

Ref: EE2513

Dundee Partnership **Community Regeneration Fund**

Grant Application **2025/26**

Applicant Information	
Name of Applicant Group	DOUGLAS COMMUNITY SPACES GROUP SC043807
Activity Title	Utility bill support
Grant Requested (£)	

- 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	PLEASE INDICATE WHICH TYPE OF GRANT YOU ARE APPLYING FOR
Coldside	
East EndX	Small GrantX
Lochee	Youth Inclusion

Maryfield
North East
Strathmartine

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

Who is the grant for? (Name of Applicant Group / Department)		DOUGLAS COMMUNITY SPACES GROUP	
Did you receive a Dundee Partnership grant during 2024-25? (If yes, list all grants below)			YES / 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)

DCSG obtained 3 years funding from the Lottery to employ a development officer and run activities and services for local people in Douglas community Park. The park includes an area run by Douglas Growers, who provide raised beds for people to grow their own produce and provide for the local food larder. Part of the lottery budget included an allowance for utilities (water and electricity SSE) used by the growers.

The lottery funding finished in May 25. DCSG is currently applying for grant funding to keep their development worker post.

In order that DCSG can continue to provide free activities for local people in the park they need to secure funding to pay the utilities needed to run the park. As well as the electricity and water used by the Douglas growers, DCSG also pay for the lighting supplying the MUGA and Play Park (EON).

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<p>Which City Plan / Local Community Plan Outcome(s) will it address?</p> <p>City Plan – Dundee will be a greener city, made up of stronger communities where people feel empowered, safe, and proud to live.</p> <p>Local Community Plan – We need quality green and open spaces that people can access in their own communities.</p>

<p>How many people will benefit from this project?</p>	
<p>Will any specific groups benefit from this project? (male, female, age range or protected characteristic)</p> <p>Over 35 local people have beds in the Growers area. Food is also provided to the Food larder. 200 – 300 young people use the MUGA and play park as do many local people.</p>	

<p>Please say why the project is needed (please limit your answer to 500 words or less)</p> <p>DCSG have worked to make Douglas Community Park a place which is used by children, young people and adults. They have also provided a secure water supply and electricity supply to the community growing area, MUGA and Play Park ensuring sustainability. However, DCSG are reliant on funding support so they can continue to develop. A grant for the utility costs will ensure a sustainable provision of electricity and water.</p> <p>DCSG are on fixed tariffs for the electricity and monitor these on an annual basis to ensure they get the best price available.</p>
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What local consultation has taken place regarding this application?

(Please attach evidence summarising the results of any consultation)

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?)

Douglas growers need water and electricity. DCSG spent approx. 18months working with DCC and other partners to supply water & electricity.

Consultation took place whilst the MUGA was being constructed. If the electricity supply had not been installed the park would not be accessible during the winter months.

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

(Refer to Section 1 of the Guidance Notes)

The park provides a safe, high quality green space for everyone in Douglas.

Douglas is one of Dundee's housing areas built in the 1950's. The most recent census and SIMD figures are: -

Population 6939; Children 21%; Working 62%; Pensioners 17%. 82% of children are living in the 15% most deprived data zones. A third of data zones are ranked in the top 5% (most deprived). Over 40% of pensioners claim pension credit.

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)

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 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 (£)
Month	Water	SSE(gowers)	EON (Muga)		See note below
Sept 25	71.31	32.76	18.23	122.30	
Aug 25		37.41	17.64	55.05	
July 25			18.23	18.23	
June 25	38.88	67.37	25.29	131.54	
May 25			23.49	23.49	
April 25			26.87	26.87	
Totals				377.48	250.00 est

- **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)

NOTE TO EXPLAIN REQUEST

Attached are the bills and bank statements DCSG receive showing utility costs. The water supply was only connected early in 2025 so a regular pattern of usage is not available. EON bills monthly as shown above. SSE usually bills quarterly but not always. DCSG request 3.5 months of grant aid – mid December 25 – end March 26. Costs for electricity over the winter are likely to increase. Standing charge costs are daily and shown on the bills.

Also attached are the last accounts to end of March 2025. Please note the majority of the carry forward is ring fenced for salaries. DCSG hope to receive news of an Awards for All application by end Oct 25.

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

Through monthly bank statements electricity and water bills.

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>)	Dec 25
What is the planned end date of the event/activity?	End of March 25

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:

Provide quality green and open spaces that people can access in their own communities in the East End

Take collective action to develop and increase useage of green and public spaces for recreation and community growing.

Purpose of activity / project within this Outcome:	
	Target 2025-26
Outputs	
Sustain the community growing area	
Access to quality green space	
Outcomes / Indicators:	
Number of people able to access a bed in the growing area	35
Number of people using the park especially in winter	500