



Shetland Community Programme

“to celebrate the unique and special nature of Shetland culture past, present and future”.

Frequently Asked Questions

1 What is Highland 2007?

Highland 2007 aims to promote the Highlands as a great place to live and to visit through showcasing the unique and special nature of Highland culture past, present and future. The project is a partnership between three principal funding agencies: The Highland Council, The Scottish Executive, and Highlands and Islands Enterprise. Highland 2007, the year Scotland celebrates Highland culture, will incorporate an exciting range of international, regional and community events, as well as capital projects and cultural activities specifically for young people. See www.highland2007.com for full details.

2 What is the Shetland Community Programme?

The aim of the Shetland Community Programme is to enable community groups and organisations to decide how Shetlandic culture should be celebrated in support of Highland 2007. To encourage as many people as possible to take part in the celebrations, funds have been made available by Highlands and Islands Enterprise and Shetland Islands Council. The aim is to support local events and projects which will form part of the overall Highland 2007 programme of celebrations alongside international and regional events.

3 Who can apply for funding?

Shetland based registered charities and not-for-profit organisations can apply for funding from the Shetland Community Fund. If your organisation is not a registered charity, a copy of its constitution must be provided with the completed application form.

4 What can the funding be used for?

The Shetland Community Programme funding is only available for revenue projects and events. It may however be possible to include some small items of equipment in your application. Revenue means costs that would normally occur while staging an event or managing a project such as performers' fees, staffing costs, transport or marketing. Employment of staff to organise projects/events will not be eligible.

5 Who will make the decision on the applications?

A local management group will consider project enquires and the Shetland Community Regeneration Partnership (CRP) will decide on the funding. The CRP consists of representatives of Shetland public, private and community sectors.

6 How often will they meet to consider and approve applications?

Applications will be considered on six weekly cycles at CRP meetings.

7 Can we use some of the funding in both 2006 and 2007?

Only one application for revenue funding for an individual project or event should be submitted to cover the whole period of the project or event.

8 Do we need to have matched funding in place to support the application?

Match funding must be sought from Shetland Islands Council or Shetland Amenity Trust (contact details are available from Shetland Enterprise).

9 Will we be asked to provide any information after the project or event?

Organisations will be required to complete a standard report at the end of the project or event.

10 What do we do if we need more information?

Shetland Enterprise contact details are given below. Local staff will also direct applicants to the appropriate funding sources if they think that a project fits better into a particular strand.

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