

**Wigtown Area Committee Grants  
Eligibility, Criteria & Priorities for the  
Wigtown Area Committee Poverty and Inequalities Budget for 2021/2022**

**Eligibility**

1. Applications will only be accepted from Constituted Organisations.
2. Applications for collaborative projects will be welcomed. This is defined as at least two different Constituted Groups working in conjunction to deliver the project or service as described within the Application Form.
3. Applications for projects which support other tackling poverty and inequality projects / services will also be welcomed (e.g. Foodbanks providing funding for Fuel Cards for their clients to cook their provisions).
4. 100% of the total funding costs for projects will not be considered. Applications must highlight all external funding which has been both applied to and secured towards the costs of their overall project.
5. Funding will only be available for projects delivered within the Wigtownshire area. Joint projects are welcomed with funding only provided by this Committee for the Wigtownshire element of the project.

**Criteria**

6. Applications are welcomed for both new and existing projects.
7. Applications should clearly demonstrate how their project will make a positive outcome to the individuals and families which it will support and the difference which it will make to their lives over the course of the project delivery.
8. Applications for Core Costs will be considered under exceptional circumstances. These Core Costs are defined by this Committee as rent, utility bills, honorariums and insurance costs.
9. Applications for Project Costs will be considered.
10. Any applications for this fund must demonstrate their projects and services directly contribute to the Community Planning Poverty and Inequalities Strategy Objectives.
11. Applications will be welcomed which deliver projects which upskill clients to enable them to access new opportunities and especially those which help to build or re-build the self-esteem of the clients they are supporting.
12. Applicants should demonstrate how they are working towards sustainability within their Application Form.

13. Applications for over £10,000 for single organisation applications and £20,000 for collaborative project applications are unlikely to be considered by this Committee.

### **Priorities**

14. Every project applying for funding must demonstrate how it will ultimately assist to reduce child poverty as well as one or more of the following Priorities which are ranked in order of importance:

1. Food Insecurity
2. Energy / Fuel
3. Mental Health Support and Wellbeing
4. Digital Connectivity
5. Transport
6. Employability Projects / Support for loss of employment
7. Financial Management