**£5K**

**give away**

**Your Voice Your Choice**

**in Carrick Knowe**

Do you have an idea that will make our local community a better place for everyone?

Do you need £200 to £1,000 to put your idea into action?

If your answer is **YES** then ‘Your Voice Your Choice’ is the opportunity to make your project happen.

**Deadline for applications is**

**Friday 17th March 2017.**

If you need information or assistance with the application please contact

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Rev. Fiona Mathieson [FMathieson@churchofscotland.org](mailto:FMathieson@churchofscotland.org).uk

**A Community Together Event**

**The Scottish Government** have set aside **£5,000** for community improvement in Carrick Knowe and want to put **YOU** in control of how it’s spent.

The **‘Your Voice Your Choice’** initiative lets the local community decide for themselves which projects are needed in their area.

**What can you apply for?**

We need your ideas for projects that will:

* Benefit as many people as possible from across the community.
* Help to make Carrick Knowe a better place for everyone.
* Add value to existing projects.

Any project large or small is welcome.

Whether you want to organise a healthy living project, a community safety idea, a lunch club for older residents, a community art project, the only limit is your imagination and your project or idea happening within 12 months.

**Who can apply?**

Any local community, voluntary or non-profit organisation – even informal groups– can **apply for funding from £200 to £1,000** to put ideas into action.

Any individual or un-constituted group, provided their bid is supported by a constituted group, can apply. This means the constituted group manages the money and the un-constituted individual or group delivers the project.

**How do you apply?**

To apply for the funding you must return this form before **6pm Friday 17th March 2017**. If your idea meets the criteria, the community will get to vote for the best ideas at an event to be held on **Saturday 25th March 2017, 10.00am-12.30.**

**Event**

The event will be held at Carrick Knowe Church main hall, 118-132 Saughton Road North, doors open at 9.30am. At the event you will be required to make a simple 3 minute presentation on your idea to the community. Those in attendance will then vote on all the applications and a decision will be made on the day.

Refreshments will be provided.

**Your Voice Your Choice**

**REGISTER YOUR IDEA: APPLY TODAY**

**Your full name:**

**Address where we can write to you. (Your own address or the address of the organisation you represent)**

**Your postcode:**

**Telephone number:**

**Email:**

**Alternative contact name:**

**Telephone number:**

**Email:**

**If you represent an organisation what is its name?**

**What is the name of your project/idea?**

**Briefly describe the project you would like funding for (up to 150 words):**

**What is the particular need and how will the project address it and make the community better?**

**How many people do you think will benefit from your project (as accurately as you can estimate it)?**

***For example this could be the number who will attend a lunch club weekly***

**How much money do you require and what will you spend it on?**

***Please give a breakdown of the costs of your project and when you expect to spend the money by. For example: equipment costs, running costs, staff time.***

***Please indicate the expected start and end date of the project.***

***Please detail any other funding sources and if it has been confirmed.***

**Please return this form via email to: FMathieson@churchofscotland.org.uk**

**or post/hand it in to: Rev. Fiona Mathieson, 21 Traquair Park West, Edinburgh EH12 7AN.**

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