



Item 7

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Glasgow Community Planning Partnership.

Canal Area Partnership.

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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 Canal Area Budget for 2026/27 is £114,353.

Canal 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 Canal Area Partnership committed £9,685 from the 2026/27 Area Budget at its meeting on 6th February 2026 and £0 has been committed under the Scheme of Delegated Functions.
4. Therefore, a total of £9,685 has been committed to date to various projects serving the Canal Ward, leaving a balance of £104,668 yet to be allocated.
5. MOA Basketball- Sessions are currently running and the organisation is currently registered as a PLC with companies house

Area Budget Application Form.

6. 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.
7. 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.
8. 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.”

9. 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.

10. **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

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Budget 2026/2027 - £114,353
Committed Amount - £9,685
Balance - £104,668

Applicant, Project Titles, and PRN	Purpose of Award	Local Investment Priority	Total Project Costs (inc. Match funding)	Amount Requested	Recommendation (inc. specific conditions)
<p>Love Milton (on behalf of Milton Event's Group)</p> <p>Block Party and Gala Day</p> <p>PRN- 024/24</p>	<p>The organisation is seeking funding towards the cost of putting a block party (25th June) and Milton Gala Day (8th August). These are strongly recognised as key events in the community's calendar. The events will be organised by a group of key local organisations including LoveMilton, Milton CC and the ARC.</p> <p>Both events will provide aspects for the whole community to participate in.</p> <p>Breakdown of Costs</p> <p>Glitterarty Packs- £300</p> <p>Climbing Wall (Both Events)- £1700</p> <p>Large Inflatables including staff and generator x 2 (Both)-£3,100</p> <p>Fairground rides for all the community (Gala Day)- £2,650</p> <p>Entertainment (Block Party)- £150</p> <p>Food and Beverages (Both)- £750</p>	<p>Thriving Places</p>	<p>£8,650</p> <p>Match Funding</p> <p>Allied Vehicles- £1,500 (Pending)</p> <p>Love Milton Funds- £650 (Confirmed)</p>	<p>£6,500</p>	<p>Award- £6,500</p>

<p>Queens Cross Community Foundation</p> <p>Project Title – Queens Cross Gala Day 2026</p> <p>PRN – 027/25</p>	<p>Funding is requested towards the cost of the Queens Cross Gala Day event on the 15th of August 2026 which will be held at Firhill Complex.</p> <p>The funding request will cover key costs of the marquees, power generator and children’s rides for all weather outdoor gala day event.</p> <p>Breakdown of Costs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 2 x large rides & event power generators = £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>Total cost of project = £20,000</p> <p>Beneficiaries – 450</p>		<p>£20,000</p> <p>Match Funding - £7,500 from Queens Cross Housing Association</p> <p>£6,000 from various contractors</p>	<p>£6,500 in total £1,887 - Hillhead</p> <p>Pro Rata Application that will also be considered by the following Wards:</p> <p>Ward 16 (Canal) = £2,935</p> <p>Beneficiaries – 700</p> <p>Ward 15 (Maryhill) = £1,678</p> <p>Beneficiaries - 400</p>	
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<p>Queens Cross Housing Association</p> <p>Connecting Community with Burnbank Garden</p> <p>PRN TBC</p>	<p>Funding is requested towards the costs of running a generational project involving neighbours, area residents and the wider community to raise awareness of the importance of age-appropriate housing. The area budget funding will be utilised to cover the artists' fee and consultations.</p> <p>QCHA and Glasgow West Housing Association are working in partnership to create housing specially designed for the elderly with step free access, dementia friendly architecture that provide a safe comfortable living space. An artist will be appointed through Glasgow Sculpture studio to conduct community consultation.</p> <p>The Artist will work with around 50 children (aged 5-12) during the summer activities hosted by QCHA wellbeing and engage with another 40 members during the community day. The artist will translate the ideas collected and deliver a design that will fabricate on the metal screens.</p> <p>This project will run for 6 weeks from July 2026 – August 2026.</p> <p>Venue – Windsor Hall (G20 7NA) & Burnbank Garden (G20 6HD) have been identified to carry out these consultations.</p> <p>Breakdown of Costs</p> <p>Artist Fees (359.20 per session x 3-day consultation + 3 x £359.20 design fee) - £2,155.20 Project Management – (Glasgow Sculpture Studio) - £3,472.70 Materials for £200/per session x 3 - £600 Venue Hire (£170 per day x 2) - £340 Community Worker Cost (5 staff working 3 days at a cost of £15 per hour) - £1,462.50</p>	<p>Thriving Places</p>	<p>Total costs - £8,030</p> <p>Other funding – £1,802.40 from Queens Cross Housing Association</p> <p>Area budget request - £3,114</p> <p>Pro Rata Application that will also be considered by the following Ward:</p> <p>Ward 11 (Hillhead) = £3,114 (Approved)</p> <p>Beneficiaries – 45</p>	<p>£3,114</p>	<p>Award- £3,114</p>
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<p>The GK Experience</p> <p>Spring to Summer Programme</p> <p>PRN- 422/18</p>	<p>The organisation is seeking funding towards the cost of spring and summer programme of engagement with young people in Canal Ward through various sessions relating to sport and outdoor activities. The programme would see young people who are currently engaged, and the organisation are seeking to engage will participate in a range of activities to get to know each other as a group before participating.</p> <p>Breakdown of Costs</p> <p>Vango 60L Rucksacks x 10- £850</p> <p>Youthwork Sessions Equipment- £377</p> <p>Expedition equipment (Gas Stoves x 2 and Camping Trolley)- £133</p> <p>Venue Hire (Campsite Fees and Football Pitch Hire)- £250</p> <p>Transport Costs-- £350</p>	<p>Youth Services</p>	<p>£1,960</p> <p>Match Funding</p> <p>Staff Costs- TBC</p>	<p>£1,960</p>	<p>Award- £1960</p> <p>A maximum of £1,500 to be used for any residential element of the application</p>
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<p>Clay Community Church</p>	<p>The organisation is seeking funding towards the cost of improvements to their shop front at 'The Grove' on Saracen Street and the church building on Bardowie Street. It is hoped the building</p>	<p>Environment</p>	<p>£23,147.30</p> <p>Match Funding</p>		<p>Continue for consideration</p> <p>Application does not have sufficient quotes to ensure for value for</p>
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<p>Improvement Works</p> <p>PRN- 237/25</p>	<p>improvements will increase energy efficiency of the recently installed heating system in both venues and make them more comfortable spaces for community use.</p> <p>Breakdown of Costs</p> <p>Draft proofing and insulation of The Grove- £5,421.60</p> <p>Installation and supply of ventilation system of the Grove- £12,455</p> <p>Redoing of front facing of The Grove- £1,000</p> <p>Sealing of passive vents in Bardowie St Hall- £1,785</p> <p>De-stratification Fans for Bardowie St Hall- £1,312.50</p> <p>Fan Installation- £1,200</p>		<p>£14,240.20 (Pending)- BES Loan Scheme</p>		<p>money in relation to costs, these will be sought from the applicant to provide the partnership with adequate information</p>
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<p>Hawthorn Housing Co-operative</p> <p>World Cup Street Party</p> <p>PRN- 326/22</p>	<p>The organisation is seeking funding towards the cost of a community street party to celebrate The Scotland men's team qualifying for the world cup. The event will take place on the Saturday 13th June 2026 between 11am and 2pm. 11 tenants have volunteered to help organize the event for the community.</p> <p>The event will be coordinated by Hawthorn Housing in collaboration with Glasgow Perthshire and Young People's Futures to help contribute</p>	<p>Thriving Places</p> <p>Vulnerable People</p>	<p>£950</p> <p>Match Funding</p> <p>£500- Lintel Trust</p> <p>In Kind Staff by Hawthorn Housing</p>	<p>£450</p>	<p>Award- £450</p>
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	<p>football related and design activities for the event.</p> <p>Breakdown of Costs</p> <p>Food and Refreshments- £350</p> <p>Decorations- £150</p> <p>Arts and Crafts Materials- £200</p> <p>Tableware- £50</p> <p>Activities- £200</p>				
<p>International Women's Group</p> <p>Providing for new Scots women through a project worker</p> <p>001/25</p>	<p>The organisation is seeking funding towards the cost of an additional project worker for the project to assist with advocacy work and integration work. Currently the project has 122 attendees across their sessions, but demand is exceeding the available resources to support the women involved in the group.</p> <p>The recruitment of the proposed staff member would provide additional resources for various levels of advocacy and integration work undertaken by the group.</p> <p>Breakdown of Costs</p> <p>Project Worker for 10 Hours per week for 26 Weeks- £9,200</p>	Vulnerable People	<p>£20,823</p> <p>Match Funding</p> <p>£11,623- The Roberston Trust</p>	£9,200	<p>For consideration</p> <p>Application is for sessional staffing which is in addition to an existing member of staff carrying out the same role</p>
<p>North United Communities</p> <p>Opera Event at Stockingfield Bridge</p>	<p>The organisation is seeking funding towards the cost of the annual opera event at Stockingfield Bridge. The event is a collaboration between North United Communities and Make It Glasgow. and will take place on Saturday 4 of July. This event will take an annual event, and the focus will be on the commonwealth games with the aim to</p>	Thriving Places	<p>£3,700</p> <p>No Match Funding</p>	£3,770	<p>Award- £1,885</p> <p>Application will be considered as a pro rata split with Maryhill Area Partnership of £1,885</p>

PRN-	bring communities together through a shared cultural experience. Breakdown of Costs 3 Opera Events- £1,000 Stage Hire- £670 Toilets- £670 Sessional Staffing Costs (Site preparation and management)- £1,400				
Ruchill Early Years Centre Upgrades to Garden PRN- TBC	The organisation is seeking funding towards the cost of upgrading the garden and bringing currently disused areas on the nursery grounds into active use. It is hoped that the improvement to the outdoor spaces in the nursery grounds will enhance the learning experience for children at all ages within the nursery journey. All equipment will be purchased through existing council procurement frameworks. Breakdown of Costs Reading Hut- £1,550 Outdoor table and bench- £970.99 Outdoor tool and tool bench set- £615.98 Waterproof and outdoor clothing- £1,100 Outdoor Tunnel- £1,002 Wooden Platform and Bridge- £2,257	Thriving Places Vulnerable People	£7,505.97 Match Funding Fundraising- £200	£7,305.97	Award- £7,305.97
Hamiltonhill	The organisation is seeking funding towards the cost of installing solar panels and generators to	Youth Services	£41,115	£9,240	Award- £9,240

<p>Claypits</p> <p>Solar Power Generator</p> <p>PRN- TBC</p>	<p>enhance the availability of the container previously funded by Canal Area Partnership. The organisation has had higher than expected demand during the winter months, in which service users have found the container cold while participating in projects. They see this as an environmentally friendly way to continue to provide for participants while not using fossil fueled power generators.</p> <p>Breakdown of Costs</p> <p>Solar Panels, Batteries and Installation Costs- £9,240</p>	<p>Thriving Places</p>	<p>Match Funding</p> <p>National Lottery- £13,875</p> <p>Robertson Trust- £18,000</p>		
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<p>Glasgow Tool Library</p> <p>Repair Club</p> <p>PRN</p>	<p>The organisation is seeking funding towards the cost of start up costs for a project which would engage local 18–25-year-olds in developing practical skills and improve employability through engagement in the project. Participants would mainly come from an existing cohort of volunteers and attendees of the project.</p> <p>The project would comprise various components.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Skills development- engagement with volunteers with knowledge of crafts • Accreditation- Participants will gain accredited qualification in PAT. 	<p>Youth Services and Employment</p> <p>Thriving Places</p>	<p>£12,720</p> <p>Match funding</p> <p>Mental Health and Wellbeing Fund- £1,000 (Confirmed)</p> <p>Postcode Lottery- £6,000 (Pending)</p> <p>Robertson Trust- £2,220 (Pending)</p>	<p>£3,350</p>	<p>Award- £1,915</p> <p>This application will be considered as a pro-rata split with Maryhill Area Partnership of £1,435</p>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Engagement with education and employment Repair Café- engage with members of the public through the hosting of repair cafes <p>Breakdown of Costs</p> <p>Event and Community Coordinator- £8,820</p> <p>Sessional Repair Educator- £2,600</p> <p>Venue Hire- £1,300</p>				
<p>Children's Summer Camp Association</p> <p>Summer Camp 2026</p>	<p>The organisation is seeking funding towards the cost of a residential for 20 young people to Bonaly Scout Centre in Edinburgh and will be facilitated by a group of volunteers. Selections for the trip are made through a range of partners to ensure access to this trip is for those who would not usually benefit from this type of experience due to cost barriers.</p> <p>Breakdown of Costs</p> <p>Accommodation- £3,400</p> <p>Activities - £5,000</p> <p>Transport Hire and Fuel- £3,000</p> <p>Insurance- £350</p> <p>Catering Supplies- £3,000</p> <p>Materials- £200</p>	<p>Vulnerable People</p>	<p>£14,950</p> <p>Match Funding</p> <p>QCHA- £1,000 (Pending)</p> <p>The Robertson Trust- £2,500 (Pending)</p>	<p>£1,500</p>	<p>Award- £1,500</p> <p>Award is subject to confirmation of other match funding sources</p> <p>Award is in line with the recommended maximum for residential trips in the area budget guidance</p> <p>Any award not to be used towards insurance or pocket money for young people on trip</p>

<p>Stepping Stones for Families</p> <p>Garden Upgrade</p> <p>PRN- 252/26</p>	<p>The organisation is seeking funding towards the cost of upgrading garden equipment in the Possilpark Child and Family Centre. The organisation has been a long standing tenant in the building and now needs to replace the outdoor equipment used by the children and families. It is hoped that the upgrade in equipment would provide enhanced access to outdoor learning equipment.</p> <p>Breakdown of Costs</p> <p>Wooden playhouse- £430.80</p> <p>Interlocking Rubber Flooring- £673.25</p> <p>Large Area Waterwall Dividers- £162</p> <p>Outdoor Beanbags- £119.80</p> <p>Outdoor Bookshelf- £118.80</p> <p>Clamberhill Perch- £334.80</p>	<p>Thriving Places</p>	<p>£1,677.45</p> <p>No match funding</p>	<p>£1,677.45</p>	<p>Award- £1,677.45</p>
<p>Concrete Garden</p> <p>Back Garden Fence Replacement</p> <p>PRN- 249/26</p>	<p>The organisation is seeking funding towards the cost of a replacement fence and removal of the old one. A new fence for the garden would be more visibly appealing, safe and secure.</p> <p>The organisation would like to complete this work as early as possible to ensure it does not disrupt planned summer activities.</p> <p>Breakdown of Costs</p> <p>Supply and installation of mesh fence- £8,500</p>	<p>Environment</p> <p>Thriving Places</p>	<p>£10,700</p> <p>Match Funding</p> <p>Bellahouston Bequest- £1,500</p>	<p>£9,200</p>	<p>Award- £9,200</p> <p>Pending receipt of satisfactory quotes for installation and removal of fencing</p>

	Removal of old fence and uplift- £1,500 Growing space for climbing plants- £500 Climbing plants- £200				
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Approved Funding 2026/27.

PRN	Date awarded	Organisation	Event, Activity or Equipment	Amount Awarded
241/25	6 th February 2026	Community Events Scotland	Community Event in Lambhill	£5,000
453/18	6 th February 2026	Cadder Primary School	Residential Trip	£1,500
	6 th February 2026	Achieve More Scotland	Activity Costs	£1,428