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Dundee Partnership Community Regeneration Fund

Grant Application 2022/23

Applicant Information		
Name of Applicant Group Friends of Fairmuir Park		
Activity Title	Community Garden	
Grant Requested (£) 6289.00		

- 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 <u>each</u> Forum, but it is essential that each application can stand on its own if agreed and that the application is <u>not</u> 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	□x	Small Grant	
East End		Physical & Environmental Improvement	
Lochee		Youth Inclusion	
Maryfield			
North East		Please note that communications regarding this	
Strathmartine		application will be sent to you via email unless you indicate otherwise	

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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:

Completed the questions on Page 3 relating to covid-19	X
Read the guidance sections of the form	x
Fully completed the information on the front of the form	x
Provided a response to all sections of the application form (including indicating a section as 'N/A' where relevant)	x
Checked that your budget adds up properly?	x
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?	x
Included appropriate, measurable outputs & outcomes?	x
Provided your groups accounts, or other appropriate financial information?	x
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)	X
Checked that the bank details or financial code are correct / complete?	X
Signed the form and given accurate contact details?	x

Before Starting on the Application, Please Consider and Complete the Two Questions Below

If these have not been completed, your application will not be progressed.

Is the activity for which you are applying for funds definitely able to start on your proposed start date? (e.g. are staff and relevant resources available)

Yes

Is the activity for which you are applying compliant with current social distancing and other measures in place to counteract the spread of the coronavirus? Please specify how your activity will meet this requirement Yes

Who is the grant for? (Name of Applicant Group / Department)		of Fairmuir E	?ark	
Did you receive a Dundee Partnership grant during 2021-22? (If yes, list all grants below)			NO	
Title of project fund	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 would use the grant to install a new entrance to the community garden at Fairmuir park bowling green. Currently the only entrance is round the back near the car park. This would allow us to install a visible, accessible and welcoming gateway into the beautiful community garden, including a sign for the garden, where we run activities, events and general opportunities for growing fruit and veg throughout the year.

We would also like a noticeboard installed at this entrance to advertise the plans for the space to the local community and inform people of opportunities to get involved when they are in the park.

It would also link the space with the picnic area, enabling the group to develop and maintain the area around the outside of the fence and become more visible within the park. We have worked closely with P&G Blacksmiths who are confident they can create a bespoke gate with arch sign & noticeboard for this garden, and having reviewed their past work, the group agreed to apply for funding to hopefully realise their proposals.

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

Provide support including financial assistance to new and developing projects

How many people will benefit from this project?	60+
Will any specific groups benefit from this project? (male, female, age range or characteristic)	protected

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

This space was developed for community use due to the bowling green being closed down and concerns about the space being asset transferred to companies who wanted to build on it. The community came together to ensure their park is protected and remains open to the local community. The park is adjacent to areas of multiple deprivation and families often come to Fairmuir for free activity which we hope this will add to.

The events/ activities, workshops and general growing in the garden was well received by local people through the past year which we hope to continue to develop over this year.

To achieve this we need support to ensure we can organise volunteers, plan the year and develop the garden to be more accessible & visible and more productive for the community.

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

We held our AGM recently and the community who attended were very positive about continuing the project and developing the garden.

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?)

All of this was proposed through conversations with those using the space and volunteers supporting the project.

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

Access to food and activity will remain completely free of charge and we will provide access to fresh veg and fruit, as well as events where food can be provided. We will also run workshops and activities to educate local people on how to grow their own veg and how to create healthy meals, use fresh ingredients and always with a focus on supporting those who attend. This will make the space more obvious when it is open and allow the community to be more informed about timetables and ensure the whole community can access the space.

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) Yes

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

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

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) Yes

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)	£
None	

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 (£)
Gate with arch and welcome sign	£3,528.00	£3,528.00
Noticeboard Cabinet	£2,736.00	£2,736.00
Padlock	£24.99	£24.99

Totals £6,288.99 £6,288.99

- 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

Accounts provided with previous application

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

How do you intend to monitor the project Outputs and Outcomes? Feedback from community, numbers attending the events and projects.

What is the planned start date of the event/activity?	March 2023
Please note turn around on applications is 6 - 10 weeks and funding cannot be retrospective (see section 2 of the guidance notes)	
What is the planned end date of the event/activity?	March 2023

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 <u>City Plan</u> / <u>Local Community Plan</u> 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 support including financial assistance to new and developing projects

Purpose of activity / project within this Outcome: Fairmuir Community Garden will be more visible and accessible to the local community and better utilised by local people.

	Target 2022-23
Outputs	
Install one new entrance with signage	1
Install Notice board	1
Outcomes / Indicators:	
More people can access the space	

More people are informed about the project.

Quote

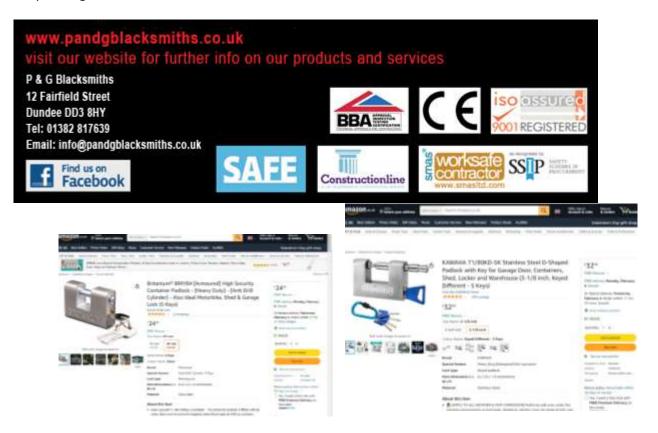
REF – FRIENDS OF FAIRMUIR PARK

Following our site meeting I submit my price to carry out the work detailed below :

- A To supply and install pedestrian access gate with signage on arched top complete with Logo incorporated into centre of gate (galvanised and coated black). Logo to Be coloured as per detail received.
 - Cost Two thousand four hundred and fifty pounds ($\pm 2,940.00 + vat = \pm 3,528.00$)
- B To supply and install free standing single cabinet notice board with graphics and powder coated finish
 Cost - One thousand nine hundred and forty pounds (£2,280.00 + vat = £2,736.00)

I am sure that you will find this price competitive.

Regards, Gary Carling





Completed applications should be emailed (preferably in Word file format) to the Dundee Partnership Team, via <u>alix.finlayson@dundeecity.gov.uk</u>. Please note that at present we are unable to deal with paper-based applications due to our current working arrangements

Please also send an electronic copy of the completed form to the relevant Community Learning & Development Worker supporting the Community Regeneration Forum. Contact details for each of these Workers is on page 10 at the end of the guidance notes. **GUIDANCE NOTES**

Section 1 - Criteria & Requirements

If you require assistance in completing this form, please contact your local Community Worker using the details given on page 9.

CRITERIA

- Applicants must highlight the relevant Outcome(s) relating to their application from the City Plan or Local Community Plan (see section 3 below) and explain how their application will assist in closing the gap for the most disadvantaged people and children i.e. those living in Community Regeneration Areas (CRA)
- It is expected that applicants will explain how the application may assist in delivering on actions in the relevant Local Community Plan (available at <u>www.dundeecity.gov.uk</u> under Community Planning or from local Community Workers)
- It is also preferable for applications to focus on the 15% most deprived areas as set out in the Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation (Community Workers will provide appropriate maps upon request). These are mostly within the CRA boundaries.
- Forums will be expected to demonstrate that they are supporting the Dundee Partnership's commitment to tackling deprivation by 'closing the gap' between the best and worst off in Dundee. For further information please refer to 'For Fairness in Dundee' (copies available from local Community Workers)
- Applications for Physical or Environmental Improvements must be made up of at least £6,000 of Capital development
- Applications from school staff and parent councils are no longer eligible for Small Grants or Youth Inclusion funding. Consideration should instead be given to applying for Pupil Equity Funding or other external funding. Applications for Physical & Environmental applications are still allowed

REQUIREMENTS

- All applicants must submit the latest copy of their annual accounts. These must clearly show what funds are available to the applicant i.e. the level of reserves held, and the overall annual expenditure of the applicant and will be used to help determine eligibility for funding
- Estimates / Quotations for expenditure are necessary in all cases and detailed quotes (including company number and other details) are required. Good practice is to secure three

competitive quotes for larger items of spend and these should all be submitted along with the application as evidence of seeking value for money

- All applications for Physical or Environmental Improvements must state how maintenance will be carried out
- All Small Grant & Youth Inclusion agreed funding must be spent by 31st March 2023. An extension beyond 31st March may be available for Physical & Environmental Improvement approved funding. Unspent funds will be reclaimed

ADDITIONAL GUIDANCE

 Where possible, applicants should seek funding from another source before applying for DP Community Regeneration Funding. This will help it maximise the overall level of funding available to communities across Dundee. In order to achieve this, applicants should plan and apply well in advance of their activity taking place.

Section 2 - Process

- Applicants are to complete the application, inclusive of financial and any other evidence required and provide to the Dundee Partnership Team and relevant Community Worker (see below).
 Applications must be fully completed, signed and include all relevant bank details or code transfer information
- Completed applications, with all necessary supporting evidence, are to be submitted and final funding decisions will be made at Building Stronger Communities meetings on the following dates:

Application Deadline 2022/23	BSC meets on
18 th February	24 th March
18 th March	21 st April
8 th April	19 th May
13 th May	23 rd June
10 th June	21 st July
5 th August	22 nd September

Application Deadline 2022/23	BSC meets on
9 th September	20 th October
7 th October	17 th November
4 th November	15 th December
2 nd December	19 th January
6 th January	16 th February
10 th February	23 rd March

- 3) Community Workers will contact all applicants as part of the Assessment process prior to discussion of the application at the Local Community Regeneration Forum
- 4) Applicants will be informed of the final decision on their application after the relevant meeting of the council's Building Stronger Communities Group
- 5) If applications are unsuccessful at any point during the process, the applicant will be notified in writing by the Dundee Partnership Team
- 6) Successful applicants will be required to sign an acceptance agreeing to the terms and conditions. These are required to be with the Dundee Partnership Team before money is released for successful applicants
- 7) **Payments cannot be made retrospectively** (all activity and expenditure must be after the approval date at Building Stronger Communities)
- 8) Providing monitoring returns on performance and financial expenditure are part of the terms and conditions relating to an award. These forms will be provided by the Dundee Partnership Team to successful applicants. Failure to provide these reports will result in any further applications being rejected until such time as satisfactory reports have been received
- 9) If your award is for year round activity (April to March), an interim report on performance and financial expenditure must be submitted by the 31st October. Failure to submit this will also result in any further applications being rejected until such time as satisfactory reports have been received

Section 3 - Outputs & Outcomes

Applicants should select the appropriate Dundee City Plan Outcome or Local Community Plan Outcome to which their application relates most closely and within which their outputs and outcomes can be recorded. (Both plans are available at (www.dundeecity.gov.uk).

ACTIVITY OUTPUTS & OUTCOMES

Outputs

These are details of activities (i.e. what you will do) and will have numeric targets such as:

- Hold a community event for 400 people. Target = 400 people
- Hold 10 daytime activity sessions over a 10 week period. Target = 10 sessions (you would also be likely to include an output and target for the numbers attending each session)
- 8 hours of street work by two workers per week over 50 weeks. Target = 400hrs

Please only include outputs that are key to the activity/project. If you are unclear about what you should include, contact your local Community Worker in the first instance.

Outcomes / Indicators

These are measures to show the impact of the project (i.e. *the difference you will make and to whom*). A set target is not required, but a numeric response should be possible at the end of the activity.

Whilst setting out the outcomes / indicators, **applicants need to be sure that these will be measurable from their recorded data** (or other data that they are able to access) for their own benefit, that of the Forum and of the Dundee Partnership. If you are unclear about what you should include, contact your local Community Worker in the first instance.

- Number of participants reporting an increased knowledge of the benefits of exercise (could be recorded on feedback forms)
- Young people will better understand the dangers of substance misuse (again a feedback form could be used)
- There is a reduced level of reported anti-social behaviour and criminal activity (information from the police could be used)
- Local residents report being happier with their local area (this could be based on information from annual DCC questionnaires or other, more specific, feedback gained at e.g. community events)

COMMUNITY WORKERS

Each of the Wards listed below has a Community Worker/Communities Officer with a specific responsibility for supporting the activity of the local Community Regeneration Forum, including providing support to potential applicants. The contact details for these workers are given below.

Coldside:	Jennifer Kincaid	433580	jennifer.kincaid@dundeecity.gov.uk
East End:	Claire Shepherd	438643	claire.shepherd@dundeecity.gov.uk
Lochee:	Claire Ramsay	431832	claire.ramsay@dundeecity.gov.uk
Maryfield:	Val Kane	438856	val.kane@dundeecity.gov.uk
North East:	Alan Fraser	438641	alan.fraser@dundeecity.gov.uk
	Fraser Bain	436958	fraser.bain@dundeecity.gov.uk
Strathmartine:	Hazel Feilder	436364	hazel.feilder@dundeecity.gov.uk
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