

Highland Community Led Local Development (CLLD) 26/27

Small Grants (up to £10,000 – revenue only) Application Form

This is an application form for community-led projects applying for up to £10,000 to the Highland CLLD Programme 2026–27.

SECTION 1 – ELIGIBILITY CHECKS (Tick boxes)

Your application cannot be considered unless all statements below are true.

- ☒ We are a not-for-profit or community-led organisation
- ☒ We have a bank account in the organisation's name*
- ☒ This project is not a statutory service and does not replace or duplicate an existing service
- ☒ The activity is new or expanded, not already funded elsewhere
- ☒ We can deliver the project within 6/7 months
- ☒ The costs are revenue only and do not include any single item over £10,000
- ☐ We have a signed Fair Work First Statement*
- ☒ Match funding (if relevant) is secured by the time of submitting this application*
- ☒ Quotes (if relevant) are submitted alongside this application*
- ☒ Statutory permissions and control of the asset (if relevant) are secured*

*Evidence must be provided at the time of submitting the application form. Applications will not be progressed where there are missing pieces of evidence.

SECTION 2 - ORGANISATION AND CONTACT DETAILS

Organisation name	Rum Community Association (RCA)
Legal structure: (e.g. SCIO, Charity, Constituted Group, etc.)	Constituted Group
Registration number:	N/A
Website/social media:	N/A
Is the organisation VAT registered? (include VAT number if applicable)	Yes ☐ No ☒

Will the VAT related to the costs in this application be reclaimed from HMRC?	Yes ☐ No ☒
Main contact name	Jennifer Thompson
Role	RCA Chair
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Phone number	07871125085

SECTION 3 - PROJECT DETAILS		
3.1	Project name	Community Village Hall Improvements
3.2	Please confirm the location of the project including post code.	Community Village Hall, Kinloch, Isle of Rum, PH43 4RR
3.3	Provide details about your project.	
(a)	What activities will be delivered and who will benefit? (max 250 words)	
Replacement of the west facing doors, which exit from the community Hall onto the outside decking, are the top priority. The double glass doors are sea-facing and wooden, replacing with PVC doors and frames would secure the building from weather, make it easier to heat and provide safe access in and out. Installation of a manhole cover and robust access point to the drains of Hall toilets to prevent blockages caused by outside debris and allow for more regular maintenance. Benefits everyone in need of a bathroom whilst in the Village centre. All of the above work has been planned with local joiner Neville Oldroyd who will carry out the work. Installation of outdoor automatic lighting at front and back access of Hall where there currently is no lighting, benefits anyone entering or leaving the Hall in the dark. A new coconut floor mat at entry point to replace current worn mat that is no longer level with the floor and makes access unsafe. Benefits – anyone accessing the Hall and supports exiting in case of an emergency. Painted treatment of outdoor wood decking area at the back of the Hall. The wood needs preservative treatment as it is sea facing enduring high weather exposure. The community uses this as a meeting point outside when the Hall is in use by tourists and by and small local businesses, such as current teashop, who serve customers outside. Benefits community and local businesses.		
(b)	How have you identified the need for this project? (max 250 words)	
Residents using the Hall as a meeting place for important discussions and social activities. As committee RCA has received a number of verbal and written reports by community members on the need for upgrade and repair of the Hall. Most of the repairs can be observed by observing		

within the Hall. There are a number of organisations, businesses and social events that take place in the Hall, all of which would be effected if urgent repairs were not made. EG:

- RCA hosts community meetings here.
- Isle of Rum Community Trust (IRCT) hosts Board meetings here.
- Community events such as Halloween, New Year, Curry Night and Burns Night
- Small local businesses such as the local 'teashop'
- Public consultations; MSP surgeries, meetings with Calmac and MOWI
- A Commemoration of clearances event, to take place summer 2026
- Community Ownership Celebration event, May 2025
- Mountain Rescue base, May 2024 for a missing person.
- Small Isles Games ceilidh, August 2023

The Hall is a well used asset by the Rum Community and as such needs safe access and use of the bathrooms.

(c)	How have you considered equalities issues and taken groups with protected characteristics into account in the development/delivery of the project. (max 250 words)
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The Hall is open to all people on the island, it does not discriminate against any particular group and should be easy to access and maintained for all to use.

(d)	How have you considered climate resilience or environmental sustainability in developing your project and/or in your organisation's wider activities? (max 250 words)
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A Hall more secure from the weather will support longer lasting use of the building.

(e)	List the key outcomes that will be achieved and for each outcome explain which method you will use to measure the project impact. (max 250 words)
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Door Repair/Replacement

- easier and safer to access
- better equipped for community use
- more resilient in emergencies

Measurable outcomes:

- Resident surveys and/or feedback at community meetings

Drainage area

- improves how the building runs, is used or is maintained
- better equipped for community use

Measurable outcomes:

- Easy access to bathroom piping to manage blockages (short term)
- Fewer blockages (long term)

Outdoor Lighting

- easier and safer to access
- better equipped for community use
- more resilient in emergencies

Measurable outcomes:

- Resident surveys and/or feedback at community meetings

Floor Mat

- easier and safer to access
- better equipped for community use
- more resilient in emergencies

Measurable outcomes:

- Resident surveys and/or feedback at community meetings

Decking area treatment

- easier and safer to access
- better equipped for community use
- more resilient in emergencies

Measurable outcomes:

- Resident surveys and/or feedback at community meetings

3.4 Select **ONE** funding priority and all relevant outcomes, under the selected priority that best fit your project

We strongly advise that you refer to the guide below for information on what data may be required to be provided at the end of your project to ensure you select the more appropriate outcomes.



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☒ Priority 1 – Community Asset Improvements

Select all relevant and measurable outcomes for your project:

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| Energy-efficient, financially viable community assets | ☒ |
| Improved access to essential community activities | ☒ |
| Stronger community connection and wellbeing | ☒ |

Stronger organisational capacity ☐ Improved community resilience ☐	
☐ Priority 2 – Tackling Inequality for Children, Young People and Families Select all relevant and measurable outcomes for your project: New opportunities for rural young people Improved confidence and wellbeing Reduced access barriers for low-income families Improved whole-family wellbeing Improved digital inclusion ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐	
How does your project support the priority selected above? What will be the long-term impact of the activities your project will deliver? (max 250 words)	
The majority of the long standing community wide gatherings take place in the Hall over winter (Halloween, Curry Night, Christmas, New Year, Burns Night) and are open to all who reside on the island. The time of year means its dark and cold outside. Replacement of the Hall doors will ensure a more energy efficient building, reducing the kerosene costs to the community landlord (Isle of Rum Community Trust) to heat the Hall. Replacing wood with PVC will protect the Hall from the outside weather. The community will be able to enjoy their shared activities in a more hospitable environment. Adults, children, friends and family come to these community events to share food and conversation. A lighted entrance/exit way for safe access, a properly maintained floor and somewhere to wipe your feet are simple but effective ways of making sure people can come together. Ensuring bathrooms are functional year means the community can share meals together and an outside decking area gives people the opportunity to share the Dark Skies status of Rum together in a social setting. The Rum Community Village Hall is an important asset to everyone who resides on the island. That it is warm, well lit and available for community events is the aim of this committee if we are to receive the funding.	

SECTION 4 - PROJECT BUDGET	
4.1	Main project expenditure: Only revenue costs are eligible in this round of CLLD. If capital costs are included as part of the project budget, they must be funded from other sources of funding.

We strongly advise that you read through the guidance document below for categories of eligible spend.



Revenue
expenditure eligibili

Budget Heading	Detailed Costs	Revenue/Capital	Amount
Hall Doors*	2 x Double PVC and glass doors	Revenue	£3800
	Transport of Materials (includes mainland travel, ferry travel and creation of a frame to move complete door casings on a trailer to the island)		£2160
	Labour costs		£1200
Drainage and Plumbing*	Man Hole Cover	Revenue	£480
	One metre of bricks		£60
	Sand and cement		£60
	Labour costs		£360
Access support	Outdoor automatic lighting	Revenue	£69.99
	Floor mat	Revenue	£44.99
Wood treatment for decking area	15 litres of wood preservative wood stain	Revenue	£164.97
	Calmac freight costs		£10.00
	Brushes for application		£14.79
Total revenue expenditure			£8464.74
Total capital expenditure			£0
TOTAL PROJECT COSTS			£8464.74
Is VAT included in these costs?			Yes ☒ No ☐
Have any of the costs above already been incurred or committed to?			Yes ☐ No ☒
4.2	Reasonableness of cost – Are the project costs listed in 4.1 based on valid quotes? Please note that current valid quotes must be submitted with your application form (if relevant to the costs) otherwise your application may not be progressed.		Yes - *items have a quote from local joiner (whose company is registered on mainland attached showing VAT breakdown).

		Other items have costs in attached pdfs.
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SECTION 5 - MATCH FUNDING (if applicable)			
5.1	Match funding is not required for small grants but should be confirmed at application stage if included in the project budget.		
Name of funder	Confirmed?	Date Confirmed	Amount £
	Yes ☐ No ☐		
	Yes ☐ No ☐		
	Yes ☐ No ☐		
Total match funding			£
CLLD grant amount requested			£
Total project costs			£
5.2	Please explain why unrestricted funding and/or remaining bank balances in the organisation's account cannot be used to deliver the project?		
Rum Community Association has no formal income. The body relies on donations from users of the Hall and Rum residents. Income has been received from Teashop which operates 1-2 days a week for 3 months in the summer season. Teashop contribution is intended to cover only energy use (hot water, electric, cooker gas) as a way to support a young resident start a new business. The current balance of the bank account is £3277.06. Projected costs for the next 12 months include payment for electricity and water. If this application is successful parts of the remaining balance would be directed to other urgent works; RCA intends to bring the community kitchen to align with food safety standards, create compliant disabled access and improve the buildings aged electrical system. These are necessary works, some for statutory compliance, and also to help the Hall generate an income. If this application were successful the current bank balance would be used to bring a now well lit, easily accessible, fully functioning Hall to be available for hire. If not the funds would be immediately directed to the top priority of this application: replacing the east sea-facing door.			

SECTION 6 - INCOME GENERATION

6.1	Will the project generate income?	Yes ☒ No ☐
6.2	If yes, how will the income benefit the wider community?	Maintenance and improvement of the allows for local business to rent for use and visitors hire for use. The money generated will in turn be used to further maintain the Hall for community and visitor used.
6.3	Are local organisations/businesses at a risk of being disadvantaged because of the project?	RCA uses the Hall to host community meetings and IRCT uses the Hall to host internal meetings, this would be lost without the Hall. Small local business Aislings Teashop uses the Hall to operate out of and would have no where else to function.

Documents to submit alongside the application form:

Applications will not be progressed where there are missing pieces of evidence.

- Latest copy of applicant organisation's bank account statement
- Latest annual accounts
- Fair Work First signed statement
- Quotes (if applicable)
- Statutory consents (if applicable)
- Asset ownership/lease evidence (if applicable)
- Match funding evidence (grant letter)

Completed forms and supporting documentation should be emailed to CLLDsmallgrants@highland.gov.uk

SECTION 7 - SIGNATURE AND DECLARATION	
7.1	Main applicant, chairperson or equivalent – the person signing this application has the authority within the organisation to apply for grant funding.
Please confirm you have read and understood the privacy notice Yes ☒ No ☐	
Have you used any form of Artificial Assistance in the preparation of this application? For guidance on the appropriate use of AI in funding applications, please refer to Use of AI in Funding Application Guidance Yes ☐ No ☒	

Declaration

I declare that the information contained in this application is correct and true to the best of my knowledge. I have read the guidance notes and understand and accept the terms and conditions noted within them.

Signature:**Print name:** Jennifer Thompson**Role in the organisation:** Chair of Rum Community Association**Date:** 28th April 2026

The data provided in the application (and claim) forms are subject to the provisions of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002, the Data Protection Act 1998 and the Environmental Information (Scotland) Regulations 2004.