

**1. Group/Organisation Information**

Group/Organisation name: Church House, Bridgeton [SCIO]

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Is your group/organisation constituted? **YES**

If so, please give further information, ie. Charity Number etc. SC039112

If another organisation is supporting your proposal please give information below.

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Phone number: .....

Contact person: .....

Charity Number: .....

**2. About your proposal (please feel free to add extra sheets if necessary)**

Proposal title: Churchy Motion

Tell us about your proposal - What will be done, who will do it, where will it take place, how long will it run for, how do you know that it is needed?

Church House, Bridgeton [SCIO] exists to help children, young people and families in Bridgeton and surrounding areas of Glasgow to find fullness of life (physically, mentally, spiritually, emotionally and socially) through recreational activities and informal education. It has been in the community for 76 years working alongside children, young people and families.

We strive to reach the most isolated and vulnerable families and work alongside them to deliver more and better outcomes:

- Children have improved life chances and enhanced levels of learning, communication, language, numeracy and social skills.
- Young people are more engaged in productive pursuits with long-term benefits and feel more involved and valued, are knowledgeable, confident, skilled, tolerant, positive and successful individuals and citizens.
- Parents feel more empowered and confident, less isolated and better able to cope.
- Families operate more cohesively with greater resilience.

Our warm and welcoming purpose built Family Support Centre is an outward looking and inclusive service conducted in a safe environment. Our centre is now open 7 days per week.

We have 27 different groups running each week during term time (including young leaders, Duke of Edinburgh, cooking classes, the MADventurers (outdoor activities programme), a joinery group, family night, parent and toddlers and P.A.L.S a group for isolated older people) and organise a fun-packed 7 days per week school holiday programme too including residential. Since August 2018, we have 132 children / young people and 14 adults registered with us and we were in touch informally with many more.

Here are just some of their quotes

- You all do amazing i know both my grandsons enjoy being part of the churchy family keep up the good work
- My kids love churchie, yous are all doing a fantastic job
- My Jamesy loved it, yous all do great for our kids
- Emily loved it staff are brilliant

We are seeking funding to buy a new minibus, our current mini bus is now in a state of disrepair, we are facing increasing costs each year to fix repairs, this is vital to the ongoing work we do with. This indirectly supports the work we do with families in the area to ensure that they have the same opportunities as their peers regardless of their financial situation. .

The work we do in the community ensures that all groups are free of charge and we do not charge for trips or residential. We run blocks of cooking sessions for children from Primary 4 upwards, they learn to cook and then bring in friends and family and cook a meal for them, giving them lifelong skills of cooking from scratch and on a budget. We also offer cooking workshops to parents. During holiday programmes, we receive funding to help to provide food programmes integrated into our daily timetable; this includes breakfast, lunch and dinner. We are currently looking to expand our work with families. We have a family night on a Saturday night, offering a chance to eat and play together with families in the area, children must be supported by an adult. Our new family programme that we are developing aims to work with new parents at Café Stork, a group for expectant and new parents to meet informally offering peer support that we are just starting.

The minibus enables us to offer opportunities without the added pressure of money or relying on irregular transport allowing us to visit usually hard to reach places by public transport. The minibus supports many of our groups on a weekly basis enabling outdoor activities at the weekend, that without this many of our children and young people would not get the chance to participate in Kayaking, hillwalking, residential throughout Scotland. It gives the children and young people an opportunity to explore out with Glasgow to open their horizons to the amazing country we live in. Our Duke of Edinburgh Group at Churchy use this for their expeditions, again we run this award free of charge. We have a supply of outdoor kit and can also access this through our various partners to ensure that everyone on outdoor activities is properly clothed. All our groups use the minibus throughout the year for trips including our parent & toddler group.

Who in Calton Ward will benefit, and how?

Children, young people and families in the area who currently attend Church House and for those who choose to attend our services in the future. Our project is open to everyone regardless of race, religion or abilities.

People attending Churchy get the chance to:

- Develop new skills through our cooking, joinery, youth committee, young leader programmes.
- Explore new places through our MADventurers (outdoor programme) and residential programmes, holiday programmes and Christmas trips
- Gain new experiences through our core groups ranging from Primary 1 – S3 & Duke of Edinburgh Award, getting the chance to camp, try new skills, volunteer within their community.
- Our partnership work with St. Mungo's Secondary School, supporting local young people participating in their Caritas Award with volunteering.
- Giving opportunities for families to try activities together through our Family Night Sessions on a Saturday evening
- Our P.A.L.S group (a group for elderly people) benefit from the minibus as it tackles isolation for some of the group as they no longer drive and their health impacts on their abilities to get out as often. This offers the chance to visit some of Glasgow's art galleries and museums with friends rather than travel on their own. We also offer trips to the theatre in the evening, the minibus eliminates any worries about waiting for public transport at night, they feel safer.
- One of our volunteers is in a wheelchair, and future users may have mobility issues so an accessible bus would enable them to participate in activities out with Churchy. Our current bus is not accessible.
- Churchy is used by some of our local organisations to run courses for the community e.g. Thenue Housing, NHS Health Improvement Team, Parent Network Scotland.

A new minibus would allow us to continue to offer opportunities to all in the local community regardless of their financial position. The bus removes a major barrier to participation in various activities and opportunities by ensuring transport is free. This means that more young people and their families from the local community can access opportunities they may otherwise not be able

Start date: ASAP

End date: the bus would last years

### 3. About your proposal costs

Please split your costs into:

- a) Capital (ie. Building costs, equipment)
- b) Operating/revenue (ie staff costs, running costs)

*Please note that capital costs cannot be more than £62,500 and operating/revenue costs cannot be more than £10,000.*

|                 | Item  | Cost       |
|-----------------|---|------------|
| Capital costs   | MINIBUS<br>New 17 seater minibus, with ramps to ensure it is wheelchair accessible. | £35,000.00 |
| Operating costs | N/A   |            |
| TOTAL BUDGET    |   |            |

Have you secured, or applied for, any other funding to deliver the proposed project? **YES**

Please let us know more about other funding you have, are applying for, or are expecting to have?

Church House currently budget from their core costs to pay for insurance, diesel, repairs and servicing of the minibus, this would continue to be the case if we were successful with the funding bid. We will also continue to find funding to cover costs for any training for volunteers and staff to drive the bus. We currently have three people in the organisation that can drive the minibus.

**4. Does your organisation or group have a bank account with a least 2 unrelated signatories?**

Yes

**5. Are the staff and any volunteers who will be involved in delivering this proposal (if it was chosen through the public vote to be funded) registered with the Protecting Vulnerable Groups Scheme?**

Yes

**6. Do you have adequate insurance cover for this proposal?**

Yes

**7. Your Declaration**

If this proposal is funded, I will take full responsibility for the payment made on behalf of all those involved.

Signature: Angela Molloy

Date: 19/02/2019

Please return all completed forms to: [Rllett@cpagscotland.org.uk](mailto:Rllett@cpagscotland.org.uk) (note the R and I are capital letters, the rest is lower case)

or by mail to: Rosie Ilett, Child Poverty Action Group in Scotland, Unit 9 Ladywell Business Centre, 94 Duke Street, Glasgow G4 0UW

If you need any help – please phone Rosie on 0141 406 5050 or 0141 552 3303 – leave message if needed.

