

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

<p><u>Applicant Details</u> Name and Address of Applicant/Organisation:</p> <p>Telephone No:</p>	<p>Project lead: Robyn Elliot</p>
<p>Address to which payment should be made:</p>	<p>Lauderdale Youth Football Club</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>The Club was founded to provide opportunities for local boys and girls to access football coaching, organised football matches and other occasional leisure activities in a safe and supportive environment.</p> <p>Our aim is to develop their individual and team football skills, and to develop their self-awareness, confidence and general social skills.</p> <p>Lauderdale Youth Football Club provides organised youth football for more than 200 boys and girls from across the Scottish Borders.</p> <p>Our club rooms are also used by our partners, Lauderdale FC, Lauderdale Limpers, Lauderdale Bike Club. We regularly hire out the space to other community groups and members of the club/ community.</p> <p>Women's/girls development: We have currently around 85 girls registered (U6-U16) and growing. We are actively engaged in promoting girls football in the borders. We ran a festival in October 2022 where almost 200 girls came to Lauder to participate and the next festival on this scale is planned for June 2023.</p> <p>We are in the planning stages of developing a women's amateur team.</p> <p>Individual coaching, school use, pay and play: We are currently developing a youth scheme (linked in with Earlston High School) engaging young people from the high school/ local community to coach with us. We have two (young women) currently who are now coach qualified and who work with us on a voluntary and paid basis as coaches. We hope to grow this project throughout 2023-23.</p>

<p><u>Assistance Requested</u> Please indicate the sum requested and the purpose for which it will be used:</p>	<p>£10,000</p> <p>Pitch Surface: Upgrade/improvement of existing natural grass match pitches and/or training pitches/spaces - Natural grass improvement to natural grass pitches at Lauder Recreation Ground. The works inclusive of; secondary sand slit drainage; aeration; top-dressing; fertiliser; over-seeding works.</p> <p>Community Hub/ Warm Space: We have the potential for a great community hub with our existing club rooms but these require a small extension/ clear the garden space in order to use to their full potential. Our aim is to create a wheelchair accessible back garden space that can be hired by the community. We would like to adapt the inside of the pavilion to create a comfortable warm space with Wi-Fi.</p>
<p>When will the donation be required:</p>	<p>Confirmation of award by September 2023. We will bid to the SFA Grassroots fund mid-September.</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>Yes</p> <p>October 2023- October 2024</p> <p>£62,000</p> <p>£7000 (Club fundraising)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Match fund (award in principle) from SFA Grassroots fund – we need to raise 50% of project cost from other sources. Application will be made in September 2023 • £10,000 (Award has been made in principle) Scottish Football Partnership & Trust • £1000 target club fundraising • £5000 Cash for Kids Club Fundraising Campaign (again this is club led) (September 2023) • Applications to SBC/ Lottery to be made June 2023

<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>We intend to make an application to Sports Scotland/ Lottery and also Scottish Borders Council in June 2023.</p> <p>We are also in discussions around bidding for joint funding with Oxton Community Council to develop a training pitch/ outdoor community space in Oxton.</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: Robyn Elliot</p> <p>Position Held: Vice-chairperson</p> <p>Date: 17/05/23</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 Officer, Scottish Borders Council, Council Headquarters, Newtown St Boswells, TD6 0SA. Email fwalling@scotborders.gov.uk Telephone 01835 826504.</p>	