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Dundee Partnership
Community Regeneration Fund

Grant Application (Ferry / West End) 2026/27

Applicant Information	
Name of Applicant Group	East Youth Work Team
Activity Title	Friday Night Takeover
Grant Requested (£)	£2539.93

The Local Community Planning Partnerships (LCPPs) in the Ferry and West End will examine their existing Local Community Plans to identify outstanding actions with a direct relationship to community regeneration and consider allocation of some or all of their available funding to commissioning works that would allow achievement of these agreed priorities. Each area has an allocation for 2024/25 with which to commission activities, and so activities that attract external funding may be prioritised.

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 ward, 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

The Ferry☐

West End☐

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

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:

Read the guidance sections of the form	GL
Fully completed the information on the front of the form	GL
Provided a response to all sections of the application form (including indicating a section as 'N/A' where relevant)	GL
Checked that your budget adds up properly?	GL
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?	GL
Included appropriate, measurable outputs & outcomes?	GL
Provided your groups accounts, or other appropriate financial information?	GL
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)	GL
Checked that the bank details or financial code are correct / complete?	GL
Signed the form, given accurate contact details and ticked the GDPR box?	GL

Who is the grant for? (Name of Applicant Group / Department)	Dundee East Youth Work Team, Friday Night Takeover

Did you receive a Dundee Partnership grant during 2025-26? (If yes, list all grants below)			**NO**
Title of project funded	**Amount granted**	**When**	**Was it fully spent?**

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

We are seeking funding to support our Friday Night Takeover, a diversionary youth project aimed at young people from Grove High School and the wider Ferry Ward.

The project will provide young people with a safe, welcoming and positive place to go on Friday evenings, offering a range of activities including football, rugby, basketball, dance, fitness, gaming, music, a youth drop-in and community safety activities.

The grant would specifically help us purchase equipment that will improve and expand the activities available. This would include a PlayStation 5 (PS5) for our gaming group, DJ decks for our music tutors to deliver DJ and music sessions, and hairdressing and styling equipment for activities within the youth drop-in.

Having a wider variety of activities is important because not every young person is interested in traditional sports. Gaming, music and hairdressing provide additional ways to engage young people, particularly those who may not normally attend organised youth or sporting activities. These activities can be used to build relationships, increase confidence, develop new skills and encourage young people to socialise positively with their peers.

Experienced staff and tutors will use the activities to build positive and trusted relationships with young people and provide informal support around health and wellbeing, community safety, positive relationships and making positive choices.

The Friday Night Takeover is designed to provide a positive alternative to being on the streets on Friday evenings, helping reduce boredom, isolation,

anti-social behaviour and risk-taking while giving young people a sense of belonging within their local community.
By funding this equipment, the grant will leave a lasting resource for the project, allowing us to engage more young people and offer activities that reflect their different interests. Our overall aim is to create a consistent and attractive Friday night provision where young people can feel safe, have fun, learn new skills and contribute to a safer, healthier and more connected Ferry Ward. I have also spoke to the local Communities Officer who said that this application fits into a number of community priorities for the area.

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

 Improve physical, mental and emotional health for children and young people by providing accessible opportunities to participate in football, rugby, basketball, dance, fitness, gaming, music and other positive activities. This directly supports the Ferry priority of increasing access to affordable activities for young people.
 Increase the safety and protection of young people by providing a safe and supervised environment on Friday evenings and offering positive alternatives to anti-social behaviour and other risk-taking activities.
 Build stronger and more connected communities by creating opportunities for young people to develop positive relationships with youth workers, tutors, community organisations and their peers. Local Community Planning in Dundee is specifically intended to bring communities and services together to improve outcomes for local residents.
 Reduce inequalities and barriers to participation by providing activities that are accessible to young people regardless of their background, income,

interests or sporting ability. This supports the wider City Plan priority of reducing child poverty and inequalities.

 Increase confidence, skills and positive opportunities through activities such as DJ/music sessions, gaming, hairdressing, sport and volunteering, giving young people opportunities to learn new skills and develop confidence.

How many people will benefit from this project?	
Will any specific groups benefit from this project? (male, female, age range or protected characteristic) 60 YP from the Ferry Ward from S1 plus.	

Please say why the project is needed (please limit your answer to 500 words or less)

The Friday Night Takeover is needed within the Ferry area and Grove Academy cluster to provide young people with a safe, welcoming and accessible place to go on a Friday evening. The project will particularly target young people who may not currently engage with traditional clubs, sports teams or organised activities. Although the Ferry area is often perceived as relatively affluent, this can mask the needs of individual young people and families. Cost, confidence, social isolation and other barriers can prevent young people from accessing positive activities. Providing a free local drop-in with food and a variety of activities will help ensure that young people can participate regardless of their circumstances. The project will offer activities chosen to appeal to different interests, including football and sport, gaming using the proposed PS5, music and DJ activities, hair and beauty activities, and informal youth work. Providing this variety is important because not every young person is interested in sport.

What local consultation has taken place regarding this application?
(Please attach evidence summarising the results of any consultation)

Consultation has taken place directly with young people from Grove Academy and the Ferry Ward through our existing youth work provision, informal discussions, drop-in sessions and engagement with young people in the local community.
Young people have told us that they would like more activities and safe places to meet on Friday evenings, particularly activities that provide opportunities to socialise with friends in a relaxed and welcoming environment.
Feedback has also highlighted the importance of providing a variety of activities, as not all young people are interested in traditional sports. Young people have expressed interest in gaming, music/DJing, hair and beauty activities, alongside football, rugby, basketball, dance and fitness.
This feedback has directly influenced the development of the Friday Night Takeover and the equipment included within this funding application. In particular, the request for a PS5, DJ decks and hairdressing/styling equipment will allow us to provide activities that appeal to a wider range of young people.

What evidence do you hold that the local community supports this application?
(For example, was it proposed by members of a particular group? Does it directly address need identified by community members?)

Through our existing youth work and links with Grove Academy, young people have consistently expressed an interest in having more positive, affordable and accessible activities on Friday evenings. Their feedback has helped shape the proposed programme, including football, rugby, basketball, fitness, dance, gaming, music/DJ activities and hair and beauty activities.
Our experience of delivering youth provision locally also demonstrates that young people respond positively when they are provided with a safe space, trusted staff and activities that reflect their interests. The Friday Night Takeover will build on these existing relationships rather than creating a project in isolation.
The range of activities proposed will also allow us to engage young people who may not normally participate in traditional sports or organised clubs. The request for a PS5, DJ decks and hairdressing/styling equipment is based on providing a broader programme that young people have indicated they would engage with.
Support from local partners and community organisations will also be important in promoting the project, identifying young people who could benefit and encouraging participation.
Most importantly, young people will continue to have a voice once the project begins. Regular feedback and discussions will allow them to influence the activities available and help ensure that the Friday Night Takeover continues to respond to the needs and interests of young people in the Ferry Ward.

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

The Friday Night Takeover will help tackle deprivation by providing young people with access to free, inclusive activities and food within their local community.
We recognise that the cost of sports clubs, leisure activities, gaming, music tuition and other hobbies can prevent some young people from taking part. Our project will remove these financial barriers by offering a wide range of activities, including football, rugby, basketball, dance, fitness, gaming, DJ/music sessions, hair and beauty activities and a youth drop-in.
Food will be provided free of charge at every drop-in session. This will ensure that all young people attending can access something to eat, regardless of their family or financial circumstances. Providing food will also help create a

welcoming and relaxed environment where young people can sit together, socialise and build positive relationships with their peers and staff.
Funding for equipment such as a PS5, DJ decks and hairdressing/styling resources will give young people access to activities and experiences that may otherwise be unaffordable or unavailable to them.
The project will provide a safe and supportive environment on Friday evenings, offering a positive alternative to being on the streets and helping reduce boredom, isolation, anti-social behaviour and risk-taking behaviour.

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)

None as of yet, This is the first one we have applied for. Source of Funding (detail if this funding is for more than 1 year, if applicable)	£

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 <u>all</u> 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 (£)

Cloud 9 Straighteners x3	£599.97	
Remington Hair Curlers x3	£269.97	
PS5	£569.99	
DJ Decks	£1100	
Totals	£2539.93	

- **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 unrestricted 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)

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

We will monitor the Friday Night Takeover throughout the project to ensure it is achieving its aims and responding to the needs of local young people.
We will record key outputs, including:

- Number of Friday night sessions delivered.
- Number of young people attending each session.
- Number of new and repeat participants.
- Range of activities delivered, including sport, gaming, DJ/music, hair and beauty, fitness and community safety activities.
- Number of young people accessing food at the drop-in.
- Number of young people progressing into volunteering, leadership or other learning opportunities.

We will also measure the outcomes and difference the project makes. Young people will be asked for regular feedback through informal discussions, short questionnaires, consultation activities and end-of-session evaluations. This

will help us assess whether participants feel safer, more confident, more connected to their community and have improved physical and emotional wellbeing.
Youth workers, coaches and tutors will record observations of young people's progress, including increased confidence, improved communication and teamwork, development of new skills and positive engagement with their peers and trusted adults.
We will also gather case studies and young people's comments to demonstrate individual journeys and the wider impact of the project.
Attendance and feedback will be reviewed regularly by staff so that activities can be adapted based on what young people tell us. At the end of the funding period, we will bring this information together to evaluate the overall success of the project and demonstrate how the Friday Night Takeover has contributed to increased participation, reduced barriers, improved wellbeing and safer Friday night opportunities for young people in the Ferry Ward.

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 *(see section 2 of the guidance notes)*	12th November
What is the planned end date of the event/activity?	Ongoing Weekly until March 31st

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.

City Plan / Local Community Plan Outcome: Children, young people and families are supported to improve their health, wellbeing and life chances.
Purpose of activity / project within this Outcome: The project aims to improve young people's health and wellbeing, reduce isolation and encourage positive choices,

while giving them opportunities to build confidence, develop new skills and form positive relationships with peers and trusted youth workers. **Food will also be provided at each session, helping ensure the project is accessible to young people who may be experiencing financial hardship. Young people will be encouraged to shape the programme, develop leadership skills and progress into volunteering and other opportunities.**	
	Target 2026-27
Outputs -Deliver **30 Friday Night Takeover sessions** during 2026/27.	-Engage at least **60 individual young people** from Grove Academy and the wider Ferry area.
Reduced social isolation:	Young people develop new friendships and positive relationships with peers and trusted youth workers. young people report reduced social isolation
Greater youth participation:	Young people have a meaningful say in planning and shaping future Friday Night Takeover activities.
Increased leadership and volunteering:	Young people progress into volunteering and leadership opportunities within the project and wider community.
Outcomes / Indicators: **Improved health and wellbeing:**	Young people report feeling happier, more confident and better connected through participating in positive activities.

City Plan / Local Community Plan Outcome:	
Purpose of activity / project within this Outcome:	
	Target 2026-27
Outputs	
Outcomes / Indicators:	
young people report reduced social isolation	
young people have progressed into volunteering	