



## 'Non-constituted Group for Community Benefit Grant Scheme'

(up to a maximum grant of £1,000)

### Guidelines for Applicants

**Thank you for requesting information about this grant scheme.** The Non-constituted Group for Community Benefit Grant Scheme is designed for circumstances where a few residents have an idea for a project but have not yet organised themselves into a formal or constituted group. The application for the grant is made by one individual on behalf of the group. Larger grants for constituted community groups should use the Constituted Group Grant Application Form (and not this one).

**Successful grant applications must accord with the broad aims of Stratherrick and Foyers Community Trust and our funders.** Trust grants have been made to a wide spectrum of projects and groups including sport, social activities, welfare, heritage, education, environmental and community development activities. The Trust funds projects which benefit local people. This grant scheme is able to help non-constituted groups to finance a project for local community benefit up to £1,000. This grant scheme cannot be used for the benefit of a single person or family.

**WARNING – Start planning well before you will need any money. The Trust cannot pay a grant retrospectively. Please contact the Trust and submit an application well ahead of committing to spending any money. It is essential that applicants await the decision of the Trust before commencing the project.**

#### MAKING AN APPLICATION

##### Who can apply?

Anyone aged 18 or over and resident in Stratherrick and Foyers Community Council Area may apply for a Non-constituted Group for Community Benefit Grant (up to a maximum of £1,000). An application may also be made from an individual resident outwith Stratherrick and Foyers **but only if the activity to be funded is for the sole benefit of the community in Stratherrick and Foyers.**

##### What can I apply for?

You may apply for the financial costs that will be incurred by your project. These may include equipment, training, sessional workers, food, fuel, transport and admission tickets. You may apply for up to 100% of the costs of the project.

##### When can I apply?

You may apply at any time. Remember you must receive a decision from the Trust before you can proceed with your project. There are six advertised grant deadlines each year. Your completed application will be placed in the next grant round after receipt, unless it is incomplete. Incomplete applications will be returned.

##### Are there any other rules?

Please read the list of items the Trust will not fund below. Remember that there is a limit of one 'Non-constituted Group for Community Benefit' grant per applicant per year. As with all Trust grants, previous recipients of grant **must** return a Grant Completion Form for their last grant in order to be eligible to apply again.

Stratherrick and Foyers Community Trust Limited, is a company limited by guarantee registered in Scotland, SC270423 at Wildside Centre, Whitebridge IV2 6UN.

The Trust distributes community benefit funds from renewable energy generators in Stratherrick including SSE and Greencoat UK Wind.



### **Where do I apply?**

Apply using the latest form on the Trust website. [www.stratherrickcommunity.org.uk](http://www.stratherrickcommunity.org.uk) and submit this form to the Trust address on the form.

### **What else must be included in an application?**

Please include as much information about your project or activity as you can.

Remember to tell the Trust how the community would benefit, and ideally how many people will participate.

Please supply quotes or pricelists, or screenshots for any items you proposed to purchase. The Trust normally expects applicants to seek three quotes for items, and to include these quotes with an application. List all the costs you want funded in detail and add the amount up. If you are applying for 100% of the costs please indicate this. If other contributions are expected or guaranteed, please mention these.

Remember to include details of a referee who should be someone who knows about your planned project and is independent of you. Please ask the Referee to make sure he or she is happy to act in this role and have Stratherrick and Foyers Community Trust make contact with them.

### **The Trust does not currently fund any of the following projects, costs or applicants.**

The Trust DOES NOT fund projects which do not benefit people in Stratherrick and Foyers, or

- Grant requests which are for the advancement of religion or politics, including requests to support the core activities of religious or political groups.
- Grant requests to repay loans or other debts, or to assist members of the community with energy bills.
- Grant requests to pay for costs already incurred or activities which have already taken place or will take place before a decision on the grant is made by Stratherrick and Foyers Community Trust.
- Grant requests for activities which are generally understood to be the responsibility of statutory bodies (e.g. Highland Council, NHS Highland, Police Scotland).

In addition the Trust will not fund any group or project which is or would be contrary to the interests of the energy companies which fund the Trust's community benefit payments, or which are anti-renewable energy or anti-windfarm, or which would be likely to bring the Trust and its funders into disrepute.

### **STRATHERRICK AND FOYERS COMMUNITY TRUST'S PRIVACY STATEMENT AND DATA PROTECTION POLICY APPLIES TO ANY INFORMATION PROVIDED BY YOU IN A GRANT APPLICATION.**

Please refer to these documents at [www.stratherrickcommunity.org.uk](http://www.stratherrickcommunity.org.uk)

**HELP - SHOULD YOU HAVE ANY QUERIES OR NEED HELP WITH THE FORM, PLEASE CONTACT US.**

- The Trust Project Coordinator - 07525 120966 [pc@sfctrust.org.uk](mailto:pc@sfctrust.org.uk) or
- The Trust Administrator - 07464 394276 [admin@sfctrust.org.uk](mailto:admin@sfctrust.org.uk)

Completed Forms should be sent to

**The Administrator, Stratherrick and Foyers Community Trust, Wildside Centre, Whitebridge IV2 6UN.**

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