Revitalising Prestwick Community Hall for Greater Community Impact Amount Requested:

£2,000

Applicant:

Prestwick Community Hall (Rear of Prestwick Community Café)

Project Summary:

Prestwick Community Hall, located behind the Prestwick Community Café, serves as a vital community space for residents of all ages. We are applying for £2,000 in capital funding to support essential refurbishment work. The hall currently requires both aesthetic and acoustic improvements to better serve pensioners, families, and youth organisations.

This funding will allow us to enhance the physical condition and functionality of the space, enabling us to expand our usage and welcome more community groups into a warm, inviting, and acoustically improved venue.

This project aligns with Community Development

- **Improving a valued community space** through essential repairs and modernisation.
- **Strengthening community connections** by enabling the space to host more inclusive and accessible events.
- **Encouraging intergenerational use** through upgraded, welcoming facilities that serve adults, families, and youth alike.

Project Details:

The funding will directly support the purchase of the following capital materials:

- Renovation & Decorating Supplies: Matt paint for walls, gloss paint for skirting boards and doors, filler for cracks, sealant, brushes, rollers, and other essential tools.
- **Repair Materials:** Timber for repairing internal fittings, including damaged skirting boards and frames.
- Laminate Flooring: To modernise and improve the usability of the upstairs meeting room.
- Acoustic Full-Length Curtains: Heavyweight blackout curtains to encapsulate the main hall, improving sound quality for live performances and creating a professional environment for events and shows. These curtains will also block out light for daytime performances and film screenings.

Community Benefit:

- **Improved Venue Quality:** The upgraded hall will become a more attractive and professional venue for community activities, performances, workshops, and private hire.
- **Increased Footfall:** By creating a more inviting and better-equipped environment, we anticipate increased use by youth groups, local musicians, families, and adult learning classes.
- Enhanced Accessibility & Comfort: Sound-dampening curtains and better lighting control will support users with sensory sensitivities and create a better experience for all.
- **Stronger Social Ties:** The renovated space will encourage people to connect, participate, and feel a sense of pride in their local area.

Other Funding:

This application seeks **full project funding** from PB (£2,000). We are also actively seeking in-kind support from volunteers for the refurbishment work to maximise value.

Conclusion:

This investment in Prestwick Community Hall will deliver lasting benefits to our town by transforming a tired but much-loved facility into a vibrant hub for connection, learning, and creativity. We believe this project exemplifies what PB funding is designed to support – community-led development, inclusion, and sustainability. We hope you will support our vision for an improved Prestwick Community Hall.