Communities Capital Fund Scoring Guidance

Criterion 1 - Will the project improve specific priority outcomes for the local community, based on the Think Communities area profile, e.g. increasing skills, reducing loneliness, tackling obesity

POSSIBLE SCORE OF 30

20-30 points:

Project demonstrates the following:

- Provides strong evidence of community need through published data or public consultations/surveys
- Can demonstrate that they will provide multiple activities or usage for the community (e.g. a sports facility providing multiple sports and has other social/community use)
- Will have wide community appeal and use
- Will have frequent community use throughout the year

10-20 points:

Project demonstrates the following:

- Provides moderate evidence of community need, but does not provide any specific data, or has limited evidence of community support
- Can demonstrate at least one other community benefit alongside the project's primary use (e.g. a sports facility offering at least two sports, or using its facilities for other social/community use)
- Will have moderate community appeal and use
- Will have regular community use throughout the year

0-10 points:

Project demonstrates the following:

- Provides little or no evidence of community need or how it will benefit the community
- Has no other community benefit outside of the project's primary use (e.g. a sports facility providing only one sport and no other activity)
- Will have limited community appeal and use
- Has occasional or seasonal community use throughout the year

Criterion 2 - Will the project address inequality of access to services or activities, e.g. in rural communities?

POSSIBLE SCORE OF 30

20- 30 points:

Project demonstrates the following:

- Strong evidence of how the lack of current facilities impacts the community
- Clear impact of how the community locally will benefit from having the project within their area

10- 20 points:

Project demonstrates the following:

- Moderate evidence of a lack of current facilities within the area and the impact on the community
- Moderate impact of how the community will benefit from having the project within their area

0-10 points:

Project demonstrates the following:

- Limited evidence of lack of facilities within the area and how this impacts the community
- Limited evidence to show how the community will benefit from having the project within their area

Criterion 3 - Will the project incorporate local community involvement in its design and implementation (including formal groups such as parish councils)?

POSSIBLE SCORE OF 20

10- 20 points:

Project demonstrates the following:

- Project applicant is an organisation rooted in its community (such as a charity, parish council or community organisation)
- Applicant has clear evidence of working with the local community to deliver the project

0-10 points:

Project demonstrates the following:

- Project applicant is a public body, or an organisation not based within the immediate community.
- Or, the project cannot demonstrate how the community will be involved in the design and delivery of the project.

Criterion 4: What level of match funding is being, or will be achieved (noting that external match or match via community action will score higher than match from other CCC sources)?

POSSIBLE SCORE OF 20

10-20 points:

Project can demonstrate match funding from non-County Council sources such as contributions from the applicant, community fundraising or bids to external organisations.

In addition, there is strong evidence to show the balance between the community benefit, level of match funding and impact that County Council funding will provide.

0-10 points: the project doesn't have match funding confirmed, or it is from other County Council sources (for example Innovate and Cultivate funding).

Or, there is limited evidence to show the balance between the community benefit, level of match funding and impact that County Council funding will provide.

Projects must score a minimum of 60 points to be awarded funding.