

Funding in the Cairngorms National Park

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History of CLLD in Scotland

Community-Led Local Development



Scottish Government distribute funding specifically for rural communities across Scotland



These 'CLLD' funds grew out of European Union multi-year funding that ceased in 2020



Cairngorms are one of 22 areas that are annually awarded a share of approx. £9.3million (2026/7 budget)

CLLD in the Cairngorms

Community-Led Local
Development



Cairngorms funds are designed through
Community Action Planning

and



Scottish Government priorities for
government



In 2026/27 the fund is worth £300,000

Public body funding in the Park

Annual budgets

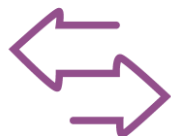


Park Authority concentrates on funds that help to deliver the 'National Park Partnership Plan'



Councils have local budgets that local councillors will distribute

and



Wider budgets that cover their whole area, not just the National Park

Other locally-based funds...



Renewables – i.e. windfarm funds



Local trusts and foundations



Large employers or land-owners

Funding gaps and the challenges of rural



Funding for 'revenue' is often hard: running costs, wages etc.



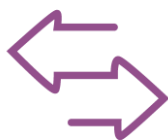
Many funds are delivered annually, meaning a constant chase for the next pot



National funds might not perceive their impact in a rural setting



Businesses often struggle to gain community-based funding & National priorities and funds change....



Many funds are not flexible, they don't understand the local geography or community

Thank you

Any Questions?



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