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APPLICATION GUIDANCE

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WELCOME

Thank you for your interest in the Gorbals Ideas Fund. This guide has been designed to help you understand more about the fund, what you can apply for, how to apply and how funds are awarded.

It's important that you read the guidance carefully, even if you've applied before, because priorities and requirements change with each funding round.

If you have any questions about the guidance or your eligibility to apply please contact Jo on 0141 429 3900 or email info@gorbalsideas.org.uk.

WHAT IS THE GORBALS IDEAS FUND?

The Gorbals Ideas Fund (GIF) was established in April 2018 and is led by the community, for the community.

GIF is led by a community panel - a group of people who live in the area and who use their local knowledge and expertise to design, develop and deliver community and participatory budgeting activities across the Gorbals.

The Panel work together to raise awareness of participatory budgeting and how it can give local people more control over the decisions that affect their life and the opportunity to play a part in developing and delivering activities that make the area an even better place to live.

This way of involving people is being used all over the world and we think it's the best way of putting local people at the heart of local solutions and funding decisions.

You can find out more about participatory budgeting on our website:
<https://www.gorbalsideas.org.uk/participatory-budgeting>

COMMUNITY PRIORITIES

Over the last few months we've been consulting with local people to find out what they think would make the Gorbals an even better place to live. We spoke to 128 people about what would improve the community and the sorts of things they'd like to get involved in.

• Improving the Community

60% of the people who responded to our survey felt cleanliness could be improved, particularly dog fouling, rubbish and litter.

Over 50% of people felt that more social spaces e.g. cafes would make the Gorbals a better place to live and almost 40% said improving parks and play areas should be a priority.

• Getting Involved in the Community

Around one third of the people taking part in our survey said there should be more things to do for children, young people, adults, older people and families. We asked people what sort of things they were interested in and whether or not they attended these sorts of activities in the Gorbals.

- 53% said they were interested in Health & Fitness activities, but only 30% take part in activity like this.
- 49% said they were interested in Mental Wellbeing activities, but only 16% take part in activity like this.
- 24% were interested in arts & crafts activities but only 3% are taking part in activities like this.
- 23% were interested in drama & music activities but only 3% are taking part in activities like this.

• Barriers to Taking Part

We wanted to find out why people didn't take part in the things that interest them:

- 38% said the activities weren't on at a suitable time;
- 35% said there weren't any activities like this in the area;
- 25% said they didn't know how to get involved;
- 18% said they were too busy to get involved;
- 17% said they were too expensive;
- 16% said they didn't have anyone to go with.

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MEETING NEEDS AND MAKING A DIFFERENCE

We've used this community research to develop priorities for this funding round. There are three priority aims, each with a set of outcomes attached. *Your idea must meet at least one of these outcomes to be eligible for funding.*

• Clean and Caring Gorbals

The Gorbals is a more pleasant place to live where people have pride in the local environment and take care of the global environment.

- Local people better understand how their behaviour impacts on the local environment.
- Local people better understand how their behaviour impacts on the global environment.
- Local people take positive action to improve the local environment.
- Local people take positive action to improve the global environment.

• Healthy and Happy Gorbals

Gorbals people are happier and healthier and know how to take care of their physical and mental wellbeing.

- Local people have increased opportunities to improve their health and fitness.
- Local people have increased opportunities to improve their mental health.
- Local people better understand how to take care of their physical health.
- Local people better understand how to take care of their mental wellbeing.

• Switched on Gorbals

The Gorbals community celebrates culture, cultural diversity and the arts by providing opportunities for local people to learn from each other.

- Local people have more opportunities to take part in and enjoy affordable arts and cultural activities.
- Local people have the opportunity to experience different cultures and emerging cultures.
- Local people better understand cultural diversity and emerging cultures.

If you aren't sure if your idea fits into these outcomes call Jo on 0141 429 3900 or email info@gorbalsideas.org.uk.

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In addition to meeting one or more of these outcomes your idea must meet the following criteria to be eligible for funding:

- **Increase Involvement and Inclusion**

Your idea or activity should aim to increase involvement and inclusion of local people for example:

- a) If you currently deliver activities or services in the area please tell us how this new activity or development will involve people you haven't worked with before; or
- b) If your idea or activity includes physical improvements e.g. a community garden please tell us how you'll involve local people in the design and delivery of these improvements.

- **Meet the Needs of Local People**

Our research shows that local people have identified gaps in provision, we want this round of funding to go some way to filling these gaps. Your application should show how your idea will work towards meeting the needs of local people. See page 3 for more information on what people have said they want.

- **Support Personal Outcomes**

Your idea or activity should work towards supporting individual, personal outcomes for local people e.g. increased health and wellbeing, improved social networks etc.

- **Be Delivered in Gorbals**

We want Gorbals Ideas Fund money to be used to support local people in their community, therefore **your activity must be delivered in the Gorbals.**

WHAT WE WON'T FUND

Although we have limited funding we want to make sure it is used to achieve the best possible positive impact for Gorbals people, in the Gorbals, so there are some things we won't fund:

- One-off activities such as trips and fun days;
- Specialist equipment that can only be used by one person or for one purpose;
- Consumables e.g. one-off publications;
- Building or renovation works that don't involve and include local people.

You can't use GIF monies to buy alcohol or tobacco or to buy gifts for members or people involved in your activity.

• **How much funding is available?**

The total funding pot is £15,000:

- Individuals and informal/non-constituted groups can apply for up to £500.00
- Constituted groups, projects and services can apply for up to £3000.00.

• **Who can apply for funding?**

Anyone can apply. We encourage applications from children and young people. If you are under 18 all you need is an Adult Sponsor - someone who can support you develop and deliver your idea.

If you don't live, or aren't based in the Gorbals you will need to name a Local Sponsor, someone who lives here, to show you have a connection to the area and are familiar with the needs and challenges of our community.

You can read more about Adult and Local Sponsors on page 10.

• **Can we apply for core costs?**

Unfortunately we can't accept applications to cover core costs or shortfalls in funding. If you are having difficulties with funding please contact Jo on 0141 429 3900 or email info@gorbalsideas.org.uk and we'll try to help!

• **Can we apply for match funding?**

Yes, you can apply for match funding to help you deliver a new initiative.

• **What can funds be used for?**

Funds can be used for anything that helps you deliver your idea or activity successfully, such as paying for training or hiring venues. Remember, if you are buying equipment it must be equipment that can be used by the whole group and serves a long-term purpose.

• **Reporting what you spend**

If you are successful in securing funds we'll support you with financial reporting to make it as easy as possible for you to tell us what you've spent.

• **What difference did it make?**

We want to focus on the impact local ideas have on the Gorbals and Gorbals people. If you are successful we'll work with you to help you monitor your progress towards your intended aims and outcomes.

KEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Closing date for applications **Friday 1 November 2019**

Community Voting Event **Saturday 30 November 2019**

YOU MUST ATTEND THE COMMUNITY VOTING EVENT ON SATURDAY 30 NOVEMBER 2019.

COMPLETING YOUR APPLICATION FORM

We've developed our application form to reflect the aims and outcomes set out on page 5. The form is still short and simple, however if you need help or advice to complete an application contact Jo on 0141 429 3900 or email info@gorbalsideas.org.uk.

When we receive your application form we'll read it to make sure it meets the criteria. If we have any question or if we think your application could be improved we'll give you a call - we do this because we want everyone to be able to present their idea to the community in the best possible way.

If you meet the funding criteria we'll invite you to share your idea with the community online and at our Community Voting events. ***Please note if you do not attend the Community Voting Event on Saturday 30 November 2019 your application will be withdrawn.***

By completing the application form you are agreeing to allow us to hold your details on record and, in the event your application is successful, share your details with Foundation Scotland who carry out financial administration on our behalf and who will issue your grant.

SELL-IT WORKSHOP

We want everyone to feel confident sharing their idea at our marketstall Community Voting Event, so we'll invite you along to a SELL-IT Workshop before the voting event. We'll share tools, tips and techniques to help you make the most of your marketstall and build support from the community.

There will be two workshops on Wednesday 6 November 2019 at 11am and 6pm.

COMMUNITY VOTING

The community votes to decide which ideas get funded.

If you meet the eligibility criteria you will be invited to share your idea with the community both online and at the next Community Voting Event which will be held in St Francis Centre, 405 Cumberland St on Saturday 30 November 2019.

- **Who can vote?**

Anyone aged 8+ living in the Gorbals can vote.

Please note that only people who LIVE in the Gorbals can vote. The voting catchment area includes Oatlands, Laurieston, Hutchesontown and Riverside.

- **How do people vote?**

Eligible voters cast their votes through an online platform. They will cast as many votes as they need to until they have spent the whole £15,000.00 funding pot.

This way of voting makes the process fairer and encourages local people to find out more about all of the ideas looking for support.

- **Where do people vote?**

Local people can vote online or at our Community Voting Event.

Digital voting opens 1 week before the Community Voting Event.

- **How are funds awarded?**

At the end of the Community Voting Event all votes are totalled and funding is awarded to the ideas with the greatest number of votes until the funding pot runs out.

IF YOU ARE SUCCESSFUL

If you are successful we will pass your details on to Foundation Scotland, a grant making charity who administer grants on our behalf. Foundation Scotland will issue a Grant Offer Letter and Grant Acceptance Form and we will invite you to a welcome meeting to talk to you about your Grant Offer. At this meeting, if you are happy with the terms of your grant, you can sign the Grant Acceptance Form which we will forward to Foundation Scotland to approve the release of your funds.

• Ongoing Support

One of the things that makes the Gorbals Ideas Fund different from other funders is our ongoing support.

We want everyone who receives Gorbals Ideas Funding to be able to achieve their goals and be successful.

One condition placed on **all grants** is attendance at Gorbals Ideas Fund Connect Sessions. These are informal meetings that bring together all grantees to share skills, knowledge, learning and experience. These have proven really successful in building networks and partnerships across the area.

As we're a panel of people who live in the Gorbals we may also pop along to take part in your activities and support what you're doing!

IF YOU AREN'T SUCCESSFUL

If you aren't successful we'll invite you in for a chat to see if there's another way we can help you develop and deliver your idea.

CONTACT US

If there is anything in this guide that you would like to discuss in more detail, or if you have any questions about submitting an application please get in touch with Jo on 0141 429 3900 or email info@gorbalsideas.org.uk.

ADULT SPONSOR

If you are under 18 years old we ask you to nominate an Adult Sponsor on your application. Your sponsor can be a friend, a family member or someone you work with e.g. a teacher or youth worker. We ask you to do this as a way of making sure you have the support you need to help you design, develop and deliver your idea if you need.

A Note to Adult Sponsors

By agreeing to be an adult sponsor you are agreeing to support the young person you are working with overcome any challenges or difficulties in delivering their idea.

We are also here to help throughout the funding period should you or the young person or people you are sponsoring need any help, advice or support.

LOCAL SPONSOR

We have limited funds, but we're determined to make them go a long way. We want any activities or ideas funded through the Gorbals Ideas Fund to be the start of something new and exciting.

By asking people and projects based outside the Gorbals to nominate a Local Sponsor it helps us ensure they have a connection to the area and that they are keen to develop and deliver activities in the Gorbals over the long-term.

A Note to Local Sponsors

By agreeing to be a local sponsor you are confirming that you know the person or organisation you are sponsoring and will help them understand and engage in the area.

We are also here to help throughout the funding period should you, the person or organisation you are sponsoring need any help, advice or support.



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