

# The Edinburgh Community Climate Fund

**(1a) Organisation/group name:**

Drylaw Telford Community Organisation

**(1b) Project name:**

North Edinburgh Rides

**(2) Tell us about your organisation / group (what do you do?) (150 words maximum)**

Drylaw Neighbourhood Centre is under new management. We have recently restructured and currently provide a safe and welcoming space for a warm hub, after school clubs, older people's lunch club, dance classes, a theatre school, a church, a well used meeting space and we also host birthday parties. In addition we have a community gardening project and have a beautiful garden.

**(3a) Please select the fund criteria which your project relates to (Select all that apply)**

- Create opportunities for community leadership and learning on climate change
- Reduce greenhouse gas emissions within communities and contribute to the net-zero target for Edinburgh
- Generate sustainable projects for the benefit of local people to build resilience or adapt to climate change within communities
- Build relationships between neighbourhoods of different socio-economic and ethnic backgrounds to work together on just, equitable and accessible climate and resilience activities contributing to the cities net zero agenda, also ensuring that activities work towards reducing or removing barriers for disabled people in the transition to net zero.

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Drylaw neighbourhood centre is under new management! We have more than doubled the amount of people coming through the doors in the last three months and are also now focussing on what more we can offer our community.

Something we would love to do is get local people, who wouldn't normally cycle, on bikes and we are well positioned next to North Edinburgh Path Network and Drylaw Park.

We will welcome parents with small children, women and people living with a disability, mobility issue or health condition. To engage with local people, we will spread news of the scheme on social and local media, share with the local primary schools and we have two new toddlers' groups coming into the centre regularly.

We would also like to offer training for adults who are learning to or returning to cycling and led rides for people who need a bit of support to get started.

In order to get the scheme up and wheeling we are asking for funding to buy 4 e-bikes, 4 regular bikes, 4 children's trailers and 4 children's bikes, in differing sizes and one adult tricycle.

People living locally tell us they are worried about having bikes stolen from their homes and gardens and we will have secure storage for those unwilling to store their bikes overnight and, as it is an area where many individuals live on a low income, often people simply can't afford to buy bikes for themselves or their children. This can result in children not learning to ride a bike, an important life skill, particularly in a time of climate crisis.

We believe this bike scheme can help local people, especially parents and guardians supported by centre staff and volunteers, learn to love cycling and encourage their children to and establish good habits for life.

Living in Drylaw allows safe, off-road access to many other areas including Leith, the New Town and also the Forth Shore which includes Granton, Wardie Bay, Silverknowes and Cramond for great days out and memory creating adventures for all.

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## (4) Describe your project in no more than 30 words (this will be used for publicity)

North Edinburgh Rides is encouraging local adults and children to get on their bikes! Children and their parents and carers will have opportunities to cycle together.

## (5a) Who do you hope will benefit from this project?

Local people – adults with increased confidence, happiness and health and children who will learn a vital life skill and learn to appreciate how cycling can give their lives another dimension of fun, fitness and as a means of transport.

The wider community by increasing active travel and decreasing journeys by car.

## (5b) Is your group open to all?

Yes

No

If no, please explain:

## (5c) Will the project have a positive impact on any of the following protected characteristics?

Disability

Marriage  
or civil  
partnership

Pregnancy  
and  
maternity

Race

Sex

Age

Sexual  
orientation

Religion or  
belief

Gender  
reassignment

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## (6) Where will the project be delivered?

Drylaw Neighbourhood Centre and North Edinburgh, 67B Groathill Rd. N, Edinburgh EH4 2SA

(7) Project start date: 01/04/2023  
Project end date: 01/04/2024

(8) How many people do you hope will benefit from your project? 50

## (9) Is anyone else working with you on the project?

Yes

No

If yes, please tell us about this:

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**(10) Do you require permission from anyone or any additional insurance to carry out your project?**

Yes

No

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<b>(11) Please outline a breakdown of the cost of delivering this project (including VAT).</b>		<b>(12) Do you have additional funding or income from charges which will contribute to this project? If yes, please detail below</b>	
<b>Goods/Equipment/Time etc</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>Source</b>	<b>£</b>
4 e-bikes	<b>8996.67</b>		
4 regular bikes	<b>2330.00</b>		
2 children's trailers & 2 tag-along	<b>707.50</b>		
4 children's bikes	<b>400 (est)</b>		
1 adult tricycle	<b>812.50</b>		
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>13954.17</b>	<b>Total income</b>	

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