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5G Funding Brief

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SCSP Innovation Fund Overview

Objective

Drive innovation in 5G and Advanced Wireless technology (AWT) across all 8 local authorities within Glasgow City Region to benefit the wellbeing of individuals in the community.



Strategic Rationale – Why?

Strategic Alignment

Supports regional digital transformation and smart city initiatives,

Collaboration

Encourages public-private partnerships and cross-sector innovation,

Leadership

Brings together technology and social impact.



What can I apply for?

Project funding is available from £10,000 to £100,000,

The project must align to the fund focus,

Take place in the Glasgow City Region (GCR),

Demonstrate collaboration and impact for the local community.

Fund Focus

Smart Social Housing & Other Assets.

- Deploying at-scale connectivity,
- Harnessing the potential of connectivity, digital and data solutions to support net zero,
- Improving the energy efficiency of social homes to reduce fuel bills for tenants,
- Improve health outcomes for residents / tenants.

Connected Care & Wellbeing.

- Leveraging connectivity,
- Keep people safe, well, and socially connected in their own home / community,
- Enabling right-time and right-place care and support interventions,
- Promote wellness and prevent illness,
- Realising whole system benefits for Councils, HSCPs, the NHS, and CPP partners.

Data Aggregation & Business Intelligence.

- Identifying and testing digital solutions,
- Smart Devices, e.g.
 - IoT Sensors, Health Solutions, Care Solutions, Connection Solutions, Compliance Solutions,
- Assess the potential for data to transform services and improve lives at GCR scale.

Key Dates

Pre-Launch & Stakeholder Engagement August 2024

Applications Go Live on or before 2nd September 2024

Deadline for questions Midday 9th September 2024

Applications Close Midday 16th September 2024

Project Awards w/c 30th September 2024

Project Delivery Expected to start October 2024

Project Completion & Case Studies on or before 31st March 2025

5G AWT Eligibility Criteria

Please note:

This grant is subject to the Subsidy Control Act 2022. Each successful organisation will have to provide a self-declaration, stating that they have not breached the grant funding limits. Minimal Financial Assistance (MFA) grants can be awarded up to value of £315,000 over the last 3 years.



Who Can Apply?

Within the 8 local authorities across Glasgow City Region, the fund is open to

- Company Ltd By Guarantee,
- Community Interest Company (CIC),
- Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (SCIO),
- Constituted Charity/Voluntary Sector Organisations (including unincorporated),
- Housing Associations/Friendly, Mutual or Registered Societies,
- Colleges / Universities,
- Individuals, Sole Traders or Ltd Companies that from part of a recognised local enterprise or innovation group (i.e. Accelerators, Incubators, Catapults etc).

We will not accept applications from the following:

• Statutory/Public Bodies such as any of the 8 local authorities within Glasgow City Region and their Arm's Length External Organisations, Community Councils, NHS, Police Scotland etc. However, these organisations can be part of a project, as one or more of the stakeholder group.

Is my local authority within Glasgow City Region?



The impact group chosen and as many Stakeholders as possible should be based within GCR.

What can I use the grant fund to cover?

You cannot apply to the fund for the following: (Anything that would bring the local authority or GCR into disrepute)
Capital costs.
Religious or political activities.
Costs already funded by someone else.
Costs incurred before the activity starts.
Illegal activities, alcohol or drugs.
Recoverable VAT.
Management fees, Loans, interest or Mortgages.

Projects must take place within the Glasgow City Region.

Where do I apply?

5G Funding announcement: https://glasgowcityregion.co.uk/unlock- funding-for-5g-and-wireless-technology-projects-in-glasgow-city-region/

Next Steps

- Download
 - Guidance Notes,
 - Example Application Form,
 - FAQs,
 - Application Form is an online link on the same page as above information,
 - Ensure that you have a saved copy of the application responses on your own device.
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