

1. Group/Organisation Information

Group/Organisation name: Thenue Communities

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

If so, please give further information, ie. Charity Number etc SCO44082

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

Organisation name:

Address:

Email:

Phone number:

Contact person:

Charity Number:

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

Proposal title: Green Volunteers

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?

Thenue Communities Green Volunteers is a project designed to encourage our community to work together to make environmental improvements in both Calton & Bridgeton. Whilst our volunteers are supported to learn gardening and landscaping skills which improve their confidence and skills, our ultimate aim is to improve the health and wellbeing of local families. This is done in a variety of ways such as creating a culture of working and learning together, taking control of our physical environment, increasing access to green spaces and Elcho Gardens and increasing people's sense of safety. Our base is Elcho Gardens in Calton where we have raised beds, a mini orchard, a storage container for gardening equipment and a storage container that has been turned into a training space. Over time we have secured a number of small grants to develop

Elcho Gardens into a space that all of the community can use safely and to date it has been used by ourselves and local groups to deliver a wide range of activities such as gala days, Calton Commonwealth Beach, Summer Programmes, Christmas Get togethers, Gardening workshops, Arts & Crafts and Music Sessions. Our Green Volunteers support all of these activities by setting up the equipment safely, teaching folk how to grow their own vegetables, delivering workshops to children and adults (often together) installing our orchard, maintaining the gardens, removing needles and generally making the space safe for everyone. In addition to this, our team do free gardening work for local residents and organise community clean ups working with Community Safety Glasgow, families, nurseries and schools. We have secured funding to continue this project in Calton and expand it into Bridgeton but we require match funding. The match funding would allow us to purchase a third storage container for Elcho Gardens so that our children's toys, games and garden furniture can be stored separately from our Petrol Strimmers, mowers and gardening equipment, therefore allowing parents and groups safe access to the equipment. We would also like to connect electricity to the container we have already made into a training/workshop space so that we can keep people warm on cold days at the gardens. Match funding would also contribute directly to the cost of employing our Gardening Development Officer who recruits, trains and supports our volunteers and would allow us to purchase a 2nd hand van so that we can easily transport equipment around Calton and Bridgeton when carrying out work for and with local residents. Finally, we would like to build and install raised beds into resident's gardens and provide them with soil, hand tools and seeds and teach them how to grow their own food in their own gardens. These would be painted and decorated by the families themselves. We believe that this project contributes to the overall efforts to reduce child poverty by increasing the confidence and employment skills of adults in the area, increasing children access to safe green spaces to play and learn, increasing their knowledge and skills to grow their own food, increasing opportunities to learn with their families and wider community and by helping children to feel a sense of pride and involvement in their community. The National Lottery Community Fund has awarded a three year grant but not the full amount required therefore this grant would contribute directly to our first years costs.

Who in Calton Ward will benefit, and how?

Residents from Calton & Bridgeton will benefit from the project either by taking part in activities at Elcho Gardens or by our volunteers carrying out work in local gardens and green spaces. Residents of both communities will have the option to volunteer with us, receive help from us or to participate in a range of community activities delivered by ourselves and other groups at Elcho Gardens.

We are keen to support local groups who wish to use Elcho Gardens to deliver outdoor summer programmes for children during the school holidays. They would benefit from having access to a safe, fully equipped space from which to develop their activities for children and families. It would also serve as a space for community events where children would have free access to food, learning opportunities, fun, laughter and all the things that make childhood great. We would be open to supporting any activities/groups that provide great opportunities for local people

Start date: 1st April 2019 End date: 31st March 2020

(please note this grant contributes to the first year of a three year project)

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	Gardening equipment & Tools	£2,000.00
	Protective Clothing & Equipment	£2,000.00
	2nd Hand Van	£12,000.00
	Soil	£1,000.00
	Seeds & Bulbs	£1,000.00
	Hand tools for families	£2,000.00
	Paint & Painting equipment	£1,000.00
	Electricity connected to garden training space (container)	£6,000.00
	8ft Storage Container with Shelving	£2,500.00
Operating costs	1 x Gardening Development Officer	£10,000.00
TOTAL BUDGET		£39,500

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?

We applied for a grant of £121,000 to deliver the three year Green Volunteers Project. Our application was successful however we were not awarded the full amount. The National Lottery Community Fund agreed to fund the project for the sum of £100,000 and asked that we secure match funding from another source. We are delighted with this funding award and if our application to Calton Ward 9 PB is successful, it will provide us with match funding that will contribute to our first year's costs. In addition, it will also provide us with a van that helps us to transport equipment and volunteers as necessary.

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: Rosemary Robertson

Date: 25/02/2019

Please return all completed forms to: 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,
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If you need any help – please phone Rosie on 0141 406 5050 or 0141 552 3303 – leave message if needed.

