Dounreay Communities Fund 8 October 2025

FY 2025/26 FR-000002930 Swimmer Development Training Camp – Spain 2025 (Applicant: Wick Amateur Swimming Club)

This project will support three swimmers from Wick Amateur Swimming Club, who are part of a regional composite swim team (Highland Swim Team) and currently engaged in its development programme, to attend a warm weather training camp in Spain. The camp will run for five days and includes two 2-hour coached pool sessions and one land-based training and education session each day. Organised by the composite team, the camp provides access to high-quality facilities and experienced coaching in a high-performance environment. The aim is to support the swimmers' development as competitive athletes and help them progress towards achieving qualification times for Scottish national events.

The total cost of the project is £3,000, and a request of £2,100 has been requested to support key elements of a 5-day warm weather training camp in Spain.

The requested funding will contribute to:

• Support for 3 swimmers from the club to attend the camp as part of their athlete development pathway.

A total of 20 hours of coached pool time (2 x 2-hour sessions per day), delivered by experienced high-performance coaches.

5 land-based training and education sessions, covering topics such as mobility, nutrition, recovery, and mental preparation.

Immersive experience in a high-performance training environment, supporting both physical and mindset development.

Individual goal-setting before the camp and follow-up reviews with home coaches post-camp to assess progress.

Strengthened links between clubs within the composite team and enhanced alignment with the broader athlete development pathway.

Recommended sponsorship:		£ 1,050
Funding received during last three years.	YES /NO	£
training; supporting this request would set	: a precedent	
 Many youngsters from Caithness must tra 		
 Supporting local sports club 		
 Total cost is less than £7.5k 		
Does it comply with DCF criteria:		YES/ NO

FY 2025/26 – FR-000002928 Thurso Rainbows Wild Woodland Sleepover (Applicant: 1st Thurso Rainbows)

A grant is requested to pay for accommodation and food at Forse of Nature, Latheron, for our group of 16 girls and 4 leaders. A grant will allow this trip to be inclusive for all families to afford and minimise/eliminate the charge for parents.

Girlguiding aim to provide inclusive adventure for all girls, and support is sought in this case to limit the cost for families so all the unit can attend.

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The benefits to the girls and leaders include adventure, outdoor learning, team building, cooperation and friendship.

This will also benefit families as they are able to send their girls on a fun and inclusive trip without the worry of cost.

The total cost of the project is £750, and a request of £750 has been requested.

The requested funding will contribute to:

- Providing an area for the Rainbows to sleep over, do outdoor cooking and crafts.
- Part of the adventure and outdoor learning aspect of the sleepover is to teach the girls about the importance of wild spaces and caring for nature and the environment.

Does it comply with DCF criteria:		YES/ NO
Total cost is less than £7.5k		
Support for local children		
Supporting local youth group		
 Provides benefit to the local community 		
Funding received during last three years.	YES /NO	£
Recommended sponsorship:		£ 375

FY 2025/26 – FR-000002853 Lybster Golf Club Junior Practice Nets (Applicant: Lybster Golf Club)

Junior coaching has begun at Lybster Golf Club on a Monday night. The project is to have a dedicated practice area for the juniors, and this project will be to prepare the ground and erect a 3 bay practice area to allow primarily the juniors to practice and to obtain coaching lessons without entering the course. It is envisioned that all other members, visitors and guests can use this as a warmup area before competitions. The project would consist of groundwork and 3 practice bays located on the grass area at the front of the clubhouse. This area would be astro-turfed to be used all year round and provide a safe area where golfers can practice hitting balls and receive free coaching sessions (paid for by the club) by the local Professional who is based in the county.

- Hunter Promotions To supply 1 triple bay practice net enclosure (same spec as double bay) size 9.3mtrs x 3.1mtrs x 3.1mtrs at a cost of £1,750.00 + Vat
- To supply 3 practice mats (same spec as above) at a unit cost of £295.00 each + Vat
- To supply astro turf size 10mtrs x 4mtrs at a cost of £750.00 + Vat
- D Mackay Contracts Excavate to clear area for suitable for new practice range. Supply hardcore and compact to form new Hardstanding area. Supply concrete as required suitable for practice range base. Erect practice range structure. (structure supplied by Lybster golf club) - £2200

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Recommended sponsorship:		£2,792.50
Funding received during last three years.	YES/NO	£
 Improves the quality of life for people living Sutherland. Support for local sporting event 	in Caltiness & North	
Supporting local sports club		
 Supporting local youth group 		
 Provides benefit to the local community 		
 Total cost is less than £7.5k 		
Does it comply with DCF criteria:		YES/ NO

Summary as of 8 October 2025

The Dounreay Communities Fund requires recapitalisation as discussed at the previous business meeting. Financial reconciliation of the previous funding period is currently being undertaken, and any remaining balance will be added to the fund at the end of Q3.

2025/26 Funding	Funding B/Fwd FY 2024/25 Total	£ 35,000 £ TBC £ £35,000
Funds Donated Current requests Current suggested Funds pledged Total Funds Donated		£ 7,865 £ 4,217.50 £ 0
Balance available as at 8 October 2025		£ £35,000