

WESTFIELD WIND FARM CARDENDEN COMMUNITY FUND



PROJECT 5

BOWHILL ROVERS AFC GRANT REQUEST: £2,000

The project seeks funding to replace a damaged 20-foot storage container that houses essential equipment, including a ride-on lawnmower, training materials, and goals. The lawnmower is vital for maintaining the community park's playing surface, which supports weekly training sessions, matches for multiple local teams, and community events such as Highland Games and school tournaments. Without secure storage and the lawnmower, Fife Council would charge £100 per cut —financially unsustainable for the club. Failure to replace the container would jeopardise pitch maintenance and threaten the continuation of community activities, negatively impacting existing teams and newly established youth and girls' teams launching over the next eight months. Long-term, the project supports two new youth teams and the area's first girls' team, addressing a 15-year gap in youth sports provision for Cardenden. Intended outcomes include maintaining park accessibility for sports and community activities, promoting youth engagement, and preventing future service gaps. The project aligns with the Cardenden Community Action Plan, fostering community cohesion and youth development.

Bowhill Rovers was established in 1967 and is an SFA-affiliated amateur club in Cardenden, providing competitive football opportunities for young adults in the Fife Amateur Men's Football League. With 30 members, mostly teens and twenties, training two to three times weekly, the club promotes fitness, community spirit, and life skills development. Home games attract local spectators, enhancing pride in the community, and the volunteer committee, including individuals unable to work or retired, gains self-esteem and wellbeing through contributing to the organisation.