



Scottish & Southern  
Electricity Networks

TRANSMISSION

# Community Investment Review

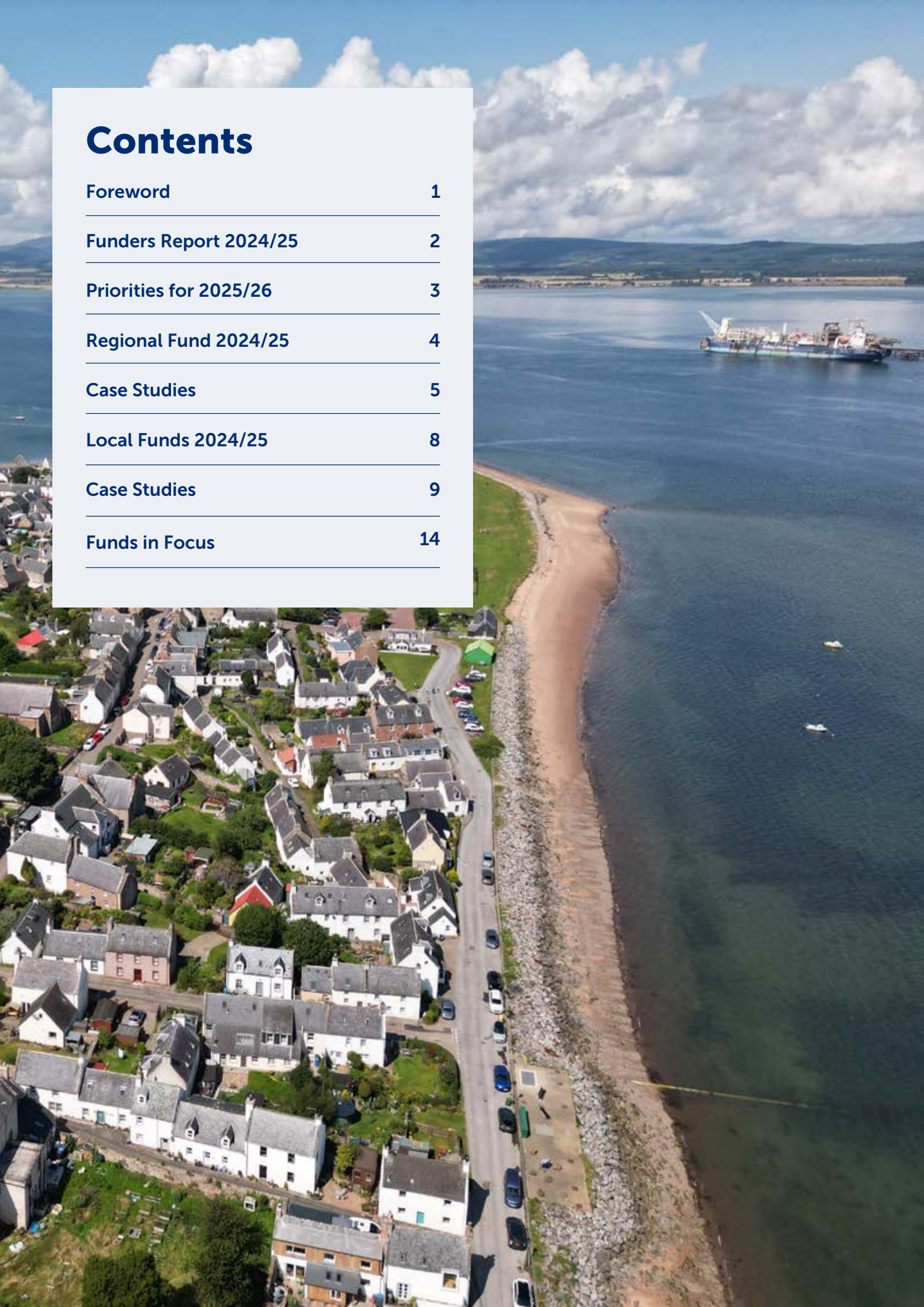
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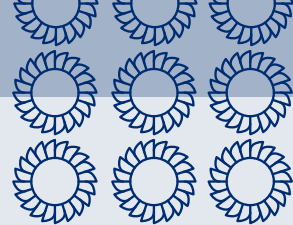


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# Foreword

**I'm pleased to share the first SSEN Transmission Community Benefit Fund Annual Review. Our commitment is clear: to drive investment in the energy transition in a way that delivers lasting benefits for communities and the wider economy.**

Our £22bn+ investment in the electricity network by 2031 is essential for securing clean, affordable power. This investment also creates jobs, builds skills, and supports local supply chains. Through our community funds, we go further—providing direct financial support for community projects that make a real difference at a regional, and a local level.

This year marks a significant milestone for our Regional Community Benefit Fund. We've awarded our first £2m to projects that will make a real difference across the North of Scotland. The response from communities has been outstanding, with nearly 330 proposals submitted, collectively requesting over £50m in funding—clear evidence of ambition and innovation across our network area.

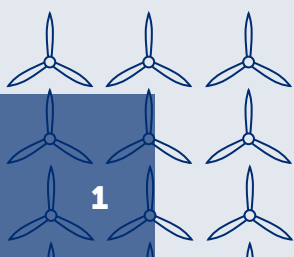
Our independent decision-making panel, Chaired by Peter Peacock, has selected ten projects that will deliver the greatest impact across our priority areas. These initiatives show how strategic support can strengthen communities, nurture talent, preserve heritage, and reduce energy poverty. Alongside this, our first Local Fund has provided £252,000 to projects across the Central and Eastern Scotland, and we look forward to developing many more local funds shaped by community priorities. We will collaborate with local communities and partners to identify priorities and deliver a coordinated approach that supports local areas in achieving their objectives.

Looking ahead, our Pathway to 2030 investment programme will enable us to deliver over £100m in community benefit. This is about more than infrastructure—it's about creating thriving, resilient communities and leaving a lasting social and economic legacy.

Thank you to every community group, stakeholder, and partner whose ideas and commitment make this programme possible. Your collaboration and determination are central to achieving our shared ambition and delivering lasting benefits for communities. Together, we can continue to build resilience, create opportunities, and ensure that this investment leaves a positive legacy for generations to come.



**Christianna Logan**  
**Director of Customers  
& Stakeholders**  
SSEN Transmission



# Funders Report

2024/25



**£2.25m**

Total Award in 2024/25



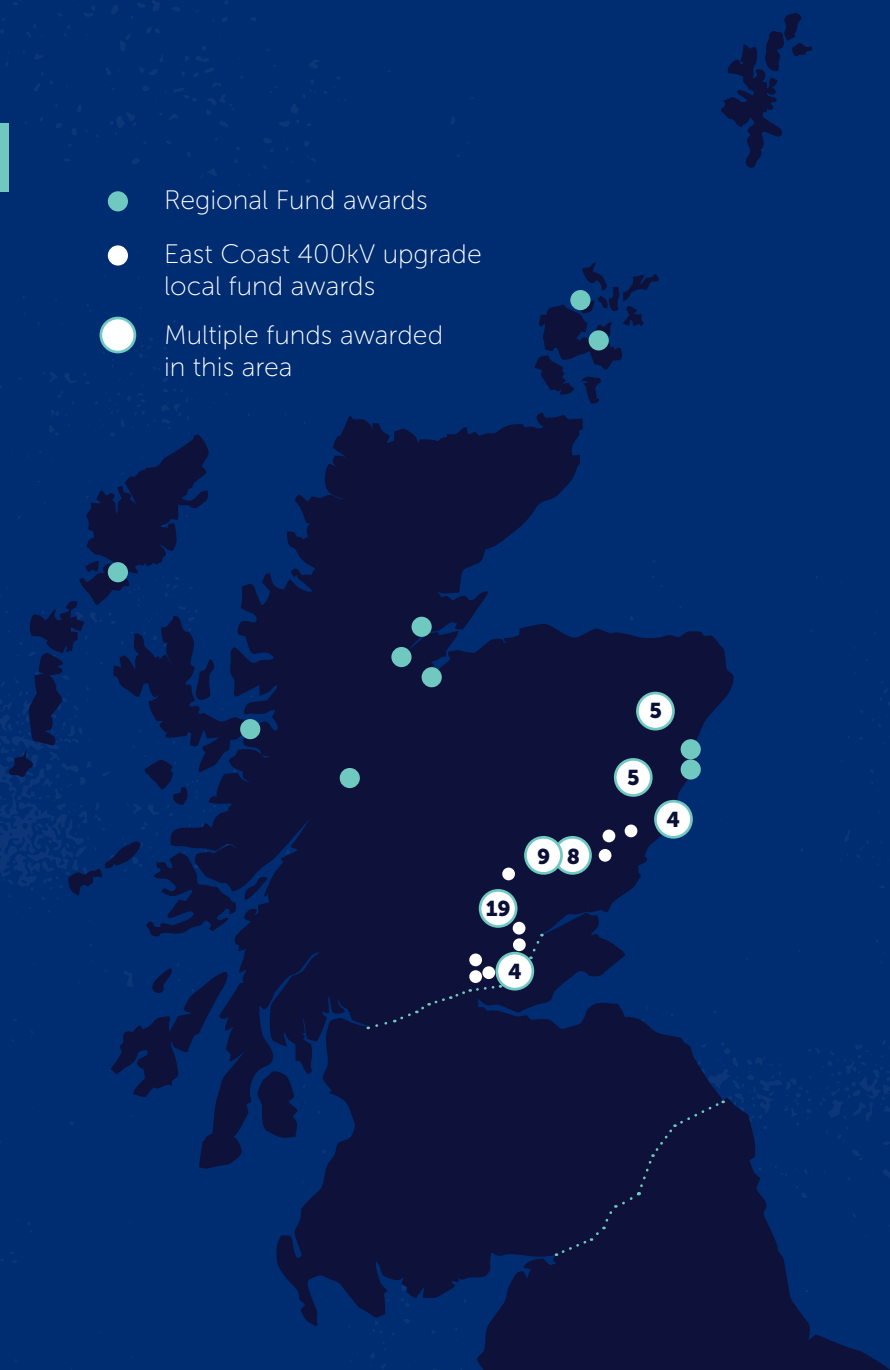
**74 projects**

Total Projects in 2024/25

The SSEN Transmission network is playing a leading role in the clean energy transition, connecting and transporting renewable electricity from different forms of generation and bringing extensive benefits given the scale of delivery.

We are committed to ensuring that a share of these benefits go directly to local communities, leaving a lasting positive legacy for the whole of the north of Scotland. We understand that our work can create opportunities and have impacts in the areas where we operate, and we believe it is our responsibility to create a lasting positive contribution. Over the last year we have established the first of our community funds which demonstrates our commitment to supporting social impact and enhancing wellbeing in the regions and communities where we operate.

- Regional Fund awards
- East Coast 400kV upgrade local fund awards
- Multiple funds awarded in this area



## Funding Principles



**Open consultation** – seeking the views of local residents and reviewing existing place plans to inform the focus and delivery of funds. We are committed to representation of diverse voices within communities.



**Clear priorities** – guaranteeing funds will focus on the needs of the local areas and region. Priorities will be reviewed regularly to reflect emerging needs.



**Independent decision making** – open recruitment and expert training to ensure decisions are made by diverse panels of local people, for local communities.



**Flexibility** – adopting a flexible approach that is responsive and adapts to changing needs, in a way that is proportionate to scale and impact.



**Good governance** – maintaining high ethical standards and accountability. Our governance practices are designed to be flexible, build trust and ensure inclusivity.



**Maximising impact** – using proportionate approaches to deliver maximum, positive impact which is measurable and sustainable.

## Types of Funds

Based on the outcomes of our 2023 public consultation on community benefit, two different types of funds have been developed. A strategic regional fund and multiple local funds will ensure the funding can deliver maximum value across the SSEN Transmission network area while also meeting the needs of the local communities closest to our new infrastructure.



**Regional Fund** – established to support strategic not for profit projects which create a significant, transformational and long-lasting legacy for communities across the north of Scotland.



**Local Funds** – established to support communities situated close to new transmission infrastructure, empowering communities to develop and enhance services, assets and local activities. Each fund is unique, focusing on the priorities of the local community to ensure maximum impact in the local area.

## Priorities for 2025/26

Moving into 2025/26, we will continue to deliver on our initial £10m community benefit commitment, through both the Regional Fund, and the Eastern Green Link 2, Shetland HVDC and Argyll and Kintyre 275kV Local Funds.

In addition, we welcomed the publication in March 2025 of the UK Government Guidance on Community Funds for Transmission Infrastructure, which will allow us to further expand and grow our community benefit offering.



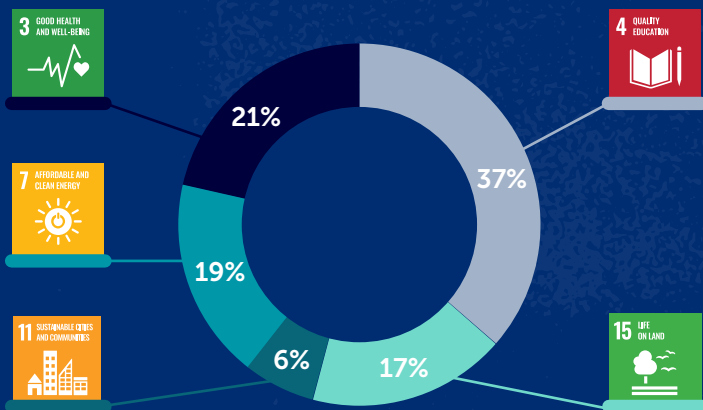


# Regional Fund 2024/25



**£2m**

awarded in 2024/25 to 10 regional projects



## Sharing value

SSEN Transmission has created the Regional Fund as part of our community benefit commitment from our planned at least £22bn investment in the transmission network by 2031. The fund is open to not-for-profit projects which support communities in the north of Scotland network area. The fund focusses on supporting significant and transformational impact beyond more than one community.

## Lasting legacy priorities

The priorities of the fund were developed through an extensive consultation process in 2023 where community groups, stakeholders and residents were asked to identify the key issues in the region and analysis was conducted with local area needs assessments and regional community planning reports. The focus of the consultation was to identify the priorities which needed investment to make a lasting legacy to local communities.

## Independent decision making

In 2024, an open recruitment process was carried out to establish an independent panel with extensive knowledge and experience in supporting local people and communities. The panel has undertaken comprehensive training, with governance processes in place to ensure strong and transparent decision-making. United by a shared vision, the panel is committed to providing meaningful support to communities across the north of Scotland.

**The panel were very impressed by the range of excellent proposals received and look forward to supporting many more projects in coming years as the available money grows.**

**Peter Peacock**  
Chair of Regional Panel

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## The three priorities are:

**People:** Supporting projects that help people develop new skills, access training, and find employment pathways. By removing barriers, we aim to create more opportunities for people across the north of Scotland.

**Place:** Investing in projects that preserve important spaces, celebrate cultural heritage, and promote local traditions – from restoring heritage sites to supporting language and music initiatives.

**Fuel Poverty:** With rising energy costs continuing to impact households across the region, seeking to find strategic ways to alleviate fuel poverty across the north of Scotland.

## Connecting the next generation with traditional Scottish music and culture



Founded in 1986, Fèis Rois aims to provide opportunities for people of all ages to access, participate in and enjoy Scottish traditional music and Gaelic cultural activities. Over the years, they have shown the importance of their project across Ross-shire and beyond, with participants increasing both their confidence, skills and knowledge of traditional music and culture. Fèis Rois also provide a vital ladder of progression, supporting young musicians to reach their full potential and become industry professionals.

The Fèis Rois programme is a well-embedded existing offer within the community, but unfortunately, due to an increase in programme costs, additional funding was needed to continue. SSEN Transmission were able to provide the necessary additional funding to support the project until 2028. This includes supporting their Easter tuition week, regular weekly classes, Ceilidh Trail sessions and the October residence. These sessions support young people from their very first engagement with traditional music and Scottish culture, all the way through to potentially becoming a professional musician.

Over the course of the three years, this funding will enable Fèis Rois to engage with a minimum of 675 children and young people through music workshops and events, as well as supporting a minimum of 30 young musicians through the Ceilidh Trail programme. This funding will allow Fèis Rois to continue to provide their important programmes and continue to engage young people with Scottish culture and music.

**"The funding is fantastic news for Fèis Rois, coming after a period of uncertainty, and will provide much needed support to ensure that the next generation of young musicians continue to benefit from our traditional music and arts events. The Board of Fèis Rois would like to thank SSEN Transmission for this investment in our work to create transformative opportunities for young people to engage with traditional music and the Gaelic language."**

**Jennifer Marshal**  
Chair of Fèis Rois

## Investing in skills for the energy transition



Scottish labour forecasting suggests that North East Scotland could need thousands of additional workers over the coming years for major projects, including those that contribute to the country's net zero goals.

The Energy Transition Skills Hub, opened by First Minister John Swinney in September 2025, is designed to be Scotland's first dedicated facility to support these specific training needs, aiming to build capacity and expertise to support future workforce security.

The Skills Hub will provide local people with pathways and opportunities to train, upskill or reskill in order to access work within growth sectors. The Skills Hub has been shaped by industry requirements, with specific zones and equipment being used to deliver technical and skills-based training for roles in construction and operation of a variety of energy-related developments. The £150,000 award from the SSSEN Transmission Regional Fund will be utilised to purchase the cutting-edge equipment needed to train the participants.

The Skills Hub is expected to enrol up to 2,500 individuals in the first four years of their operation, supporting 1,000 people into related jobs – a much-needed support for the energy transition.

**"The Energy Transition Skills Hub is a hugely significant project for the College and our partners. We work very closely with industry to ensure the skills required in the jobs market are reflected in the courses we offer and the learning environment we create, with the new facility underlining the ambition the partners share as a driving force in the journey to net zero."**

**Neil Cowie**

Principal and Chief Executive  
North East Scotland College



## Addressing fuel poverty across Orkney's outer isles



Fuel poverty levels across Orkney are among the highest in the UK, due to the harsh climate conditions and inefficient housing stock. Fuel-poor households, often in properties with low energy efficiency, face difficulties in accessing the necessary resources for efficiency updates, particularly in the outer isles, where logistics and access to contractors is especially challenging.

With this funding from the Regional Fund, THAW Orkney are aiming to help tackle this issue by providing specific support for properties across the outer isles. This project will involve 'clustering' energy efficiency and retrofit works, so that resources can be used more effectively. Supporting a minimum of 40 of the hardest to reach properties, this project will fund key repair and installation works, which are not covered by other national grants. The funding will also secure the employment of the three core staff needed to lead the project to ensure robust retrofit design, co-ordination and advice.

This innovative approach will ensure that over 40 households move out of fuel poverty with the long-lasting energy efficiency measures providing families with improved living conditions, lower energy bills and reduced carbon utilisation. Lessons learnt from this project will be used in other remote areas of Scotland.

**"THAW has been focussing our work on tackling one of the root causes of fuel poverty in Orkney, namely the high levels of disrepair and resulting energy inefficiency of local properties, particularly on ferry-linked isles. The funding from SSEN Transmission will allow THAW and partners on the isles to pilot a new repair, upgrade and replace pathway designed to support those in most need of support."**

**Michael Butler**

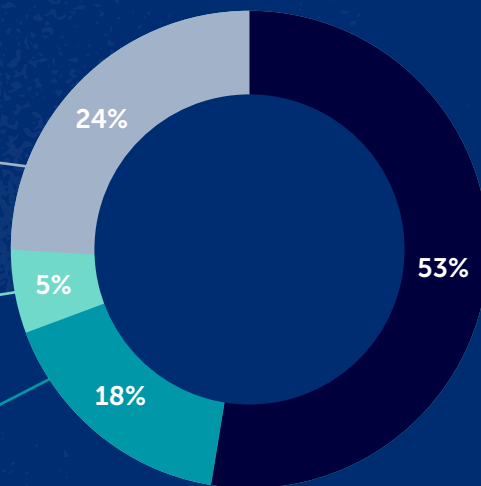
Innovation and Development Lead  
THAW Orkney

# Local Funds 2024/25



**£251,998**

awarded in 2024/25 to 64 local projects



## East Coast 400kV Overhead Line Upgrade

A review was conducted of all regional, local authority and community plans across the east coast area, which was then followed by a consultation with key community stakeholders. During this process, health and wellbeing was identified as a priority across the whole beneficiary area. This existing line connects Kintore in Aberdeenshire through Angus and Perth to our network boundary in Clackmannanshire.

## Creating local positive impact

The first local fund was provided in 2025 and supported the communities near the East Coast 400kV Overhead Line Upgrade. The East Coast Fund was a one-off fund, aimed at supporting not for profit projects across Aberdeenshire, Angus, Perth and Kinross, and Clackmannanshire.

## Local decision making

The decisions on who should receive funding from the East Coast Fund was made by an independent panel made up of community representatives from across the beneficiary area, identified through an open recruitment process. The panel participated in a range of training sessions to ensure informed decision making, with a focus on the fit with the fund priorities and proximity to the beneficiary area.

**We are delighted that the East Coast Local Community Benefit Fund has enabled a wide range of health and wellbeing projects, delivering meaningful change in local communities.**

Sheila Ritchie  
Chair of East Coast Panel

East Coast Panel



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## Making sport accessible for all



**£5,000**

awarded to **Perth & Kinross Disability Sport** from East Coast 400kV Upgrade Local Fund

Having access to a range of sport and leisure facilities is pivotal to many communities' well-being strategies. Across Scotland it has been recognised that there is a shortage of inclusive sports opportunities. Perth & Kinross Disability Sport is committed to supporting local people with disabilities to get active and access sport. A key part of the charity's growth plans is expanding the range of wheelchair sports they can offer. The award from SSEN Transmission has helped them to purchase new specialist equipment including a sports wheelchair, basketball hoops, badminton racquets and boccia sets. The funding will also be used to support the cost of facilities hire, allowing them to expand the range and frequency of their sessions across Perth & Kinross.

The award will also support the capacity growth of other local sports clubs as Perth & Kinross Disability Sport will host sessions with coaches from other local sports clubs, providing them with the opportunity to work with athletes with disabilities, improving their own coaching techniques and encouraging them to be more inclusive in their own club environment.

The project will benefit over 100 people and for many participants this can be the first step into being able to access local, regional and national sporting pathways.



**"The funding from SSEN Transmission is valued by all at Perth & Kinross Disability Sport. This will make a huge difference in enabling us to support more people with disabilities to get active, learn new skills, gain confidence, meet new people and have fun through sport."**

**Graeme Doig**

Perth & Kinross Disability Sport

## Connecting communities through growing together



**£5,000**

awarded to **Growspace Creations CIC** from the East Coast 400kV Upgrade Local Fund

Community gardens can be a key local service to improve the health and well-being of local residents. They have been shown to provide significant improvements in social cohesion and help to increase the supply of local, fresh food. The community of Bridge of Earn have developed an ambitious project to create a community growing space on Moncreiffe Hill. The Growspace Creations project aims to connect the community with nature and help residents learn new skills relating to growing their own food and flowers.

The investment from the East Coast Fund has enabled the local vision to become a reality, by funding the purchase of the critical infrastructure needed to develop the site including a polytunnel, planting materials and a compost toilet for visitors and volunteers. This will enable the development of the growing space and enable ongoing sustainable food growing, wellness activities and community connection.

Working with other local community groups, Growspace Creations aim to make the new site a key community space, reaching up to 500 people. Community members will be able to meet others and socialise, pick their own food and flowers, and attend free sessions on practical topics such as permaculture, food preservation and seed saving.



**"It's such an amazing feeling to receive this support, especially as we only launched Growspace Creations CIC earlier this year. The funding has helped us build a polytunnel and buy plants and compost, helping create a welcoming, beautiful space where people can connect with nature, spend time together, and enjoy growing things.**

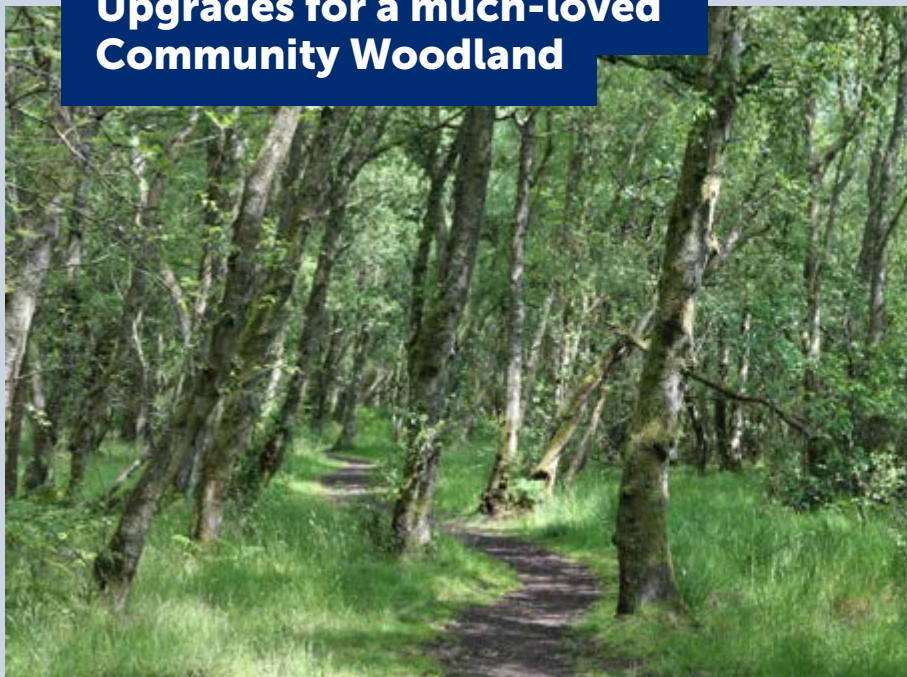
**Our long-term vision is to build a wider food-growing and mental wellbeing network, and we hope this is the first of many spaces where we can create lasting impact through connection and care."**

**Chrissie Valluri**

Growspace Creations CIC



## Upgrades for a much-loved Community Woodland



**£3,940**

awarded to **Westmuir Community Development Trust** from the East Coast 400kV Upgrade Local Fund

Community woodlands are a vital element of many rural communities. They provide a diverse range of benefits for both nature preservation and community well-being. In 2003 a community woodland, Westmuir Community Woodland Park, was upgraded to be an accessible area through the installation of a network of raised boardwalk paths, not only to be wheelchair and pushchair accessible, but also to protect the unique wet heath areas and its diverse wildlife. The area is now recognised by Angus Council as a Local Nature Conservation Site.

Local volunteers developed an ambitious maintenance plan which provides site improvements after 20 years of community use and enhances the asset for future generations. The SSEN Transmission funding is being used to upgrade the signage across the community woodland and complete necessary tree maintenance. The funds are also being used to purchase a picnic table and bench for the wildflower meadow. Demonstrating the continued commitment to accessibility the new provision has adapted access to ensure use for wheelchair users.

The woodland is well used by the community, including hosting local walking and rambling groups, as well as attracting visitors to the region. These necessary upgrades will allow the woodland to continue to be enjoyed for years to come.



**"We find that the community uses the woodland in so many different ways – dog walking and just enjoying nature, children playing and visiting youth groups. The funding will help us fill a gap in our usage, providing the purchase of a new table and benches, as well as new signage and supporting practical tree maintenance."**

**Nicole Jones**

Westmuir Community Development Trust

## Providing dementia support through physical activity



**£3,642**

awarded to **Forget-Me-Not Club, Dementia Support** from the East Coast 400kV Upgrade Local Fund

Dementia can affect every aspect of a person's life. It can impact their physical, mental, emotional, and social well-being. Specialist community support for both those living with a dementia diagnosis and their carers can be vital to well-being. Based in Banchory, Forget-Me-Not Club is a vital service for local families, and to ensure they continue to meet local needs, they developed a project to expand their group activity offering by introducing chair yoga.

Chair yoga supports physical health through focussing on flexibility, strength, balance and mobility – all of which reduces the risk of falls. In addition, these exercises provide an opportunity for people to focus on their breathing and posture, which can help reduce the anxiety and agitation that many people with dementia experience. As these are held as group sessions, they also offer an opportunity for social inclusion, encouraging participants to engage with others and share memories.

The funding from the East Coast Local Fund has contributed towards the running of three chair yoga sessions each week over the course of a year, reaching a minimum of 34 people per week. These sessions are run as respite sessions, meaning that families and carers also benefit, as they can use this time as a chance to recharge their batteries.



**"The SSEN Transmission funding was really important for us to get. It has allowed us to book and have sessions planned for yoga and chair exercise classes. This is vital for people with dementia – it helps support their balance, it gives them confidence; for many, it's often the only physical exercise they get. Without this funding, we wouldn't be able to do these extra sessions like this, that support in enriching their lives."**

**Julie Lindeman**

Forget-Me-Not Club, Dementia Support



## Teaching important cookery skills across Aberdeenshire



With the cost-of-living crisis, increase in food costs, and more people living in food insecurity, it is increasingly important for people to be able to understand how to cook budget-friendly healthy food for themselves and their families.

Based in Inverurie, Garioch Community Kitchen provide cookery classes for both children and adults, focussing on making affordable healthy food. These cookery courses are designed to equip attendees with the skills, confidence and ability to cook for themselves, providing practical experience as well as theory. The classes cover meal planning, how to budget, how to avoid food waste, and using leftovers, giving them the skills they need to be able to cook affordable and healthy food at home. Everyone attending also goes home with a hot meal to feed the whole family.

The East Coast Grant award will provide funding to host ten children's cookery classes and eight adult classes. The classes will primarily focus on making budget friendly recipes, and how to make these meals go further. It is expected that 180 people will directly benefit by attending these classes, with an estimated 320 additional people benefiting from the hot meal that is taken home.

The classes are fun and interactive and can make a fundamental difference to a families' lives by sharing the necessary skills to make healthy and affordable food.



**£4,600**

awarded to **Garioch Community Kitchen** from the East Coast 400kV Upgrade Local Fund



**"We were delighted to receive funding from SSEN Transmission. The funding will be used to deliver both children and adults classes. These sessions don't just benefit the individuals that come, it's their whole families, as once people have these skills, that is something they can sustain for a lifetime. Our aim is that they will pass these skills down the generations, which is so important – being able to cook for yourself is a real life-skill."**

**Sarah Bell**  
Garioch Community Kitchen

# Funds in Focus

## Regional Fund

The Regional Fund supports projects across the SSEN Transmission network area. The aim of this funding is to bring positive benefits and a long-lasting legacy to communities across the north of Scotland, where we operate.



**£2,020,011**

Fund Award



**2520%**

Fund Demand



**£1.67**

Fund Leverage



Group		Award
<b>Kyle &amp; Lochalsh Community Trust</b>	To construct a longhouse-style heritage centre, which will serve as a learning hub for endangered and traditional skills, and a museum celebrating local history.	<b>£361,989</b>
<b>UHI Inverness</b>	To develop a Sustainable Construction Centre that will offer high-quality skills training to meet net-zero targets and address regional skills needs.	<b>£352,000</b>
<b>Regional Screen Scotland</b>	To build and deliver a new Screen Machine, to enable the continued delivery of cinema to a minimum of 40 remote communities across Highlands and Islands.	<b>£350,000</b>
<b>THAW Orkney</b>	To develop a flexible retrofit pathway and fund work towards whole-house energy upgrades for a minimum of 40 fuel poor households across the outer islands of Orkney.	<b>£295,322</b>
<b>Fèis Rois</b>	To ensure people of all ages can engage with, learn, and enjoy traditional music and the Gaelic language through a diverse range of activities.	<b>£181,638</b>
<b>North East Scotland College</b>	To invest in essential equipment for Aberdeen's new Energy Transition Skills Hub designed to meet the growing demand for energy transition training.	<b>£150,000</b>
<b>UHI North, West and Hebrides</b>	To create a smartphone app featuring augmented reality content for archaeological sites in Barra and Harris, using community engagement and co-production activities.	<b>£110,000</b>
<b>North East Scotland Retrofit Hub (NESFIT)</b>	To deliver a two year project developing capacity for retrofitting homes in the north east of Scotland, by providing training to construction professionals, raising awareness in communities, and providing retrofit assessments.	<b>£88,000</b>
<b>Orkney Construction Training Group</b>	To enable a partnership project to develop a small-scale, modular manufacturing toolkit, including two demonstrator modules.	<b>£75,471</b>
<b>Growing2gether</b>	To provide staff and running costs to enable the delivery of the Growing2gether Nursery and Growing2gether Communities programmes.	<b>£55,591</b>



# Funds in Focus

## East Coast Local Community Fund

The East Coast Local Community Fund was a one-off fund from the East Coast 400kV Overhead Line Upgrade. The fund supported projects across Aberdeenshire, Angus, Perth and Kinross, and Clackmannanshire, that focused on improving health and wellbeing within the community.



**£251,998**  
Fund Award



**411%**  
Fund Demand



**£2.03**  
Fund Leverage

Group	Purpose of grant award	Amount
Woodend Arts Limited	To address loneliness and enhance wellbeing for rural individuals aged 55+ through inclusive, co-designed art activities.	£5,000
The Haven	To support new parents in the community who would like to connect, support and prioritise some time for their wellbeing.	£5,000
Friends of Stonehaven Open Air Pool (SOAP)	To purchase a sauna to maximise health and wellbeing benefits and attractiveness of cold-water swimming sessions.	£5,000
ADHD Adventures Ltd	To expand ADHD support service across Aberdeenshire.	£5,000
Broke Not Broken	To support local excursions for families referred to the project on low income.	£5,000
Kirrie Connections	To deliver person-centred evidence-based support to people living with dementia and their families.	£5,000
Alyth Junior Youth Football Club	To purchase floodlights for a football team to allow them to train at their home park.	£5,000
Kirriemuir Youth Project	To provide a summer activity club targeted at 11–15-year-olds. Aims to provide a diverse range of activities that inspire curiosity, encourage social interaction and introduce the young people to new hobbies and skills.	£5,000
Coupar Angus Youth Activities Group (CAYAG)	To run wellbeing workshops offering opportunities such as creative arts, yoga, music, cookery and outdoor activities for children and their families.	£5,000
Growspace Creations CIC	To transform one acre of neglected land into a beautiful vegetable and flower garden, connecting people through the joint venture of growing together.	£5,000
Meigle Cricket Club	To create a cricket programme at Blairgowrie High School and feeder primaries.	£5,000
Stanley Development Trust	To provide socialisation and befriending opportunities for all age groups in the community.	£5,000

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<b>Kirriemuir Thistle Community Football Club</b>	To replace and install flood lighting at outdoor pitches enabling the outdoor training facilities to be used during the winter months.	<b>£5,000</b>
<b>Music Broth</b>	To run Musical Connections including community-led music making workshops for creativity, positive mental health, wellbeing and togetherness.	<b>£5,000</b>
<b>All Strong Scotland</b>	To support the mental and physical health of both unpaid carers, as well as those with mental health conditions, in Perth & Kinross.	<b>£5,000</b>
<b>Perth &amp; Kinross Disability Sport SCIO</b>	To provide wheelchair sport and physical activity opportunities for people of all ages with a disability.	<b>£5,000</b>
<b>Ochils Mountain Rescue Team</b>	To purchase essential rescue equipment, delivering life-saving services effectively and safely in challenging conditions.	<b>£5,000</b>
<b>Alyth Hill Users Group</b>	To maintain and improve the Alyth Bike Park.	<b>£5,000</b>
<b>Arts Included CIC</b>	To offer a series of free creative workshop activities to help increase wellbeing and to develop an ongoing service for engagement within our communities.	<b>£4,940</b>
<b>Live Active Leisure Ltd. Active Schools</b>	An intervention-like judo programme at two schools in Perth, for pupils who are hard to reach across the academic year.	<b>£4,800</b>
<b>The Alba Explorers Centre for Outdoor Innovation CIC</b>	To enhance the health and wellbeing of pupils at Edzell and Stracathro Primary Schools through Outdoor and Environmental Education.	<b>£4,792</b>
<b>Drumoak Durris Warm Space</b>	To operate a warm space in Drumoak, a weekly event throughout the winter months which offers food, refreshments, entertainment and wellbeing support.	<b>£4,722</b>
<b>Kintore and District Community Council</b>	To provide essential PPE and a manikin for CPR and first aid training to groups across the area.	<b>£4,703</b>
<b>Garioch Community Kitchen</b>	To provide cookery classes to children and adults across Aberdeenshire.	<b>£4,600</b>
<b>Kanzen for Life</b>	To provide accessible free to access activity to 15 people in Kirriemuir.	<b>£4,500</b>
<b>Deeside Bike Collective</b>	To install a wheelchair accessible multi-use 'boundary trail' cope path on the Banchory woodland trails.	<b>£4,440</b>
<b>West Perth Explorer Scout Unit</b>	To provide a wider range of outdoor activities for 14 – 18 year olds to develop skills, confidence and self-esteem.	<b>£4,427</b>
<b>Perth Archery Club</b>	To acquire new equipment to support a greater number of new and developing members in the sport.	<b>£4,395</b>
<b>Alyth Bowling &amp; Tennis Club</b>	To purchase a range of new and adapted equipment to benefit existing members and encourage all abilities to join and enjoy the facilities.	<b>£4,395</b>
<b>PLUS Perth &amp; Kinross</b>	To deliver a nature restoration project for people with mental health issues who are keen to increase their knowledge and skills in biodiversity.	<b>£4,326</b>



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<b>Sustainable Kirriemuir</b>	To increase active travel in the community, through an e-bike and shipping container.	<b>£4,308</b>
<b>MANTALK</b>	To improve men's mental health through yoga, fitness classes and personal training.	<b>£4,147</b>
<b>Blairgowrie &amp; Rattray Community Football Trust</b>	To run a community development programme for promotion of improved health & wellbeing.	<b>£4,147</b>
<b>Strathmore Community Rugby Trust</b>	To offer walking rugby, a slower, non-contact version of rugby for adults who are looking to increase their levels of physical activity.	<b>£4,142</b>
<b>Perth Autism Support SCIO</b>	To support children with an autistic sibling by offering a safe place to engage with peers and understand autism.	<b>£4,091</b>
<b>LGBT Youth Scotland</b>	To deliver a programme of activities for LGBTQ+ young people in Perth aged 13-15.	<b>£4,000</b>
<b>Westmuir Community Development Fund</b>	To improve the experience on offer for the community to enjoy the woods and its path network, wildlife and peace and tranquillity.	<b>£3,940</b>
<b>Angus Young Engineers</b>	To run a kit car project which brings young people together to participate in something fun, constructive and beneficial to their wellbeing.	<b>£3,930</b>
<b>Salle Ossian Fencing Club</b>	To run a pilot 6-week project in local primary schools, promoting physical activity and developing co-ordination.	<b>£3,900</b>
<b>Perth &amp; Kinross Society for the Blind (VisionPK)</b>	To deliver a series of health and wellbeing workshops to benefit service users, which will include drumming, low intensity strength and balance sessions.	<b>£3,871</b>
<b>Movement Evolution Scotland CIC</b>	To upgrade parkour equipment at The Movement Bothy.	<b>£3,642</b>
<b>Mackie Rugby Club</b>	To provide weekly wellbeing meditation and yoga sessions.	<b>£3,642</b>
<b>Grampian Opportunities</b>	To promote people's mental wellbeing, establishing healthy connections and habits.	<b>£3,642</b>
<b>Forget-Me-Not Club, Dementia Support</b>	To provide chair yoga exercise sessions for those attending respite dementia support sessions.	<b>£3,642</b>
<b>Glenfarg Community Transport Group</b>	To develop walking opportunities within the Glenfarg & Fossoway.	<b>£3,642</b>
<b>Kinross Rugby Football Club</b>	To replace two storm-damaged rugby posts to restore training and match play for 180 players.	<b>£3,642</b>

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<b>Perth &amp; Kinross Foodbank</b>	To make emergency food parcels stretch further by supplying eggs, bread and spread to Perth and Kinross foodbank clients.	<b>£3,642</b>
<b>Perth Minorities Association</b>	To provide wellbeing sessions with meals, networking, and workshops addressing social isolation.	<b>£3,642</b>
<b>Fair City Juniors FC</b>	To provide opportunities for 3-5 year olds and adults 16+ to access football, food, support and learning opportunities.	<b>£3,642</b>
<b>Perthshire Rugby</b>	To run five days of community rugby events, including mini rugby, 7's competitions, and a veterans day.	<b>£3,642</b>
<b>Deaf Links</b>	To support mental wellbeing workshops for deaf women in Perthshire and Angus.	<b>£3,642</b>
<b>Blairgowrie Tennis Club</b>	To make a difference to the health and wellbeing of the 7/8 year olds in the Blairgowrie High School cluster through tennis coaching.	<b>£3,500</b>
<b>Doric Books CIC</b>	'ABC Doric Blethers' involves a mix of gentle exercise, reminiscence activities and community signing for elderly care home residents.	<b>£3,360</b>
<b>Kinross-shire Youth Enterprise SCIO</b>	To run 'drop-in' support service for young people (aged 11-19).	<b>£3,000</b>
<b>Midmill Velohut</b>	To run bicycle maintenance workshops to help the community of Kintore.	<b>£2,925</b>
<b>Kinross &amp; District Junior Agriculture Club</b>	To fund a first aid course for 12 members.	<b>£2,500</b>
<b>Crook of Devon Village Hall</b>	To improve indoor sports facilities, by purchasing equipment and providing free taster sessions.	<b>£2,000</b>
<b>International Café Perth</b>	To support an international café.	<b>£2,000</b>
<b>Blairgowrie, Alyth and Rattray Triathlon Club</b>	To support a new triathlon club.	<b>£1,974</b>
<b>Adoption and Fostering Group Angus</b>	To run a series of summer activities for adopted and fostered children and their families and carers.	<b>£1,616</b>
<b>Perthshire Welfare Society</b>	To have weekly lunch sessions for people living in Perth & Kinross, specifically unpaid carers, older people and people from ethnic minority communities.	<b>£1,500</b>
<b>Perth Floral Arts Club</b>	To deliver an event of creative flower arranging within the Perth Festival of Arts Programme 2026.	<b>£1,000</b>
<b>Stonehaven Sea Cadets</b>	To provide safety head gear when participating in activities.	<b>£769</b>
<b>Banchory &amp; District Men's Shed</b>	To install a donated air filtration system.	<b>£276</b>





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