

South of Scotland Enterprise Grant Awards 1 July 2023 – 30 September 2023

As of 30 September 2023, the list below shows financial assistance provided to clients of South of Scotland Enterprise (SOSE) between 1 July 2023 until 30 September 2023. However, not all of these monies may have been currently drawn down.

These awards are in alignment with <u>NSET (National Strategy for Economic Transformation)</u> as well as the <u>South of Scotland Regional Economic Strategy (RES).</u>

SOSE, in line with its legislation, recently published its first <u>Five Year Plan</u>, out of which future operating plans will be formed.

In the last financial year (2022/23), SOSE supported 1,100 businesses, social enterprises, and community groups, of which 139 received grants which totalled £10.5million.

In addition to the grants provided from 1 July 2023 to 30 September 2023, during the same period SOSE worked with 330 businesses, social enterprises and community groups.

SOSE remains on track to spend and distribute its budgets for the benefit of the South of Scotland.

Client Name	NSET Investment Theme	Purpose of Grant Award	Project Location	Amount (£)
Crichton Carbon Centre	New Market Opportunities	Support the Flux Tower Project involving the construction, installation, management, and operation of the South of Scotland's first Flux Tower for monitoring of peatland GHG emissions.	Kirkgunzeon, Dumfries and Galloway	£20,000
Dumfries Slow Fashion Movement CIC	Businesses and	CreaTech Fund	Dumfries, Dumfries and Galloway	£4,833
Edinburgh Innovations Ltd	Productive Businesses and Regions	Support delivery of the Interface Programme in the South of Scotland.	South of Scotland	£15,000
Energise Galashiels Trust	Productive Businesses and Regions	Enable the acquisition of 34 Channel Street, Galashiels, bringing a long-term vacant listed	Galashiels, Scottish Borders	£100,000

		property into community ownership.		
Eyemouth Marine Ltd	Productive Businesses and Regions	Supporting capital costs of redeveloping Eyemouth boatyard.	Eyemouth, Scottish Borders	£38,595
New Light Studio Ltd	Productive Businesses and Regions	CreaTech Fund	Innerleithen, Scottish Borders	£4,573
Newcastleton & District Community Trust	Productive Businesses and Regions	Undertake enabling works relating to the Holm Hill Active Leisure Masterplan to provide access, make basic initial trails and paths on the land and ultimately make the project investment ready, and carry out internal works relating to Buccleuch House.	Newcastleton, Scottish Borders	£100,000
Nith Valley Leaf Trust	Productive Businesses and Regions	Purchase the Closeburn Community Shop and house, to retain the local shop and provide additional affordable accommodation, and development of an active travel hub with an e-bike hire scheme.	Closeburn, Dumfries and Galloway	£50,000
Scottish Enterprise – Rural Leadership Programme	Entrepreneurial People and Culture	Deliver the Rural Leadership Programme for 2023/24.	South of Scotland	£27,000
The Hub Innerleithen CIC	Productive Businesses and Regions	Provide increased car parking and signage and transform the town centre toilet block into a revenue generating, not-forprofit bike wash, shower, toilet and changing facilities.	Innerleithen, Scottish Borders	£100,000
The Langholm Initiative		Fund the 'Welcome to Tarras Valley' project, that will increase community engagement through provision of car parks, toilets, footfall counters, and improved paths, signage and website information.	Langholm, Dumfries and Galloway	£99,500