

**PLACE BASED INVESTMENT FUND
2025/2026**

The closing date for applications is Thursday 19th February 2026 at 5pm.

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

All projects must be completed by 30th September 2026

SECTION 1 – ORGANISATION DETAILS

a	Organisation Name	Kirkmichael Village Renaissance
b	Organisation Address	Gemilston, 63 Patna Road, Kirkmichael, KA19 7PJ
c	Website	n/a
d	Type of organisation (voluntary organisation, charity, CIC, Ltd. by guarantee, SCIO, unincorporated association etc. or private sector)	Company limited by guarantee with charitable status
e	If a charity or Limited Company, please include your number	SC046113 SC376521
f	Is your organisation VAT registered?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input 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 – PROJECT DETAILS

a	Project Title	McCosh Hall Improvements
b	About Your Project For the past six years, McCosh Hall has been leased to the community and successfully operated by Kirkmichael Village Renaissance (KVR). McCosh Hall has served as a cornerstone of village life for over 125 years and continues to be a crucial asset for our rural community. It is currently used by 18 community groups and hosts a wide range of activities that promote social connection, improve wellbeing, and reduce isolation.	

	<p>Since 2020, the ground floor has been home to the community-run Shop and Café governed by KVR— providing essential local services and a valuable space for residents to connect. The upper hall is in regular use by groups and individuals participating in activities such as Pickleball, Badminton, Karate, Carpet Bowls, Cinema Nights, Women’s Group meetings, Garden Club, Guild meetings, Toddler Group, Winter Play Sessions, Music Sessions, and Knit and Natter. The History Group uses the hall to house and display the village archive. The facility is also hired for private functions and external meetings, further enhancing its community value.</p> <p>Without McCosh Hall, these groups and activities would struggle to find alternative accommodation locally. Its continued availability is essential to maintaining community cohesion, improving health and wellbeing, and providing accessible, inclusive opportunities for residents of all ages.</p> <p>As demand for the hall continues to grow, so does the need for improved infrastructure and a facility that meets the needs of the community. At a recent community consultation with an Architect in attendance, many of the current hall users stated that a new level and even floor in the upper hall would be most beneficial for many of the regular activities that take place including pickleball, badminton, carpet bowls and karate.</p> <p>Other key improvement works on the interiors that will significantly enhance the hall’s usability, sustainability, and appeal to current and new user groups include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Installation of LED lighting throughout the building to reduce energy use and running costs. ● Repairs to internal plasterwork and redecoration to refresh and maintain the appearance and fabric of the hall. <p>These upgrades will help transform McCosh Hall into a modern, efficient, and welcoming space, ensuring it continues to serve as a vibrant hub for community life. With these enhancements, we aim to increase hall usage, reduce operating costs, and provide a warm, safe, and inclusive environment for all generations within the community.</p> <p>This grant is not only an investment in a building, but in the long-term sustainability and social wellbeing of our village. By making essential improvements, we can protect and enhance this valuable asset for future generations.</p>
<p>c</p>	<p>What community will this project be delivered in and what communities will benefit?</p> <p>Kirkmichael</p>
<p>d</p>	<p>If your project will require maintenance in future years how will your organisation achieve/fund this?</p> <p>Income is generated through donations from the Community groups that use the hall and hires for events and private parties. This income is used to generate a maintenance fund for the building for</p>

	<p>ongoing general repairs and maintenance. The community is committed to fundraising for other costs for this essential community asset through fundraising events and the board have experience in applying for grant funding. The local wind farm funder NCCBC are supportive of North Carrick projects and the SAC funding officer offers advice on grant funding opportunities.</p>	
e	<p>Can your project demonstrate that your project/organisation needs have been identified through consultation? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p>	
f	<p>Which of the following Council plan priorities most aligns with your proposed project:</p> <p>Priority 1 – Spaces & Places <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Priority 2 – Live, Work, learn <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Priority 3 – Civic & Community Pride <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Does your project meet with any of the following objectives?</p> <p>20-minute neighbourhood <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Community led regeneration <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Community wealth building <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Link into your local place plan/community action plan priorities <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>If linking into a place plan or a community action plan, please details which priority it will be achieving: CSK Community Led Action plan 03 Priority 10 – Kirkmichael seeks to maintain and improve current assets</p>	
g	<p>Estimated start date:</p>	<p>1st May 2026</p>
h	<p>Estimated completion date: (must be by 30th September 2026)</p>	<p>1st September 2026</p>
i	<p>Is your application submitted in partnership with other organisations? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> If yes, please detail. This application is being submitted in agreement and partnership with Kirkmichael Ayrshire Development Trust who are actively seeking a Community Asset Transfer of McCosh Hall from SAC. KVR currently have the lease and will continue to lease if the CAT is not</p>	

	<p>successful and will be able to carry out work required on the hall, however if the purchase does go ahead we would ask that the funds be transferred to the Development Trust to carry out the work. If the purchase is successful it will be completed by 31st March 2026.</p>
j	<p>If your project relates to a property or land, please confirm whether you own, or lease the property or land own <input type="checkbox"/> lease <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>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</p> <p>If lease, then a copy of the lease needs to be provided. SAC is currently the owner of the building and leases the McCosh Hall to KVR. SAC is supportive of this work being carried out.</p>
k	<p>Please tick/populate as appropriate: Are you aware of the appropriate consents required for this project? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Do you have:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Statutory consents for your project in place <input type="checkbox"/> • Planning, including listed building and conservation area consents <input type="checkbox"/> • Building Warrants <input type="checkbox"/> • Evidence of Pre application discussion <input type="checkbox"/> Please include your reference number _____ <p>Not applicable <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Copies of any of the above need to be provided</p>

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SECTION 3 – PROJECT COSTS

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a	<p>How much are you requesting from the Place Based Investment Fund?</p>	£28608.40

b	<p>Please provide a full break down of costs for your project.</p> <p><u>*3 quotes need to be provided for proposed works – if relevant quotes are not provided when submitting application, it will not be considered.</u></p> <p>New Flooring = £23,078.40</p> <p><u>Kitchen</u> Supply and fit new 6ft twin led batten x 2 <u>Total cost for parts and labour £190</u></p> <p><u>Main stairwell</u> Supply and fit 6ft twin led batten x 3 Repair and plaster damaged walls and ceiling Paint walls (magnolia) 2 coats Paint ceilings (white) 2 coats <u>Total Cost for parts and labour £1070</u></p> <p><u>Large Hall</u> Supply and fit 6ft twin led batten x 6 Repair and plaster damaged ceiling Paint ceiling (magnolia) 2 coats Repair and plaster damaged architrave Paint architrave (white) 2 coats Scaffold hire <u>Total cost for parts and labour £3760</u></p> <p><u>Rear stairwell</u> Repair and plaster damaged walls and ceiling Paint walls (magnolia) 2 coats Paint ceiling (white) 2 coats <u>Total cost for parts and labour £510</u></p>
c	<p>Does your group require the full amount applied for your project? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>If the fund is oversubscribed, would a part funded offer be considered? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>If yes, then would this impact the delivery of the project within the specified timescale? It would depend on how much the part funded offer was.</p> <p>If you are successful, will this funding be used as match funding? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>

	<p>If yes, have the other sources been confirmed.</p>												
d	<p>OTHER FUNDING. Have you applied for, or received, grants from any other body for your project/activity? If so, please give details of to whom and how much: N/A</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 30%; padding: 5px;">Body:</td> <td style="height: 40px;"></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 5px;">Amount applied for:</td> <td style="height: 40px;"></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 5px;">Amount received:</td> <td style="height: 40px;"></td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2" style="padding: 5px;">OR</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 5px;">When applied:</td> <td style="height: 40px;"></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 5px;">When decision expected:</td> <td style="height: 40px;"></td> </tr> </table>	Body:		Amount applied for:		Amount received:		OR		When applied:		When decision expected:	
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e	<p>Please confirm you have the following documents:</p> <p>Constitution/Memorandum & Articles <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Audited or independently verified accounts <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Last 3 months bank statements <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>We ask that you do not upload these documents when submitting your application online due to GDPR regulations. These documents should be submitted via email to grants@south-ayrshire.gov.uk</p>												

SECTION 4 – DECLARATION AND CONDITIONS

I, on behalf of, Kirkmichael Village Renaissance:

- 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 _____ Date: _____ 18/02/2026 _____

On behalf of: (Organisation name) Kirkmichael Village Renaissance _____

Please submit all supporting information to:

External funding Officer
grants@south-ayrshire.gov.uk