

D&G Climate Hub

Seed Fund 2025-26 Criteria

The D&G Climate Hub is hosted by Galloway and Southern Ayrshire UNESCO Biosphere Partnership. The Hub is designed to support Dumfries and Galloway communities to adapt to climate change and make a just transition toward net zero.

The D&G Climate Hub is facilitating a Seed Fund to help community groups in Dumfries & Galloway deliver climate action in their local area through grass-roots projects and events. The Seed Fund could be used to initiate new ideas or support ongoing projects.

We are looking for applications from community-led projects and groups who are leading on climate activity in their locale. This funding is designed to support community climate action. Typically, community climate action includes food growing & sharing, biodiversity improvements, sustainable travel initiatives, repair cafes, energy saving ideas... but there are no limits to what we would consider to be community climate action. This round, we are especially interested in projects with a focus on biodiversity improvements, or that are focussed on climate impact adaptation or mitigation.

We encourage applications to the Seed Fund for projects that meet at least one of these criteria:

- ✓ Support biodiversity improvements, or climate impact adaptation or mitigation.
- ✓ Raise awareness and build climate action capacity
- ✓ Support a Just Transition towards a Net Zero Dumfries & Galloway
- ✓ Support the UN's Sustainable Development Goals (link below)
[Take Action for the Sustainable Development Goals - United Nations Sustainable Development](#)
- ✓ Support collaborative working with others
- ✓ Support the sharing of learning and skills
- ✓ Contribute to long term positive change
- ✓ Encourage those not currently engaged in climate action to get involved
- ✓ Build community resilience and adapt to the effects of climate change

**Please let us know if you have any access requirements
that would help in applying for these Seed Fund grants.**

Please note:

- D&G Climate Hub Seed Fund – is for grants up to a maximum of £1,000
- The closing date for all applications is **Wednesday May 21st 2025**.
- Projects should be completed by **Friday 6th February 2026**, with completion reports (attached in the document bundle you will receive) due on **Friday 20th February 2026**.
- Projects must be delivered within Dumfries and Galloway Local Authority area, by groups based within D&G.
- Applications must be through a recognised group with their own bank account or partnered with an organisation that has such a facility.
- Applicants must agree to become Proud Supporters of the Galloway & Southern Ayrshire Biosphere.

Click this link to become a Proud Supporter as a community group.

[Get Involved as a Community or Organisation - Galloway and Southern Ayrshire Biosphere](#)

Click this link to become a Proud Supporter as an individual.

[Get Involved as an Individual - Galloway and Southern Ayrshire Biosphere](#)

Click this link to become a Proud Supporter as a business or social enterprise.

[Get Involved - Proud Supporter as a Business - Galloway and Southern Ayrshire Biosphere](#)

- Projects must be as sustainable as possible - please note we will not fund any single use items.
- Your Climate Hub officers are available to answer questions and support successful projects.
- The mandatory completion report must include a detailed, itemised list of project spend. For time-based fees, there should be a detailed recording of dates and times spent working on the project/event. Evidence of all spend in the form of receipt/invoices should be kept within your group's records for the purposes of an audit, should one be conducted.
- It is possible that successful applications may be invited to share their experiences through case studies or attendance at Climate Hub events.