



**PARTICIPATORY BUDGETING FUND
2025/2026**

The closing date for applications is 5th June 2025 at 5 pm.
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 28th February 2026.

Who can apply?

- Project proposals are invited from individuals, community organisations or voluntary groups who must run in South Ayrshire localities and support local people.
- Both constituted and non-constituted groups (non-constituted groups may need to partner with a constituted organisation to receive funding)
- This process is **not** open to schools, but Parent Association/Pupil Councils may apply if the project does **not cover core curricular activities**.

Which of the following areas does your project fit in to – please tick which one applies:

1. Ayr North	
2. Ayr South & Villages	✓
3. Prestwick, Troon & Villages	
4. North & South Carrick	

Which priority does your project fit in?

Project must meet at least one of these, please ✓ the most appropriate.

1. Adult and Family Learning	✓
2. Financial Inclusion (Cost of Living Support)	
3. Youth Work	
4. Community Development	✓

Project Proposal

Organisation Name: Newmarket Street Business Group SC780424	
Project Name: Newmarket Street Works - A space to begin. A welcoming community hub on Newmarket Street offering flexible workspace, workshops, meeting rooms, and a test kitchen. It's designed to support local people, new businesses, and food entrepreneurs, while also providing space for community events, education, and connection. This project will help bring life back to one of Ayr town centre's most historic but neglected streets. By attracting footfall, supporting local enterprise, and reinvesting any profits into further improvements, it will play a vital role in regenerating the area while making it safer, more vibrant, and more useful to the whole community. Although we haven't secured a lease we have been in conversation with the owner at 41 Newmarket Street about the project.	
Organisation Address: 42 Newmarket Street, Ayr	
Postcode: KA7 1LR	

<p>Will you be able to deliver your idea by 28th February 2026 (if successful)?</p> <p>Yes. The project is designed to be delivered in phases and can be fully completed well before February 2026. Once funding is confirmed, we plan to begin internal works promptly, with completion expected within 6–9 months. This timeline allows for any unexpected delays while ensuring the space is up and running for community use well ahead of the deadline.</p>	
<p>Total cost of idea/how much are you applying for? Please provide a breakdown:</p> <p>Total Project Cost: £10,000 Amount Requested from Participatory Budget: £2,000</p> <p>Cost Breakdown:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Internal building works (plumbing, electrical, layout improvements): £6,000 • Flooring and interior decoration: £1,500 • Furniture, lighting, and fixtures: £2,500 <p>How the £2,000 grant would be used: The funding would contribute towards the purchase of essential furniture, lighting and fixtures, helping to make the space welcoming, functional, and ready to use for community meetings, workshops, and events.</p>	
<p>If total costs exceed £2000, will you have match funding: (see guidance note 4) If yes, please detail who the other funders will be:</p> <p>We are ready to launch a Crowdfunding campaign to raise the remaining funds required and to garner further community support for the project.</p>	
<p>Are you a constituted group/organisation?</p> <p>Do you have a bank account?</p> <p>Do you have host organisation in place (if required)? If so, please state host organisation.</p> <p>Do you give consent for us to use/share your details throughout the Participatory Budgeting process?</p>	<p>YES</p> <p>YES</p> <p>NO</p> <p>YES</p>

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.
- 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 guidance and essential criteria.
- I have read the associated guidance and essential criteria 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: _____ **Angela Iver** _____

Date: _____ **09/06/2025** _____

This application only should be uploaded to Your Area Your Voice Your Choice and select the relevant locality.

Please submit the following information via email to External Funding Officer at:

grants@south-ayrshire.gov.uk

1. Lead contact name, email address and telephone number.
2. Copy of constitution.