

## Common Good Fund: Application Form for 2020/21\*

\*Please note this is a fund of last resort – you will need to demonstrate to the Common Good Fund Committee that you have tried to secure funding from other sources.

<b>Applicant Group/Organisation:</b>	Hawick Reivers Association
<b>Name of your project:</b>	Hawick reivers Festival 2024 - 22nd to 24th March
<b>The name of the Common Good Fund that you are applying to:</b>	Hawick Common Good Fund

### What does your organisation do and who does it support? If appropriate. (max. 100 words)

Tell us what your group does, the activities it undertakes and in what way it benefits the community.

The Reivers Festival has now become a well established event in both the town's and region's calendars attracting many visitors to Hawick from far and wide.

2024 will mark the 21st Festival and as always we aim to make it a memorable weekend for all concerned. It has consistently been our ethos to make our individual events accessible to as many people as possible with most being free of charge, and where entry is chargeable, to keep ticket prices low hence the need to seek funding to allow us to maintain this.

2023 - our 20th festival - was a special year with a larger than usual number of re-enactors and events and while 2024 will be slightly smaller we are keen to maintain the year on year gain in momentum which the festival is achieving

### Summarise what you want to use this funding for (max. 100 words)

(i.e. will it increase access, improve quality of life etc.)

We are seeking funding from the Common Good Fund towards the general running costs of the Festival and it will be spread across a number of target areas including youth engagement (especially in the run up to the festival), marketing, re-enactor fees (most of the groups engaged are volunteers and costs cover their travel expenses, insurance, overnight accommodation etc)

Where ever possible we use local companies and businesses so a large percentage of our spends are within Hawick and/or Scottish Borders.

We have received verbal confirmation that we have been awarded £5000 from the Community Festival and Events Small Grant fund towards 2024 (written confirmation awaited)

### Tell us how your activity/project will make a difference to your organisation and how it will benefit the residents of the former Burgh (max. 200 words)

Tell us what activities you plan to carry out and how you will deliver it.

We are seeking funding (£4000) from the Common Good at this point in time to allow us to advance plan for the festival. As you will appreciate most of the work has to take place at this time of year to secure all aspects - we can only do this if we know we are financially in a position to meet the costs involved.

Our plans include a full weekend of activities starting on Friday evening with Ghost walks and a concert. Saturday will again be our main day of activities with parade, Reivers Market and Encampment, lectures, school plays and games, torchlight procession, fireworks and Reivers Banquet to round off the full day.

Currently we are investigating funding sources (including Common Good) to clarify whether we are able to repeat the success of 2023 by having the Reivers Encampment over 2 days - from our experience last year we know that the 2 day event is much more attractive to the Re-enactment groups leading to much larger numbers of participants (which also has a considerable economic impact on the town)

Sunday's program will conclude with a return of the very popular High Tea with guest speaker .

**Tell us how your project will be sustainable in the future** (max. 100 words)

Now in its 21st year the Reivers festival has hopefully proved its ability in terms of sustainability although, for the reasons mentioned above, we suspect we will always have a degree of reliance on support funding to allow us to maintain free events etc.

**Expenditure: Please tell us how much money you need for the entire activity/project (you may be asked to provide up to 3 quotes to support your application)**

Item of Expenditure	Cost (£)
<b>Total projected budget for the weekend</b>	<b>£24000</b>
<b>How much would you like from the Common Good Fund?</b>	<b>£4000</b>
<b>Please supply a copy of your signed &amp; dated Annual Accounts or Projected Financial Plan</b>	<b>Attached</b>

**Have you received funding in the last 5 years from Scottish Borders Council or any other external funders? If so, please detail the fund name, the amount and the purpose of the grant.**

Fund	Amount	Purpose
2023 CLLD Fund	£8500	Printing, advertising, website, social media marketing, insurance, schools project
2023 Neighbourhood Pot A	£3780	Re-enactments and production costs

2023 Neighbourhood Pot B	£5000	Venues, filming, schools project, living history
2023 Events Scotland National Events Programme	£7000	Living History/Re-enactment displays and demonstrations of historic crafts
2022 Teviot & Liddesdale Community Fund	£5000	General funding of festival
2021	N/A	
2020 Common Good Fund	£3000 (£566 repaid)	General funding of the event
2020 Event Scotland Clan Fund	£3715 (£1355 repaid)	Marketing, Schools project, commissioning of new play
2020 SBC Community Grant Fund	£1500	Marketing, music event, re-enactment
2019 Common Good Fund	£3000	General funding of the event
2019 Event Scotland Clan Fund	£4740	Marketing, schools project, re-enactment group (specifically Northern Ireland)

<b>Tell us about your own fundraising or how you have secured other funding for this project.</b>		
	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Purpose</b>
Community Festival & Events Small Grants Fund	£5000	Unconfirmed
Stall fees, programme adverts, ticket sales, donations, sponsorship, coffee mornings, Christmas market, bar sales, raffles, torch sales	£10000	Unconfirmed but based on 2023 figures

<b>Individual/Group/Organisation details:</b>	
<b>Contact Name:</b>	<b>Catherine Elliott-Walker</b>
<b>Position in Group/Org:</b> (if appropriate)	<b>Chair</b>
<b>Home Address:</b>	
<b>Post Code:</b>	
<b>Telephone Number:</b>	

<b>Email Address:</b>	
<b>Date:</b>	<b>13th Nov 2023</b>
<b>Signature:</b>	<b>Catherine Elliott-Walker</b>

## Equalities

Do you have an Equal Opportunities Policy or Equality Statement? Yes

Explain how your project complies with the obligations contained in the Equality Act 2010  
Equality statement attached. This covers all aspects of the obligations contained in the Equalities Act 2010

## Public Protection

Does your idea/project involve work with children, young people under the age of 18 or vulnerable adults? Yes  No

If yes what public protection policies do you have in place and how often are these reviewed?  
Please provide a copy of these or give full details below.

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While we work regularly with school aged children this is always done in association with schools or with parents present.

## Permissions

Does your project involve work to a building or land? No

If yes do you have the following? (please tick relevant)

- Written permission of owner - Under discussion with various owners
- Planning permission - Appropriate permission will be sought/obtained before any works are undertaken

## Common Good Funds

Common Good Funds in Scotland originated in the 15th century and are the assets and income of some of the current/former Burghs. They can represent a substantial portfolio of land, property, some moveable items and investments and by law continue to exist for the benefit of the inhabitants of the former Burghs to which they relate. Scottish Borders Council is the owner of these Funds and each Fund has a sub-committee comprising the relevant local Councillors who make the decisions on the management of the Fund's assets and approval of any requests for funding (up to a limit of £20,000 above which full Council approval is required).

If you are successful in being awarded Common Good Funds, you will be asked to complete a monitoring & evaluation form when your project is complete or within 1 year of receiving funding. Future applications will not be considered until this has been received and the Common Good Fund Sub-Committee are satisfied with the evaluation you have provided.

This completed form and supporting documents should be submitted to Democratic Services, Scottish Borders Council, Council Headquarters, Newtown St Boswells, TD6 0SA. Email: [Judith.Turnbull@scotborders.gov.uk](mailto:Judith.Turnbull@scotborders.gov.uk) Telephone: 01835 826556