

Appendix 2 - Projects not recommended for approval:

Greyhope Bay Ltd – Amount Requested £98,230

Funding will support design development and planning consent for expanding the Greyhope Bay Centre at Torry Battery. The project aims to increase visitor capacity, protect heritage, and improve accessibility, with a strong focus on net-zero energy and community-led regeneration.

Absafe SCIO - Amount requested £36,126.46

Request to install an air source heat pump with associated electrical upgrades at Balgownie Lodge, Bridge of Don, replacing plug-in heaters to cut emissions and costs, ensure year-round warmth, and sustain a multi-use community hub.

Friends of Sunnybank Park – Amount Requested £15,000

Funding requested to expand Sunnybank Park's outdoor calisthenics equipment, increasing accessibility and capacity for free, inclusive fitness activities in a priority neighbourhood. The project will install new equipment tailored to diverse body types and abilities, and support community-led regeneration, wellbeing, and social cohesion through self-organised training groups and volunteer engagement.

St Mary's Episcopal Church– Amount Requested £30,000

Bid to transform a derelict area of St Mary's Episcopal Church grounds into a publicly accessible landscaped garden with seating, a labyrinth, and biodiversity planting. The project will improve drainage, repair historic masonry, and create a safe, inclusive space for local residents, schoolchildren, and business staff, supporting wellbeing, town centre revitalisation, and community-led regeneration.

Aberdeen Inspired - Amount requested £41,926

Proposal to install two Aberdeen Gift Card self-service sales kiosks at high footfall city locations, increasing visibility and ease of purchase to drive local spend, footfall, and city centre vibrancy. The expansion builds on proven kiosk performance and aims to generate incremental sales while promoting shop local behaviour across retail, hospitality, and culture.

Tillydrone Community Development Trust: Jacob's Ladder Restoration – Amount Requested £70,000

Funding requested to restore and reopen Jacob's Ladder, a historic riverside staircase, improving safe pedestrian access, celebrating industrial heritage, and connecting core paths and regeneration areas. The project will deliver structural repairs, lighting, signage, and heritage interpretation, supporting community-led regeneration, active travel, and inclusive access to green and cultural assets.

Tillydrone Community Development Trust: Wallace Tower – Amount Requested £60,395

Proposal to complete the second phase of the community-led restoration of Benholm's Tower, transforming the upper floors into a flexible meeting hall and co-working hub. The revitalised facility will offer affordable workspace for small businesses and artists, a venue for events and exhibitions, and training space for digital and enterprise skills, supporting local economic development and community regeneration.

Aberdeen City Council – Employability Support - Amount requested £100,000

Bid to create a training kitchen and café at Aberdeen Maritime Museum (with Employability & Skills), funding kitchen/café fit-out, equipment, and training resources to deliver Real Living Wage paid work experience for priority groups, build a hospitality talent pipeline, and boost city-centre footfall.

Glow Grey CIC – Amount Requested £16,000

Proposal to pilot Glow Me, a solar-powered smart light system for bus stops that improves visibility and accessibility for passengers, especially older adults, disabled people, and newcomers. The project will install button-activated lights at priority locations across Aberdeen, enhancing safety, reducing missed stops, and supporting inclusive, net-zero public transport through innovation.

Belmont Community Cinema Ltd - Amount requested £50,000

Proposal to buy a portable laser projector to run free/low cost popup screenings in community centres, schools, care settings and outdoor spaces citywide, reaching people facing cost, mobility and transport barriers; the unit will later be installed in Screen 3 to support films, education and hires, providing an energy efficient, flexible asset that grows audiences and activates partnerships across the city.

Aberdeen Ethnic Minority Women's Group CIC - Amount requested £18,000

Funding is sought to establish a permanent, community-owned Threads of Change Skills Hub providing textile reuse/repair training, trauma aware peer support, and pathways to microenterprise for women in SIMD areas and ethnic minority communities, regenerating an underused space and advancing circular economy goals.