

# 1st April 2022 – 1st March 2023

We'd love to hear from you if you are planning to set up a new community group, activity, or event in Fife.

You will need to complete a simple application form with your contact details and a short description of your project, the people you hope to get involved and what you hope to achieve.

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**Small Sparks is a small grants programme that helps people to do new and exciting things in their community.**

People have great ideas and mostly they don't cost very much money. They just need a little spark, a little support and then – stand well back!

Small Sparks was introduced to the UK by Carl Poll - a pioneer and community builder. Fife Health & Social Care Partnership are pleased to bring Small Sparks to Fife.



JOIN THE  
SMALL SPARKS  
COMMUNITY!

# How does Small Sparks work?

To apply for funding, you need:

- To have ideas for a brand-new group, event or activity that brings local people together with a shared purpose.
- To be willing to record your progress and creatively bring it to life e.g. using photographs, a video, or a scrapbook.
- To commit to attending a Small Sparks celebration event where you will share your story with other funded groups.

**It's that simple. Everyone can get involved.**

## Meeting the criteria:

- Do you live or work in Fife?
- Will your group, activity or event make your community a better place to live in, work or visit?
- Will your idea involve local people, particularly those who haven't been involved before?
- Is your project brand new, fun, interesting and sustainable?
- Small Sparks is aimed at local people and small clubs or groups. Please do not apply if you already have funding in place, if your idea isn't new, or if you have previously applied to Small Sparks.

# Small Sparks does make a big difference

- Dairsie Primary School created an award-winning community garden and appeared on an episode of the Beechgrove Garden.
- Airlie Medical Practice set up a monthly support group for people affected by cancer.
- Tayside View Care Home in Newburgh involved the local community in painting story stones to decorate their new garden.
- Adact was born - a new inclusive drama group that brings together people who are isolated or marginalised, breaks down barriers and builds confidence through creative workshops.
- Gateside Village held a Christmas concert and lunch for older people in the village with the aim of setting up some new groups to bring isolated older people together.
- Levenmouth Community Cycle Club offered family bicycle rides, bicycle repair workshops and bike-ability session.
- The CONNECT Group in Methil received start-up funding and are now a constituted group with a healthy weekly membership.

