

COASTAL COMMUNITIES FUND

2024/2025

The closing date for applications is 11th September 2025.

Please note late applications will not be accepted

Please refer to the associated guidance when completing this application form.

All projects must be completed by 31st March 2026.

This is an application form for the Coastal Communities Fund managed by South Ayrshire Council. Please complete all parts of the form. If you require any clarification or additional information then please contact grants@south-ayrshire.gov.uk

Amount of grant requested

TYPE OF GRANT	AMOUNT	PURPOSE	SELECT ONE
*Small grant	Up to £1000	To support small grass roots groups and organisations.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
*Development grant	Up to £4,950	The Development Grant will assist groups to plan & develop small scale projects that will link into one of the priorities of the Coastal Communities Grant Fund. Projects will essentially make communities a more attractive place to live & work.	<input type="checkbox"/>

Section 1: Organisation Details

Organisation Name	Rotary Club of Ayr
Organisation Address	9 Harris Grove Ayr KA7 4GE
Type of organisation (voluntary organisation, charity, CIC, Ltd. by guarantee, SCIO, unincorporated)	Registered Charity

association etc. or private sector)	
If a charity or Limited Company please include your number	
Does your group/organisation have a bank account?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> In progress <input type="checkbox"/> YES

Section 2: Contact details

Contacts	Lead Contact
Name	Howard Stevenson
Position in Organisation	Member and current President
Contact E-mail	
Contact Telephone Number	

Section 3: Project Details

Project Title

Senior Primary Schools (P7)Careers Fair

About your project/what are you seeking funding for?

P7 Pupils from 9 schools, prioritising those with a catchment area serving the most deprived and poorest areas of Ayr, will be transported to Ayr Town Hall where representatives of between 30 and 35 widely different careers have been invited for the day. The reps have been selected as they are known to be enthusiastic about the work they do, great communicators, and in the majority of cases, have asked to return after previously being involved with this Project over the last 2 years.

The Career stalls are designed to be highly interactive and hands-on; we are not telling the pupils what grades they will need and what college or course they need to aim for (this will all be done at secondary school through careers teachers etc.); we want to inspire them, encourage them to think beyond what they think they might end up doing when they leave school. We believe this will also motivate them as they start secondary school in a few months after the event. All the Career reps give up a day, all in their own time, some self-employed. Rotarians are on hand to help the teachers supervise the children on the day.

Funding is used for Hire of the Venue (Ayr Town Hall) (£250), Hire of buses to transport the pupils (£850) to and from the Hall, and a light sandwich lunch for the 60 - 70 Careers Reps attending (£300) of which Rotary will fund

What community will this project be delivered in and what communities will benefit?

Many children from the poorest and most deprived parts of our community come from difficult and dysfunctional home backgrounds with very high levels of dependency there is often little or no encouragement to look at the amazing future career prospects of fulfilling and rewarding careers.

The career Fair is a unique opportunity for these P7 pupils to meet face to face with over 30 widely different Career Representatives who share "This is what I do and This is why I love what I do !"

Please provide information you have about the need and support for the project, eg community consultation

This Project originated following meetings with Headteachers from those Primary Schools serving the most most deprived areas of Ayr, and has gradually extended to include 9 schools.

Which of the following Council plan priorities most aligns with your proposed project:

Priority 1 – Spaces & Places ☐

Priority 2 – Live, Work, learn ☒

Priority 3 – Civic & Community Pride ☐

Please select the grant you are applying for and the relevant priority (you can select more than one priority, if applicable)

For small grant only:

- To assist with barriers to sustain the group ☒
- To develop new projects/ideas ☒

For development grant only:

- Deliver improvements to public places that will increase the number of visitors ☐
- make coastal communities more attractive places to live and work ☐
- demonstrate a strong link to local strategies and local place plans ☐

If linking into a place plan or a community action plan, please details which priority it will be achieving:

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Estimated start date:	Careers Fair 14 th May 2026 but payment to Dodds Coach hire to be paid by 1 st March 2026
Estimated completion date:	As Above

Section 4: Project Costs

How much funding are you requesting from the Coastal Communities Fund?

£ 800

Are you applying for Revenue or Capital costs, or both?

Revenue ☒ £ 800

Capital ☐ £

Please provide a full break down of costs for your project.

If applying for both revenue and capital, then please detail costs separately.

Item/Activity	Cost
Hire of Coaches to transport the pupils to and from Ayr Town Hall to the Careers Fair from the 8 schools which need transport provided	£800
Total	£800

For development grant only:

Individual item costs over £1000, 3 quotes need to be provided – if relevant quotes are not provided when submitting application, it will not be considered.

Section 5: Checklist

Please confirm you have the following documents:

Constitution/Memorandum & Articles ☐

Audited or independently verified accounts ☐

Last 3 months bank statements ☐

Section 6: Declaration & Conditions

I, on behalf of, (organisation name):

- Certify that to the best of my knowledge the information contained in this application is true and accurate and will adhere to the following terms and conditions;
- Understand that making this application does not entitle the organisation to funding as a right;
- Will not commence or commit any expenditure before receiving approval of the funding;
- Confirm that the quotations are bona fide competitive quotes;
- Will provide the External Funding officer with digital colour photos of the work, both before and after the work has been completed. I understand that these images will be kept on record and used for future publicity;
- Understand that this funding award does not cover retrospective work;
- Understand that to make any misleading statement in relation to this application could make the application invalid, or may mean the organisation has to repay the funding;
- Understand that this application is subject to appropriate checks and meets appropriate conditions such as planning, procurement guidelines, and other statutory consents; and
- I Have read the associated guidance before completing and submitting this application form.
- Understands that if I do not provide satisfactory evidence of spend then the council may request I repay the grant

Failure to return or complete and return any evaluations requested then I may not receive any future funding from South Ayrshire Council. I may be asked to repay the funds if I cannot provide evidence that they were used for the purpose intended.

Name of Person Completing Application: Howard Stevenson_____

On behalf of: (Organisation name) : Rotary Club of Ayr _____

Date: _____ 29th August 2025 _____

Completed application only should be saved as a PDF document and uploaded to the

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Supporting documents should be e-mailed to grants@south-ayrshire.gov.uk

These include:

- Constitution
- Last 3 months bank statements
- Independently verified accounts
- Quotes (where required)