



Dufftown and District Microgrants Fund Report 2023-2024



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1.0 Introduction

The Dorenell Community Benefit Fund provides for a Micro Grant Scheme in the Dufftown and District area. The Dufftown and District Community Association (DDCA) receives an annual amount to make grants to groups or individuals for charitable activities within the Dufftown and District area.

Individuals and groups can apply to the fund by submitting an application form, via the DDCA website, stating the details and benefit of the proposed activity. The form is straight forward to complete and can also be accessed from the Community Development Officer.

Decisions on grants awarded are made by the DDCA board of trustees. The fund is open throughout the year and applications are reviewed towards the end of each month at the board meetings.

Between the 30th April 2023 and the 30th April 24 £4,486.30 was awarded through the Dufftown and District Micro Grant Fund.

Awards are available for up to £500 for individuals and £1000 for groups.

1.1 ABOUT THE DUFFTOWN AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

The Dufftown and District Community Association is a registered charity (SCO23622), it was established in 1995 through the joining of two groups and is now the largest charity in Dufftown and District.

The DDCA's charitable purposes are to;

- To relieve the poverty of the local population of Dufftown and District.
- To advance the education of the local population of Dufftown and District.
- To provide, fundraise, manage or assist in the provision of facilities and/or activities in the interest of social welfare for recreation/leisure.



2.0 Awards Summary

Date	Applicant	Purpose	Award
9 th May 2023	Dufftown Spiering's Newsletter	New laptop	£603.00
9 th May 2023	Dufftown Highland Dance Festival	Trophies for festival	£1000.00
28 th August 2023	Sansum Martial Arts	Training Matts	£833.30
8 th December 2023	Mortlach Memorial Hall	Disabled Access Ramp	£1000.00
26 th April 2024	Dufftown Community Centre	Electric and Heating to outdoor space	£1000.00

3.0 Impact

Below you will find some information regarding the impact that the fund has had on some of the successful applicants.

3.1 Dufftown Highland Dance Festival

Dufftown Highland Dance Festival received £1000.00 for trophies for their 50th Anniversary Celebration.

“This was greatly received by us all and the winners. Everyone was absolutely delighted. This made our 50th anniversary celebration extra special”

Below is a picture of Katie Taylor holding her trophies with her two dance teachers, Vivienne and Alison



3.2 Dufftown Community Centre

The Community Centre received £1000.00 for Electric and Heating to their outdoor space which provides them with another area for user groups to use- which gives the Centre additional income. Speyside Youth use the outdoor area every Tuesday and Friday for their young people to sit and chat in. They really enjoy this space and how it is cosy.



4.0 Conclusion

The Micro Grant funds from Dorenell Wind Farm delivered through the Dufftown and District Community Association continue to benefit the Community of Dufftown and District. We will keep raising awareness of the fund through Social Media and non-Digital marketing avenues.

5.0 Contact Information

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