

Appendix 1 – Sustainable Communities Fund Applications Round 3

TABLE A - RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE					
Name of organisation	Project description	Tier	Grant Application Amount	Funding Award Recommended	Comments
Finding Your Feet (FYF)	To enhance the garden space at the rear of the Finding Your Feet Hub, St James House Paisley. Activities and workshops would be run from the space for service users across 11 tenant organisations within the building.	Large	£92,245	Approve	Note application deferred from previous round.
Sculpture House Collective CIC	To instruct an Architectural Feasibility Study to explore how the fabric can be upgraded to reduce environmental impact, improve access and expand offer.	Small	£9,948	Approve – £8,940	Note application deferred from previous round, and funding requested amended from £9948 following clarification from applicant.
Local Energy Action Plan (LEAP)	To develop the Community Larder provision	Intermediate	£24,900	Approve	Note application deferred from previous round. Panel recommend approval with recommended condition that the Economic Development Team provide business planning support to LEAP to support the organisation in its steps to become financially sustainable.

Linwood Community Gardens Ltd	To redevelop the gardens and bring them back to a workable condition for the local community.	Intermediate	£24,506.95 CAP - £22,006.95 REV: £2,500	Approve	Note application deferred from previous round.
Ferguslie Community Development Trust	To undertake a RIBA Stage 2 study, Feasibility Study and Business Plan for St Ninians's Hall. This would provide a breakdown of works and costs to develop the hall as a community space, to support the Trust's Community Asset Transfer request and inform the funding strategy for the project.	Intermediate	£24,747	Approve	
Renfrew Town Sea Scouts	To renovate the hall used by the Sea Scouts to bring it up to standard and increase capacity	Intermediate	£25,000	Approve award of £10,000	<p>Note application deferred from previous round.</p> <p>Land has historically been included within bids for structural investment as part of wider masterplan proposals, such as recent applications to the Levelling Up fund. There remains significant potential for it to be linked to future funding bids.</p> <p>Panel recognised the importance of the local group and its activities and recommended award of funding required to maintain security and outdoor areas as identified in the application.</p>

Outspoken Arts	The purpose of the project is to create a long-lasting permanent home in the former Argos store on Causeyside Street for 'The Art Department', Outspoken Arts Scotland's flagship project currently based in the Paisley Centre	Large	£122,830 £99,080 capital – Phase 1 works £23,750 revenue – Phase 2 works	Approve - £99,000 for Phase 1	Approve maximum award of £99,000 subject to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Finalisation of proposed 15 year lease agreement for property - Receipt of 3 detailed quotes for Phase 1 works - Development of a Strategic Partnerships Agreement to ensure overall funding model is clear, including routes to external funding.
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TABLE B - RECOMMENDATION TO DEFER					
Name of organisation	Project description	Tier	Grant Application Amount	Funding Award Recommended	Comments
RIG Arts	A feasibility study to research community management opportunities – the aim is to build an understanding of links between existing community groups and identify ways to build community capacity in order to identify opportunities for the long term sustainability both of the space and of the community that has been built up around the space. The study will build upon local networks and partnerships and look at opportunities to transfer powers to a community group or organisation to ensure a sustainable, place-based approach that	Small	£9,623	n/a – Deferred application	Note recommendation to defer to allow for further engagement and clarification on the application.

	brings people together to influence decisions around spaces that matter to them.				
Tannahill Centre	To secure expert support to work with existing projects operating from the Tannahill Centre - Community market, Senior's lunch club and Ferguslie Growing area. To conduct a community consultation on the community's opinions on vacant buildings within Ferguslie Park	Intermediate	£25,000	n/a – Deferred application	Note recommendation to defer to allow for further engagement and clarification on the application.
Friends of Barshaw Park	To ensure the survival and longevity of the Walled Garden by maintaining the structural support of the wall and bring the buildings back into use as workshops and as venues for activities.	Large	£80,000	n/a – Deferred application	Note recommendation to defer to allow for further engagement and clarification on the application.
Caledonia Bowling Club	The purpose of the project is to improve the Club's internal and external facilities to make these safer and more inclusive, including ramps and handrails, toilet facilities.	Small	£10,000	n/a – Deferred application	Note application deferred from previous round. Organisation has indicated plans to move to new community governance model which could include a SCIO. Panel agreed to reconsider application upon receipt of the updated constitution.

TABLE C – APPLICATIONS NOT RECOMMENDED FOR AWARD

Name of organisation	Project description	Tier	Grant Application Amount	recommendation	Comments
Bishopton Tennis Club	To invest in floodlight provision to extend playing period and encourage activity across senior age groups	Intermediate	£24,000	No award	Note application deferred from previous round. The application did not meet the core funding criteria, as a member-based organisation it was felt the application did not sufficiently demonstrate wider community benefit.
Bishopton Rugby Club	To purchase grounds maintenance equipment to improve usability and access to both pitches and off pitch areas.	Intermediate	£20,000	No award	Note application deferred from previous round. The application did not meet the core funding criteria, as a member-based organisation it was felt the application did not sufficiently demonstrate wider community benefit.
I was Gonnae	To contribute to costs of music experience programmes for various groups including adult learners, young adults with learning difficulties, adult drop-in centres, judicial groups, carers, visually impaired, veterans, and youth groups.	Intermediate	£19,100	No award	Note application deferred from previous round. The application did not meet the core funding criteria as it focused on recurring revenue costs with no identified plan for sustainability.
Cameron Dance Group	To train three existing tutors to enable them to teach with a professional - qualification freestyle associate BATD.	Small	£2,000	No award	The application did not meet the core funding criteria.
Local Energy Action Plan (LEAP)	The project will increase users and usage of Zero-Emission cars and E-Bikes in Linwood and Lochwinnoch.	Intermediate	£25,000	No award	Note application deferred from previous round.

					Current application relates to recurring revenue costs. It is recommended that business planning support is offered to LEAP through Economic Development team, with a view to a potentially revised application being submitted for this project in the future.
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TABLE D – ADDITIONAL DECISIONS FOR CONSIDERATION BY BOARD				
Name of organisation	Project description	Tier	Grant Application Amount	
Kilbarchan Smile	To improve an area of park at the centre of the village, creating an accessible heritage garden in which to contemplate, learn and discover about heritage, horticulture and poetry, linked to the heritage trail through the village.	Intermediate	£23,416	The Panel were supportive of elements of this project but noted that the project as a whole could be supported through Villages Investment Funding. Application referred for further discussion with Lead Officer for this fund.

TABLE E – WITHDRAWN			
Name of organisation	Project description	Tier	Grant Application Amount

Kirklandneuk Growers Group	To establish plots for local tenants to grow plants, fruit and veg, whilst enhancing the area, provide relief and recovery towards mental health, and educating children on growing foods.	Large	£100,000
St Mirren FC Charitable Foundation	To provide a health and wellbeing hub in Ferguslie Park as well as a standalone base for charity staff.	Large	£100,000
Ralston Primary Out of School care	To identify if the building of a purpose build family centre is needed and possible in the area between Ralston Primary School and the Ralston Community sports football pitches.	Intermediate	£25,000