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**COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT FUND  
2025/2026**

Completed project application forms must be emailed to:

[grants@south-ayrshire.gov.uk](mailto:grants@south-ayrshire.gov.uk)

The closing date for applications is Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2025 at 5pm.

Please refer to the associated guidance when completing this application form.

**All projects must be completed by 28<sup>th</sup> February 2026**

**AMOUNT OF GRANT REQUESTED**

TYPE OF GRANT	AMOUNT	PURPOSE	SELECT ONE
*Small grant	Up to £4950	To assist with any barriers to sustaining your group. For development of smaller projects.	<input type="checkbox"/>
*Community ownership/Community Asset Transfer (CAT)/ Community empowerment	Up to £15,000	For groups who are taking ownership of land or assets. To support groups going through CAT or who have successfully achieved this, as well as supporting groups who are taking the lease of an asset. To support groups to achieve the priorities identified within their place plans or Community Action Plans	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

**\* only one type of grant can be selected**

**SECTION 1 – ORGANISATION DETAILS**

a	Organisation Name	Troon Water Sports Center
b	Organisation Address	c/o 2 Golf Place,Troon.KA106LA
c	Website	N/A
d	Type of organisation (voluntary organisation, charity, CIC, Ltd. by guarantee, SCIO, unincorporated)	SCIO



	associationetc. or private sector)	
e	If a charity or Limited Company please include your number	SCIO47691
f	Is your organisation VAT registered?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
g	Does your group/organisation have a bank account?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/>

## SECTION 2 – CONTACT DETAILS

The contacts below will be required to read the guidance notes and consent to being contacted by the council officers managing this fund including for monitoring and evaluation purposes.			
	Contacts	Lead Contact	Secondary Contact
A	Name		
B	Position in Organisation		
C	Contact E-mail		
D	Contact Telephone Number		

## SECTION 3 – PROJECT DETAILS

a	Project Title	Water Sports Hub Solar panel/battery storage installation
b	<p>The project will establish a new inclusive Ayrshire and South West Scotland wide regional community water based facility.The Hub will be a well used,high profile and connected community hub that promotes improving Health and Wellbeing and Community inclusion.</p> <p>The Hub will install Solar panels and battery storage and heat pump source to ensure the best environmental conditions possible and contributes to all carbon neutral requirements.</p>	
c	What community will this project be delivered in and what communities will benefit?	



	<p><b>Target Market:</b>South West Scotland regional facility-Local and regional population,visitors,tourists,cyclists.Outdoor learning groupsand schoo;s-health and well being activities,water sports clubs and organisations and groups from deprived and disadvantaged areas.The new Sustrans Ayrshire link(Ayr to Barassie active cycle route)will enhance the cycling link to provide facilities at the hub on Barassie beach.Additionally theHub,s training/community space and cafe(with takeaway) will be open to the general public and local community groups.</p>
d	<p>If your project will require maintenance in future years how will your organisation achieve/fund this?</p> <p>The construction of the Hub is planned for low maintenance requirement but any required will be met through income from the cafe,cycle hire,rent of community space and a future sauna.</p>
e	<p>Can your project demonstrate that your project/organisation needs have been identified through consultation?</p> <p>Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>We have engaged Thomson Hunter Architects Kilmarnock to Project manage the whole Project. Planning application 24/00927/APP is currently under consideration by South Ayrshire Planning Dept.</p> <p>Building Warrant and Tender documents are being prepared by our Architects.</p>
f	<p><b>Which of the following Council plan priorities most aligns with your proposed project:</b></p> <p>Priority 1 – Spaces &amp; Places <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Priority 2 – Live, Work, learn <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Priority 3 – Civic &amp; Community Pride <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><b>What UKSPF priority does it meet:</b></p> <p>Health &amp; Wellbeing <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Green Spaces, Active Travel, Sports Facilities, Cost of Living Support)</p> <p>Community Safety <input type="checkbox"/> (Crime Reduction/Prevention)</p>



	<p>Community Inclusion <input type="checkbox"/>x (Arts, Culture, Heritage, Volunteering, Digital Connectivity, Local Engagement and Regeneration)</p> <p><b>Does your project meet with any of the following objectives?</b></p> <p>Ownership of local land and assets <input type="checkbox"/>x50 year lease in place with SAC</p> <p>Community led regeneration <input type="checkbox"/>x</p> <p>Assist with Community Asset Transfer x<input type="checkbox"/> Asset transfer completed</p> <p>Align with Community Wealth Building Principles <input type="checkbox"/>x</p> <p>Link into your local place plan/community action plan priorities <input type="checkbox"/>x</p> <p><b>If linking into a place plan or a community action plan, please details which priority it will be achieving:</b>“Troon Together”Public Consultation Project:Regeneration for the community—A combined 94%of results from the 2019 “Troon Together”Public Consultation part funded by South Ayrshire Council and the Scottish Government “Making Places ”campaign identified a need for :Provision of a water sports centre:Branded identity for the area ie water sports:Accessible acces to the shore front.More activities and facilities for young adults especially from disadvantaged Ayrshire families.</p>	
<b>g</b>	Estimated start date:	June 2025
<b>h</b>	Estimated completion date:	March 2026
<b>i</b>	<p>Is your application submitted in partnership with other organisations?Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>X</p> <p>If yes, please detail.</p>	
<b>j</b>	<p>If your project relates to a property or land, please confirm whether you own, or lease the property orland</p> <p>own<input type="checkbox"/>lease <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>x</p> <p>Iflease, an indication that the owner is supportive or aware that plans will be required. Please detail how you will provide evidence of support, ie long term lease</p>	



	<p><b>South Ayrshire Council is supportive and aware plans are in place</b> <b>If lease, then a copy of the lease needs to be provided.</b></p>
k	<p><b>Please tick/populate as appropriate:</b> <b>Are you aware of the appropriate consents required for this project?</b> Yes x <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><b>Do you have:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Statutory consents for your project in place <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>x</li> <li>Planning, including listed building and conservation area consents <input type="checkbox"/>x in progress</li> <li>Building Warrants <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>x in progress</li> <li>Evidence of Pre application discussion <input type="checkbox"/> Please include your reference number _____</li> </ul> <p>Not applicable <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>We have engaged Thomson Hunter Architects,Kilmarnock to manage our project and our current amended planning application 24/00927/APP is being considered with South Ayrshire Planning department.Architects are currently preparing Building Warrant and Tender documents for the whole project</p> <p><b>Copies of any of the above need to be provided</b></p>

#### SECTION 4 – PROJECT COSTS

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a	<p><b>How much are you requesting from the Community Empowerment Fund</b></p> <p><b>Are you applying for Revenue or Capital costs, or both?</b></p> <p>Revenue <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Capital <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>X</p>	£15000
b	<b>Please provide a full break down of costs for your project.</b>	



	<p>If applying for both revenue and capital, then please details costs separately.</p> <p><b>*For costs over £1000, 3 quotes need to be provided – <u>if relevant quotes are not provided when submitting application, it will not be considered.</u></b></p> <p>3 Quotes emailed separately.</p>									
c	<p><b>Does your group require the full amount applied for your project? Yes <input type="checkbox"/>x No <input type="checkbox"/></b></p> <p>If the fund is oversubscribed, would a part funded offer be considered? Yes <input type="checkbox"/>x No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><b>If yes, then would this impact the delivery of the project?</b></p> <p>Not necessarily as we would seek the rest of the funding elsewhere.</p> <p><b>If you are successful, will this funding be used as match funding?</b> Yes      No <input type="checkbox"/>x</p> <p>If yes, have the other sources been confirmed.</p>									
d	<p><b>Our total project estimated cost is £275000 of which we have raised £220000. We have received funding from Sport Scotland/Awards for All/Postcode Lottery and various other small funders. The amount we are applying for is specifically for the Solar panel and battery storage system.</b></p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td><b>Body:</b></td><td></td></tr> <tr> <td><b>Amount applied for:</b></td><td></td></tr> <tr> <td><b>Amount received:</b></td><td></td></tr> <tr> <td colspan="2"><b>OR</b></td></tr> </table>		<b>Body:</b>		<b>Amount applied for:</b>		<b>Amount received:</b>		<b>OR</b>	
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e	<p><b>Please confirm you have the following documents:</b></p> <p>Constitution/Memorandum &amp; Articles <input type="checkbox"/> x</p> <p>Audited or independently verified accounts <input type="checkbox"/> x</p> <p>Last 3 months bank statements <input type="checkbox"/> x</p> <p><b>We ask that you do not upload these documents when submitting your application due to GDPR regulations. These documents should be submitted via email to <a href="mailto:grants@south-ayrshire.gov.uk">grants@south-ayrshire.gov.uk</a></b></p>	

## SECTION 5 – DECLARATION AND CONDITIONS

I, on behalf of, (organisation name):

- Certify that to the best of my knowledge the information contained in this application is true and accurate and will adhere to the following terms and conditions;
- Understand that making this application does not entitle the organisation to funding as a right;
- Will not commence or commit any expenditure before receiving approval of the funding;
- Confirm that the quotations are bona fide competitive quotes;
- Will provide the External Funding officer with digital colour photos of the work, both before and after the work has been completed. I understand that these images will be kept on record and used for future publicity;
- Understand that this funding award does not cover retrospective work;
- Understand that to make any misleading statement in relation to this application could make the application invalid, or may mean the organisation has to repay the funding;
- Understand that this application is subject to appropriate checks and meets appropriate conditions such



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as planning, procurement guidelines, and other statutory consents; and

- I have read the associated guidance before completing and submitting this application form.
- Understands that if I do not provide satisfactory evidence of spend then the council may request I repay the grant
- Failure to return or complete and return any evaluations requested then I may not receive any future funding from South Ayrshire Council. I may be asked to repay the funds if I cannot provide evidence that they were used for the purpose intended.

Signature: Harry M Risk \_\_\_\_\_ Date: 30.04.2025

On behalf of: (Organisation name) TROON WATER SPORTS CENTRE \_\_\_\_\_

**Please submit all supporting information to:**

External funding Officer  
[grants@south-ayrshire.gov.uk](mailto:grants@south-ayrshire.gov.uk)