

Wee Green Grants – Public Information

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1. Who is applying?	
Name and Contact Details of the Organisation Applying for Funding (enter the partner organisation group if this is a start-up application)	
Name of Organisation	Friends of Knightswood Park
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2. What would you like to apply for?			
Which themes does your project address? (min 2)			
Climate Change	y	Communities	y
Horticulture		Heritage	
Play	y	Health and Wellbeing	y
Maintenance	y	Education	y
Environmental	y	Diversity and Inclusion	y
Biodiversity			
Title of Project			
Knightswood running track			
Location of Project			
Knightswood Park			
Please tell us what you aim to do. (max 200 words)			
<p>The Friends group aim to restore the running track to a level where training and competing can be carried out in a free to use environment. Since the Friends group started last year, we have removed soil from the track to improve the drainage. We improved the facility to an extent where small groups have been making use of the track.</p> <p>We have one other track in the north west of the city at Scotstoun Leisure Centre. The Scotstoun track is in great demand, not only from running clubs, but also by Glasgow Warriors. There is also a cost element.</p> <p>We want to apply for funds to add 60 tonnes of soil to the track, and a kick plate for the inside of the 400 metre running track. This is essential for training purposes.</p>			

The running track is the centre piece of our park. We have worked hard to improve the facility, but now we need resources other than our time and effort.

The Friends group have focussed on locals making use of their facility. We have engaged the primary schools by having their sports day in the park. This has not been altogether a success as the track needs improved.

Please tell us how this project will benefit Parks, Greenspace and Openspace. (max 100 words)

The upgrade of the track will not only provide a free to use facility for the area, it will help bring people into the park. It will provide an outdoor sporting facility to the 6 local primary schools, who until now, are regularly bussed to Scotstoun, or do without such facilities.

We believe the track will help restore local pride in the park. This will help with the Friends aim of making use of our local green space, realising the potential of something on our doorstep and possibly enticing more people to participate in sports.

Please describe the continuing benefit of your project. (max 100 words)

We have spent the last year digging the track and improving the drainage. It has been through the work of those local volunteers that contributed to the Friends group establishing itself. A restored track will show the power of people participation, a community coming together and the physical, mental and social wellbeing of that alone is a benefit worth pursuing.

Providing a facility for people to enjoy on their doorstep could help to bring further benefits by way of physical exercise and improve the park experience through more people using the facilities. As the work will be carried out by the community, it will bring greater ownership to the local people.

3.Finance		
Amount Requested	£2500	
Total cost of the project	£2500	
If you have secured or requested any other funding for your proposal, please provide details.		
Funder	Amount	Confirmed or pending
Please provide a breakdown of expenditure within this proposal.		
Item to be purchased or activity to be supported	Supplier	Cost
Supply of wooden lip for track/stakes and installation	Serenity Gardens	£1000
Red ash for track	J W Grant	£1500
Supply and delivery of ash The Friends group will carry out the work on the track		
Total Cost of Proposal		

VAT – The Council is unable to recover VAT incurred by a third party so please include any VAT due in the amount of grant you are applying for.