

RWE Lochelbank Community Fund Covid Recovery Fund Guidance

About this fund

The Covid Recovery Fund (CRF) has been established by the RWE Lochelbank Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund which is provided by RWE, the owner of Lochelbank Wind Farm in Perthshire. It can provide grants to support the recovery path of community organisations following closure or other impacts of the coronavirus pandemic. It is open to community groups that benefit those living in the Earn or Glenfarg Community Council areas. The Fund will be administered by the Earn and Glenfarg Community Councils in their respective areas.

Purpose of this fund

£10,000 has been ringfenced for the CRF to support groups in the Earn or Glenfarg Community Council areas with any costs associated with resuming activities following restrictions imposed by the coronavirus pandemic. These may include additional cleaning or PPE costs, increases in running costs following lockdown or to run 're-opening' activities. It can provide assistance when shortfalls occur as a result of normal fundraising activities being curtailed.

Who can apply?

Your organisation does not need to be a registered charity to apply but the activities the grant will cover must have a charitable purpose.

- Priority will be given to smaller groups that normally have little capacity to generate surplus income and those with depleted reserves due to loss of income during the pandemic. Larger organisations can apply but will be expected to demonstrate a clear need for funding.
- Reserves are usually held by organisations to cover emergency situations and costs. It is expected that applicants will, in the first instance, contribute to reopening costs from their reserves. To be eligible for support from this fund, applicants must demonstrate that they do not hold sufficient reserves to fully cover the costs requested.
- Organisations that have received other Covid related support funding either from this Fund or from other sources, can apply but must show how previous awards have been used and provide justification for the additional support requested.
- Groups do not need to be constituted to apply.
- The Fund is not open to applications from individuals.

How much can we apply for?

Grants up to £500 will be available; please detail the costs to be covered by the grant in your application.

How to apply

Please complete the application form attached or contact your community council for additional copies – see contact details below. The following information should be covered in your application:

- A brief plan for reopening or for the activities planned – dates, anticipated activities and any on-going restrictions on activities compared to pre-Covid operations.
- Details of costs the grant will cover
- An explanation of why grant funding is needed to cover these costs, with an outline of any anticipated reduction in income or increase in costs compared to pre-Covid times.
- Current unrestricted reserves held and other intended uses for these.
- Details of any other forms of grant support received to assist with reopening or other costs incurred as a result of the Covid 19 pandemic and consequent restrictions. If you have received a previous award from the Lochelbank Fund for Covid related support this must be accounted for.

Continue on a separate sheet if necessary.

Apply any time up to 31 December 2021, applications will be considered on a rolling basis.

For **Earn Community Council** email secretaryearncc@gmail.com or see the Earn CC website <https://earncommunity.co.uk/grantors>.

For **Glenfarg Community Council** please email secretary@glenfarg.org or see the Glenfarg CC website <http://glenfarg.org/CC/ccfunds.shtml>.

This fund is expected to run until 31 December 2021 and applications must be submitted by that date. It may be closed at an earlier date if all money is allocated.

Lochelbank Community Fund
Covid Recovery Fund 2021
Application Form



About your group:

Name of group:	
Contact person for this application	
Position held:	
Correspondence address for this application:	
Postcode	
Phone:	
Email address:	
Number of current members?	
How many members will benefit from the grant?	
Please briefly describe your group, its main activities, when it started, do you have a constitution?	
What was your total income over last accounting year and for a 'normal' pre-pandemic year?	
What are your current unrestricted reserves?	
Why can these unrestricted reserves not be used for this project?	
Have you received any financial support to help cover costs during the Covid-19 pandemic?	Y/N
Please give details including the source of funding, amount and what it was for. Include any grants from the Lochelbank Fund.	
Please provide a brief description of the project or costs you are applying for making it clear why grant funding is needed to cover these costs. See the guidance attached.	

Budget:

List the items the grant is intended to cover and the anticipated cost of each. Add more rows if needed or enclose a continuation sheet. State the amount you are requesting from this fund.

Item	Cost	Notes

Total cost		
Amount requested		
Signature and Date:		
Signed by applicant		
Date		

**When complete submit your application by email to
grants@foundationscotland.org.uk.**

The closing date for applications is **31 December 2021**. Please be aware that the Fund may be closed at an earlier date if all money is allocated.

<i>Administration</i>	
<i>Date received</i>	<i>Application reference:</i>
<i>Date of consider by panel:</i>	<i>Date ratified by CC:</i>
<i>Approved Yes/No</i>	<i>Amount approved; £</i>
<i>Date applicant notified</i>	
<i>Date cheque sent:</i>	<i>Number of cheque;</i>
<i>Receipt received</i>	<i>Dated</i>
<i>Date completion report received</i>	