



Build Back a Better Borders Recovery Fund - Assessment Form

For the purpose of assessment, projects have been ranked high, medium or low to reflect how strongly the application meets the criteria of the Build Back a Better Borders Recovery Fund.

High – a strong demonstration of how the project will assist recovery from the pandemic

Medium – provides acceptable examples of how the project will assist recovery from the pandemic

Low – lacks detail of how the project will assist recovery from the pandemic

1. Applicant Details:

Organisation name	Hornshole Gateway Development Group					
Organisation structure	SCIO					
Application reference	BBBB-T&L-06					
Theme of application	Sport	Arts & Culture	Environment	Community Capacity	Community resilience	Intergenerational activity
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Project start date	October 2021			Project end date	March 2022	

2. Organisation's finances:

End of year balance	First year or operation
Current bank balance	£7,341.22
Total cash/Unrestricted reserves available & purpose	£1,341
Total restricted /committed funds & purpose	£6,000 restricted which include match funding for this project £7,000 has been secured from Hawick Common Good to engage a professional company to assist with information gathering and preparation of major grant funder applications as well as general administrative works.

Project:

Outline of what the group plan to do to help people recover from the pandemic. Projects will be ranked higher if the application strongly demonstrates that they are meeting an identified need in the community. (e.g. area of deprivation, protected characteristics, tackling wellbeing and isolation, tackling climate change)

High

Medium

Low

Hornshole Greenway is a large scale, multifaceted project which is intended to build on the town's historic, cultural and natural assets and encourage more visitors to the town. The aim is to deliver the different phases of the project over the next 2-3 years. Phases include the establishment of a Greenway from Wilton Lodge Park to Hornshole, the establishment of a community garden and the construction of a statue designed to be a tourist attraction for the town.

One phase of the project which will be delivered in the near future is the advancement of a sustainable Eco Education programme. This has developed from a pilot project delivered in three primary schools in the Teviot & Liddesdale area. The focus of this phase is on local environmental protection and improvement, the community's carbon footprint and reducing food miles.

To help take this activity forward, Hornshole Greenway are seeking funding to deliver four Wildlife Watch day workshops – 2 for young people and 2 for people living within the Burnfoot area and beyond– to engage them in nature and environmental sustainability issues. Workshops are to be led by a local expert from the Newcastleton Wildlife Watch Group who has previously undertaken work with primary schools in the Teviot & Liddesdale area. Funding is also being requested to train 12 Wildlife Watch Volunteers. They will become part of the ongoing delivery of the sustainability programme.

Workshop and training set up costs are being requested along with the cost of purchasing digital equipment so workshop participants can record their learning and observations. All digital equipment will be available for future activities.

Hornshole Greenway are also seeking funding to contribute towards the cost of employing consultants to establish the views of local people on the establishment of a Greenway as well as the other elements of their project. The idea for a Greenway emerged from a project to improve the Hornshole memorial site and find new education initiatives that could grow from there. The aim is to build on what is being delivered in the town through the flood protection scheme by creating a child friendly, active cycle/walking travel route along much of the length of the river. It is anticipated a questionnaire would be available for community members to complete as well as consultation sessions. Part funding has already been secured.

Evidence of individuals, groups or communities likely to benefit from the new initiative and how they have been affected by the pandemic:

High

Medium

Low

Hornshole Greenway recognise the impact Covid and the subsequent restrictions have had on young people with a loss of opportunity at school, through sports activities, social events etc. The Eco Education workshops are designed to provide young people with the opportunity to focus on outdoor interests with like-minded peers. The workshops will be free to attend with transport and catering costs covered to ensure the workshops are accessible to all. There will be 12 spaces in each workshop with parents and carers able to attend in support of a child or individual participating in the workshops.

Hosting the workshops in Burnfoot Hub is an attempt to attract interest and support from the community within the Burnfoot area by removing barriers to their participation. It is hoped participation in the workshops will boost people's self-confidence and encourage their engagement in other activities running in the area. Workshops will be promoted through Burnfoot Primary School and Burnfoot Hub, staff from SBC's No One Left Behind Employability and Progression Programme, Escape and Abundant Borders.

6 volunteers have already been recruited to help with this project as well as other local initiatives that the group will deliver. A pilot programme delivered by the Hornshole Gateway group led to local children participating in clearing and helping to maintain a public garden area. It is hoped that the workshops will encourage local families in the Burnfoot area to be inspired to adopt areas within their community.

Expected impact of the new initiative and how will it help those most in need recover from the pandemic

High <input type="checkbox"/>	Medium <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Low <input type="checkbox"/>
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The intention of the workshops is to inspire young people to become ambassadors for the project. The hope is that the workshops will become a catalyst for those involved in the workshops to take ownership of the local environment and affect change to address Climate Change issues going forward.

The consultation will provide an opportunity for the wider community to share their thoughts on the project and share their ideas on how the community can work towards a greener Hawick and develop assets that would encourage visitors to the area and boost the local economy.

Project Expenditure:

Total Project Cost	£18,000
10% organisation contribution	£3,000
Request to BBBB	£15,000

Item of expenditure	Cost
Professional Fees for Leading Wildlife Watch Leader and 3 additional wildlife experts	£3,540
Training and travel expenses for 12 Wildlife Watch volunteers	£1,560

Equipment: 15 x tablets + cover for tablets Laptop + software Installation of software and maintenance Lockable cupboard Clipboards x 24 Hi viz vests x 40	£5,550
Hire of Burnfoot Hub and catering	£2,650
Community Consultation work	£1,750

Match/other funding sought:

Funder	Funding Requested	Status
	£	
	£	
	£	

Grants received from Scottish Borders Council or any other funder within the last three years

Date	Project Title	Amount
June 2021	Hawick Common Good Fund	£7,000
April 2021	Langhope Rig Fund	£500

SBC OFFICER ASSESSMENT	The application meets the criteria of the BBBB fund
Comments	The application has been assessed as medium. The project has developed from a pilot delivered within Education and has been designed to create a range of learning opportunities for young people and to those living within the Burnfoot area, two communities who have been adversely affected by the pandemic. The success of previous activities suggests this will be well received but further engagement work with the community will be required to ensure workshop spaces are filled. It is likely the applicant will need to show flexibility in how participants are given the opportunity to engage as Covid-19 continues to impact on face to face activity. Hawick Common Riding successfully demonstrated how alternative activities can be delivered online and may provide some ideas to the applicant.
Additional terms and conditions required	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The applicant must follow Scottish Government Covid-19 guidance equipment is available for use by other groups All staff costs must meet the National Living Wage

Recommendations to evaluate impact:

If successful, we recommend the applicant include in their funding evaluation:

- Number of workshop participants and the community they represent
- Number of wildlife Watch Volunteers trained and active
- Outcomes of workshops and any follow up activity