

Title of Report:	Grant Funding Programmes 2027-28
Committee Report Submitted To:	Leisure & Development Committee
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For Decision or For Information	For Decision
To be discussed In Committee	NO

Linkage to Council Strategy (2026-31)	
Strategic Theme	P2 Empowering and supporting our people P3 Creating conditions to deliver opportunities for our Borough
Outcome	
Lead Officer	Head of Funding Unit

Estimated Timescale for Completion	
Date to be Completed	

Budgetary Considerations	
Cost of Proposal	Total cost: £3.5m+ Cost to Council: Circa £1.3m Subject to Rate Setting Process & Central Govt Funding
Included in Current Year Estimates	YES
Capital/Revenue	Mixed
Code	
Staffing Costs	Included in FU Business Plan

Legal Considerations	
Input of Legal Services Required	NO
Legal Opinion Obtained	NO

Screening Requirements	Required for new or revised Policies, Plans, Strategies or Service Delivery Proposals.		
Section 75 Screening	Screening Completed:	Yes	Date:
	EQIA Required and Completed:	No	Date:
Rural Needs Assessment (RNA)	Screening Completed	Yes	Date:
	RNA Required and Completed:	No	Date:
	Screening Completed:	Yes/No	Date:

Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA)	DPIA Required and Completed:	No	Date:
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1.0 Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to provide a comprehensive overview of Council's annual grant programmes and to recommend the annual grant programmes for the 2027-2028 period.

2.0 Background

Every year Council agrees an annual programme of grants. The grant programmes target resources to meet identified need and further Council's objectives as outlined in Council's Corporate Plan and individual Service Area Strategies.

2.1 Breakdown of Grants awarded 2016/17 – Present:

A breakdown of the grants awarded from 2016/17 to 2025/26 is shown in Table 1 below.

Table 1

Year	No of Applications	Amount Requested	No of Projects	Amount Awarded
2016-17	312	1,017,490.53	265	853,958.05
2017-18	377	1,362,593.94	292	991,777.59
2018-19	389	1,728,482.51	276	1,347,399.59
2019-20	455	1,528,469.18	294	962,189.49
2020-21	1393	3,062,446.74	1064	1,839,996.87
2021-22	653	2,938,394.67	435	1,141,945.30
2022-23	657	2,475,153.36	520	1,508,375.86
2023-24	1028	2,088,505.15	816	1,311,617.76
2024-25	1267	4,997,424.65	978	2,449,959.24
2025-26	1626	5,213,377.65	1,112	2,756,487.24
Grand Total	8,157	£26,411,338	6,052	£15,163,706

3.0 Current Year's Grant Programmes

In the current Grant funding period (2026-27) 26 grant programmes are being delivered as demonstrated in Table2.

Table 2

	Service Area	Grant	Amount Requested	Amount Awarded	Cost to Council £
1	C&C	Building a United Community	£19,033	£1,500	£375.00
2	C&C	Community Development Support	£69,874	£67,088	£33,544
3	C&C	Community Festival Fund	£96,568	£65,820	£32,910
4	C&C	Creative Practitioner Bursary Scheme	£4,604	£4,604	£4,604
5	C&C	Culture Arts & Heritage Grant	£32,466	£25,000	£25,000
6	C&C	Ending Violence Against Women and Girls	£243,898	TBC	£0
7	C&C	PCSP Small Grant	£21,152	£20,485	£0
8	C&C	Social Connections Fund	£32,963	£24,393	£12,196
9	C&C	Youth Creative Skills Bursary Scheme	£4,125	£2,585	£2,585
10	C&C and S&W	Volunteering Grant	£19,965	£15,665	£15,665
11	P&P	Enterprise Fund	£284,941	£50,000	£50,000
12	P&P	Go Succeed Grant	Currently Open	TBC	£0
13	P&P	Personal Learning Account Fund	£89,709	£62,396	£0
14	P&P	Business Start Up Seed Fund	Currently Open	TBC	£0
15	P&P	LEP Green Support Scheme	TBC	TBC	£0
16	P&P	LEP Capital Grant Programme	Currently Open	TBC	£0
17	P&P	Rural Business Development Programme	£1,700,471	TBC	£0
18	P&P	Causeway Festival of Learning	TBC	TBC	£0
19	T&R	Christmas Festive Fund	Currently Open	TBC	TBC

20	T&R	Tourism Events Growth Fund	£94,439	£73,003	£73,003
21	T&R	Tourism Large Events Fund	£422,350	£326,996	£326,996
22	S&W	Health and Wellbeing Grant Programme	£31,132	£25,485	£25,485
23	S&W	Sports Grant & Bursary Programme	£53,484	£40,480	£40,480
24	CS	Town Twinning Grant	£9,600	£9,600	£9,600
25	ES	LiveSmart Grant	£8,927	£7,698	£7,698
26	FU	Capital Grant Programme	Currently Open	TBC	
			£1,841,145	£1,219,563	£695,667

4.0 **Proposed Grant Funding Programmes 2027-28**

Table 3 depicts the proposed grant programmes for the incoming year. These were presented and discussed at the Elected Members Annual Grants Workshop held on 3 September 2026. (**Annex A** attached provides a more detailed overview of each proposed grant and the criteria to be used for assessment).

Table 3

		Grant Programme	Assessment / Scoring	Max grant available (£)	Other Funder	Proposed Budget (£)	Cost to Council (£)
1	C&C	Building a United Community Fund	Score	1,500	75% Exec Office	4,500	1,125
2	C&C	Community Development Support Grant	Score	1,250 2,500 3,500	50% DfC	147,640	73,820
3	C&C	Community Festival Fund	Score	750 1,500 3,250	50% DfC	65,820	32,910
4	C&C	Creative Practitioner's Bursary	Pass/Fail	1,000	100% Council	20,000	20,000
5	C&C	Culture, Arts and Heritage Grant	Score	1,000	100% Council	20,000/ Increase	20,000/ Increase
6.	C&C	Ending Violence Against Women and Girls	Score	25,000	100% TEO	170,000	0
7	C&C	PCSP Grants	Score	999	100% DoJ	50,000	0
8	C&C	Social Connections Fund	Pass/Fail	750	50% DfC	25,000/ increase	12,500/ Increase
9	C&C	Youth Creative Skills Bursary	Pass/Fail	200	100% Council	2,000	2,000

10	C&C/ S&W	Volunteering Grant	Pass/Fail	500	100% Council	20,000	20,000
11	CPR	Town Twinning Fund	Pass/Fail	5,000	100% Council	10,000	10,000
12	ES	LiveSmart	Score	1,000	100% Council	15,000	15,000
13	FU	Capital Grant	EOI/Score	120,000	100% Council	600,000/ Increase	600,000/ Increase
14	P&P	Enterprise Fund	Score	5,000	100% Council	50,000	50,000
15	P&P	Go Succeed Grant Programme	Score	4,000	100% UKSPF	69,060	0
16	P&P	Personal Learning Account	Pass/Fail	500	100% DfC	125,000	0
17	P&P	Business Start Up Seed Fund	Pass/Fail	1,000	100% DfC	56,000	0
18	P&P	Causeway Festival of Learning	Pass/Fail	500	100% DfC	6,000	0
19	P&P	LEP Green Support Grant Scheme	Score	15,000	100% LEP/ DoE	200,000	0
20	P&P	LEP Capital Grant Programme	Score	30,000	100% LEP/DoE	650,000	0
21	P&P	Rural Business Development Grant	Score	7,500	100% DAERA	728,630	0
22	S&W	Sports Grant & Bursary	Score	400	100% Council	40,000	40,000
23	S&W	Health & Wellbeing Grant	Pass/Fail	1,000	100% Council	40,000	40,000
24	T&R	Tourism Growth Fund	Score	15,000	100% Council	400,000/ Increase	400,000/ Increase
25	T&R	Tourism Large Events Funding	Score	100,000	100% Council		
26	T&R	Christmas Festive Fund	Pass/Fail	750/2,500	100% Council	45,000	45,000
					TOTALS	£3,559,650	£1,382,355

5.0 Volunteering Small Grant Programme

In December 2025 Council agreed to introduce a pilot Volunteering Small Grant Programme with a budget of £20,000 and agreed that there would be a 50/50 split between Community /Voluntary sector awards and awards for Sporting Organisations. As of August 2026, the grant programme has received 7 sporting applications requesting £3,385 and 28 community applications requesting £13,480, representing approximately 20% and 80% of demand respectively. In order to ensure that the grant programme more accurately reflects need and demand it is proposed that Council continue to allocate a £20,000 budget for 2027/28 without specifying any split between community, voluntary and sporting organisations.

6.0 Social Connections Grant

In December 2025 Council agreed to increase the maximum individual grant award from £500 to £750 without increasing the overall available budget for the Social Connections Grant. Subsequently the budget was fully allocated within three months and the fund closed for applications.

It is proposed that Council increase its contribution to the Social Connections budget by an additional £12,500, taking the overall budget available to £37,500.

7.0 Culture, Arts & Heritage Grant Programme

In December 2025 Council agreed a £21,106 budget for the Culture, Arts, Heritage Grant programme for the 2026-27 period. There were 30 successful projects requesting a total of £32,466. The budget was increased to £25,000 due to in year savings being found and a percentage reduction was applied to all grant awards to ensure the total allocation did not exceed the £25,000 budget.

It is proposed that Council increase the Culture, Arts, Heritage Grant budget to £30,000 for the 2027/28 period.

8.0 Tourism Events Grant Programme

In December 2025 Council agreed a £400,000 budget for the Tourism Events Grant programmes for 2026/27. This budget has remained at £400,000 per annum for a number of years.

In the 2026/27 period there were 13 successful projects requesting a combined £490,342. (£400,850 Large Events and £89,492 Growth Events - 22.6% over available budget). In order to stay within the £400,000 budget each of the 13 projects received an equal percentage cut of the amount requested in applications.

At the elected members workshop on 3 September 2026 members requested that the Tourism Events grant budget be reviewed in consideration of the increased costs required to run large events.

Members further considered multi-annual awards to facilitate longer term planning and to help event organisers to implement sustainable approaches through procurement and contract management. It was considered that any option for multi-annual awards should include annual inflationary increases. The Head of Funding Unit was requested to bring back options for consideration.

8.1 Introduction of multi-year funding for Tourism Events

- **Option 1:** Status quo remains until the new Council term in 2027 and thereafter a multi-year approach be considered for the 2028-29 grant programme.

Increase the annual budget from £400,000 to £540,000 based on the amount requested in 2026/27 and a 10% uplift.

- **Option 2:** Implement a multi-year (3 year) funding approach for the Tourism Large Events and Tourism Growth Events Fund with a budget of £540,000 in the first year.
- **Option 3:** Implement a multi-year (3 year) funding approach for the Tourism Large Events Fund with the Tourism Growth Events Fund remaining open for annual applications. Allocate a £540,000 budget with a 10% uplift each year. *(With this option the fund could remain open for new and emerging events).*

8.2 Inflationary Increases

In the event that Council agrees to the implementation of multi-annual awards, an annual uplift to include inflationary increases should be built into the fund at a level agreed by Council:

Example of Annual uplift of 10%.

	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
Based on 2026/27 baseline figures			
10% annual uplift	£490,342	£539,376	£593,314

9.0 Capital Grant Programme

9.1 Eligibility Criteria

At the Elected Members' Workshop on 3 September 2026, the slow progress in implementing projects awarded funding through the Capital Grants Programme was discussed. It was agreed that consideration should be given to planning permission as an eligibility criterion to ensure that grant awards are prioritised for those projects either in or nearing a state of readiness.

- **Option 1:** Where planning permission is required, a planning application must have been submitted prior to submission of the Capital Grant application.
- **Option 2:** Where planning permission is required, planning permission must be in place prior to submission of the Capital Grant application.

9.2 Capital Grants Budget

In December 2024 Council re-established the Capital Grant Programme which now operates with an agreed £600,000 annual budget. Council has agreed that no single sporting code can exceed 20% of the available budget in any year. This limits the maximum amount per application / project to £120,000 per year.

Since the re-introduction of this fund demand has exceeded the £600,000 available budget.

In 2024/25, seven successful projects requested £745,000 with each receiving a percentage reduction to bring the programme within the £600,000 available budget.

In 2025/26, six successful projects requested £694,000 and once again each received a percentage reduction to bring the programme within the £600,000 available budget.

At the elected members workshop on 3 September 2026 members requested options for consideration for the 2027/28 Capital Grant Programme:

- **Option 1:** Retain the existing annual Capital Grant budget of £600,000.
- **Option 2:** Increase the annual Capital Grant budget from £600,000 to £700,000.
- **Option 3:** Increase the annual Capital Grant budget from £600,000 to £750,000.
- **Option 4:** Increase the annual Capital Grant budget from £600,000 to £800,000.

9.3 Capital Grant Programme – Minor Capital

At the Elected Members workshop on 3 September 2026, a minor capital grant programme to facilitate smaller capital projects was discussed. It was agreed that a minor capital grant programme should be considered for small scale projects with total eligible project costs of £15,000 - £30,000.

- **Option 1:** Continue with status quo - one capital grant programme.

- **Option 2:** Split the Programme into a Large Capital Grant and a Minor Capital Grant to facilitate a simpler process for smaller scale projects.

Members need to consider if the one award per sporting code still applies across the Capital Grant programme as a whole or if the Minor Capital Grant will be exempt from this rule.

10.0 Local Economic Partnership Funding

Building on the success of the Pilot Green Support Scheme during 2025/26 the Local Economic Partnership (LEP) has committed to funding and expanding this grant programme for a two-year period 2026-27 and 2027-28. In 2025/26 12 grants were awarded at a total cost to Council of £46,598.

The LEP now propose to fund this grant programme, increasing the maximum award from £5,000 to £15,000.

11.0 Summary of Proposed Budget Increases

Taking account of the considerations set out in Sections 5 to 10, the recommended budget increase for 2027-28 ranges from a minimum of £262,000 to a maximum of £362,000, depending on the options selected by Members.

If the Green Support Scheme budget is transferred to the Local Economic Partnership as set out in recommendation below, the required budget increase would reduce by £46,598, resulting in revised minimum and maximum increases of £215,402 and £315,402 respectively. When anticipated external funding of £12,500 is also applied, the net budget increase required by Council would reduce further to between £202,902 and £302,902.

The table below summarises the budget implications of the proposed increases:

		A. 2026-27 Budget £	B. 2027-28 Budget £	
	Grant Programme		Min increase	Max increase
1	Social Connections Fund	25,000 (DfC £12,500)	12,500	12,500
2	Culture, Arts, Heritage Grant	25,000	5,000	5,000
3	Livesmart Grant	10,500	4,500	4,500
4	Capital Grants	600,000	100,000	200,000
5	Tourism Events Fund	400,000	140,000	140,000
	Totals	1,060,500	£262,000	£362,000
	Less Green Support Scheme		- £46,598	- £46,598
	Less external Funding		- £12,500	- £12,500
	Grand Totals		£202,902	£302,902

In summary, the overall budget increase required will depend on the combination of options agreed by Members. Based on the recommendations outlined in this report, the maximum additional budget requirement for Council is estimated at £302,902.

12.0 Recommendations

It is recommended that the Leisure and Development Committee recommends to Council:

I. Recommendation 1

Approve the Annual Grant Programmes 1–26 for the 2027/28 period, as detailed in Table 3 and Annex A, including the associated assessment/scoring criteria.

II. Recommendation 2

Continue with the £20,000 budget for the Volunteering Small Grant Programme without specifying any split between community, voluntary and sporting organisations.

III. Recommendation 3

Increase Council contribution to the Social Connections Fund by an additional £12,500, taking the overall budget to £37,500.

IV. Recommendation 4

Increase the Culture, Arts, heritage Grants budget to £30,000.

V. Recommendation 5

Tourism Events funding:

Option 1: Make no change to the Tourism Events Fund & Budget.

Option 2: Increase Tourism Events fund budget from £400,000 to £540,000 for 2027/28.

Option 3: Implement a 3-year Grant Fund for the Tourism Large Events and Tourism Growth Events Fund with a budget of £540,000 in the first year and a 10% uplift each year.

Option 4: Implement a 3-year grant Fund for the Tourism Large Events Fund only with the Tourism Growth Event Fund remaining open for annual applications. Allocate a total combined budget of £540,000 with a 10% uplift each year.

VI. Recommendation 6

Council Capital Grants - Eligibility Criteria:

Option 1: No change.

Option 2: Where planning permission is required, planning permission must be in place prior to submission of the Capital Grant application.

Option 3: Where planning permission is required, a planning application must have been submitted prior to submission of the Capital Grant application.

VII. Recommendation 7

Capital Grants Budget:

Option 1: No change to the annual Capital Grant budget of £600,000.

Option 2: Increase the annual Capital Grant budget from £600,000 to £700,000.

Option 3: Increase the annual Capital Grant budget from £600,000 to £750,000.

Option 4: Increase the annual Capital Grant budget from £600,000 to £800,000.

VIII. Recommendation 8

Split the Capital Grant Programme into a Large Capital Grant and a Minor Capital Grant to facilitate a simpler process for smaller scale projects.

IX. Recommendation 9

Option 1: Remove the one award per sporting code rule for the Minor Capital Grant programme.

Option 2: Retain the one award per sporting code rule across the Capital Grant Programme.

X. Recommendation 10

The Local Economic Partnership will fund the Green Support Scheme for the 2026/27 and the 2027/28 Financial years, raising the maximum award amounts from £5,000 to £15,000 per project.



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1.0 Introduction

This summary document provides information, guidance and support on Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council's grant funding programmes for the 2027/28 financial year. Contained in this document you will find information on how to apply, what types of funding are available for the coming year, whether or not you are eligible to apply, information on how your application will be assessed and where to go for advice and support.

Applicants are strongly advised to read the individual Guidance Notes for the grant programme to which they intend to apply. These provide detailed information on the purpose and aims of each programme, eligibility requirements, assessment criteria, eligible and ineligible expenditure, and guidance on completing an application and project budget.

Council's grant programmes provide financial support towards projects and activities which meet an identified need and contribute towards the outcomes and objectives of the Council's Community Plan, Corporate Plan and relevant strategies. Applications are considered on their individual merits and in accordance with the criteria applicable to each grant programme.

Grant programmes will open for applications at various stages throughout the financial year. Applicant support will be available through the Funding Unit and relevant Council service areas, with information and guidance provided through the Council's online Grant Hub, workshops/roadshows and direct officer support, as appropriate.

2.0 Proposed Grant Programmes 2027/28

The Grant Funding Programmes proposed for the 2027/28 period are as follows:

	Grant Programme	Service Area	Max grant available	Opening	Closing
1.	Building a United Community Fund	C&C	£1,500	7 th Dec 2026	Rolling
2.	Community Development Support Grant	C&C	£1,250 / £2,500 /£3,500	Funds committed to rolling 3-year programme	N/A
3.	Community Festivals Fund	C&C	£1,000 / £1,750 / £3,250	7 th Dec 2026	5 th Feb 2027
4.	Culture, Arts and Heritage Grant Scheme	C&C	£1,000	7 th Dec 2026	29 th Jan 2027
5.	Creative Practitioners Bursary Scheme	C&C	£1,000	7 th Dec 2026	26 th Feb 2027
6.	Ending Violence Against Women and Girls	C&C	£1,000 - £25,000	TBC	TBC
7.	Policing and Community Safety Grants	C&C	£999	1 st Apr 2027	Rolling
8.	Social Connections Fund	C&C	£750	1 st March 2027	Rolling
9.	Pilot Volunteering Small Grant Programme	C&C / S&W	£500	1 st March 2027	Rolling
10.	Youth Creative Skills Bursary Scheme	C&C	£200	7 th Dec 2026	24 th April 2027
11.	Causeway Festival of Learning	P&P	£500	TBC	Rolling
12.	Enterprise Grant Programme	P&P	£5,000	TBC	TBC
13.	Go Succeed Grant Programme	P&P	£4,000	TBC	TBC
14.	Personal Learning Account	P&P	£500	TBC	Rolling
15.	Business Start Up Seed Fund	P&P	£1,000	TBC	Rolling
16.	Green Support Grant Scheme	P&P	£15,000	TBC	TBC
17.	LEP Capital Grant Programme	P&P	£30,000	TBC	TBC
18.	Rural Business Development Grant Programme	P&P	£7,500	DAERA to confirm	TBC

19.	Christmas Festive Fund	T&R	£750/£2,500	Sept 2027	Oct 2027
20.	Tourism Large Events Funding	T&R	£100,000	7 th Dec 2026	22 nd Jan 2027
21.	Tourism Growth Fund	T&R	£15,000	7 th Dec 2026	22 nd Jan 2027
22.	Health & Wellbeing Grant Programme	S&W	£1,000	1 st April 2027	Rolling
23.	Sports Grant & Bursary Programme	S&W	£150/£200/ £300/£400	27 th Mar 2027	Rolling
24.	Town Twinning Fund	CS	£5,000	7 th Dec 2026	Rolling
25.	LiveSmart	ES	£1,000	1 st Apr 2027	Rolling
26.	Capital Grant Fund	FU	£120,000	TBC	TBC

2.1 You cannot apply to more than one fund for the same project. If you are applying for more than one of our grants, the projects you are applying for must be different from each other.

Each grant fund is limited. Even if an application scores highly, we cannot guarantee all or any of the funding. These are all competitive funds and where necessary applications will be ranked according to how well they score, and funding may be awarded on a sliding scale or to the highest ranked projects only. Where the assessment criteria is pass/fail a general reduction across all grant applications may be applied if the fund is oversubscribed.

3.0 Who can apply?

3.1 To be eligible for grant-aid, you will have to show that your organisation is a bona fide organisation that is well run and that it:

- Has a properly adopted “Governing Document” such as a constitution or memorandum and articles of association which clearly show that it is non-profit making and taking.
- Council’s Prosperity & Place Grant Programmes are the exception and can make awards to local businesses
- Business must have a bank account in the name of the business
- Is open, accountable and representative of the geographical area in which it serves.
- Be based in the Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council area or have their main activities based in the Causeway Coast and Glens Council area.

4.0 How to Apply:

4.1 Applications to Council for grant aid should be made via the Council's online grants hub. The grant hub can be accessed through Council's website

www.causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk and click on funding or go straight to the online hub: <https://grants.ccqbcapps.com/>

Guidance on completing an online application is available through Grant Hub and within the individual Guidance Notes for each programme. Where an applicant is unable to complete an application online, alternative arrangements can be made by contacting the Funding Unit:

Email: grants@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk

Telephone: 028 7034 7198

4.2 The application process is in 2 parts:

Part A is eligibility. This section gathers information about how your organisation is set up, governed and managed.

Part B is where you fill in your project details, and this part of the application is specific to the grant programme you are applying to. If you are applying for multiple grants, section A need only be completed once, whereas a section B must be completed for each grant you are applying for.

If you have previously applied for a grant from Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council you will be able to clone your Part A. Unless your constitution / governing documents have changed you need not resubmit these to Council. Community and Voluntary Sector applicants are however required to submit your latest accounts each financial year.

5.0 What we can / cannot fund

Please refer to the individual Grant Programme Guidelines for specific eligibility under each grant programme.

5.1 What we can fund

The list below only includes elements which are common to Council's Grant Programmes.

- With some grant programme a proportion of core running costs (part payment of salaries, heat and light, insurance, rent or premises costs, office costs, etc.).
- Programme or activity costs which are directly relevant to the application.

- Travel and transport costs.
- Hire or purchase of equipment for meeting project needs
- Venue hire (excluding hire of groups own premises)
- Technical assistance.
- Training or facilitation costs.
- Festivals and events.
- Capital costs.
- Best practice visits.
- Publicity, marketing.
- Catering (a limit may be placed on the level of funding allowed towards hospitality and catering/ refreshments)

5.2 What we don't fund

Some exclusions will apply, unless specifically allowed for within specific funding programmes:

- Individuals, unless within a bursary framework.
- Businesses and for-profit organisations where funding would contravene local government, Subsidy Control rules or other legislation.
- Projects or activities which are delivered outside of the Council area and DO NOT meet the needs within the area.
- Activities which are discriminatory, political, or are classed as proselytizing in nature.
- General appeals.
- Those organisations who have substantial, demonstrable, unrestricted reserves.
- Costs that can be claimed back from elsewhere e.g. VAT.
- Costs that are not auditable e.g. cash payments.
- Costs towards banking charges and / or repayment of debt.
- Payments made to individual members of the applicant group or organisation who have a pecuniary interest.
- Retrospective costs e.g. activities completed, or costs incurred before the agreement of funding.
- Programmes or activities which are considered the core activity of national or regional government, Government Departments or arms-length body, such as health or education.
- Gifts and prizes.
- Alcohol

5.3 Applications that are not complete or do not provide a detailed project budget are also not eligible.

We are unlikely to fund an organisation that is in poor financial health or cannot show effective financial control.

As well as the above, your project or organisation must also meet the specific eligibility for any of the grants applied for. (This information is shown in the eligibility section of your application form and detailed in the programme specific guidance notes).

6.0 Assessment Payment & Appeals Processes

6.1 Assessment process:

Every grant application that we receive will be assessed for the following:

- to ensure that the application is eligible, and
- for reassurance of each organisation's capability to deliver the proposal, and
- how well the proposal meets the programme specific criteria and contributes to Council's Strategic Priorities

The assessment/scoring framework for each grant programme is detailed in the appendix tables at the back of this summary document.

6.2 What happens next?

If an application is successful, Council will issue a letter of offer which is a legal agreement with the organisation to deliver on the proposals outlined in the application form.

Your organisation will be invited to training that will explain the processes and procedures for submitting a grant claim, marketing and promotion, monitoring and evaluation requirements and the process of verification. The training is a good way to establish the working relationship between Grant recipients and Council Officers, so that should the applicant have any support needs, the Council can respond in an appropriate and timely manner.

6.3 Appeals Process

If you are unhappy with the funding decision made, you may appeal against the decision. The purpose of this is to ensure that the decisions taken and procedures followed for individual applications are applied fairly and consistently.

The Review will provide an independent process through which an applicant will have the opportunity to demonstrate to the Review Panel that either:

- the outcome was unreasonable or
- that the proper procedures were not followed

Appeals on any other grounds will not be considered.

6.4 Equal Opportunities Monitoring

We must promote equal opportunities. We must also promote good relations between people of different religious belief, political opinion or racial group. All applicants must complete the Equal Opportunities Monitoring Questionnaire. We will treat as anonymous all of the information you provide in this questionnaire.

Name of the Programme	1. Building A United Community Fund 2027-28																																									
Overview	Purpose: To support, promote and develop Good Relations projects throughout the Council area. Applicants must demonstrate how their organisation contributes to the Good Relations aims identified in Councils Good Relations Strategy. These aims are directed by a government strategy published in 2013 entitled “Together: Building a United Community (TBUC) • Our Children and Young People – To continue to improve attitudes amongst our young people and to build a community where they can play a full and active role in building good relations • Our Shared Community – To create a community where division does not restrict the life opportunities of individuals and where all areas are open and accessible to everyone • Our Safe Community – To create a community where everyone feels safe in moving around and where life choices are not inhibited by fears around safety. • Our Cultural Expression – To create a community which promotes mutual respect and understanding, is strengthened by its diversity, and where cultural expression is celebrated and embraced.																																									
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Grant Amount	Up to 100% of eligible project costs - maximum amount available £1,500																																									
Responsible Service Area	Community & Culture																																									
	Applications may be discussed with officers within the Good Relations Unit before submitting your application: Good Relations Officer - goodrelations@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk																																									

Name of the Programme	2. Community Development Support Grant 2027-28			
Overview	The Community Development Support Grant Programme will provide grants to support, promote and develop the capacity of communities across Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council by providing financial assistance towards running costs / core costs.			
Assessment		Criteria	Weighting	Maximum Possible Score
	1	Range of activities and beneficiaries	X2	10
	2	Needs of the community and how well those needs have been identified	X1	5
	3	How well activities of the group address needs of the community and the difference they will make	X1	5
	4	Level of Deprivation (NIMDM 2017)	X1	5
	5	Value for money including any other funding levered in	X1	5
				30
	Grant Amount	Category A: Community development groups directly providing a programme of activities. The group has its own premises* including a hall/space adaptable for a range of activities with one or more meeting rooms, hired by at least 2 other groups on a regular (at least monthly) basis. Groups operating Council Community centres through Shared Management Agreements can only apply for a max grant of £1,250.		
	Category B: Community development group directly providing a programme of activities with a premises* for their own use which is hired out by less than 2 other users on a regular basis.			75% up to a maximum of £2,500
	Category C: Community development group that provides a programme of activities without their own premises.			75% up to a maximum of £1,250
Responsible Service Area	Community & Culture			
Contact information for applicant support purpose	Applications may be discussed with officers within the Community Development Support Team before submitting your application: Catherine Farrimond 07846 099916 catherine.farrimond@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk			
Name of the Programme	3. Community Festival Fund 2027-28			

Overview	Purpose To support, promote and develop the capacity of communities to host community festival events across the Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council area. To enable organisations to celebrate their unique cultural and community identity. To promote diversity and to strengthen good community relations within and between communities.				
Criteria	Question	Criteria	Score out of 5	Weight	Possible Score
	1	Strong community participation		X1	5
	2	Opportunities for people to improve their personal skills or receive training relevant to the project		X1	5
	3	Promotes inclusion and proactively puts measures in place to encourage this		X1	5
	4	NIMDM 2017Ranking/ Access to Services Measure Ranking		X1	5
	5	Demonstrate value for money and maximise income		X1	5
					25
Grant Amount	Community Festival Fund Grant Programme			Maximum Grant Amount	
	1. One day community fun day type events. Events must be programmed to be of at least 4 hours consecutive duration and include a range of at least 3 distinct types of activities open to the whole community.			Up to £1,000	
	2. Festival events lasting 2 consecutive days or more. Each of the days of the festival must include a range of at least 3 distinct types of activities open to the whole community and be programmed to be at least 4 hours duration. It is not enough to simply duplicate the same event on 2 days – the festival must have different activities on each day that it takes place.			Up to £1,750	
	3. Festivals lasting 3 consecutive days or more. Each of the days of the festival must include a range of at least 3 distinct types of activities open to the whole community and be programmed to be at least 4 hours duration and attract at least 500 people (participants & visitors). The festival must have different activities on each day that it takes place			Up to £3,250	
Responsible Service Area	Community & Culture				
Contact information for applicant support purpose	Applications may be discussed with officers within the Community Development Support Team before submitting your application: Catherine Farrimond catherine.farrimond@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk Catherine Regan catherine.regan@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk				
Name of the Programme	4. Culture Arts & Heritage Grants 2027-28				
Overview					

	Organisations must demonstrate how their organisation contributes to any one of the following Culture, Arts and Heritage Aims: • Enhancing Our Cultural Venues and Assets – To use our landscape and our cultural assets and activities to enable opportunities for both local people and visitors to participate in Culture, Arts and Heritage in the area. • Investing in Creative learning and Skills Development –To support the creative development our young people and our creative practitioners through training, skills development and providing opportunities to showcase work • History, Heritage and Cultural Tourism –To promote a sense of pride, identity and deeper understanding of our area by bringing together the many stories, histories, identities and languages which are present in the area			
Assessment & Scoring	Criteria	Score out of a possible 5	Weighting	Possible Score
	Q1 – Good description provided of a project with a Culture, Arts and Heritage ethos		X 6	30
	Q2 – A clear link to the Culture, Arts and Heritage aims as set out in the strategy document		X 4	20
	Q3 – provide a full itemised breakdown of all costs	Not scored		
				50
	Applications must score 65% in order to avail of funding.			
Grant Amount	Grants are available for a maximum of 100% of the total project costs up to a maximum of £1000			
Responsible Service Area	Community & Culture			
Contact information for applicant support purpose	Applications may be discussed with officers within the Cultural Arts and Heritage Service Unit before submitting your application: <u>Arts Projects</u> Desima Connolly 0287083 1400 decima.connolly@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk <u>Museum/Heritage Projects</u> Sarah Calvin 028 2764 9485 Sarah.Carson@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk			

Name of the Programme	5. Creative Practitioners Bursary Scheme 2027-28																	
Overview	Purpose: To invest in creative learning & skills development by: <i>Supporting the creative development of our creative practitioners through training, skills development and providing opportunities to showcase work (Cultural Strategy, Theme 2)</i> Applicants must be able to: - Clearly show what the training or development opportunity is by producing a course programme, details of facilitators etc - Demonstrate a quality professional practice (e.g. of published works, exhibitions etc.) - Have sufficient experience in their creative art form - please provide an up-to-date CV and artist's statement with your application. Emerging artists who do not meet these criteria must provide two references from established artists in their field - Demonstrate how the training or development opportunity will be of benefit to them																	
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Grant Amount	Maximum of 100% of the total project costs up to £1000.																	
Responsible Service Area	Community & Culture																	
Contact information for applicant support purpose	Applications may be discussed with officers within the Cultural Services Unit of the Council listed below: <u>Arts Projects</u> Desima Connolly 02870831400 desima.connolly@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk <u>Museum/Heritage Projects</u> Sarah Calvin 028 2764 9485 Sarah.Carson@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk																	

Name of the Programme	6. Ending Violence Against Women and Girls		
Overview	To support community and voluntary organisations to deliver projects which contribute to the prevention of violence against women and girls and address the prevention outcomes within the EVAWG Strategic Framework. All projects must contribute to Outcome 1 – Changed Attitudes, Behaviours and Culture (Mandatory Focus) Outcome 2 – Healthy, respectful relationships Outcome 3 – Women and girls are safe and feel safe everywhere		
Assessment & Scoring	Application to Tier 1/2		Weighting Max score
	1.How will your project support the Prevention Outcomes of the EVAWG Strategic framework? (Outcome 1 is mandatory)	X7	35
	2.Ability to deliver the proposal to meet local needs	X7	35
	3.Investment effectiveness (including value for money) of the proposal	X4	20
	4.The organisations understanding of violence against women and girls	X2	10
	Application to Tier 3		Weighting Max score
	1.How will your project support the Prevention Outcomes of the EVAWG Strategic framework? (Outcome 1 is mandatory)	X6	30
	2.Investment effectiveness (including value for money) of the proposal	X4	20
	3.Ability to deliver the proposal to meet local needs	X6	30
	4. The impact of the mentoring or collaboration aspects of the proposal	X2	10
	5.The organisations understanding of violence against women and girls	X2	10
	Applications must score 65% in order to avail of funding		
Grant Amount	Tier 1: £1,000–£5,000 Tier 2: £5,001–£15,000 Tier 3: £15,001–£25,000		
Responsible Service Area	Community & Culture / Community Development		
Contact information for applicant support purpose	Adele McCloskey Community Development 07395 365255 adele.mccloskey@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk		
Name of the Programme	7. Policing and Community Safety Partnership (PCSP) Small Grants Programme 2027-28		

Overview	The PCSP small grants programme has been developed to provide organisations with up to a £999 grant to organise a project or event that will help prevent, reduce, address crime and help people feel safer in their own communities. The programme prioritises action on the six strategic themes below. 1 Early intervention 2 Alcohol, drug and substance abuse 3 Anti-social behaviour 4 Societal abuse 5 Reducing opportunities for crime 6 Fear of crime																								
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Grant Amount	£999																								
Responsible Service Area	Community & Culture																								
Contact information for applicant support purpose	Applications may be discussed with an officer from the PCSP Team: Melissa Lemon PCSP Officer Tel: 07523 942166 Email: melissa.lemon@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk Jonny Donaghy PCSP Manager Email: jonny.donaghy@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk																								

Name of the Programme	8. Social Connections Fund 2027/28
Overview	The purpose of the Social Connections Grant Programme is to provide small grants to community and voluntary organisations to address loneliness and isolation and build social connections.

	The Objectives of the Grant Programme are to: • create more opportunities to bring people together to make connections doing something they enjoy. • reach people who may be less likely to attend community activities. • help to reduce the social isolation that can be a result of living in poverty. • enable local activities to become more accessible. • involve the people who will benefit from the project in shaping your project Applicants can apply for grant-aid towards running costs e.g., insurance costs														
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Grant Amount	Applicants can apply for grants of up to 100% of costs, towards project revenue costs. Maximum amount - £750														
Responsible Service Area	Community & Culture														
Contact information for applicant support purpose	Applications may be discussed with officers within the Community Development Support Team before submitting your application: Catherine Farrimond, Community Development Officer :- catherine.farrimond@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk Adele McCloskey, Community Facilities Development Officer:- adele.mccloskey@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk														

Name of the Programme	9. Youth Creative Skills Bursary Scheme 2027-28
Overview	Purpose: To help improve access to creative skills training or development programmes for young people by investing in creative learning & skills development:

	<i>To support the creative development of our young people and creative practitioners through training, skills development and providing opportunities to showcase work (Cultural Strategy, Theme 2)</i> Applicants must be able to: - Clearly show what the training or development opportunity is by producing a course programme, details of facilitators etc - Demonstrate a commitment to the creative form for which they are requesting the bursary - Show sufficient experience in the creative form - Demonstrate how the training or development opportunity will be of benefit to them - Allow, at least, a 2-month lead-in-time from the deadline for submission of the application and the date of the commencement of the training/development opportunity.		
Assessment & Scoring	Criteria	Assessment	Pass/Fail
	Q1 Description of the training or development opportunity	Has the applicant provided details of a bona fide letter of acceptance or confirmation of a place on a course.	
	Q2 Applicants commitment to the creative art form	Evidence of experience/track record in this field	
	Q3 How the training/development opportunity will be of benefit to you.	Will the opportunity enhance/develop the applicant's skills in this art form	
Grant Amount	An award will be 100% of the total cost of the training, up to a maximum of £200.		
Responsible Service Area	Community & Culture		
Contact information for applicant support purpose	Applications may be discussed with officers within the Cultural Services Unit of the Council listed below: <u>Arts Projects</u> Emma Thorpe 028 7083 1400 Emma.Thorpe@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk <u>Museum/Heritage Projects</u> Sarah Calvin 028 2764 9485 Sarah.Carson@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk		

Name of the Programme	10. Volunteering Small Grant Programme 2027-28
Overview	Purpose of grant: To provide support to the volunteering community to recruit, support and recognise volunteers

	What can be funded • Travel - Travel on behalf of the organisation relevant to the volunteer role. • PPE – Protective clothing so the volunteer can carry out their role. (Gardening gloves, uniform items etc) • Training – First aid training, safeguarding, food hygiene etc. Organisations must not have an annual income exceeding £100,000 per year. Organisations must demonstrate how their proposal delivers on at least one of the following objectives: Objective 1 Increase volunteer activity by under-represented Section 75 groups in the volunteering population: • Those not in paid employment • Aged 65 and over • Under 25's • Those with a disability • Those from a racial / ethnic minority background Objective 2 Increase & involve new volunteers in a meaningful way within their organisation e.g. provide training and/or mentoring for volunteers. Objective 3 Benefit to the local community e.g. provide more trained persons within the community, increasing knowledge and understanding of the work of the organisation, the role of volunteers and the impact that is gained.																							
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Q3 – provide a full itemised breakdown of all costs	Not scored																							
			50																					
Grant Amount	Max Grant £500																							
Responsible Service Area	Prosperity & Place / Sport & Wellbeing																							
Contact information for applicants	You may find it helpful to discuss your project with the following officers: Louise Scullion, Community Development Manager Tel: 07725958141 louise.scullion@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk Stephen McCartney, Sports Development Manager (Performance & Coaching) Tel: 077 3834 0817 Stephen.McCartney@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk																							
Name of the Programme	11. Twinning Grant Programme 2027-28																							
Overview	The purpose of the Twinning Grant is to support the legacy twinning associations to continue existing legacy links and explore future potential opportunities for twinning which promote the objectives and identity of the Council.																							

	The budget available for twinning is £10,000 and each of the 4 legacy Council twinning associations can apply for up to £5,000 per year. 1 x Question asked in the application: ➤ Will the project contribute to Council's corporate objectives?		
Assessment & Scoring	Criterion	Pass	Fail
	1. Aligned to Council's strategic Objectives: • Civic pride • Tourism development • Sports, arts, culture • Economic development		
	2. Provide a full itemised breakdown of all costs.		
Grant Amount	Grants are available for maximum of 100% of the total eligible projects cost up to a maximum of £5,000 Twinning Associations may not receive more than one funding award under this programme per year.		
Responsible Service Area	Corporate Services		
Contact information for applicants	Applications may be discussed with officers from Councils Funding Unit before submitting your application: Funding Unit 028 70347198 grants@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk		

Name of the Programme	12. Live Smart Grant Programme 2027-28
Overview	The purpose of the LiveSmart Community Environmental Grant Programme is to provide small grants to local community and voluntary organisations to:- (1) improve the general cleanliness in their local area, particularly in respect of litter

	(2) promote recycling, reuse and waste reduction (3) look at ways of reducing carbon footprint by taking simple, practical actions such as planting Groups are encouraged to keep their local area clean and tidy, promote recycling, reuse and waste reduction and have a positive impact on their carbon footprint. Applicants must address at least one of the following objectives: - RecycleSmart: aims to reduce waste by educating, engaging and inspiring us all to buy less, reuse more, recycle and compost. - LitterSmart: aims to reduce litter through education, encouraging responsible disposal and supporting local people to carry out litter lifts. - ClimateSmart: aims to reduce our carbon footprint by increasing our knowledge of sustainability and empowering change with simple, practical actions such as planting vegetables, fruit, native shrubs and pollinator plant.			
Assessment & Scoring	Criteria	Score (0-5)	Weighting	Possible Score
	1. Good project description; range of activities, quality of project; fit with the fund objectives.		X4	20
	2. How well the need has been demonstrated		X2	10
	3. How well the project includes participation from the wider community and involves a range of people		X2	10
	4. Area deprivation score		X1	5
	5. How well the project is promoted & publicised.		X1	5
				50
Grant Amount	The Scheme can provide funding of up to 100% of costs up to a maximum of £1,000			
Responsible Service Area	Environmental Resource Team			
Contact information for applicants	You may find it helpful to discuss your project with a member of the Environmental Resource Officer Team. Please email recycle@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk or telephone 028 2766 0248.			

Name of the Programme	13. Capital Grants Programme 2027-28
Overview	The Capital Grants Fund is available to local sports and community organisations for support towards the development of new or the enhancement of existing facilities to meet unmet need. The Capital Grant Programme will only fund properly constituted not for profit community and voluntary sector organisations.

	A total capital grant pot of £600,000 per annum is available. Council is committed to distributing grants fairly, efficiently and effectively. In order to ensure fair and equitable access, no single sporting code can have access to more than 20% of the overall funding pot in any given year. Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council will consider grant aid of 80% of total evidenced capital costs up to a maximum total grant value of £120,000. Organisations must match fund the remaining 20% from other sources or from their own resources. (In kind contributions will not be considered). Max allocation per sporting code is 20% of the annual pot.				
Eligibility Criteria	- Planning Permission – must evidence its required or not required, applicants must have submitted a valid planning application at the time of application - Certified Quotation – breakdown of costs provided by a certified professional - Facility Usage Plan – Showing 12 month baseline and 5-year impact plan - Legal tenure – applicants must demonstrate legal title/ or tenure: 10 years for projects under £50,000/ 15 years for projects over £50,000 under a lease. - Previous capital support – organisations must not have received Council capital investment within the previous three years				
Assessment & Scoring		Criterion	Score(0-5)	Weight	Max Points
	1	Project Description and Strategic relevance		X3	15
	2	Community/Sporting Need		X4	20
	3	Accessible to All/ Under-Represented Groups		X4	20
	4	Project Beneficiaries and Participation		X3	15
	5	Sustainability and Viability		X4	20
	6	Project Management		X2	10
		Total Score			100
Grant Amount	The programme may provide funding of up to 80% of eligible project costs, subject to a maximum grant award of £120,000				
Responsible Service Area	Funding Unit				
Contact information for applicants	You may find it helpful to discuss your project with the following officers before submitting an Expression of Interest or a full application: Liam Hinphey, Capital Grants Officer Tel: 07856 932170 liam.hinphey@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk Julie Welsh, Head of Community & Culture Tel: 07749711879 julie.welsh@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk Wendy McCullough, Head of Sport & Wellbeing Tel: 07889 535692 Wendy.McCullough@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk				
Name of the Programme	14. Business Start Up Seed Fund 2027-28				
Overview	The Business Start Up Seed Fund Bursary has been developed to help people start new businesses with a bursary of up to £1,000 to purchase essential items they need to help get their business started.				

	Examples include: - Capital equipment that directly links to your business, Marketing costs, print, signage, graphics, logo, hosting, website fees, rent of dedicated business premises in the Causeway Coast and Glens Council area (not deposits which are refundable).				
Assessment & Scoring		Question	Score out of a possible 5	Weighting	Possible Score
	1.	Please tell us how your experience, skills, hobbies, interests and work history will help you start your business.	0-5	X6	30
	2.	What do you think your business's key strengths are?	0-5	X6	30
	3.	The first three months are critical for a new business, please detail how you are going to get new customers to get your business marketed and off the ground.	0-5	X8	40
		Maximum Score			100
Grant Amount	The Scheme can provide funding of up to 100% of costs up to a maximum of £1000.				
Responsible Service Area	Labour Market Partnership - Prosperity and Place				
Contact information for applicants	Please contact the Labour Market Partnership Team on: Email: LMP@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk Phone: 028 7034 7034				
Name of the Programme	15. Causeway Festival of Learning Grant Programme 2027-28				
Overview	The Causeway Festival of Learning Week Fund has been developed to promote and encourage engagement in lifelong learning across the Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council area. The aim of Causeway Festival of Learning Week is to inform and encourage residents and organisations across the borough to engage in learning and upskilling, hence creating and fostering a culture of lifelong learning across the borough. Events and projects will be				

	delivered across the borough by statutory partners, employers, private businesses, social enterprises and the community and voluntary sector.		
Assessment & Scoring	The application will be assessed against the following criteria:		
	Criteria	Pass	Fail
	1.The organisation must be a social enterprise or a community and voluntary sector organisation		
	2. Your project must support residents in the Causeway Coast and Glens Council area.		
	3.Social enterprises and community and voluntary organisations from outside of the borough can apply, however, beneficiaries must be from the borough		
	4.The project is clearly focused on for the promotion of lifelong learning in the Causeway Coast and Glens area		
	5.The project is appropriate and can deliver outcomes which meet the need of the fund		
	6.The project cannot be funded elsewhere (e.g. College Community Education Outreach, Neighbourhood Renewal Action Plans, CCAG Community Development Programme		
	7.A project that is deemed to be of reasonable value for money		
	8.The project will be undertaken by a credible, viable organisation with the capacity to deliver the project as stated		
	9.There is evidence of a clear and concise description of your project		
	10.There is evidence of a comprehensive list of the targeted beneficiaries of this event. Please include key details of your target audience, e.g., location, age range, demographic, and labour sectors		
	11.There is evidence of how you will promote your event to your target audience.		
Grant Amount	The Scheme can provide funding of up to 100% of costs up to a maximum of £500.		
Responsible Service Area	Prosperity and Place		
Contact information for applicants	Applications may be discussed with officers from the Labour Market Partnership unit before submitting your application: <u>Marc McGerty</u> Tel: 07976629027 LMP@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk <u>Danielle McAleese</u> Tel: 07860356242 danielle.mcaleese@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk		

Name of the Programme	16. Enterprise Fund 2027-28			
Overview	The Fund supports start-up businesses that have been trading less than two years. The Fund is about developing those young businesses that need assistance in taking the next step in their growth plan.			
Assessment & Scoring		Criteria	Score (0-5)	Weight
				Max Points Available

	1	Clear and concise evidence of the need for the project within the scope of the fund		X3	15
	2	Clear and realistic outcomes set for the project e.g., increase in profit, employment, new markets entered, new products or services introduced		X3	15
	3	Project demonstrates innovation in the marketplace or in business practices		X2	10
	4	Ability, skills and experience of the business which enables them to deliver the project		X2	10
					50
Applications must score 65% in order to avail of funding.					
Grant Amount	Examples of what may be funded: • New equipment linked to creating new jobs or introducing innovative approaches leading to increased profitability • Developing I.T systems which can demonstrably lead to increased profitability • Implementing a significant marketing campaign which will lead to increased sales • Development of a marketing support programme or sales research which will led to the business entering new markets				Up to £5,000 Available
Responsible Service Area	Prosperity and Place				
Contact information for applicants	If you have any questions relating to the Enterprise Fund, you can contact the following officers of the Causeway Coast and Glens Council. Bridget McCaughan, Business Development Manager Mob: 07976 510924, Bridget.McCaughan@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk Garry Cardwell, Funding Support Officer Telephone: 07548118854, grants@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk				

Name of the Programme	17. Go-Succeed Grant Programme 27-28				
Overview	Go Succeed - NI's new free go-to source for expert business advice to Start, Grow or Scale. The fund was developed by Local Authorities in NI to put in place a more ambitious approach to the delivery of start-up Growth Support. Funding is available to entrepreneurs and businesses who are participating on the FOUNDATION and ENABLING GROWTH elements of the new NI Enterprise Support Service demonstrating growth potential and potential to create employment opportunities, export or innovate. Projects need to fit with a minimum of two of the following themes: • Employment: Creating new employment opportunities for yourself or for other new employees • New markets entered • New products / services introduced • Increasing productivity • Improved business performance Complete at least 60% of mentoring support prior to application, and 100% of mentoring support prior to claim submission.				
Assessment & Scoring		Criteria	Score (0-5)	Weight	Max Points Available
	1	Need for the grant		X3	30
	2	Objectives		X3	30
	3	You need to demonstrate that you meet the following outcomes: - New to the business technologies or processes introduced - Increased / improved productivity		X3	30
	4	Skills and experience within the business		X1	10
					100
Grant Amount	Examples of what may be funded: • New equipment / machinery that contributes towards business productivity growth or efficiency. • Mobile machinery, such as scissor lifts, forklifts, ride-on lawn mowers • Computer equipment & software (outright purchase only, on-going license fees ineligible) • Web development / e-commerce website sites • Marketing / brand development • Specialist Consultancy costs (which cannot be provided for through the wider Go Succeed programme or another external agency), e.g., Energy efficiency improvements, digital transformation. • Attendance at trade shows/exhibitions/market visits to create market exposure and sales opportunities (e.g. targeting a new export market)				Up to £4,000 Available (50% intervention rate)
Responsible Service Area	Prosperity and Place				
Contact information for applicants	Applications may be discussed with officers from the Prosperity and Place unit before submitting your application: Louise Pollock, economic Development Officer Tel: 07864 691405 louise.pollock@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk				

Name of the Programme	18. (LEP) Green Support Grant Scheme 2027-28		
Overview	Purpose: To help SMEs and Social Enterprises implement projects that improve environmental performance, reduce operating costs and support the transition to a low-carbon and circular economy. “Our local businesses are focused on maintaining their commercial success in an ever more competitive market, yet increasingly they are expected to demonstrate their energy efficiency, sustainability and net zero credentials.” Building on the success of the pilot Green Support Scheme during 2025/26, the Local Economic Partnership (LEP) has committed funding to continue and expand the programme. The enhanced programme broadens the focus beyond carbon reduction and energy efficiency to include resource efficiency and circular economy principles, helping businesses reduce waste, maximise the value of materials and resources, and improve long-term sustainability.		
Assessment & Scoring	Criteria	Weighting	Max Score
	Project Need and Strategic Fit	X3	15
	Environmental Impact	X3	15
	Business Benefits and Long-Term Sustainability Project	X2	10
	Project Deliverability	X2	10
	Value for Money	X2	10
Applications must score 65% in order to avail of funding			
Grant Amount	- Phase 1 - Technical assistance - Access to industry specialists who carry out energy audits and produce a bespoke carbon reduction action plan - Phase 2 - Competitive grant of 70% of project costs, up to a maximum of £15,000 (Must have completed stage 1 and project must relate directly to Action Plan recommendations)		
Responsible Service Area	Local Economic Partnership - Prosperity & Place		
Contact information for applicants	You may find it helpful to discuss your project with the following officer before applying: Oisín Duffy Local Economic Partnership Manager Mob: 07395 600067 Email: oisin.duffy@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk		

Name of the Programme	19. LEP Capital Grants Programme 2027-28		
Overview	Purpose: To provide capital support to eligible local businesses & social enterprises seeking to diversify, grow & improve productivity & competitiveness. Supports investment in new equipment, machinery and eligible capital infrastructure that enables businesses to introduce new or improved products and services, increase capacity, improve quality or efficiency and support growth. Eligible criteria: Micro, Small and Social Enterprises located & actively trading within the Borough, trading at least 2 years by the closing date The business activity must produce goods or provide tradeable services and have secured the required match funding, completed the required procurement process and have attended a mandatory pre-application workshop.		
Assessment & Scoring	Criteria	Weighting	Max Score
	Business Overview	Not scored	
	Project description	Not scored	
	Project Need	X5	25
	How the project will create new jobs or sustain existing jobs	X4	20
	How the project will allow the business to increase sales / enter new markets	X4	20
	How the project will increase productivity / efficiency	X3	15
	How will your project contribute to Net Zero	X2	10
	Detail skills / experience within the business to deliver a successful project	X2	10
<i>Applications must score 65% in order to avail of funding</i>			
Grant Amount	Min Grant £5,000 – Max Grant £30,000 (intervention rate of 70%)		
Responsible Service Area	Local Economic Partnership - Prosperity & Place		
Contact information for applicants	You may find it helpful to discuss your project with the following officer before applying: Oisín Duffy Local Economic Partnership Manager Mob: 07395 600067 Email: oisin.duffy@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk		

Name of the Programme	20. Personal Learning Account Fund 2027-28		
Overview	Causeway Coast and Glens Labour Market Partnership (LMP) is a Department for Communities (DfC) funded programme established to address key challenges in the local labour market for both local residents and local employers. The programme aims to improve employability outcomes and labour market conditions locally by delivering a tailor-made action plan reflecting local conditions and needs. The Personal Learning Account Fund can provide funding of up to 100% costs up to a maximum of £500.		
Assessment & Scoring	Criterion	Pass	Fail
	• The applicant is aged 16 and over at the time of application • The applicant is resident in the Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council area and is eligible to work in the UK • The applicant is looking to find employment or progress in their career • If self-employed, the course must help the enterprise to be more sustainable • The course is accredited, or industry recognised • The course is wholly and exclusively for employment and career purposes and not recreational or personal • The course is appropriate and can deliver outcomes which meet the need of the applicant • The course or qualification cannot be funded elsewhere (e.g. Invest NI, Skill Up, Skills Focus, Job Centre Adviser Discretionary Fund) (unless other courses are not suitable e.g. considering work commitments or caring commitments) • A course that is deemed to be of reasonable value for money • The training and delivery will be undertaken by a credible, viable business with the capacity to deliver the project as stated.		
Grant Amount	Examples of what may be funded: All associated costs of training, upskilling, qualification and accreditation including: • Teaching / training / assessment costs • Awarding body costs and exam fees • Training materials costs including licencing costs.	Up to £500 Available	
Responsible Service Area	Labour Market Partnership - Prosperity and Place		
Contact information for applicants	Applications may be discussed with officers from the Labour Market Partnership unit before submitting your application: Marc McGerty - Tel: 07976629027 LMP@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk Danielle McAleese -Tel: 07860356242 danielle.mcaleese@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk		

Name of the Programme	21. Rural Business Development Grant Scheme (DAERA) 2027-28 TBC by DAERA	
Overview	The Rural Business Development Grant Scheme is funded by the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (DAERA) as part of the Tackling Rural Poverty and Social Isolation (TRPSI) Programme. It aims to sustain and support the development of micro rural businesses by providing a small capital grant for the business. Applications must satisfy the following eligibility Criteria: • The business must be based in a rural area - defined as an area with a population of less than 5,000 residents. • Must be an established business that is actively trading. • The business must currently be employing less than 10 full-time equivalent employees. • Must be appropriately insured or prepared to obtain appropriate insurance if awarded a grant. • Must provide two quotations for each item to be purchased.	
Assessment & Scoring	Assessment Criteria to be determined by DAERA <u>Ineligible sectors</u> The Programme will not support: • Businesses based in urban areas. • New start businesses who have yet to commence trading (all business sectors). • Agricultural businesses registered to a Category 1 DAERA Business ID, undertaking mainstream agricultural activity. • Farm diversification projects where the diversified activity has not started trading <u>Programme Criteria</u> • Micro businesses located in rural areas (<i>as per NISRA NINIS definition</i>) • New businesses must be able to demonstrate they have commenced trading • Must demonstrate added value of proposal both to business and impact on future growth • Minimum grant awarded £500 with maximum of £7,500 • Must demonstrate they are ineligible to access similar support from elsewhere	
Grant Amount	The Scheme can provide funding of up to 50% of costs for capital items up to a maximum of £7,500. The minimum grant awarded will be £500. The total cost of the capital project must be a minimum of £1,000 and must not exceed £20,000. Applicants must provide the remaining match funding towards the project.	Up to £7,500 Available
Responsible Service Area	Prosperity and Place	
Contact information for applicants	Applications may be discussed with an officer from the Prosperity and Place unit: Bridget McCaughan (Economic Development Manager) Tel: 07976 510924 Bridget.McCaughan@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk	

Name of the Programme	22. Health & Wellbeing Grant Programme 2027-28		
Overview	The Health and Wellbeing Grant Programme is for sporting and community organisations to promote the positive mental health and wellbeing of residents in the Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council Area. Council have allocated a cap of £5,000 from the budget to individual sporting codes to allow for a good distribution across all sporting codes/ community organisations. Once the cap has been allocated, the Council will update their website on: https://www.causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk/grantsandfunding/open-grant-fundingprogrammes Any further application from these sporting codes once the cap is applied, will not be accepted until the fund re-opens the following year.		
Assessment & Scoring	Criteria	Pass	Fail
	Project Detail. What will you do? When will you do it? Where will you do it? How will you do it?		
	Identified Need. How did you identify the need for this project? Have you consulted with potential participants? How does your project fit with Council's Community Plan priorities? Number of beneficiaries?		
	How will your project assist keeping people involved in physical and wellbeing activity. How will the success of the project help keep the participants involved in physical and wellbeing activity? How will the project help develop future participation from the participants and other members of the community?		
Grant Amount	The Scheme can provide funding of up to 100% of costs up to a maximum of £1,000.		
Responsible Service Area	Sport & Wellbeing		
Contact information for applicants	If required, you can discuss your application with one of Council's Sports Development Officers before submitting your application: Sports Development Team – sportsdevelopment@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk		

Name of the Programme	23. Sports Grant and Bursary Programme 2027-28																							
Overview	To provide financial support to local athletes, sports clubs, and National Governing Bodies (NGBs) representing a sport recognised by Sport NI. Applicants have to demonstrate how their organisation contributes to the development of sport in a club setting or the positive impact the grant can have for an individual towards their sporting career.																							
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Grant Amount	Eligible costs and grant award limits:- Element 1 - Representative / International Expenses (maximum grant available £400) e.g., Ulster, Northern Ireland, Ireland, GB - Safety Equipment for a Club (maximum grant available £200) e.g., Equipment to aid player safety when participating. - Club Coach / Official Education (maximum grant available is £300 for a generic course and £200 for a sports specific course). e.g., NGB Level 1 / officials / umpire / judge / referee (Sports Specific courses) e.g., Safeguarding, first aid (Generic courses) - Seeding grant for new clubs (max grant available £150) for clubs established within the last 12 months Element 2 - Sporting events (max grant available £400) for events that increase local participation																							
Responsible Service Area	Sports Development Team																							
Contact information for applicants	Sports Development Team - sportsdevelopment@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk																							

Name of the Programme	24. Tourism Large Events Fund 2027-28			
Overview	The purpose of the Tourism Large Events Fund is to support the delivery of the Destination Management Plan. Paramount to this is the growth of visitor numbers and visitor spend. Events must satisfy the parameters below to apply for the Large Tourism and Recreation Events Fund • Events with an overall budget in excess of £30,000 • Maximum award - £100,000 • Total visitor numbers greater than 3000 (previously 5000) • Applicants must demonstrate that the event still takes place over a minimum of 2 days, events must have a start and end date and run for consecutive days. • Events should encourage overnight stays (minimum of 5 hours duration on each day). • Events must demonstrate how they will promote Causeway Coast and Glens area. (Marketing plan) • Marketing campaign - Events will be expected to ensure that any marketing or communications showcase the Causeway Coast & Glens as a destination for visitors.			
Assessment & Scoring	Criteria	Score out of possible 5	Weighting	Possible Score
	Q1. Current Status		Not Scored	
	Q2. Event Financial Position Budgetary position in light of Covid-19		Not Scored	
	Q3. Scenario Planning		Not Scored	
	Q4. – Financial Breakdown outlining Eligible Project costs		Not Scored	
	Q5. Event Management (to include Covid-19 Risk Assessment and mitigation plans)		X5	25
	Q6. Event Sustainability		X3	15
	Q7. Economic Support/Benefit		X2	10
	Q8. Media & marketing impact		X3	15
	Q9. Visitor Experience		X3	15
	Q10. Future planning – Event Development		X4	20
				100
	Applications must score 65% in order to avail of funding.			
Grant Amount	Up to 50% of total project costs of the event- maximum available - £100,000			
Responsible Service Area	Tourism and Recreation			

Name of the Programme	25. Tourism Events Growth Fund 2027-28																																																							
Overview	The Council is seeking to provide financial support for events that align themselves to key priority areas such as Cultural Tourism, Music / Food Tourism and Sports and Activities (tourism related). Events must satisfy the parameters below to apply for the Small Tourism and Recreation Events Fund: • Events with an overall total budget of between £10,000 and £30,000. • Total visitor numbers greater than 600 (previously 1000) • Applicants must demonstrate that the event will take place over a minimum of 2 days, events must have a start and end date and run for consecutive days. • Events should encourage overnight stays (minimum of 5 hours duration on each day). • No requirement to demonstrate return on investment. • Events must demonstrate how they will promote Causeway Coast & Glens area (Marketing Plan). • Marketing campaign - Events will be expected to ensure that any marketing or communications showcase the Causeway Coast & Glens as a destination for visitors.																																																							
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Contact information for applicant support purpose	Applications may be discussed with officers within the Funding Unit /Tourism Events Team before submitting your application: Gillian Lloyd 075 1038 3811 Gillian.Lloyd@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk Gareth Fall 077 1223 5744 gareth.fall@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk																																																							

Name of the Programme	26. Christmas Festive Fund 2027-28			
Overview	The Christmas Festive Fund is to support Community Associations from the smaller towns, villages and hamlets to help celebrate Christmas: • Only ONE community group per settlement will be successful. • Should Council receive more than one application per settlement the application which is the most inclusive and has the most far-reaching community involvement will be selected. Council may also request that applicants work together to produce one all-inclusive event. • Priority will be given to projects that promote wide community involvement for events celebrating this festive period. Eligibility Criteria • Towns, villages, settlements with a population of over 100 residents may apply or towns, villages, settlements who have been allocated a Christmas tree from Causeway Coast and Glens borough Council may apply. • Applications are invited for clearly defined outdoor events to mark the lighting of the Christmas tree/ festive lighting in that settlement. Fund A Applications for settlements with a population of 1,000 and above can apply for a range of costs relating to festive entertainment. Priority will be given to projects that promote wide community involvement for outdoor events celebrating this festive period: Up to £2,500 Fund B Applications for settlements with a population between 100 -1,000 can apply for a range of costs relating to festive entertainment. Priority will be given to projects that promote wide community involvement for outdoor events celebrating this festive period: Up to £750			
Assessment	Criterion		Pass	Fail
	1. Date of event within the scope of the fund			
	2. Suitable planning for events with a sufficiently completed If required Risk Assessment supplied and Event Management Plan			
	3. Town/village/ settlement with a population of over 100 or who have been allocated a Christmas Tree from Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council			
	4. Confirmation of outdoor event			
	5. Provide a full itemized breakdown of costs			
		Score (0-5)	Weight	Possible score
	Description of event: Outdoors, marks lighting of tree or turning on of lights, wide community involvement.		X 4	20
In the event we have more than one submission from an area, the application with the highest score will be awarded the funding				
Grant Amount	100% of costs up to a maximum of £2,500			
Responsible Service Area	Tourism and Recreation			
Contact information for applicants	Applications may be discussed with officers within the Funding Unit /Tourism Events Team before submitting your application: Gillian Lloyd 075 1038 3811 Gillian.Lloyd@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk Tracey Freeman 028 7034 7221 tracey.freeman@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk			