work in partnership with local food banks and other charitable groups.

We ensure that our members compete on a level playing field and they are not singled out because of their personal circumstances. We are discreet and respectful and work with families to gain their support. Better engagement with families will allow the club to support the whole family not just the member who is boxing at the club. We are also hoping to engage some of these parents and carers to come on board as volunteers.

We also offer other activities to these young people who despite their own personal challenges have dedicated themselves to being the best they can be. We have taken members on fun days to bowling or other activities that they may otherwise not be able to participate in. We also fundraised to be able to purchase a minibus which is vital to ensure that our members can engage in competitions and other boxing shows as not all families have access to transport. We have on occasion been able to take family members to competitions to see their child boxing for the first time and seeing a family being united and involved is inspiring.

With a new space and a working kitchen, we hope our facilities can be used by others to provide a much-needed service to the local community and we would like to teach our young athletes more about food and nutrition to support their physical training and general wellbeing.

What other sources of funding have you secured / tried to secure for this project?

- **If none, please state why this is the case**

(Detail below, including applications that are pending or that have been turned down. We may ask for further evidence of an application for other funding)

We have secured more than £600K for our development project however this is all capital funding for the build. We are hoping to secure some revenue funding to ensure that the spaces we are creating are functional and adaptable and fit for purpose.

Source of Funding (detail if this funding is for more than 1 year, if applicable)	£
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What are the costs of your activity and how much money is required? Please give specific details (expand list / use an additional sheet if required) and provide all quotes (good practice for applications for over £5,000 is to provide three quotes to ensure value for money is received, and we will require to see these where relevant).

Cost Heading	Full Costs (£)	DP Aid (£)
Go Pac Tables x 8	£1036.44	
Chairs x 48	£1770.48	
Stacking Event Chairs	£1677.66	
Totals	£4484.58	

- **All applicants are required to submit a copy of the group's most recent annual accounts with this application.** These will be used to help determine eligibility for funding, and **WITHOUT THEM AN APPLICATION WILL NOT PROCEED**
- **If reserves held are less than three months operating expenses please confirm this below**

Note that if you have already submitted your accounts within this financial year, further copies may not be needed - please check with the Dundee Partnership Team if unsure

What other documents are you attaching to evidence the budget costs for this application? (e.g. quotes, estimates, projected income and expenditure)

An equipment list and costings.

Booklet regarding the Aims and Outcomes of the project

How do you intend to monitor the project Outputs and Outcomes?

We can monitor the use of the community room via any third-party bookings.

We will hopefully see an uptake in the number of registered volunteers and coaches with the club if we have better engagement with families.

We will seek feedback from the club members regarding their use of the new facilities, and we will be able to run our own health and wellbeing sessions we have planned for the 2026/2027 season.

<p>What is the planned start date of the event/activity? Please note turn around on applications is 6 - 10 weeks and funding cannot be retrospective (<i>see section 2 of the guidance notes</i>)</p>	<p>March 2026</p>
<p>What is the planned end date of the event/activity?</p>	<p>November 2026</p>

Outputs & Outcomes

It is expected that applicants will have evidence to support performance information when completing returns on the performance against target. Consideration of this should be given when outputs and outcomes are set out.

Applicants will usually refer to one [City Plan](#) / [Local Community Plan](#) Outcome, but the opportunity is given for up to two, if required. **Please refer to section 3 of the Guidance Notes** for examples of outputs and outcomes / indicators.

<p>City Plan / Local Community Plan Outcome: To tackle social isolation and improve mental wellbeing</p>	
<p>Purpose of activity / project within this Outcome:</p>	
	<p>Target 2025-26</p>
<p>Outputs</p>	
<p>To engage with more families of our club members and hopefully encourage them to become involved in volunteering with the club</p>	<p>To recruit and train a minimum of 3 new volunteers/coaches</p>

To encourage the community to utilise our new space and work collectively with the local food bank and others to ensure food and fun is a priority	To have regular sessions in collaboration with the community larder
Outcomes / Indicators:	
An increase in the number of registered volunteers and coaches within the club. Provide a safe space for these volunteers to meet and participate and develop as sense of Team and purpose	Boxing Scotland will record the registered staff of our club.
To see the space used by other groups	Record any bookings of the facilities

City Plan / Local Community Plan Outcome:Tackle Poverty and mental wellbeing	
Purpose of activity / project within this Outcome:	
	Target 2025-26
Outputs	
To educate our young people about their own nutrition and how food is vital whilst participating in physical activity particularly boxing	Run a 12 week programme of Wellbeing and strength and conditioning
Outcomes / Indicators:	
We will hopefully see an physical and mental improvement in those taking part and these young people will provide feedback on the programme	Young people taking part will provide feedback.