



## Formartine Rural Partnership (SCIO): Larger Grants Scheme.

Funded through our joint venture with Cardinghill Renewables Limited, Formartine Rural Partnership (SCIO) is opening a Larger Grants Scheme for the benefit of the community within Formartine.

The trustees are looking to support projects or organisations seeking to expand /extend their activities or looking for match funding to support the establishment of a new activity.

Expressions of interest should include,

- i) the nature, aims, and activities of the organisation,
- ii) the specific activity for which the grant is needed,
- iii) the anticipated timeline and mileposts for the activity,
- iv) any other funding involved in the activity,

Applicants whose expression of interest is successful will be asked to produce a formal application which meets any concerns/suggestions expressed by the board.

The maximum grant available will be £4000.

Trustees may, at their discretion, offer less.

The application process will be carried out by e-mail.

The trustees are open to Expressions of Interest from 6<sup>th</sup> March 2025.

Any queries etc. should be addressed to our Development Officer : [laura.geals@frp.scot](mailto:laura.geals@frp.scot)

What can the grant be used for?

We expect most applications will fall within one or more of the following categories. However, they are not intended to exclude projects that would benefit Formartine or its residents.

To improve the life, facilities, or environment of local people in Formartine

To provide a service for local people or organisations

To help the establishment of a charitable local organisation or Social Enterprise

To help provide appropriate training for local organisations and/or Social Enterprises.

What cannot be funded?

Retrospective costs

Projects promoting political or religious activities

Commercial organisations

National or regional charities with no independent office in the area of benefit

Projects that should be funded by a statutory body

Any project which conflicts with the interests, or damages the reputation, of the fund or the Partnership

Projects likely to cause disharmony in the community.

Groups need to have a constitution (or other appropriate governing documentation), and their own bank account. Where it is not reasonable/feasible to have an established separate bank account the board may consider a suitable alternative arrangement.