

Community Benefits Group (CBG)

The Community Benefits Group was set up in 2012 by the Keeper, and is granted an annual budget to sponsor worthy causes.

Who can apply for funding?

The person submitting the bid should be a permanent RoS employee with an active role in the group they are seeking sponsorship for. They must be able to demonstrate that the group is beneficial to the community. There are no set rules about what type of groups are eligible but we would welcome a real mix of groups to apply including those who help with numeracy and literacy coaching, support groups, youth groups, conservation, volunteering and sporting teams. RoS internal sporting groups who already receive funding and registered charities will not be considered under this scheme.

How can I apply?

To submit your bid please [complete the online form](#) providing as much information as possible, as well as a quote. If you need any support or more information when completing the form, please do not hesitate to contact the group by email at CommunityBenefitsGroup@ros.gov.uk.

When will my bid be considered?

The CBG meet quarterly to consider bids. Once the sponsorship money is allocated the recipients will be publicised and feedback will be given to the unsuccessful applicants. These applicants are able to reapply for future funding.

What will I need to do if my bid is successful?

In return for sponsorship money the successful groups or individuals will be asked to submit receipts of goods purchased, photographs and an article for RoS News.

Terms and Conditions

- To be eligible to bid for these funds the person submitting the bid must be a permanent RoS employee with an active role in the group they are seeking sponsorship for.
- The RoS employee submitting the application must be able to demonstrate that the group seeking funding is beneficial to the community.
- Money from the Community Benefits fund cannot be awarded to public sector bodies or related organisations, profit making businesses, churches or charitable organisations.

- RoS can only fund the purchase of tangible physical assets whereby RoS branded signage can be added to the item.
- RoS will only release funds to a bank account associated with the group/club, not directly to a member of staff.
- In return for the sponsorship money the successful groups or individuals will be asked to provide proof of purchase for audit purposes and also to submit an article and photographs for internal communications channels.
- The group receiving funding/sponsorship must acknowledge the contribution made by RoS and/or promote the RoS brand, as per 4 above.
- Staff giving time to other organisations through the Prince's Trust scheme are not eligible to apply for funding for these organisations unless they can demonstrate giving a significant amount of non-paid (voluntary) time to the organisation.
- Feedback will be given to all unsuccessful applicants.
- Unsuccessful applicants are eligible to reapply for funding.
- Bids for groups which have previously received monies will be considered but only after two years.
- There is no limit to the number of times a member of RoS staff can apply to the fund however other applications that have not received monies before will be considered first.
- Any attempts to use the Community Benefits fund for personal gain will result in disciplinary action up to and including dismissal.

Date Submitted	Financial year	Name of Group	Amount	Status	OSCR Checked	Are they a charity?	Approved	Date approved
20/10/2023	23/24	Dalkeith Rugby Colts	950.00	Approved	Y	N	Y	20/10/2023
20/10/2023	23/24	Leith Athletic Football Club	950.00	Approved	Y	N	Y	20/10/2023
30/10/2023	23/24	Ferry Elves	500.00	Approved	Y	N	Y	20/10/2023
19/01/2024	23/24	Midlothian Camera Club	610.80	Approved	Y	N	Y	14/02/2024
21/02/2024	23/24	Lasswade Athletic Club		Paused				
22/02/2024	23/24	Clydebank Musical Society	Unknown	Paused				
26/02/2024	23/24	East Kilbride Rugby Academy	0.00	Waiting on bank details (NW)	Y	N	Y	27/02/2024
18/03/2024	23/24	G3 Litter Free	584.00	Approved	Y	N	Y	20/03/2024
15/03/2024	23/24	Whiteacres Wolves Oranges 2010s	961.00	Approved	Y	N	Y	20/03/2024
28/02/2024	23/24	Musselburgh Camera Club	1,200.00	Approved	Y	N	Y	20/03/2024
14/03/2024	23/24	Stella's Army	920.00	Approved	Y	N	Y	20/03/2024
26/03/2024	23/24	Portobello Community Academy	800.00	Approved	Y	N	Y	27/03/2024
26/02/2024	24/25	East Kilbride Rugby Academy	500.00	Approved	Y	N	Y	27/02/2024
01/07/2024	24/25	East Kilbride Rugby Club Women's Team	500.00	Approved - NW to follow up	Y	N	Y	19/07/2024
01/07/2024	24/25	114th Edinburgh Brownies	250.00	Approved - NW to follow up	Y	N	Y	19/07/2024
20/06/2024	24/25	Musselburgh Windsor 2009 & Football Memori	1,695.60	Approved - NW to follow up	Y	N	Y	19/07/2024