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Glasgow Community Planning Partnership

Maryhill Area Partnership

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Maryhill Area Budget 2026/27: Applications for Funding

Purpose of Report:

To provide the Area Partnership with details of the area budget allocations for 2026/27, the current budget position and to make recommendations on new applications for funding.

Recommendations:

The Area Partnership is asked to:

(1) Note:

(a) the area budget allocation for 2026/27

(b) the current budget position.

(c) the introduction of a new area budget application form; and

(2) consider the recommendations on applications received for Area Budget funding in 2026/27, as detailed in Appendix 1.

Introduction

1. Glasgow City Council set its budget for 2026/27 on [24 February 2026](#). Within the budget, the overall funding for Area Partnerships was increased by £63,000, to be apportioned on the basis of the SIMD (Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation).
2. On [12th March 2026](#), the Council's City Administration Committee approved allocations to Area Partnerships. The Maryhill Area Budget for 2026/27 is **£68,817**.

Maryhill Area Budget 2026/27

3. Area Partnerships were able to allocate a portion of their 2026/27 budget, subject to Council Budget approval, in advance for services or activities that were to be delivered in early April 2026, prior to the first meetings of the Partnerships in 2026/27. The Maryhill Area Partnership committed **£17,362** from the 2026/27 Area Budget at its meeting on 13 February 2026 and a total of **£2,250** has been committed under the Scheme of Delegated Functions.
4. Therefore, a total of **£19,612 (28%)** has been committed to date to various projects serving the Maryhill Ward, leaving a balance of **£49,205 (72%)** yet to be allocated.

Applications dealt with under Delegated Functions

5. Three applications have been dealt with since the last meeting of the Area Partnership under Delegated Functions. Details of the applications are below:

Applicant	Project Description	Decision
Immaculate Conception – Tuesday Group PRN: 222/26	Funding approved to support Easter Event and Volunteer Celebration Purchase of Grant: - Easter events cost (£450) - Volunteer development (£300)	£750 awarded
Together we Make Maryhill - Maccy Group PRN: 214/26	Funding approved to support purchase of equipment Purpose of Grant: - Dishwasher (£875) Match funding: - £125	£750 awarded
90th Glasgow Girls Brigade - Day Trip - PRN – 327/25	Funding is requested to support the cost of a day trip to Blair Drummond Safari Park on 26 th April 2026 Cost Breakdown: - Return Coach - £750 - Admission - £380 Match Funding: Parent Contribution - £380	£750 awarded

Ineligible applications

6. **MOA Basketball** – Applicant has applied for a project which would fund an existing project.

Area Budget Application Form

7. From April 2026, a new online application form will be introduced. The main reasons for this are:
 - a. To provide greater depth and consistency of information available for decision making at Area Partnerships;
 - b. Improve the capture of appropriate information at the application stage to reduce requirements for clarification/additional detail or consideration to be continued to subsequent meetings;
 - c. Speed up the process from application to decision.
8. The new application form seeks to balance the ease of completing the form with ensuring the proper scrutiny of the use of public funds. For this reason, whilst the new form has more questions, they are more direct and in a logical format. This should help to ensure that the necessary information is captured in full at the first stage application, reducing the need to request further information and the delay that causes.
9. The application form has been tested by a number of organisations across the city that had previously submitted area budget applications. They were asked to test the form for clarity and ease of completion. The feedback was very positive and some suggested changes were taken on board by the Communities Team. Below is a summary of the feedback and some quotes from those organisations that tested it:

What people liked

- Easy to use / clear / straightforward
- Save-and-return or autosave features
- Good flow
- Easy document uploading
- Form felt more focused and aligned to the project

“Very easy to complete – and a logical order as well. The questions about eligibility and convenient link to the guidance was also very useful.”

“The form is pretty straightforward and with it being online seems much more simplified than a word document.”

Ease of use and accessibility

- 88% said it was *easy to complete*
- 100% of respondents were happy with the accessibility of the forms.

“The form was very easy to complete, size was perfect, font clear, a massive difference to what we have done before.”

“Yes easy to complete and navigate through”

 **Other comments**

- 78% felt the experience was positive
- 33% felt the new form was a major improvement

“Good form and better / more user friendly than the previous Word document. Going through the web sections the overall application didn’t feel long or as if I would need to repeat myself in different sections.”

“I felt the form was very similar to all other council applications, which is great as it helps ‘uniform’ most things.”

10. The form will be introduced for the 2026/27 financial year with a transition period when we will accept applications using the current form. It’s acknowledged that there may be organisations who could face difficulties completing an online form. The Communities Team will put in place appropriate support to ensure this is not a barrier to applying for funding. The new form will be widely advertised and reviewed after a 6-month period.

Area Budget Applications

11. **Appendix 1** provides a summary of applications that have been received and require consideration. Each application has been assessed and a recommendation is offered, which may include specific conditions, in addition to the standard Glasgow City Council conditions of grant.

Recommendations

12. The Area Partnership is asked to:
 - (1) Note:
 - (a) the area budget allocation for 2026/27;
 - (b) the current budget position;
 - (c) the introduction of a new area budget application form; and
 - (2) consider the recommendations on applications received for Area Budget funding in 2026/27, as detailed in Appendix 1.

Budget 2026/2027: £68,817
Committed Amount: £19,612
Balance: £49,205

Applicant and Project Title	Project description	Project costs	Recommendation
<p>Queens Cross Community Foundation</p> <p>Project Title - Queens Cross Gala Day</p> <p>PRN: 205/13</p>	<p>Funding is requested towards the cost of the Queens Cross Gala Day event scheduled to take place on 15th August 2026 at Firhill Complex.</p> <p>This free event attracted more than 2,000 residents from across Maryhill, Hillhead and Canal Wards last year.</p> <p><u>Breakdown of Costs:</u></p> <p>2 x large rides & event power - £6,300 Children's rides & Stalls - £2,000 Marquees, weights, stage table & chairs - £2,900 First Aid - £350 Sound System and music license - £900 Activities, entertainment & performers, event support photographer & volunteer, snacks - £7,550</p> <p>Beneficiaries – 450</p>	<p>Total costs - £20,000</p> <p>Match funding:</p> <p>£7,500 from Queens Cross Housing Association</p> <p>£6,000 from various contractors</p>	<p>Award £1,678</p> <p>(£6,500 in total requested across 3 Area Partnerships)</p> <p>This application is pro-rata with Hillhead and Canal Area Partnerships:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hillhead Area Partnership approved an award of £1,887 at their meeting on 31 March 2026. • Canal Area Partnership approved an award of £2,935 at their meeting on 17 April 2026.

<p>Halo Arts</p> <p>Project Title – Maryhill Youth Theatre</p> <p>PRN – TBC</p>	<p>Funding is requested towards the costs of delivering a new free weekly drama group for young people aged 6-16 in Maryhill at Maryhill Burgh Halls on Monday evenings 5:30pm-7pm.</p> <p>The group will run for 90 minutes each week across 36 weeks from Early May 2026 – March 2027 with capacity of 25 young people per session and 80 unique beneficiaries over the course of the year.</p> <p>Sessions will use participatory drama techniques including devising, physical theatre, improv and performance-making led by experienced sessional practioner with current PVG membership.</p> <p><u>Breakdown of Costs:</u></p> <p>Drama Practioner at £65 per session - £2,340 (1.5 hours x 36 weeks)</p> <p>Workshop Assistant at £45 per session - £1,620 (1.5 hours x 36 weeks)</p> <p>Venue Hire (Maryhill Burgh Halls - £1,710 (1.5 hours x 26 weeks at £47.50)</p> <p>Graphic Design, banner, publicity, promotion and distribution (Flyers, social media) - £500</p> <p>Coordination/Insurance/Management/Admin - £370</p> <p>Workshop materials - £350 (costumes, props, tech, print)</p> <p>Beneficiaries – 80</p>	<p>£6,890</p> <p>Match Funding:</p> <p>£1,000 from Maryhill Housing Association (Pending)</p> <p>£2,000 from Queens Cross Housing Association (Pending)</p> <p>(£500 earmarked to contribute towards the youth theatre group, remaining funds would cover holiday program activities in the ward)</p>	<p>Award £5,390</p>
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<p>Wyndford Gardening Group</p> <p>Project Title - Equipment</p> <p>PRN: 217/26</p>	<p>Funding is requested to purchase tools, timber, soil, fruit trees and plants to create 4-6 raised beds and new growing spaces for residents that reside within Wyndford – Carrbridge Drive. Led by a volunteer group of 15 local gardeners, this project will support biodiversity and provide shared outdoor activity for children, young adults, families and older residents who may experience isolation.</p> <p><u>Breakdown of Costs:</u></p> <p>Gardening Tools - £680 Builder's Bag Green Goodness - £55.50 Tunnel Hoops x 2 - £17.96 Garden Border Fence PVC Coated x 10 - £188.90 50mm Round Wooden Posts – 5 x 10 pack - £119.95 Bamboo Plant Support Canes x 3 - £27.98 Water Container - £52 Black heavy duty polythene plastic sheeting x2 - £21.98 Anti Bird Pond Garden Netting Green - £8.26 6ft Bamboo Canes Pack of 50 Natural Plant Support Stakes - £59.98 Diall Natural Jute Garden Twine Ball x 2 - £13.10 Builder's Bag Planter Mix x 4 - £338 Greenhouse x 2 - £780 Fruit Trees - £730 Plants & Seeds - £900</p> <p>Beneficiaries – 200</p>	<p>Total costs - £3,994</p> <p>Match Funding:</p> <p>£2,000 from Grow Wild Fund – [confirmed]</p>	<p>Award £3,994</p>
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<p>Maryhill Hub Steering Group - Tea Dance</p> <p>PRN: 472/22</p>	<p>Funding is requested to support monthly Friday tea dances from May 2026 to March 2027 for older residents in Wyndford and Maryhill, providing regular social activity to reduce isolation. Each event will be held on the last Friday of the month and will have the capacity for 50 attendees.</p> <p>Funds will also support two Christmas lunches for up to 50 older residents at each session. The event will take place between 12-3pm where attendees will be welcomed by the choir from Cleveden Secondary School. Attendees will also be given the chance to have a free health check by Chest Heart & Stroke Scotland</p> <p><u>Breakdown of Costs:</u></p> <p>Food supply & preparation Tea Dance x 11 – £2,750 (Lindy’s Café) Entertainment Tea Dance £160 p/s x 11 - £1,760 (Cha Cairns) Food Supply & Christmas Prep x 2 - £1,500 (The Hub Café) Entertainment Christmas £160 x 2 - £320 Decorations - £150 Selection boxes & non-alcoholic sparkling wine - £320</p> <p>Beneficiaries – 100</p>	<p>Total costs - £6,800</p> <p>Match Funding:</p> <p>In-kind volunteering</p>	<p>Award £6,800</p>
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<p>Immaculate Conception Tuesday Group</p> <p>Project Title – Activities & Events</p> <p>PRN – 331/25</p>	<p>Funding is requested to support a programme of outings and events for members over the coming months. These activities help to reduce isolation and loneliness by bringing members together and supporting their health and wellbeing and sense of community.</p> <p><u>Planned events include:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Day trip to Largs on the 2nd of June for 53 people - Pantomime visit on the 15th of December for 52 people in the Pavillion Theatre - Christmas Lunch with entertainment and selection boxes on the 8th of December for 60 people. <p><u>Breakdown of Costs:</u></p> <p>Bus Hire for Largs trip - £750 Lunch in Largs - £1,040 Panto - £1,276 Special Christmas Lunch & Selection packs - £750 Entertainment (DJ) - £150 Fish Tea and ice cream for pantomime - £1,000 (match funding contribution)</p> <p>Beneficiaries – 64+</p>	<p>Total costs - £4,890</p> <p>Match funding:</p> <p>£1,000 from member contributions</p>	<p>Award £3,716</p> <p>Maximum award for Bus hire is £500 in line with Area Budget Guidance</p>
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<p>Glasgow Tool Library</p> <p>Project Title - Repair Club</p> <p>PRN: TBC</p>	<p>Funding is requested to support a 6-month pilot Repair Club programme designed to engage local 18–25-year-olds in developing practical skills and improving their employability. The Clay Café has been provisionally identified as a venue.</p> <p>The programme is expected to run from late September 2026 – March 2027 and will support 8-10 participants per session and will focus on repair activities across a range of repair disciplines including electrical, mechanical, textile and sharpening.</p> <p>The project will include the following components:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Skills development- engagement with volunteers who have craft and technical expertise. • Accreditation- opportunity for participants to gain an accredited PAT qualification. • Education and Employment engagement – support to connect further learning and job opportunities. • Repair Café activity – involvement in hosting Repair Cafes and engaging with members of the public <p><u>Breakdown of Costs:</u></p> <p>Event and Community Coordinator - £8,262 Sessional Repair Educator - £2,600 (£50 per hour x 2-hour class x 26 weeks) Venue Hire - £1,300</p> <p>Beneficiaries – 30 (Maryhill) / 40 (Canal)</p>	<p>Total costs - £12,720</p> <p>Match funding:</p> <p>£1,000 from Mental Health and Wellbeing Fund [Confirmed]</p> <p>£6,000 from Postcode Lottery [Pending]</p> <p>£2,220 from Robertson Trust [Pending]</p>	<p>Award £1,520</p> <p>(£3,500 in total requested across 2 Area partnerships)</p> <p>This application is pro-rata with Canal Area Partnership who approved an award of £1,980 their meeting on 17 April 2026.</p>
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<p>North United Communities</p> <p>Project Title - Opera Event at Stockingfield Bridge</p> <p>PRN – 545/20</p>	<p>Funding is requested to support the delivery of the Annual Scottish Pop-Up Opera Event at the new Stockingfield Bridge on Saturday the 4th of July 2026.</p> <p>There will be 2 performances which will celebrate the return of the Commonwealth games to Glasgow this summer. The event is a collaboration between North United Communities and Make It Glasgow, themed around the Commonwealth Games, and aims to bring local communities together through a shared cultural experience.</p> <p><u>Breakdown of Costs:</u></p> <p>3 Opera Events - £1,000 Stage Hire - £670 Portable Toilets - £670 Sessional Staffing Costs - £1,430 (Site preparation and management – Make it Glasgow)</p> <p>Beneficiaries – 1250 Maryhill / 1250 – Canal</p>	<p>£3,770</p> <p>Match Funding: None</p>	<p>Award £1,885</p> <p>This award is pro-rata with Canal Area Partnership who approved an award of £1,885 at their meeting on 17 April 2026.</p>
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<p>Achieve More Scotland</p> <p>Project Title – Parent Learning Opportunities</p> <p>PRN - TBC</p>	<p>Funding is requested to support the delivery of First Aid and Food Hygiene Training to parents from the Maryhill Ward while also helping EAL (English as an additional language) families increase their confidence, improve their employability and practical life skills to support their children’s education in partnership with the local school learning community.</p> <p>This project has been developed through engagement with local schools to identify parents who would benefit from a project of this nature The project will be working with parents of children attending Dunard Primary, St Mary’s Primary, Caldercuilt Primary and St Blanes Primary.</p> <p>The project will run during school term time to allow parents to undertake these learning opportunities, the coaching costs within this application will allow parents who may care for non-school age children to engage with the project which can be a barrier with similar projects.</p> <p><u>Breakdown of Costs:</u></p> <p>Training courses - First aid and food hygiene - £3,000 (6 courses at £500 each)</p> <p>Coaching - 2 coaches at £34 per hour 2 hours per week for 20 weeks - £2,700</p> <p>Beneficiaries - 54</p>	<p>Total Costs - £5,700</p> <p>Match Funding: N/A</p>	<p>Award £5,700</p>
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<p>Cadder Community Festival Group</p> <p>Project Title – Cadder Gala Day 2026</p> <p>PRN – TBC</p>	<p>Funding is requested to support the delivery of the Cadder Gala Day event on Saturday 22nd August 2026. The event will be held across Cadder Primary school, Herma Street Pitches and Cadder Community Hub.</p> <p><u>Breakdown of Costs:</u></p> <p>Food Vouchers (Cadder Community Hub) - £1,000 Grandprix Racing Cars - £550 Face painters x 2 - £400 Animal Zoo - £400 Henna and Nails - £250</p> <p>Beneficiaries – 400</p>	<p>Total Costs - £11,125</p> <p>Match Funding:</p> <p>£2,000 from Allied Vehicles [Confirmed]</p>	<p>Award £2,600</p> <p>This application will also be submitted to the Canal Area Partnership under the scheme of Delegated Authority for £750.</p>
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Approved 2026/27 Awards

PRN	Date awarded	Organisation	Event, Activity or Equipment	Amount Awarded
216/25	13/02/2026	Maryhill Burgh Halls	To support the cost of funding a 6-month programme of workshops and talks.	£2,662
241/25	13/02/2026	Community Events Scotland	To support the cost of funding an Easter event.	£5,000
252/25	13/02/2026	G20 Youth Group	To support the cost of funding a 6- month football programme of weekly sessions.	£3,414
333/24	13/02/2026	Maryhill Tennis Club	To support the cost to support the Easter and summer camps.	£3,030
188/12	13/02/2026	North West Women's Centre	To support the cost of Playscheme.	£1,188
189/12	13/02/2026	Shakespeare Street Youth Centre	To support the cost of Playscheme.	£2,068
222/26	March 2026 - via Delegated Authority	Immaculate Conception	To support the cost of Easter Event and Volunteer Celebration.	£750
214/26	March 2026 - via Delegated Authority	Together we Make Maryhill	To support the purchase of equipment.	£750
327/25	March 2026 – Via Delegated Authority	90 th Glasgow Girls Brigade	To support the cost of a day trip.	£750