Ettrick and Yarrow Community Development Company Crisis Grants

**BACKGROUND**
The Ettrick and Yarrow Community Development Company (EYCDC) has received funding from the Scottish Government’s Supporting Communities Fund for emergency responses during the current Covid 19 pandemic. Courtesy of this fund, we are now in a position to make crisis grants available to residents within the Ettrick and Yarrow valleys. These grants are to help households who have lost income during the pandemic and who need help with essential living expenses, food and energy bills. The level of grant awarded will depend on the demand. Eligible households must be within the postcode areas listed below.

**WHO IS IT FOR?**
**Households** with earners that as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic have been furloughed (but not on full pay), have recently become unemployed or lost part-time jobs, the self-employed who have been unable to work or whose earnings have dropped due to restrictions or small business owners who do not qualify for other Covid 19 grant funding. Support grants from a charity do not have to be declared by Universal Credit applicants. The EYCDC is a registered charity. Registration No:SC048061.

**You must live** within the postcodes defined for the catchment area of Ettrick and Yarrow Community Development Company. These cover all of Ettrick and Yarrow valleys including Bowhill and Philiphaugh.

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**HOW TO APPLY**
Complete the brief *Ettrick and Yarrow Crisis Grant Application form*. Signing and submitting the form means you are agreeing to the terms and conditions of use.

Only one application will be accepted for each household. Households can re-apply if necessary.

Payments will vary per application. The maximum grant per household will be £500 in exceptional circumstances but we expect the majority of grants to be £250 or less. The total funding pot is £10,000.

Decisions will be made by an independent panel based on the information provided. EYCDC administer the fund and will notify the applicant by email but the panel decision will be final.

The information provided in the form will be treated as confidential and only used in this application process.

Application forms will be provided to other agencies if requested in support of EYCDC’s funding application to provide the grants.

EYCDC recognises that applicants will be in need and intends to provide payments to successful applicants as soon as possible via BACs direct to bank account.

Grant applications will be considered on a rolling basis until the funding pot is empty. The earliest payments will be in the first week of June.

Please submit your completed form to crisisgrant@ettrickandyarrow.org.uk with the necessary supporting paperwork or post it to:

EYCDC, c/o Estate Office, Philiphaugh, Selkirk, TD7 5LX marked ‘Confidential’.

Application forms are also available from the Post Office in Selkirk. They can be returned there marked for attention of EYCDC and ‘Confidential’.