

# FUNDING £ALERT

No 16, September 2023

## **South Ayrshire For Funding**

Did you know that you can register for the South Ayrshire 4 Community web page. This is completely free and will enable you to carry out a funding search for your group at anytime. If you haven't already registered then please use the link below to get signed up for this.

<https://www.idoxopen4community.co.uk/southayrshire?bcr=MTIzNA>

---

## **NORTH CARRICK COMMUNITY BENEFIT COMPANY (NCCBC)**

North Carrick Community Benefit is a community-based company (No: SC480121) with charitable recognition (No: SC045947). It has been distributing funds from Scottish Power Renewables' Dersaloch windfarm since 2015. The company focuses on the roughly 9,500 people living in the 5 community council areas in North Carrick: Crosshill, Straiton and Kirkmichael as 1, Kirkoswald, Maidens and Turnberry as 1, and then Dunure and Minishant and Maybole as the other 3 areas.

NCCBC is a membership organisation with membership open to anyone who lives in the area. It has around £300,000 available to spend on improvements in North Carrick each year.

Applications can be submitted by any constituted group that delivers benefits for people in North Carrick. Applications will be considered where they deliver new and innovative projects which promote one or more of the following priorities:

- Regeneration of our built environment for general public benefit
- Environmental Protection and improvement
- Provision, maintenance, or improvement of Public Open Space
- Projects which reduce Greenhouse Gas emissions
- Projects which promote more efficient use of scarce global resources
- Education for local residents
- Recreational activities/facilities
- Protection, preservation, or enhancement of important or significant local buildings
- Alleviating poverty



- Providing training or employment opportunities for unemployed individuals or groups
- Health benefits
- Alleviating hardship caused through health, disability, isolation or other disadvantage
- Citizenship, capacity building, engagement, volunteering and support for individuals and communities
- Arts, Heritage, or culture

## HOW TO APPLY

For more information on how to apply please contact Claire Bryan on [admin@nccbc.org.uk](mailto:admin@nccbc.org.uk).  
Or visit the website at <https://nccbc.org.uk/about/>

## **CARRICK FUTURES**

Carrick Futures supports community projects in Carrick, South Ayrshire.

The fund supports projects primarily located within or directly benefiting one or more of the six community council areas of Ballantrae, Colmonell & Lendalfoot, Barr, Barrhill, Pinmore & Pinwherry and Girvan & District.

Some funds are also available for projects located within or directly benefiting the wider Carrick area. Priority will be given to applications which also benefit one or more of the main beneficiary communities listed above.

### What Can Carrick Futures Fund?

Carrick Futures can support charitable activities that support the rural regeneration and sustainability of Ballantrae, Colmonell & Lendalfoot, Barr, Barrhill, Pinmore & Pinwherry, Girvan & District and Carrick.

Awards can support a wide range of costs and activities.

The Board has agreed four strategic aims, which it will use to prioritise proposed projects. These are:

- Improving access to services (in particular public transport)
- Enabling a diverse and sustainable population mix (services for young people and older people, but also activities that help create opportunities for families and working age people to live in the area).
- Improving equality of opportunity (including tackling poverty and disadvantage).
- Contributing to a climate smarter world with sustainability at its core

Applicants must normally fulfil the following conditions to apply to the fund:

- The proposal is for projects or activities consistent with the charitable purposes of Carrick Futures;



- Applicants have a constitution (governing document or set of rules) and are set up on a not-for-private-profit basis. However applicants do not need to be registered charities to apply.
- Applicants must provide their latest set of accounts, signed by an independent third party, and a copy of a recent bank statement.

## HOW TO APPLY

**They welcome pre-application enquiries. For further advice or information on Carrick Futures or to discuss your project proposal informally, please contact the Foundation Scotland team on [grants@foundationscotland.org.uk](mailto:grants@foundationscotland.org.uk) before applying, to confirm the project is eligible.**

---

## Veterans' Capital Housing Fund – Refurbishment Grants Programme

Funding body:	Office for Veterans' Affairs (OVA)
Maximum value:	£ 75,000
Application deadline:	23/10/2023

Grants for projects that assist in the refurbishment or extension of rental accommodation that will offer high quality support for veterans with a housing need.

### **Background**

The Veterans Capital Housing Fund is provided by the Office for Veterans' Affairs and delivered by the Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust.

This Fund supports projects that contribute to the wider aim of ending veterans' homelessness by providing affordable and viable homes for veterans.

This Fund has been divided into two grants programmes:

- Refurbishment Grants Programme (the subject of this report).
- Development Grants Programme (a separate report).

More programmes are expected to open under this Fund later in 2023 for larger new build or major refurbishment capital projects.

---

### **Objectives of Fund**

This is a refurbishment grant programme. It is for capital projects that will support the refurbishment and/or extension of accommodation for veterans.

The funding is for projects that will:

- Enable refurbishments of existing affordable homes for rent to veterans
- Enable refurbishments of sites that increase the availability of veteran housing
- Ensure properties meet decent homes and energy efficiency standards.



Priority will be given to:

- Single Veterans
- Veterans and their families, including veterans who have shared custody arrangements for their children
- Veterans with disabilities
- Homeless Veterans
- Female Veterans
- LGBT Veterans
- Veterans leaving prison.

---

### **Value Notes**

Grants of up to £75,000 are available for capital refurbishment projects lasting up to one year.

It is anticipated that most grants will be less than £40,000.

---

### **Who Can Apply**

Applications will be accepted from either:

- A registered charity, that has been registered in the UK (with one or more of the charity commissions for England and Wales, or Scotland or Northern Ireland and/or Companies House) for at least three years at the time of their application and be able to provide published accounts for all three years (if requested), with a minimum of three, unrelated trustees that can show it works with Veterans **or**
- A registered social housing provider.

To be eligible, applicants must:

- Have at least five years' relevant social housing experience.
- Be able to show the majority of their organisation's work is with veterans or the predominant beneficiaries of this specific project would be veterans.
- Have ownership of the facility or a lease of 10 or more years.
- Have a minimum of three unrelated trustees (for charities) or directors (for CICs).

---

### **Restrictions**

The following are not eligible for funding:

- Where funding is not benefiting people from the Armed Forces community.
- Projects that do not clearly meet the aims of the programme.
- Projects that are refurbishing/extending buildings that are not for rent to veterans.
- Where money only benefits one person. By this is meant where the whole project would only benefit one person.
- Making grants or donations of money or items of value to individuals or families.
- Repeat or regular projects that require a source of uncommitted funding.
- Endowments (to provide a source of income).
- Topping up existing grants and aid from a government department.



- Investments.
- Fundraising costs, including organising fundraising events and activities.
- Paying for ongoing costs of existing partnership activity.
- Projects, activities or services that the state has a legal obligation to provide.
- Retrospective funding for projects that have already started or taken place
- Excessive management or professional fees or contingency costs.

This is not an exhaustive list.

---

### ***Eligible Expenditure***

The funding is intended to help with the costs of refurbishment or extension of accommodation facilities linked to:

- Transitional homeless Veteran housing
- Accommodation or facilities in a Veteran care home
- Accommodation or facilities in long-term, Veteran supported rented housing.
- Refurbishments that enhance and improve access to rented housing for Veterans with disabilities.

The grant can be used to pay for most things needed for the project and could include the following costs:

- Direct building costs relating to the building refurbishment project.
- Staff time for this fixed-term project to manage it effectively.
- Professional fees that are directly related to their building project, such as qualified project managers.

Applications for new build or major refurbishment capital projects will open later in Autumn 2023.

---

### ***Location***

UK

---

### ***How To Apply***

There will be two funding rounds in the 2023/24 financial year:

- Applications received by **midday** on 23 October 2023 will receive a decision by 31 December 2023.
- Applications received by **midday** on 8 January 2024 will receive a decision by 31 March 2024.

The guidance notes, FAQs and online application form can be found on the Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust's website.

Contact the Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust for further information.

[Veterans Capital Housing Fund launches first programmes : Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust](#)



## UK Games Fund Content Fund

Funding body:	Department for Culture, Media and Sport (DCMS)
Maximum value:	£ 150,000
Application deadline:	Not specified

Creative developers and start-up games studios in the UK can bid for grants to turn their new video game ideas into market leaders.

### **Background**

The UK Games Fund is funded by the UK Government's Department for Culture, Media & Sport (DCMS). The programme is managed by the UK Games Talent and Finance Community Interest Company (CIC).

In September 2023, a £5 million in additional investment has been used to establish a new UKGF Content Fund.

---

### **Objectives of Fund**

Funded by the UK Government, the UK Games Fund - Content Fund has been established to support 'commercial games-for-entertainment' studios wishing to scale-up their operations.

The scheme will support the development of intellectual property, allowing video games companies to attract investment and reach their next stage of growth.

The aim is to create new jobs in the creative industries, which are one of the Government's five priority sectors to grow the economy.

---

### **Value Notes**

£5 million is available over 18 months (from September 2023) to get games ready to release

Individual grants of between £50,000 and £150,000 will be awarded.

---

### **Who Can Apply**

The Content Fund is open to UK-based independent games development studios seeking funding for UK-based development staff and UK-based contractors.

The funder normally expects companies to not be a recently established start-up, or formed for the purposes of securing this grant. A start-up may be considered where supported by the founders' effective articulation of the structural rationale as above alongside an immediate publishing opportunity secured because of founder track record.



### **Restrictions**

Ineligible projects include non-commercial, non-entertainment games, student projects/graduation works, games incapable of obtaining a PEGI rating, corporate/marketing functions (etc).

---

### **Eligible Expenditure**

Eligible costs are staff and contractor costs for hands-on development activity.

---

### **Location**

United Kingdom

---

### **How To Apply**

Applications are currently open on a rolling basis.

The funding provider may close its application portal periodically for ten to fourteen days to review batches of applications, re-opening as soon as possible.

At present the scheme is funded until 31 March 2025. The aim is for applications to be accepted up to this date. However, this situation is subject to change and high demand could lead it closing earlier.

Applications are made online. More information can be accessed at the UK Games Fund [website](#).

Contact the UK Games Talent and Finance Community Interest Company for further information.

[Home - Content Fund \(ukgamesfund.com\)](http://ukgamesfund.com)

---

## **Scottish Building Society Foundation**

Funding body:	Scottish Building Society Foundation
Maximum value:	£ 5,000
Application deadline:	09/10/2023

Grants are available for registered charities and community organisations for projects and initiatives to benefit those living in Scotland.

### **Further details**

#### **Background**

The Scottish Building Society established the Scottish Building Society Foundation in May 2023 to support local charities and community groups. Foundation Scotland administers the application process on its behalf.





New and existing projects are funded by the award.

---

### **Objectives of Fund**

The Foundation aims to support vulnerable individuals and communities across Scotland by funding long-term initiatives to ensure future sustainability.

---

### **Value Notes**

The total fund value for the current round is £30,000 from an initial investment of £175,000.

Grants of up to £5,000 are available.

Core costs must not exceed 25% of the overall project budget.

---

### **Match Funding Restrictions**

Match funding is not a specified requirement of the grant.

---

### **Who Can Apply**

Registered charities, constituted voluntary and community groups, and community companies can apply. CICs are eligible if they meet the Fund's minimum governance standards.

As the Scottish Building Society has six branches in Aberdeen, Edinburgh, Galashiels, Glasgow, Inverness and Troon, priority funding will be given to groups working in the local authorities of Scottish Border, City of Edinburgh, Glasgow City, Aberdeen City, South Ayrshire and Highland. However, applications are accepted from other areas in Scotland.

To be eligible, applicants must:

- Have an annual gross income below £250,000.
- Be constituted (have a governing document).
- Have a bank account in the name of the group with at least two unrelated signatories.
- Have at least three unrelated members on their management committee.
- Have committee meetings with a quorum of at least three unrelated members present.
- Be at least two unrelated cheque signatories.

---

### **Restrictions**

The following are not eligible for funding:

- Individuals or private businesses.
- Applications to advance a campaign or a religious or political cause.
- The promotion of religious beliefs.
- Activities that are understood to be a statutory responsibility and/or seek to replace statutory sources of funding.
- Pre-existing costs that the organisation already incurred as a result of its day-to-day activities.
- Standalone costs for small capital or equipment costs.





- Applications that are requesting less than 25% of the total project cost.
- Organisations with an annual gross income of more than £250,000.

---

### **Eligible Expenditure**

A range of project costs and activities are supported, such as equipment, running costs for local groups, staff or sessional worker costs, consultations, maintenance or refurbishment of community facilities, and capital costs to purchase or develop community assets.

Eligible projects include (but are not limited to):

- Community facilities and services, transport, open spaces, affordable housing, community development, reduction of poverty, and care for the elderly.
- Community and/or local events.
- Youth and education, providing training opportunities and support for vulnerable youngsters.
- Promoting care and support of vulnerable people by improving community safety, minimising isolation and maximising wellbeing.

---

### **Location**

Scotland

---

### **How To Apply**

The closing date for applications is 9 October 2023 for decisions at the end of November.

Guidelines and an online application form can be found on the Foundation Scotland website.

An awards panel comprised of Scottish Building Society representatives and Foundation Scotland will assess applications biannually.

Contact Foundation Scotland for more information.

[Scottish Building Society | Foundation Scotland](#)

---

## **Alastair James Memorial Trust**

Funding body

Funding body:	Northamptonshire Community Foundation
Maximum value:	£ 1,000
Application deadline:	31/10/2023

Grants are available to fund charitable projects that benefit people living in the UK.



## **Background**

The fund is being administered by the Northamptonshire Community Foundation.

---

## **Objectives of Fund**

The scheme offers grants to registered charities and community and voluntary groups to support projects that help those in need in the UK and Commonwealth.

---

## **Value Notes**

Grants of up to £1,000 are available.

---

## **Who Can Apply**

Applications are accepted from registered charities, community and voluntary groups and individuals in Northamptonshire, the UK and the Commonwealth.

To be eligible, groups must have:

- - A set of written rules or constitution that the group adheres to and that contains a dissolution policy.
  - Written procedures for keeping young people and/or vulnerable people safe, otherwise known as a child protection or vulnerable people's policy.
  - An equality and diversity policy.
- 

## **Eligible Expenditure**

Grants can be used for costs associated with projects that help people in need, including for the purchase of items of equipment, such as vehicles provided such equipment has been manufactured in the United Kingdom or in a Commonwealth country.

---

## **Location**

UK

---

## **How To Apply**

Expressions of interest can be submitted from 1 September to 31 October 2023 (midday).

An online expression of interest form is available on the Northamptonshire Community Foundation website.

[Northamptonshire Community Foundation - The Alastair James Memorial Trust \(ncf.uk.com\)](http://ncf.uk.com)



# SCVO LISTED FUNDING

## FCC Scottish Action Fund

### Summary

The FCC Scottish Action Fund offers funding to projects through the Scottish Landfill Communities Fund (SLCF). It will consider applications across all types of projects included in the SLCF:

- Land Reclamation (Object A): The reclamation, remediation, restoration or other operation on land to facilitate economic, social or environmental use.
- Community Recycling (Object B): Community based recycling, re-use and waste prevention projects.
- Public Amenities and Parks (Object C): To provide, maintain or improve a public park or other public amenity.
- Biodiversity (Object D): The conservation or promotion of biological diversity through the provision, conservation, restoration or enhancement of a natural habitat or the maintenance or recovery of a species in its natural habitat.
- Historic Buildings (Object E): The maintenance, repair or restoration of a building, other structure or a site of archaeological interest which is a place of religious worship, or a site of historic or architectural or archaeological interest and is open to the public.

**Geographical areas funded:** Scotland

<b>Type of funding:</b>	Grant
<b>Type of cost:</b>	Capital
<b>Minimum:</b>	£2,000
<b>Maximum:</b>	£40,000

**Annually awarded:**

£506,266

**Notes on award amounts:**



Annual total for Scotland from 2022 accounts. The maximum total project cost is £250,000 including VAT.

### Who can apply

Charities, community councils, church or community organisations and voluntary groups can apply for funding as long as they are operated on a not-for-profit basis and have a formal constitution and bank account. In addition Local Authorities can also apply.

### When to apply

The next deadline is 5pm on 6 December 2023. Decisions will be made by the Board in March 2024.

### Future rounds:

- Opens 20 March 2024 and closes at 5pm on 5 June 2024. Decisions will be made by the Board in September 2024.
- Opens 18 September 2024 and closes at 5pm on 4 December 2024. Decisions will be made by the Board in March 2025.

Next deadline: 6 Dec 2023

### How to apply

Apply online via the FCC Communities Foundation website.

### Exclusions

This fund lists a large number of exclusions including:

- Purchase of land
- Revenue or salary costs of staff including training and travel costs
- Construction of new buildings or extensions to existing buildings
- Village or town centre enhancements

See guidance notes for full details.

For Public Amenity, Biodiversity and Historic Building projects must be within 10 miles of any landfill site or transfer station (not just FCC Environment sites).

[FCC Community Action Fund / FCC \(fcccommunitiesfoundation.org.uk\)](https://fcccommunitiesfoundation.org.uk)



## Commonwealth Foundation - Annual Grants Call

The Foundation supports civic voices to share their stories, learn and act together and influence the institutions that shape people's lives.

They support projects that seek to facilitate constructive engagement between civil society and decision makers, including civil society participation in policy development and decision-making.

Applications must address one or more of their three priority themes:

1. Health justice
2. Climate justice
3. Freedom of expression

All applications are required to demonstrate how they intend to integrate considerations of gender into their project design and implementation.

**Geographical areas funded:** Worldwide

<b>Type of funding:</b>	Grant
<b>Type of cost:</b>	Revenue
<b>Minimum:</b>	£15,000
<b>Maximum:</b>	£30,000

### Notes on award amounts:

The total grant amount requested must be between £15,000 and £30,000 per year for a maximum of two years. The requested grant amount should not exceed 70% of the applicant organisation's total annual income.

### Who can apply

Applicants must be registered not for profit civil society organisations, have an annual income of less than £2 million. The applicant must be based in an eligible Commonwealth Foundation member country and the project should take place in an eligible Commonwealth Foundation member country.

### Maximum annual income:

£2,000,000



## When to apply

Applications close at 1pm on 23 October 2023.

Next deadline: 23 Oct 2023

## How to apply

Complete the eligibility checker on the Foundation's website. If eligible, you can complete the full application online.

### **Contact information**

#### Exclusions

The applicant must be based in an eligible Commonwealth Foundation member country and the project should take place in an eligible Commonwealth Foundation member country.

---

## The Triangle Trust 1949 Trust - Young Offender Grants

### Summary

Funds work with young people with criminal convictions or those who are at high risk of committing a first offence. In 2023 they will be funding work that uses a Sport for Development approach to reduce reoffending and first offence rates.

They run two grant rounds each year – one for work supporting young people who have a criminal conviction on their record and one for young people who are considered high risk and on the edge of the criminal justice system.

Funding can only be used to work with young offenders even if your organisation works with vulnerable young people more broadly. They will prioritise proposals that provide specialist support to target:

- Young people who are from Black or minoritised/racialised communities (often referred to as Black, Asian and minority ethnic communities),
- Young women and girls, and
- Young people who have experienced the care system

**Geographical areas funded:** UK

#### Fund type

<b>Type of funding:</b>	Grant
<b>Type of cost:</b>	Revenue



<b>Minimum:</b>	-
<b>Maximum:</b>	£80,000

**Notes on award amounts:**

Grants of up to £80,000 over two years are available. A maximum of £40,000 per year can be requested.

**Who can apply**

All organisations must be working in the UK with a UK office and have an annual income of less than £1 million to be eligible to apply.

**Maximum annual income:**

£1,000,000

**When to apply**

The next round focuses on organisations working with high risk young people on the edge of the criminal justice system and closes on 29 October 2023.

Next deadline: 29 Oct 2023

**How to apply**

There is a two-stage application process involving an online application followed by an assessment visit. Full details are available via the Trust website.

[Young Offenders \(triangletrust.org.uk\)](http://triangletrust.org.uk)

---

## Rosa - Voices from the Frontline

### Summary

Rosa's Voices from the Frontline fund offers one-year grants to support campaigning and influencing work that enables women and girls to use their voice to achieve change. They will fund a broad range of activity including:

- Campaigning for changes in policy and laws including activities such as petitions, social media campaigns and lobbying.
- National campaigns that address issues that affect women and girls.
- Influencing community leaders and power holders about issues that affect women in a particular place or community.





- Gathering evidence or producing tools and reports which enable women and women's organisations to campaign for change.
- Mentoring or training for women on how to participate in public life and influence social policy.
- Video and media campaigns about specific issues facing women.
- Training activists in campaigning, advocacy, lobbying or public speaking.

**Geographical areas funded: UK**

<b>Type of funding:</b>	Grant
<b>Type of cost:</b>	Revenue
<b>Minimum:</b>	£500
<b>Maximum:</b>	£7,000

**Who can apply**

To be eligible for funding from the Voices from the Frontline fund, your organisation must:

1. Meet Rosa's definition of a women's and girls' organisation
2. Be a not-for-profit organisation
3. Have a written governing document e.g., a constitution or set of rules
4. Have a governing body with at least 3 unrelated members
5. Have a UK-based bank or building society account in the name of your organisation with at least 2 unrelated signatories
6. Have been active for one year and be able to produce annual accounts for a whole year
7. Have an appropriate safeguarding policy in place

**When to apply**

Applications close at 4pm on 11 October 2023.

Next deadline: 11 Oct 2023



## How to apply

Please visit Rosa's website to read the application guidance. To apply you need to submit a short application form with a 3 minute video setting out what you want to do with the grant. Rosa are running information webinars ahead of the deadline. To register to attend, visit their website.

## Exclusions

- Responsibilities of statutory agencies
- Profit-making work
- Party political activity
- Activities promoting religious beliefs
- Work outside the UK
- Applications from individuals
- Overseas travel
- Interest payments on loans
- Building purchase
- Costs that your organisation has already incurred ('retrospective costs')

[Voices from the Frontline - Rosa \(rosauk.org\)](http://rosauk.org)

---

## The MSE Charity

### Summary

The MSE Charity supports organisations that deliver activities which make a lasting impact on how people think, behave and manage their money.

There is a different themed round each year. The theme of the next grant round is Life Changing Transitions.

**Geographical areas funded:** UK

### Fund type

<b>Type of funding:</b>	Grant
<b>Type of cost:</b>	Revenue



<b>Minimum:</b>	£2,000
<b>Maximum:</b>	£7,500

**Annually awarded:**

£32,327

**Notes on award amounts:**

The majority of grants given to date have been under £5,000.

**Who can apply**

Organisations must be either a UK registered charity, community interest company, credit union or a not-for-profit company limited by guarantee or social enterprise company. Organisations should have an income under £500,000 and have less than six months free reserves.

**Maximum annual income:**

£500,000

**When to apply**

There are two grant rounds each year and will close once 40 applications have been accepted. You should apply as soon as possible after applications open.

The next grant round, Life Changing Transitions opens on 4 September 2023. The round will close on 29 September or earlier if they have already accepted 40 applications.

The last grant round opened on 3 January and closed on 17 January 2023 once 40 applications were received.

**How to apply**

If the grant round is open and not full, you will be able to access the short online application form. It is important to apply as soon as possible as only the first 40 applications will be considered.

[Home \(msecharity.com\)](http://msecharity.com)



