



East Ayrshire
COUNCIL

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Organisation

Knockinlaw Community Association

Reference Number **CG4261**

grant assessment form

1 Aims and objectives of the organisation

The Association aims to improve the quality of life in the Knockinlaw community by advancing education, promoting social welfare and promoting educational, recreational and cultural activities.

2 Purpose of the grant (including breakdown of costs)

The purpose of the grant is to enable the Association to take over the management of the former Ardbeg Community Education Centre in Knockinlaw. The following costings have been presented by the Association to enable the facility to re-open under community management.

Annual running costs = £11,395.94
 Electric £1295.27
 Rates £3702.55
 Water £4750.52 + (waste water charges) - £960.60
 Security £150.89
 Trade Refuse £276.00
 Cleaning Support £238.77
 Rental Charge £21.34
 Liability Insurance + contents insurance
 Zurich estimated £285.00 per annum

3a How many people are on the organisation's Management Committee? 20

3b What is the organisation's total membership? Wider community of Knockinlaw

3c How many members usually attend the organisation's meetings or events? 15-25+

3d How many members of the organisation would benefit from the grant? Wider community of Knockinlaw

3e How many members of the community would benefit from the grant? unknown

**4 How will the grant :-
(a) develop the organisation; or**

Encourage the community of Knockinlaw to take ownership of the former Ardbeg Community Education Centre.

(b) benefit the local community.

The re-opening of a local community facility to be used for educational, recreational & cultural activities.

All questions on this form must be completed

5	Total cost of project		£ 14,000
	Amount of grant requested		£ 9000
	Bank Balance(s)	Date 19 th November 2008	£ 687.08
	Where the group has more than one bank account all balances should be recorded		
	Cash in hand	Date	£
Value of any other financial assets		Date	£
Name of other funding sources			
n/a			
Amount and date of grant			
£ 1000		Date August 2008	
E.A.C. Grant		Transport to Blackpool	

6	If latest balance (including other financial assets) exceeds the cost of the project or is substantial, are these funds ring-fenced for the normal activities of the group or can they contribute to the cost of the project?
	N/A

7	Recommendation	
	Support	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Refuse	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Defer	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Amount	£9000
Recommended		
Reason for recommendation		
<p>Since the Committee agreed to defer this application, the organisation has made good progress towards community ownership of the facility. An Outline Business Plan has now been prepared detailing the projected income and expenditure associated with operating the facility. A full Structural Survey has been undertaken listing the repairs required to bring the facility up to tolerable standard. A draft lease agreement between the organisation and East Ayrshire Council has also been prepared and is currently under consideration. The organisation has continued to fundraise successfully and has generated around £5k in the past few months. Other sources of funding including the Big Lottery Fund are also being explored. The organisation has shown a strong commitment to this project and has widespread support from the local community. The progress achieved by the organisation over the past few months makes this proposal more viable. Grant funding will enable the organisation to progress their development plans. It is therefore recommended that the application is supported.</p>		
Management Risk Ranking L / M / H <small>Risk Ranking based on Grant Application and Financial Information used to determine appropriate levels of monitoring and evaluation.</small>		Child Protection Risk Ranking L / M / H <small>Applications with a HIGH ranking are not recommended for support</small>

8	If there are any revenue implications how will they be met in future years?
	It is likely that this group will continue to make applications for revenue funding if their plans progress. A business plan showing how future cost will be made is essential.

9	Does the project represent value for money?	Yes	No

10	Cross boundary grant (if applicable) and division per committee (the calculation should identify the corresponding number of individuals within the respective Local Committee areas who will directly benefit from the grant award)

	Nos	Amount	%
Northern Local Grants Committee			
Central North Local Grants Committee			
Central South Local Grants Committee			
Southern Local Grants Committee			
Other areas outwith EA			
Method of Division			

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