

Annandale and Eskdale Area Committee Anti-Poverty Grant Funding Priorities, Eligibility & Criteria 2020/2021

1. To be eligible for this funding, any applications must demonstrate their projects and services directly contribute to our Council's Anti-Poverty Strategy and its Objectives.
2. Applications will only be accepted from Constituted Organisations.
3. Core funding costs of any applications will not be eligible for this fund.
4. Project and support costs will be eligible for this fund.
5. Applications must clearly demonstrate within their submission the measurable outcomes which will be achieved and the clear positive impacts which their project will make on the lives of the individuals and families which it will support.
6. Projects must make a difference and should not aim to mitigate the level of poverty being experienced but should provide a notable step change to improve the lives of those it will support. All projects must provide an element of empowerment and enrichment to the people which it will support. This must be clearly demonstrated within the application.
7. Favourable consideration will be given to project submissions which will deliver collaborative working between two or more organisations. This is defined as at least two different Constituted Groups working in conjunction to deliver the service as described within the Application Form.
8. New and innovative projects will also be considered including "one off" projects which, if successful, could be replicated within other areas following successful evaluation.
9. The funding priorities for 2020/2021 are detailed below:
 - Digital Connectivity
 - Prevention of Domestic Abuse
 - Energy / Fuel
 - Food Insecurity
 - Mental Health

- Transport
 - Upskilling / Employability
10. Organisations receiving other sources of Dumfries and Galloway Council funding for their project would be less prioritised than those who have secured funding from other funders.
 11. Applications will only be accepted for projects which will be delivered within the Annandale and Eskdale area. Organisations wishing to deliver multi-area projects must apply for funding within these additional identified areas. Applicants must demonstrate within their application how they will deliver the project within the Annandale and Eskdale area if this is the only area which will receive funding.
 12. Applications will not be considered for 100% of the funding costs. An element of the costs for the projects must be sourced from other funders.
 13. There are three limits for funding for this funding round, Small (£1,000), Medium (up to £7,500) and Large (up to £10,000).
 14. Organisations must demonstrate how their project will continue after this one year funding has been provided.
 15. A proportion of the overall fund allocated to the Annandale and Eskdale Committee (e.g. £5,000) will be ringfenced for the Anti-Poverty Small Grants Applications Fund. This Fund will have with an upper limit of £1,000 for each application. The Application Form for this Small Grant Programme will be available separately and applications for funding will be received by the Anti-Poverty Officer and forwarded to all Annandale and Eskdale Elected Members for consideration via e-mail. All applications to this fund must demonstrate their projects and services directly contribute to our Council's Anti-Poverty Strategy and its Objectives.
 16. The Annandale and Eskdale Area Committee will make the final decision on the amount of funding which will be granted to each project.
 17. Applications from religious groups will be considered for projects which do not include the delivery of religious activities.
 18. Applications will be monitored throughout the term of the project delivery and must agree to the conditions of the Monitoring arrangements upon signing the Grant Agreement Acceptance Forms. This includes the completion of client Case Studies highlighting the positive outcomes made by their project which will accompany the submission of the Monitoring Report