



**SELKIRK COMMON GOOD FUND
APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE**

<p><u>Applicant Details</u> Name and Address of Applicant/Organisation:</p> <p>Telephone No:</p> <p>E-mail address:</p>	<p>Graham Coulson for Selkirk Musical Theatre Company c/o 13D Victoria Crescent Selkirk TD7 5DE</p>
<p>Address to which payment should be made:</p>	<p>13D Victoria Crescent Selkirk TD7 5DE</p>
<p><u>Activities</u> Please supply a brief description of the activities of your organisation and the benefits it brings to the local community:</p>	<p>To promote music and drama across all sectors of the local community and beyond To provide young people, adults and individuals from all walks of life regardless of race, ethnicity, faith and non-faith and sexuality with opportunities to share their creative abilities culminating in a public performance.</p>
<p><u>Assistance Requested</u> Please indicate the sum requested and the purpose for which it will be used:</p>	<p>£1500 to part offset cost of hiring rehearsal and performance space</p>
<p>When will the donation be required:</p>	<p>For February 2021 production</p>
<p>If this is a one-off project then please give the following details –</p> <p>Date (s):</p> <p>Estimated total cost:</p> <p>Funds already raised by applicant's own efforts:</p>	

<p>Funds raised or expected to be raised from other sources (please state sources):</p>	<p>Annual quiz £1200 Race night £800 Others not yet finalised</p>
<p><u>Other information</u> If you have other information which you feel is relevant to this application please provide details including details of any previous assistance given:</p>	
<p><u>Declaration</u> I hereby make application for assistance as set out above and certify that the information I have provided is accurate</p> <p>Signed: Graham Coulson</p> <p>Position Held: Hon Treasurer</p> <p>Date: 29th May 2020</p>	
<p>Note: All applications from organisations MUST be accompanied by a copy of the latest audited accounts</p>	
<p>This completed form, accounts and any supporting details should be submitted to Fiona Walling, Democratic Services, Scottish Borders Council, Council Headquarters, Newtown St Boswells, TD6 0SA. Telephone 01835 826504 email fwalling@scotborders.gov.uk</p>	



I am making application to the Selkirk Common Good Fund on behalf of Selkirk Musical Theatre Company, in light of the current global pandemic.

As ever the cost of staging a production increases and is now heading towards the £30.000 mark. Within the Border circuit, Selkirk has the smallest pool of potential audience numbers and will be the first to cease performing.

There is a limit to what you can expect a member to pay-currently £60 per season, with discounts for youth members. There are also a number of other costs involved for individuals on a personal level over and above that of the membership fee. There is also a limit as to how many times you can go to the public in terms of fundraising events-currently we go about once every six weeks but are always in competition with many other local organisations.

In line with most other Societies across the Borders we have an active youth policy and currently are doing extremely well in terms of youth and student numbers, as well as continuing to engage with long term members.

In terms of Diversity and Inclusion, I am pleased to share with you that we had three member who were from a poor socio-economic background and also two members who had hidden additional needs, all of whom played an active part within our last production.

You will see from the enclosed accounts that the company have worked really hard in terms of fundraising to help offset costs. Also last year we were fortunate in having a one off anonymous sponsor who covered the bulk of the cost of the set and costume hire- this year will incur costs of around £7000.

I would not have made this application this year as we have received your support over the last two years. However as there are still many conditions with regard to lockdown easing, our fund-raising opportunities are very much diminished.

In terms of monies, I am looking to apply for a contribution from the fund of £1,500 which, if approved, will be used to offset the costs of hiring halls for rehearsals and staging the annual production.

The Annual production has been a key part of the Selkirk Social calendar for over 100 years and with support from the fund will continue for many more years to come.

On behalf of Selkirk Musical Theatre Company I hope that you will be able to support this application.

Graham Coulson

Hon Treasurer Selkirk Musical Theatre Company

Selkirk Musical Theatre Company
 Production Income & Expenditure Account
 For the year ended 31st March 2020

Production Account
 Income

Libs /Scores	15.00
Donation	100.00
Box Office	19,588.00
Programme Sales	903.60
Programme Adverts	730.00
Show Raffle	2,115.30
Show Bar	1,013.58
Sweets etc	571.00

25,036.48

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Expenses

Hall Hire	2,338.80
Director	1,000.00
Orchestra	2,063.84
Musical Director	1,760.30
Choreographer	1,500.00
Lighting	750.00
Sound	4,845.00
Set/Props	2,418.47
Marketing	548.40
Show Manager	300.00
Box Office Costs	2,985.38
Costumes	1,059.00
Programme Costs	748.00
Presentations	208.30

22,525.49

Surplus 2,510.99

25,036.48

General Account

Subscriptions	1,535.00
Fundraising	3,195.50
Patrons	970.00
Misc. Income	1,840.49

7,540.99

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Fundraising Costs	183.62
Miscellaneous Expenses	4,393.40

4,577.02

Surplus 2,963.97

7,540.99

Balance made up as follows

Bank Balance at 31st March 2019 19,897.83

Surplus Production Account 2,510.99

Surplus General Account 2,963.97 5,474.96

Difference (118.33)

25,254.46

Bank Balance as at 31st March 2020 25,254.46

23rd May 2020

I have examined the Books and Records of Selkirk Musical Theatre Company, and can certify that the foregoing Account are in accordance therewith.

Margaret Aitken