**Silverdykes Liaison Committee**

For the Record: this was how proposals were made and recommendations decided upon. The process is now closed, as all funds have been allocated as shown on the accompanying list on our SLC page. For future reference, though, this is how it was done:

**Making and submitting proposals to the SLC:**

Proposals from the community are made on the forms designed by the SLC. There are two types of form:

Form A for groups with a project they wish to pursue.

Form B for individual members of the community with a good idea.

Please note that the SLC does not itself handle any funds, or even have a budget, but only works by recommending public proposals to the Council. You can copy the form you need from this website or request a proposer's pack by contacting the SLC email address (now closed) with your name, address and contact details.

The SLC is now keen that the community considers possible uses for the final tranche of £100,000. This chance will not come again. Proposals are now required for the best use of this money. To involve the community in bringing forward suggestions, and to give guidance on projects which meet the criteria, the following guidelines were set out, and have been followed. Please remember, though, that the SLC can only make recommendations to Fife Council: it cannot make final decisions on applications or guarantee their acceptance by Fife Council.

If you would like any advice or would like to discuss an idea which you have, email a brief description to us, along with a contact phone number if possible. Our chairman, Glenn Jones, will be happy to help.

In more detail, this is how recommendations to the SLC are made and considered:

* SLC invite applications from individuals and groups for leisure and recreational space/facilities for community use and makes recommendations to Fife Council as appropriate.
* The availability of funding is made known through this anstruther.info website, and on other media as appropriate. Any closing dates for applications are indicated.
* Where applicants are established groups with notable projects, they are encouraged to seek opportunities for match-funding.
* Application forms should be returned as described above.
* Funds can only be applied by Fife Council, following the recommendations of the SLC based on the applications received. The SLC does not itself handle any funds. Grants to individuals, businesses or groups cannot be made; under the Section 75 Agreement, Fife Council handles the commuted funds, and applies them to recommended projects.

**What kind of projects fit our legal framework?**

* Requests shall be for outside leisure and recreational space or facilities only.
* Such requests must be for leisure and recreational space or facilities within the Kilrenny, Anstruther and Cellardyke Community Council area.
* Requests for running costs shall not, in general, be supported.
* Funds shall be open to as many qualifying applications as possible, both large and small, in order to maximise the public benefit provided by these funds. This is interpreted as offering individuals the opportunity to propose to Fife Council small items or projects, and for properly constituted community groups to bring forward their own projects for the use of funds.
* Applicants must demonstrate how their request will provide leisure or recreational facilities or the better use of open spaces.
* There shall be no discrimination against any legally identified protected characteristic.
* Applications or suggestions for minor improvements are considered according to their perceived community benefit. Decisions are based on the following criteria:

**Criteria**

1a Percentage of money raised by the applicant if any

1b Percentage of match funding obtained (This applies mainly to larger projects put forward by community groups)

2 Location

3 Numbers benefiting from leisure and recreation facilities/usage of space

4 Quality and extent of leisure and recreation facilities to be provided

5 Background information on the development of the project