

Appendix 3 SCF Policy Document: THIRD SECTOR GRANTS SCORING MATRIX

DRAFT SCORING MATRIX SUMMARY					
Section	Max. Score	Weighted score for section	Overall Weighting	Final score	Outcome
Community Impact	10		40%		
Sustainability	10		30%		
Financial	10		30%		

Total

COMMUNITY IMPACT								
Ref		Level	Score	Max Score	Awarded	Measure	Weighting	Outcome
Q1	Education	Weak	0	10		No clear educational targets	10%	
		Average	5			Project has broad aims but may provide the opportunity for skills development for participants		
		Strong	10			Project aims to increase skills and knowledge of participants		
		Level	Score	Max Score	Awarded	Measure	Weighting	Outcome
Q2	Environmental Impact	Weak	0	10		No environmental targets	10%	
		Average	5			Does not specifically contribute to council targets but has clear environmental aims		
		Strong	10			Contributes to council strategic targets		
		Level	Score	Max Score	Awarded	Measure	Weighting	Outcome
Q3	Cultural Impact	Weak	0	10		No cultural targets	10%	
		Average	5			Does not specifically contribute to council targets but has clear cultural aims		
		Strong	10			Contributes to council strategic targets		

		Level	Score	Max Score	Awarded	Measure	Weighting	Outcome
Q4	Health and Wellbeing	Weak	0	10		No clear health and wellbeing targets	10%	
		Average	5			General statement provided without targets or means to assess impact		
		Strong	10			Group can evidence clear physical or mental health and wellbeing targets and how these will be measured		
		Level	Score	Max Score	Awarded	Measure	Weighting	Outcome
Q5	Addressing Social Inclusion - targeted groups: people with disabilities, black and minority ethnic groups, young people, people on low incomes, elderly people, LGBT	Weak	0	10		General community benefit	10%	
		Average	5			No specific group targeted but clear benefits for one or more targeted group		
		Strong	10			One or more groups targeted		
		Level	Score	Max Score	Awarded	Measure	Weighting	Outcome
Q6	Community Capacity Building	Weak	0	10		Activities may result in individuals or organisations gaining more skills or confidence, but this is not an aim of the project or measured.	10%	
		Average	5			Skills and/or structures of the group or organisation are developed to enable it to build its capacity to play a stronger role within its community		

		Strong	10			Community is better able to identify and help meet their needs and to participate more fully in society		
		Level	Score	Max Score	Awarded	Measure	Weighting	Outcome
Q7	Community Impact	Weak	0	10		Activity brings people together for personal benefit	10%	
		Average	5			Activity brings people together from different areas for no particular developmental purpose but in a way that creates a sense of community cohesion and belonging		
		Strong	10			Activity brings people together for the purpose of improving or developing their local community (geographical or community of interest)		
		Level	Score	Max Score	Awarded	Awarded	Weighting	Outcome
Q8	Alleviation of rural isolation	Weak	0	10		Community is not disadvantaged in project area by its rural location	10%	
		Average	5			Project increases access for rural communities or small towns to services that are available in urban areas		
		Strong	10			Project increases access for island and remote rural communities to services that are available in small towns or urban areas		
		Level	Score	Max Score	Awarded	Measure	Weighting	Outcome
Q9	Enhancement of quality of life for residents and visitors	Weak	0	10		Project does not provide or increase activities or access to community spaces	10%	
		Average	5			Project provides or increases access to activities or spaces in the area on a short-term (less than a year) basis		

		Strong	10			Project provides or increases regular access to activities or spaces in the area on a long term basis		
		Level	Score	Max Score	Awarded	Measure	Weighting	Outcome
Q10	Partnership Working	Weak	0	10		Applicant evidences no partnership working or support from other organisations	10%	
		Average	5			Project can demonstrate support from CPP partners or other third sector groups or organisations		
		Strong	10			Applicant has involved or worked in partnership with other organisations and has demonstrated this in the application		

Total Scores

SUSTAINABILITY

Ref		Level	Score	Max Score	Awarded	Measure	Weighting	Outcome
Q1	How is the project activity going to continue after the funding has been used	Weak	0	10		Group have not identified potential funding sources or strategies for continuation of project	25%	
		Average	5			Group are aware of potential continuation options (fundors etc) but have no specific plans in place		
		Strong	10			Project/Activity is a one off or clear plans are in place for how the project will continue after the funding		
		Level	Score	Max Score	Awarded	Measure	Weighting	Outcome
Q2	Has the project provided evidence of need	Weak	0	10		No evidence provided	25%	
		Average	5			General statement provided without hard evidence eg anecdotal, or out of date research		

		Strong	10			Specific statement provided which evidences need for project eg consultations, statistics, research reports etc.		
		Level	Score	Max Score	Awarded	Measure	Weighting	Outcome
Q3	What are the barriers and challenges to the project?	Weak	0	10		Applicant has failed to evidence awareness of any potential difficulties, apart from funding, or challenges and therefore has no contingency planning	25%	
		Average	5			Some barriers and challenges have been identified, however the applicant has not outlined any plans to address these		
		Strong	10			Applicant has identified potential barriers and challenges and has planned to deal with them		
		Level	Score	Max Score	Awarded	Measure	Weighting	Outcome
Q4	How will the project be monitored and evaluated	Weak	0	10		Applicant has no evaluation plan for project	25%	
		Average	5			Some targets and success measures are identified but largely quantitative		
		Strong	10			Evaluation plan involves / gathers feedback from service users		
Total Scores								
FINANCE								
Ref		Level	Score	Max Score	Awarded	Measure	Weighting	Outcome
Q1	First time application/or organisation has not received funding in the last 2 years	Weak	0	10		Repeat application for purpose which has received funding in the last two years	25%	
		Average	5			The organisation has not received funding for this project previously although they may have received grant funding for other activities		
		Strong	10			First time applicant or have not received funding from Argyll and Bute Council in the last 2 years		
		Level	Score	Max Score	Awarded	Measure	Weighting	Outcome
		Weak	0			Not yet applied for / no clear fundraising plans		

Q2	Match funding	Average	5	10		Applied/clear fundraising plans	25%	
		Strong	10			Secured		
		Level	Score	Max Score	Awarded	Measure	Weighting	Outcome
Q3	Reserves	Weak	0	10		Group has significant unrestricted reserves which could fund the activity	25%	
		Average	5			Group has unrestricted reserves which are ring-fenced for other purposes		
		Strong	10			Group has no unrestricted reserves		
		Level	Score	Max Score	Awarded	Measure	Weighting	Outcome
Q4	Additionality	Weak	0	10		Activity is a core function	25%	
		Average	5			Activity is in addition to group's core activities		
		Strong	10			Activity is new and in addition to group's core activities. Of if it's a new group created within the last 2 years.		
Total Scores								