

**PEEBLES 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>TweedLove Trails 12 Kingsmeadows Road Peebles EH45 9EN</p> <p>07796 173939</p> <p>neil@hillsideoutside.com</p>
<p>Address to which payment should be made:</p>	<p>12 Kingsmeadows Road Peebles EH45 9EN</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>TweedLove Trails is a voluntary organisation of local people in the Tweed Valley, working to promote cycling and mountain biking in the area.</p> <p>It is a non-profit-distributing voluntary association which aims to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) promote the Tweed Valley as the best bike-riding destination in the UK. b) promote cycling-related tourism as social enterprise and a major part of Tweed Valley life. c) recognise importance of cycling identity tourism and educate local businesses to the benefits of this. d) further establish and encourage the community's unique 'bike-centric' identity and deliver the community based element of Tweedlove. e) develop regular community based local rideouts that are free to the general public. f) actively increase the number, quality and waymarking of mountain bike trails, and road cycling routes in the area. g) encourage more people to take part in cycling. h) create and manage a network of local volunteers to help achieve the above. i) support a cycling festival and events which achieve the above. <p>Many residents have expressed a belief that TweedLove has made a significant contribution towards making the area a far better, happier and more prosperous place to live. It has also led to full and part-time employment, hundreds of volunteer opportunities, a local team spirit, free qualification training and assessments and a more active, healthier population.</p> <p>In conjunction with Hillside Outside Ltd, TweedLove Trails has worked to bring a round of the Enduro World Series (a major international mountain biking event) to Peebles. This happened in</p>

	2014 for the first time and as a result of the success of the event, the event will return to Peebles for 2015.
<u>Assistance Requested</u> Please indicate the sum requested and the purpose for which it will be used:	£3,500 event first aid, provided by Tweed Valley Mountain Rescue £4,000 event staff and volunteer event expenses, it requires a large amount of volunteers to deliver the event and this would cover any expenses required and additional staff costs. £2,500 event insurance and security. These are necessary for the event to run safely.
When will the donation be required:	May 2015
If this is a one-off project then please give the following details – Date (s): Estimated total cost: Funds already raised by applicant's own efforts: Funds raised or expected to be raised from other sources (please state sources):	The TweedLove Bike Festival is an annual event and we hope that the inclusion of an international event in the festival will also become an annual occurrence. By providing additional support to the event this will ensure the successful delivery of the event and the opportunity for Peebles to be recognised as a major international mountain biking destination. Event budget attached.

<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>TweedLove Bike Festival started through community enthusiasm for cycling and has grown in a few years to providing an annual event that is well recognised within the community. With cycling becoming ever more popular in the UK and within our region in particular, a large number of residents are now being encouraged to take part in an activity which not only benefits their health directly, but also allows all the family to take part together. There is significant local pride in the fact that the festival has now been offered the opportunity to host one of the world's most prestigious mountain bike events, the Enduro World Series, for the second year running. A significant outcome of our group's activity is a visible increase in the number of people who are now active in cycling in the area. With good organisation we can run the World Series event in a way which allows over 100 local people to take part in the company of the world's best athletes, and the work we do will leave a legacy of more places to ride and improved access.</p> <p>This event is also of major benefit to the local economy, with all accommodation in Peebles booked, restaurants cafes and shops experiencing a large increase in trade.</p> <p>Funding like this will make a huge difference to what kind of production we can deliver, as it will allow many people to volunteer for and benefit from event work tasks which they would otherwise be unable to do. Major events like this cannot happen without a great deal of community support both in-kind and financial.</p> <p>While it is well recognised that this event is of significant economic benefit to the area, the difficulty and down side is that it runs at a loss for the organisers.</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: NEIL DALGLEISH</p> <p>Position Held: SECRETARY</p> <p>Date: 24 February 2015</p>	
<p>Note: All applications from organisations MUST be accompanied by a copy of the latest audited accounts Audited accounts for 2012 and 2013 enclosed 2014 provisional attached</p>	
<p>This completed form, accounts and any supporting details should be submitted to Kathleen Mason Democratic Services Officer, Scottish Borders Council, Council Headquarters, Newtown St Boswells, TD6 0SA for all funds. Telephone 01835 826772</p>	

