

Dundee Partnership Community Regeneration Fund

Grant Application 2023/24

Applicant Information	
Name of Applicant Group	Angus Housing Association
Activity Title	Greet, Eat and Meet (GEM)
Grant Requested (£)	£2428

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

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| Read the guidance sections of the form | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Fully completed the information on the front of the form | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Provided a response to all sections of the application form
(including indicating a section as 'N/A' where relevant) | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Checked that your budget adds up properly? | <input 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 type="checkbox"/> |
| Included appropriate, measurable outputs & outcomes? | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Provided your groups accounts, or other appropriate financial information? | <input 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 type="checkbox"/> |
| Signed the form and given accurate contact details? | <input type="checkbox"/> |

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Who is the grant for? (Name of Applicant Group / Department)	Greet, Eat and Meet Group - Angus Housing Association		
Did you receive a Dundee Partnership grant during 2022-23? (If yes, list all grants below)			YES / NO
Title of project funded	Amount granted	When	Was it fully spent?
Greet, Eat and Meet	£2000	2023/24	Yes

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

Greet, Eat and Meet is a community group that takes place on a Wednesday every week in Ormiston Lounge from 3.30-5.30pm.

The group was developed to tackle some of the issues associated with fuel poverty and the cost of living crisis and is part of the cosy spaces initiative. The group is free and open to anyone in the community and food is provided every week for those who attend. In addition to this, there are other benefits for those who attend the group such as reducing social isolation and connecting individuals and families to other services in the community.

The group has become a safe space for individuals and groups to express any concerns and through weekly meetings, issues have been identified which has led to interagency referrals and internal and external services offering support to individuals.

The group is attended by people of varying ages from primary seven to older people; anyone age 12 and over can attend, those under 12 have to be accompanied by an adult.

Angus Housing Association work alongside You Are Not Alone and Dundee City Council Literacies Team and have external services attend the provision. Police Scotland and The Community Empowerment Team have recently attended to engage with local people in attendance as have volunteers from You Are Not Alone and staff from Angus Housing Association including the Financial Inclusion Team.

In addition to this, the group is promoted through Facebook and in newsletters and through leafleting and networking with other services.

The grant will provide the cost of a weekly food budget for those attending on a Wednesday, a meal is always provided and if the budget allows, those who wish to take away recipes and ingredients are offered this option. Staff have attended The Community Cookit and Rehis course and use recipes that focus on budget cooking and healthy eating. During the year thematic community events are delivered as part of the GEM programme such as Easter, Christmas and more recently Burns Supper which tend to be more popular with increased attendance from the community.

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The funding will also support the cost of refreshments such as tea, coffee and fruit juice.

Angus Housing Association would like to continue the community events as part of the GEM programme and would like to request some funding to provide a sports coach during school holidays and towards a Halloween Glow Sports Session.

Angus Housing Association provide the venue and to kitchens and staffing for the project in addition we have resources and facilities such as games and tv for movie nights and children and older people who attend.

The biggest attraction for those who attend is the food and refreshments as well as a warm space, the opportunity to socialise and thematic events and activities at different times of the year. More recently, we have seen an increase in the number of older males who attend and this has led to some individuals accessing other community groups.

The group is free of charge to all, no donations requested.

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

North East LCP outcomes:

We need to respond to the cost of living crisis

Create local, support hubs across the ward where services offer financial, legal and employability advice/ support and free/low cost food.

Co-ordinate and encourage access to a range of welcoming, warm spaces across the ward

How many people will benefit from this project?

Approximately
50 people

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

No specific groups – the group is open to anyone in the community but children under 12 should be accompanied by an adult.

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

Due to the impact of the increase of the cost of living and fuel poverty, there is a need for free food provision and accessible warm spaces that provide local people with opportunities for support services and information.

Feedback from those who attend has highlighted that they enjoy getting out of the house. Some older people who attend live alone and the group provides an opportunity to reduce isolation and for different generations to engage with each other.

In terms of deprivation, the North East has a higher percentage of children living in poverty (36%) compared to the Dundee average of 31% (SIMD 2020)

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As a social housing landlord, Angus Housing Association are aware of and have discussed the impact of rising costs in fuel, food and general living expenses with tenants. People who access the provision know that they will have access to free food, activities and agency support through access to the provision.

What local consultation has taken place regarding this application?

(Please attach evidence summarising the results of any consultation)

Those who attend GEM are consulted on the provision and how they would like it to develop. In addition to this, Angus Housing Association Tenants have recently taken part in conversations regarding rent proposals and have expressed concern in relation to the cost of living increase.

The North East Local Community Plan has set out the need for access to local support services and access to warm spaces.

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?)

As above

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

(Refer to Section 1 of the Guidance Notes)

Access to warm spaces and free food on a weekly basis.

Access to a range of community services who support individuals by providing information and sign posting to sources of support.

The project tackles social isolation especially in relation to older people in the community.

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

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

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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)

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)

£

Venue, staffing and some resources including games

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 (£)
Weekly food budget @ £40 per week for 46 weeks	£1840	£1840
Baker Ross Arts and Crafts supplies for events	£288.10	£288.10
Sports sessions:	£300.00	£300.00
4 x multi sports sessions £50 p/h X 1.5 hour (includes 2 staff members and Glow sports session - Halloween event)		
Totals	£ 2428.10	£2428.10

- **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)

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Receipts from general weekly spend.
Quotes and feedback.

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

Attendance forms
Number of individuals attending provision
Area/post code of attendees
Feedback from sessions and community events and activities.

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*)

Group is delivered every Wednesday and it is planned to continue through next financial year from 3rd April 2024

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

26th March, 2025

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: Respond to the cost of living crisis	
Purpose of activity / project within this Outcome:	
	Target 2023-24
Outputs	
Offer free or low cost food and activities.	50 sessions over 12 months
Increase the range of social activities available to improve health and wellbeing and reduce isolation.	
Outcomes / Indicators:	
Attendees report feeling less socially isolated/stronger social network	50 participants

City Plan / Local Community Plan Outcome:

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

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