

## Introduction

The following section provides some extracts from an evaluative report that was written to evidence the impact of the Leith anti-sectarianism Project's multicultural event.



How many young people will benefit from this funding?

Age Group	Male	Female	Totals
Under 10	10	10	20
10 - 19	15	10	25
20 & over			
Totals	25	20	45

## Note

Stand Up to Sectarianism funding is aimed at young people aged between 10 and 19 years of age. However, consideration will be given to applications where a small percentage of the young people that will benefit from this grant are in either the under 10 or over 19 age range.

What services/ activities does your unit/ group currently deliver?

We have a variety of youth clubs and projects running throughout the year at Pilmeny Development Project, including:

### **LOSP (Leith Outdoor Spaces Project): Mondays 7-8.30pm @ No 15. Buchanan Street**

LOSP is for young people age 13-17 years who are at risk of Anti Social Behaviour. There is also support available for ex members who may require additional help and advice after leaving.

There is a high focus on informal education and issues based workshops, members have previously developed a Drug and Alcohol Resource pack which will be used with new members going forward. Other areas include help with transitioning from school and entering employment and/ or further education as well as other identified needs based issues.

## **Junior club: Tuesdays, 6.30-8pm @ PYC, 44 Buchanan Street**

The junior club is for young people in primary 3-7 (7-11 years) and is a fairly traditional youth club with a focus on active games, arts and crafts, cooking and informal workshops.

## **Senior Club: Wednesdays, 7-8.30pm @ No 15. Buchanan Street**

The senior club is for young people in secondary 1-3 (11-14 years) and again, is a fairly traditional youth club with a focus on games, arts and crafts and cooking.

The club also focuses on informal education in response to identified needs based issues and offers opportunities such as Dynamic Youth Awards and Youth Achievement Awards.

Please describe the proposed events and/or activities for which you are applying for funding.

Please provide as much detail about the events and activities as possible.

Pilmey Development Project (PDP) youth groups would like to request funding, in order to provide entertainment to encourage young people who engage with our services, to attend Leith anti-sectarianism project's (LASP) - Multicultural Event at Ocean Terminal on **Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2014**.

Since October 2014 the LASP has delivered a variety of anti-sectarianism activities, which have all contributed to exploring what sectarianism is like in Leith, both currently and in the past. This activity has seen a number of 1.1

interviews conducted, a focus group looking at sectarianism and football in Leith conducted, and a 12 – week Oral History programme delivered.

The Multicultural Event which will be delivered by PDP’s LASP and PDP youth groups staff and will help to celebrate the diversity and multiculturalism of Leith. The event will also showcase some of the anti-sectarianism work which has been delivered by LASP and its delivery partners, from both Edinburgh and across Scotland.

The event will run from 12.00 to 4.00pm and will include a variety of entertainment, stalls, workshops and food throughout the day.

Is this a new or existing piece of work?

When do you expect your project to start?	25 October 2014	When do you expect your project to finish?	25 October 2014
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How have you identified the need for this project?

LASP recognises that through staging a Multicultural Event celebrating the diversity of Leith, the various religious and cultural groups that make up the community can be brought together. The event will also provide an opportunity for the anti-sectarianism work-taking place both locally and nationally to be highlighted.

Over the last year LASP has undertaken a variety of anti-sectarian initiatives that have worked with a cross section of adults from the community. PDP

youth groups have recognised a need to include the young people in this debate, with themes of sectarianism and discrimination being evident in young people's attitudes and beliefs. Through attending this event we aim to broaden and develop young people's attitudes and understanding of different cultures, while also including them in the anti-sectarianism debate.

We recognise that encouraging young people to engage with the topic of sectarianism can be demanding. Therefore through providing entertainment we hope to encourage our young people to attend the Multicultural Event, maximising the impact of tackling sectarianism.

Did you consult young people? If so, what did they say?

PDP continuously consult directly with young people to provide a service just for them. Members from all clubs are asked their opinion on activities, workshops and more. Consultations are also held with the young people to identify need and the interests of the group in order to shape programmes and events around them and for them.

Recent consultations have highlighted that members are interested in attending trips and experiencing new activities and events within the community.

What impact will this funding have?

e.g. on young people, on workers/ volunteers within your group, on the local community.

First and foremost, the funding will encourage the young people who attend PDP services to attend the Multicultural Event, this will introduce the young people to the many different cultures and religions that make up the Leith community, developing young peoples tolerance. Importantly, getting the young people involved in the event will also enable them to see the variety of anti-sectarianism work taking place, maximising the impact of tackling sectarianism.

The event will also provide an opportunity to bring the various PDP youth groups together, increasing self-esteem and confidence between members of *all* ages.

How will you record what you have delivered and the difference it will make?

Both LASP and PDP youth groups will use a variety of evaluative methods to record the impact of the Multicultural Event on the young people. This will include evaluations from the staff team, capturing specific comments from the young people, and taking photos of the event. The young people will also be invited to be involved in evaluating the day via a 'smiley face' scale to establish

what the children enjoyed and what they didn't enjoy as much, An evaluation and feedback from the day will also be included in LASP's final project report.

Are there ways you can link in with other units/ youth groups in your area?  
NB you may be eligible for more funding if you link in with other groups. Please see guidance notes for details.

PDP has strong links with several local youth projects including: The Citadel, Acorn Centre (YMCA), The Junction, Inspiring Leith (The Bethany Trust), LGBT youth, Pilmeny Youth Centre, The Ripple project, Leith Community Centre as well as other agencies including local libraries and Police Scotland. We are also a part of Leith Youth Services Network which works collaboratively with all youth services across Leith where we will promote the event and encourage youth attendance.

LASP has also uploaded details of the Multicultural Event to the Action on Sectarianism website, which will enable any local or national groups who have not been targeted to be informed of the event.