



Harry Bryce Award

Application Guidance

The Strathmartine Trust

The Strathmartine Trust was established by the late Dr Ronald Cant to encourage and support the study of all periods of Scottish history, continuing the work to which he devoted most of his life. The Trustees are all volunteers and manage the business of the Trust, which includes operating the Strathmartine Centre, delivering an annual seminar programme and administering the annual grant award schemes.

The Harry Bryce School Fund

The aim of the Harry Bryce School Fund is to foster enthusiasm for, and engagement with, Scottish history among young people. Grants of up to £500 are available to state schools and other organisations (such as museums, libraries, archives or community history groups), that deliver activities and programmes designed for children and young people.

Eligibility

Applications may be submitted by individuals on behalf of a school or organisation, provided that:

- The proposed project or activity offers meaningful, structured engagement for young people with Scottish history; this is a broad term and could include the histories of Scottish people abroad as well as imperial or colonial aspects of Scotland's past
- The project or activity is offered free of charge to all participants, and no profit is generated by the organiser or any associated body

The Application Form

Applications must be submitted using the application form available on the Trust's website. This is a digital form and we recommend that applicants review the example application before completing their own.

Timeline

Applications can be submitted at any time but the project must begin between 3 and 12 months after the application is submitted.

Trustees will review each application as it is received and aim to provide a decision within one month. Please note that review times may be longer during holiday periods; timelines will be communicated to applicants upon receipt of their application.

Communication

Upon receipt of your application, the Strathmartine office will confirm its arrival and provide an estimated review timeframe. A further email will be issued once the Trustees have completed their review to communicate the outcome.

Receiving an Award

If your application is successful, the Strathmartine office will outline any conditions attached to the award and request your bank details; funds will be transferred thereafter. With our apologies, the Trust is unable to provide feedback on unsuccessful applications.

Award Conditions

If an applicant is successful in achieving an award, the following conditions must be accepted in order for funds to be released:

- The project must begin within 3 and 12 months of the application being submitted
- The funds must be used as outlined in the application
- The Strathmartine Trust's support must be acknowledged in any printed materials
- A brief report must be shared with the Trust, detailing the project's outcomes and how the funding was used
- The funding must be returned if the project fails to take place or if it is delayed beyond the timeframe above

Considerations

When preparing your application, please consider the following:

- Applications that do not follow this guidance will not be accepted
- Applications that do not include detailed project costings will not be accepted
- Projects must relate to the local or national history of Scotland, or to broader themes connected to Scottish history
- Projects and activities must demonstrate a clear benefit for children or young people
- The costs of engaging external experts may be covered but staff time from the applicant organisation will not be
- Travel and subsistence expenses may be considered
- Support might be declined or directed elsewhere if more appropriate sources of funding are available

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