COASTAL COMMUNITIES FUND

2026-2027

The closing date for applications is 29th October 2026.
Please note late applications will not be accepted.

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

All projects must be completed by 30th June 2027.

This is an application form for the Coastal Communities Fund managed by South Ayrshire Council. Please complete all parts of the form. If you require any clarification or additional information, then please contact grants@south-ayrshire.gov.uk

Amount of grant requested

TYPE OF GRANT	AMOUNT	PURPOSE	SELECT ONE
*Development grant	Up to £15,000	The Development Grant will assist groups to plan & develop small scale projects that will link into one of the priorities of the Coastal Communities Grant Fund. Projects will essentially make communities a more attractive place to live & work.	☒

Section 1: Organisation Details

Organisation Name	**Kirkmichael Ayrshire Development Trust**
Organisation Address	**McCosh Hall, 19 Patna Road, Kirkmichael, KA19 7PJ**
Type of organisation (voluntary organisation, charity, CIC, Ltd. by guarantee, SCIO, unincorporated association etc. or private sector)	**SCIO**
If a charity or Limited Company, please include your number	**SC053662**

Does your group/organisation have a bank account?	Yes ☒ No ☐ In progress ☐

Section 2: Contact details

Contacts	Lead Contact
Name	Jen Williams
Position in Organisation	Development Officer

Section 3: Project Details

a. Project Title

McCosh Hall Service and Maintenance Plan

b. About your project, what are you seeking funding for?

What risks have you considered, and what steps will you take to keep the project sustainable over the long term?

This project will support the ongoing care of McCosh Hall by funding essential servicing, inspections and safety requirements. This will include lift servicing and inspections, alarm, boiler and fire extinguisher servicing. Together, these measures will help the Trust maintain a safe, accessible and welcoming building for the many groups and individuals who use the hall.

The Trust has only had ownership of the hall for 6 months and is working on building up a maintenance fund for future costs from hall lets and fundraising initiatives. The hall is well used by community groups that contribute towards the upkeep of the hall, the Trust intends to increase the usage of the hall further to support the ongoing costs involved.

A Technical Subgroup has been formed with Trustees and advisors bringing skills in building architecture and maintenance to oversee the requirements of the hall and create a yearly plan along with the Development Officer.

c. What community will this project be delivered to and what communities will benefit?

Kirkmichael

d. Can your project demonstrate that your project/organisation needs have been identified through consultation?

Yes ☒ No ☐

If yes, please include details of the consultation and a summary of the results.

The purchase of the McCosh Hall by Kirkmichael Ayrshire Development Trust took place after years of consultation with the community in Kirkmichael. The community supported the purchase of the building from South Ayrshire Council to ensure the McCosh Hall would remain as a Community Asset and maintained and improved by a board of Trustees. The maintenance of the hall includes the servicing and inspection of the boiler, lift and health and safety equipment. In September 2024 at a public consultation event 48 people supported the purchase of the hall, there were no objections. Membership of the Development Trust is now at 94 residents.

e. Which of the following Council plan priorities most aligns with your proposed project:

Priority 1 – Spaces & Places ☒

Priority 2 – Live, Work, learn ☐

Priority 3 – Civic & Community Pride ☐

If linking into a place plan or a community action plan, please detail which priority it will be achieving. See here for local plans.

This project supports the Spaces & Places priority by helping to maintain McCosh Hall as a safe, accessible and welcoming community space. The hall is a valued community-owned building that brings people together through activities, events and services. Servicing and inspecting the lift will help people with mobility difficulties continue to access the facilities, while maintaining the alarm system and fire extinguishers will support the safety of everyone using the building. By looking after the hall and its essential equipment, the project will help ensure that this important local asset remains available for the community.

The project supports the **Crosshill, Straiton and Kirkmichael Community-Led Action Plan 2025–2030** and the community's ambition to retain and improve local facilities. McCosh Hall provides a space for community activities, social connections and local services. Maintaining its lift and all essential equipment will help the Trust look after this community-owned asset and support continued access for people of different ages and abilities.

f. Please select the relevant priority (you can select more than one priority, if applicable):

- Deliver improvements to public places that will increase the number of visitors ☐
- make coastal communities more attractive places to live and work ☒
- demonstrate a strong link to local strategies and local place plans ☒

Estimated start date:	**1st December 2026**
Estimated completion date: (must be by 30th June 2027)	**1st June 2027**

g. **If your project relates to a property or land, please confirm whether you own, or lease the property or land**

own ☒ lease ☐

If lease, 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.

If lease, then a copy of the lease needs to be provided.

h. Please tick/populate as appropriate:

Is the property a listed building? Yes ☒ No ☐

If Yes:

☐x I acknowledge that works to a listed building may require Listed Building Consent and that it is my responsibility to ensure all necessary permissions are obtained prior to commencing works.

i. Are you aware of the appropriate consents required for this project? Yes ☒ No ☐

Do you have:

- Statutory consents for your project in place ☐
- Planning, including listed building and conservation area consents ☐
- Building Warrants ☐
- Evidence of Pre application discussion ☐ Please include your reference number _____
- Not applicable ☒

Copies of any of the above need to be provided.

Section 4: Project Costs

How much funding are you requesting from the Coastal Communities Fund?
£1796.60
Are you applying for Revenue or Capital costs, or both?
Revenue ☒ £2146.60
Capital ☐ £

Please provide a full break down of costs for your project for your application to be considered.

If applying for both revenue and capital, then please detail costs separately.

Item/Activity	**Cost**
Lift Servicing and Loler Inspection	**569.00**
Lift SAFed Inspection	**300.00**
Alarm Servicing	**831.60**
Fire Extinguisher Servicing	**96.00**
Boiler Service	**350.00**
Total	**2146.60**

For development grant:
***3 quotes need to be provided for proposed works/items over £1000, quotes need to be dated within last 6 months – <u>if relevant quotes are not provided when submitting application, it will not be considered.</u>**

Section 5: Checklist

Please confirm you have the following documents:

Constitution/Memorandum & Articles ☒
Audited or independently verified accounts ☒
Last 3 months bank statements ☒

Section 6: Declaration & Conditions

I, on behalf of, Kirkmichael Ayrshire Development Trust

- 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 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.

Name of Person Completing Application: Jen Williams _____

On behalf of: (Organisation name) : Kirkmichael Ayrshire Development Trust_

Date: _____29/10/2026_____

Completed applications only should be saved as a PDF document and uploaded to

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Supporting documents should be e-mailed to grants@south-ayrshire.gov.uk

These include:

- Constitution
- Last 3 months bank statements
- Independently verified accounts
- Quotes (where required)