

## Nithsdale Sports Grants

Members took the decision not to open for competitive applications and instead agreed key civic and community initiatives which are important across Nithsdale, one of which is the Nithsdale Sports Grants.

Members again invited expressions of interest from Third Sector organisations to become partners to deliver these key civic and community initiatives and where there were no expressions of interest, a commitment was given for an appropriate Council Service to deliver the initiative on behalf of the Area Committee.

Unfortunately, there were no third sector expressions of interest to deliver the Nithsdale Sports Grants, so the Nithsdale Active Schools and Community Sport service will ensure this initiative is delivered for 2021/22.

The Discretionary Budget is an annual, non-recurring budget which is set and agreed by Elected Members.

### Nithsdale Sports Grants Eligibility Criteria: 2021/22

1. Total amount of Nithsdale Area Committee Funding Awarded for 1 April 2021 until 31 March 2022 is £5,615.
2. Applications will be reviewed by panel on the following dates:

Panel Date	Final Date for Application Submissions:	Date for Application to be Reviewed:
1	Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September 2021	Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> September 2021
2	Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December 2021	Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> December 2021
3	Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> March 2022	Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> March 2022

3. **Note** that the funding is limited to the above amount and will be awarded based upon an application received basis. There may not be funding left beyond the 1<sup>st</sup> panel date, dependent upon receipt and allocation of grants that meet the following grant criteria.
4. Please note that Members agreed the below decision at Area Committee (<https://dumfriesgallowayintranet.moderngov.co.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=166&MId=4954&Ver=4>) on so that Nithsdale Sports Grants may be awarded for expenditure already incurred within the financial year and in advance of the application deadline dates

*4.4.5 Nithsdale Sports Grant – agreed allocation and to permit the fund to support retrospective funding within 2021/2022 financial year on the provision of relevant supporting information*

5. Applications will be accepted from individuals (athletes, officials and coaches) or sports clubs affiliated to their national governing body of sport.
6. Applicants must be participating in a sport formally recognised by sportscotland (<https://sportscotland.org.uk/media/4790/list-of-uk-recognised-ngbs-and-sport-listmay-2019.pdf>)
7. Grants of up to **£300** may be awarded to any eligible individual within the financial year running from 1 April 2021 until 31 March 2022.
8. Grants of up to **£500** may be awarded to a sports club within the financial year running from 1 April 2021 until 31 March 2022.
9. Eligible costs are coach education, sports equipment, organisation of local sports events, travel and competition expenses for training, to support competing or officiating at a national or international level.
10. Ineligible costs are facility running costs inclusive of heating, lighting, rent, water, wages or rates.
11. Sport clubs must be affiliated to the relevant governing (See Criteria 1 above) and must have achieved or be registered to work towards achieving Dumfries & Galloway Club Accreditation or their national governing body equivalent.
12. All individuals and sports club recipients must acknowledge Council support and agree to participate in promotion upon receipt of their award led by Nithsdale Active School and Community Sport.
13. Receipts should be provided after the grant has been awarded along with any other supplementary information on the grant expenditure.
14. The funding must be spent within the current financial year of 1 April 2021 until 31 March 2022 unless otherwise agreed.
15. Any monies not used towards the purpose of the application must be returned.
16. For direct enquiries in relation to the funding contact:  
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