

COASTAL COMMUNITIES FUND

2024/2025

The closing date for applications is 11th September 2025.

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 31st March 2026.

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
*Small grant	Up to £1000	To support small grass roots groups and organisations.	<input type="checkbox"/>
*Development grant	Up to £4,950	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.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Section 1: Organisation Details

Organisation Name	Carrick Rugby Football Club (SCIO)
Organisation Address	Organisation Address, SCIO 050725, 1A Glenginnet Road, Barr, Girvan KA26 9TU Club Facility Address Sommerville Pavillion, Glebe Crescent, Maybole, KA19 7HZ
Type of organisation	SCIO
If a charity or Limited Company please include your number	SC 050725

Does your group/organisation have a bank account?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/>
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Section 2: Contact details

Contacts	Lead Contact
Name	Anna Connon
Position in Organisation	Funding co-ordinator

Section 3: Project Details

Project Title

Celebrating Carrick in The Community

About your project/what are you seeking funding for?

<p>Funding will provide two days of activities at Dolphin House for up to 60 young people, including transport from Girvan, Maybole, and surrounding villages. It will also support our youth rugby festivals and the Youth Christmas party.</p> <p>Dolphin House activities help young people bond, try new challenges, build confidence, and support their wellbeing in a safe setting. Both events bring together players, volunteers, and families to recognise success with the wider community.</p> <p>For many young people, the rural locality of the area and the lack of opportunities to socialise in a safe environment is a major barrier to well-being. Having delivered multiple courses with Active Schools at Dolphin House the benefits to the young people are clear, increased confidence, trying new and challenging activities, developing teamwork and becoming closer as a group. This offers benefits beyond the pitch to the both the young people directly and to their families and communities.</p> <p>The young people develop resilience and a sense of adventure, despite the proximity to Maybole many young people have never been to the castle or the park. Being able to experience this amongst a group of their peers is a great benefit and can encourage them to take advantage of the natural facilities that surround them.</p> <p>The micro mini and youth festivals of rugby are a great way for young people to mix with players, officials and coaches from different areas. Developing self-confidence and communication skills as well as having fun and learning to communicate with a wide range of people. This is particularly valuable for young children coming from very small village primary schools and isolated rural locations.</p> <p>The festivals offer free locally sourced food for players and are a great way for people of all ages to mix and socialise whilst supporting young people to engage in fun, healthy activity. The achievement awards are given out to young people at the</p>

festivals to celebrate their achievements both on and off the pitch with their families and are given out after matches and at our end of season celebrations.

The Christmas party is primarily funded by volunteer donations, and every child receives a practical gift. For example, this year, all children under 12 were given a sweatshirt, which received positive feedback from parents and children. There is an aim to continue this initiative so that every child under 12 receives a gift during the next Christmas event.

What community will this project be delivered in and what communities will benefit?

The project will be delivered in Maybole but will benefit young people in communities from as far apart Ballantrae to Ayr and include young people from across North and South Carrick.

Please provide information you have about the need and support for the project, eg community consultation

The number of children each week at Carrick Rugby provides evidence of need, as does the level of volunteering from across the community. Feedback from parents indicates the value of Carrick Rugby to the community. The interaction with social media across the entire club, but particularly around the youth section, is at a very high level. The club is still growing due to our presence in the community, local primary schools, the newly created Schools of Rugby in Girvan and Carrick Academy and working alongside Active Schools across the region.

<https://l.facebook.com/l.php?u=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.carrickrugby.co.uk%2Fphotos%2Fcarrick-cluster-primary-schools-summer-rugby-festival-2025->

Parent comment: Thank you to everyone from **Carrick Rugby** and South Ayrshire Active Schools who organised and helped make this a fab day for the kids. They loved it 🍌

Youth player Comment: "Carrick is a great community for people of all ages and abilities and is important to many. It has given me a place to enjoy myself and a support system of people to confide in. I have learned to step out of my comfort zone and am better because of it. I am grateful to the club for introducing me to new and accepting people"

Dolphin House Residential Stay Testimonial 2: *"Being at Dolphin House with the team gave us time to bond and talk openly. It's given me tools to stay focused under pressure, on and off the field."*

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 ☐

Please select the grant you are applying for and the relevant priority (you can select more than one priority, if applicable)

For small grant only:

- To assist with barriers to sustain the group ☐
- To develop new projects/ideas ☐

For development grant only:

- 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 ☐

If linking into a place plan or a community action plan, please details which priority it will be achieving:

Maybole-Community-Plan-Aug-19-WEB

Priority 1: More activities and community events Both adults and young people wanted to develop a programme of events organised by and for the community, which could include fun holiday/ family events, an outdoor cinema experience, and live music events with food. Young people suggested enhancing facilities for events including activity centres, indoor and outdoor play space, a bowling alley, café, gym hall, sweet shop and arts and crafts shops.

Estimated start date:	1 st October 2025
Estimated completion date:	28 th February 2026

Section 4: Project Costs

How much funding are you requesting from the Coastal Communities Fund?

£2,930

Are you applying for Revenue or Capital costs, or both?

Revenue ☒ £2230

Capital ☒ £700

Please provide a full break down of costs for your project.

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

Item/Activity Revenue costs	Cost
Day 1 Dolphin House Micro mini section	£565
Day 2 Dolphin House youth section	£565
Estimated transport costs SACT minibus Hire plus mileage (2 buses per group)	£300
Festival catering £100 per festival/	£800
Total	£2230
Item/Activity Capital Costs	Cost
Player Awards (Full youth section)	£250
Christmas gifts/ party for youth players (estimated 70 players)	£450
Total	£700

For development grant only:

Individual item costs over £1000, 3 quotes need to be provided – if relevant quotes are not provided when submitting application, it will not be considered.

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, (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 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: Anna Connon _____

On behalf of: (Organisation name) : Carrick Rugby Football Club _____

Date: ____8/09/25_____

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

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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)