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Dundee Partnership **Community Regeneration Fund**

Grant Application **2023/24**

Applicant Information	
Name of Applicant Group	Friends of Dundee Law
Activity Title	Conservation and public engagement sessions
Grant Requested (£)	£613.03

- The Physical & Environmental Improvement Fund is to provide financial assistance for community initiatives aimed at improving the local area through Capital expenditure. Capital expenditure is something of a physical nature including the acquisition, improvement or structural enhancement of an asset valued at £6,000 or more.

- 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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
East End	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lochee	<input type="checkbox"/>
Maryfield	<input type="checkbox"/>
North East	<input type="checkbox"/>
Strathmartine	<input type="checkbox"/>

PLEASE INDICATE WHICH TYPE OF GRANT YOU ARE APPLYING FOR	
Small Grant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Physical & Environmental Improvement	<input type="checkbox"/>
Youth Inclusion	<input type="checkbox"/>

Please note that communications regarding this application will be sent to you via email unless you indicate otherwise

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	<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Checked that the bank details or financial code are correct / complete?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Signed the form and given accurate contact details?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

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Who is the grant for? (Name of Applicant Group / Department)	Friends of Dundee Law		
Did you receive a Dundee Partnership grant during 2022-23? (If yes, list all grants below)			NO
Title of project funded	Amount granted	When	Was it fully spent?
Yes	£171	May 2022	Yes

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

This grant will fund conservation activities that will protect and enhance the woodlands and greenspace of Dundee Law. This will ensure that this site continues to be a vital asset for the local people of Coldside, improving their access to greenspace and its health and wellbeing benefits. However it will also protect the iconic nature of Dundee Law for all visitors ensuring it is a site that is well looked after and is able to maintain its Green Flag status. Although major work is carried out by Dundee city Council. There are smaller seasonal tasks that the friends can take on. During regular conservation sessions that include path maintenance, ditch clearance, tree planting and care and wildflower meadow projects we will improve the site. These sessions are also an opportunity for local people to get involved, to learn more about the habitats and wildlife of Dundee law and improve their physical, mental health and wellbeing. In order for these sessions to take place we need new tools and equipment for practical conservation. We also require public liability insurance to undertake these activities and admin materials to publicise them.

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

"We need quality green and open spaces that people can access in their own communities"

How many people will benefit from this project?

1000s
potentially

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Will any specific groups benefit from this project? (male, female, age range or protected characteristic)

Local Coldside residents will benefit and as Dundee Law is a citywide visitor attraction people across the city and visitors will also benefit. It will also directly benefit those struggling with mental health challenges as the Friends support conservation sessions for a local mental health organisation Wellbeing Works.

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

The project will help improve and look after the woodland and meadow habitats on Dundee Law. Our conservation sessions will undertake a range of work increasing the biodiversity of the greenspace, improving access and undertaking basic site management that will make it a better place for the local community to visit.

Activities such as sowing wildflower seed in our meadow area, tree-planting and aftercare and the installation of bird and bat boxes encourage and support biodiversity. Cutting back along footpath edges, clearing drainage ditches and weeding path areas will ensure that the site is accessible as well as demonstrating the law I looked after. Maintaining and supporting areas of greenspace helps the city to meet its environmental goals as well as ensuring equality of access to the natural environment. This site is a vital resource for local people and families to improve their mental health, wellbeing and physical health by participating in outdoor activities such as bird watching, running, walking, cycling, dog-walking as well as being a popular family picnic destination.

Our regular conservation sessions are open to the public and they will not only improve Dundee Law's natural habitats but serve as a way to engage with the local population and develop practical conservation skills. This will increase their knowledge and understanding of the environmental and social importance of greenspaces, in turn making it more likely they will use and look after Dundee Law, giving participants a greater sense of ownership.

Furthermore, Dundee Law is hugely popular with visitors from the local area and tourists from further afield. The Law is a Dundee landmark and currently has Green Flag Status. These conservation sessions will allow us to maintain this status and continue to improve the greenspaces of the Dundee Law.

What local consultation has taken place regarding this application?

(Please attach evidence summarising the results of any consultation)

Whilst we have not undertaken any specific consultation regarding this application there are a variety of ways we communicate with the local community. We hold regular committee meetings which members of the public are welcome to attend. We receive feedback through our email, Facebook page and local community workers which we raise at our meetings and pursue further if necessary. We also meet with the public in person at conservation and other events at Dundee Law so are able to directly communicate with them about improvements to the area.

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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?)

Friends of Dundee Law are themselves local community members who regularly use the site and have identified the needs addressed by this application.

How will the project / activity tackle deprivation or benefit those experiencing deprivation?

(Refer to Section 1 of the Guidance Notes)

Coldside has 60.9% of its population living in the 20% most deprived areas according to the SIMD, a high proportion of residents near to Dundee Law find themselves suffering from deprivation compared to other parts of the city. Coldside is second only to the East End in this respect. As such our activities ensure that people struggling with these levels of deprivation will have access to good quality greenspace and the benefits of the natural environment. This includes improved physical health, better mental health and wellbeing and more connections with the local community and its resources. Moreover, our conservation activities allow the local community to actively engage with the site, encouraging and supporting them to develop and look after the law in ways that makes a difference for them.

For Physical & Environmental Improvements (which must be Capital worth at least £6,000 in value) the following questions must be answered: N/A

Have all relevant permissions been agreed? (please state what these are)

How will the planned project be maintained? (please state who will be responsible for this)

What is the expected 'life' of the improvement? (e.g. before it will require replacement)

Could a plaque indicating the Community Regeneration Fund as a source be added on location for this award? (If there would be additional costs for this, please indicate this in the budget section)

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What other sources of funding have you secured / tried to secure for this project? No • 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)	
Source of Funding (detail if this funding is for more than 1 year, if applicable)	£
We have not tried to secure any other funding for this application thus far as this fund was the most appropriate.	

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 (£)
Hay rake (£28) x 3	£84.00	
Weed slasher (£8.27) x 5	£41.35	
Heavy duty slasher (£28) x5	£140.00	
Secateurs (£8.30) x10	£83.00	
Sharpening stone (£3)	£3.00	
Gloves – 20 adult work gloves	£28.62	
Gloves – 25 assorted children's/small work gloves	£76.74	
First aid kit	£11.99	
Work in progress sign x2	£29.98	
Insurance (as part of annual membership of Scottish Gardener's Forum renewal quote not available until January but expected to be the same)	£80.00	
Printer Paper (£4.35)	£4.35	
Ink	£30.00	
Totals	£613.03	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 <p>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</p> <p>As a non-charity organisation The Friends of Dundee Law do not have annual accounts, but we will enclose a copy of our most recent financial statement.</p>
What other documents are you attaching to evidence the budget costs for this application? (e.g. quotes, estimates, projected income and expenditure)
Websites selling equipment screenshots of quotes for items attached https://www.screwfix.com/jsp/trolley/trolleyPage.jsp https://www.kidshivis.co.uk/cart?action=show https://www.thetoolbook.co.uk/

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

We record numbers of attendees at events and ask for feedback at these, as well as on our Facebook page.

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*)

As soon as possible, and on an ongoing basis.

What is the planned end date of the event/activity?

No end date.

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: "We need quality green and open spaces that people can access in their own communities"	
Purpose of activity / project within this Outcome: Improving green space	
	Target 2023-24
Outputs	
6 sessions of volunteering (5 people minimum per session, 2 hours each)	60hrs
12 litter picking sessions (2 people minimum per session, 2 hours each)	48 hrs
Outcomes / Indicators:	
Cleaner, more biodiverse site.	
Engaged members of public with improved health outcomes.	

City Plan / Local Community Plan Outcome:	
Purpose of activity / project within this Outcome:	
	Target 2023-24
Outputs	
Outcomes / Indicators:	

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