

South of Scotland Enterprise Grant Awards 1 January 2025 – 31 March 2025

As of 31 March 2025, the list below shows financial assistance provided to clients of South of Scotland Enterprise (SOSE) between 1 January 2025 until 31 March 2025. 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>

In line with its legislation, SOSE published its first <u>Five Year Plan</u> in 2023, out of which future operating plans will be formed.

In the last financial year (2023/24), SOSE engaged with 1,300 businesses, social enterprises, and community groups, of which 152 received grants which totalled £9.2 million.

In addition to the grants provided from 1 January 2025 to 31 March 2025, during the same period SOSE worked with 547 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 (£)
Border Wheels	A Fairer and More Equal Society	Purchase of wheelchair – accessible vehicles	Galashiels, Scottish Borders	£54,954.00
British Polythene Limited	Productive Businesses and Regions	Washing Plant Upgrade	Dumfries, Dumfries & Galloway	£100,000.00
Broughtonknowe Community Woodland Ltd	Productive Businesses and Regions	Purchase 46 hectares of Broughtonknowe Wood and manage the asset for economic, wildlife conservation and amenity benefits.	Broughton, Scottish Borders	£141,000.00
Burnfoot Community Futures	A Fairer and More Equal Society	Upgrade mechanical and electrical services in Burnfoot Community Hub and install a solar PV system to reduce operational costs and aid the sustainability and fuel	Borders	£54,435.00

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Castle Douglas Development Forum	Entrepreneurial People and Culture	Delivery of workshops focusing on textiles and digital skills for young people in Castle Douglas	Castle Douglas, Dumfries & Galloway	£8,660.00
Comlongon Estate Ltd	New Market Opportunities	The development of a joinery workshop to create energy efficient windows for heritage buildings.	Clarencefield, Dumfries &Galloway	£94,006.00
Countryside Kitchens	Productive Businesses and Regions	Support capital Investment in a Tempura Edgebranding machine to increase productivity within new larger premises	Kelso, Scottish Borders	£18,500.00
Creation Mill CIC	Skilled Workforce	Upgrading of unused premises at Buccleuch Mill to provide a new purpose-built textile hub with studio spaces and workshop	Langholm, Dumfries & Galloway	£208,533.00
Cumberland Council	New Market Opportunities	Support purchase and installation of specialist sensors and buoys in Loch Ryan to establish a 5G network to support the management and conservation of the environment and its natural capital	Stranraer, Dumfries & Galloway	£200,000.00
Dalbeattie Community Initiative	Productive Businesses and Regions	Purchase of branding & marketing support for Rocks & Wheels Centre	Dalbeattie, Dumfries & Galloway	£12,000.00
Dumfries & Galloway College	Entrepreneurial People and Culture	Enhance wireless and internet infrastructure and procurement of laptops	Dumfries, Dumfries & Galloway	£50,000.00

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Duncan MacKinnon Music & Arts Trust Ltd	Productive Businesses and Regions	Purchase capital equipment for a project that combines creativity with technology in the creative industry sector as defined by Scottish Government.	Galashiels, Scottish Borders	£5,000.00
Eildon Housing Association Ltd	New Market Opportunities	Conduct the Eildon Sustainable Heating Project	Peebles, Hawick and Selkirk, Scottish Borders	£98,496.00
European Forest Machinery Ltd	Entrepreneurial People and Culture	Install an ERP system that provides full functionality at a number of levels, providing integration between the shop floor manufacturing, assembly operations and the back- office systems		£40,394.00
Eyemouth Freezers Ltd	Productive Businesses and Regions	Support the continued drive to Net Zero	Eyemouth, Scottish Borders	£126,000.00
Farne Salmon & Trout Limited	Productive Businesses and Regions	Support the purchase of PV panels.	Duns, Scottish Borders	£10,000.00
Galloway and Southern Ayrshire Biosphere Partnership	New Market Opportunities	Delivery of activities for the Galloway & Southern Ayrshire Biosphere and delivery of pilot programmes for the South of Scotland Natural Capital Innovation Zone Incubator.	Dumfries & Galloway	£400,000.00
Glenkens Community and Arts Trust Ltd	Productive Businesses and Regions	Digital Platform Pilot Project in Glenkens	Glenkens, Dumfries & Galloway	£15,870.00
Hawick Development Trust	Productive Businesses and Regions	Acquire retail unit at 80 Hawick Street, Hawick, enabling enterprise development and regeneration of a key	Hawick, Scottish Borders	£68,440.00

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		strategic town centre development site.		
Inspired Community Enterprise Trust Ltd	A Fairer and More Equal Society	Upgrade kitchen equipment	Dumfries, Dumfries & Galloway	£14,035.00
Inspired Community Enterprise Trust Ltd	A Fairer and More Equal Society	Sustainability support	Dumfries, Dumfries & Galloway	£130,000.00
Let's Thrive Property Ltd	Productive Businesses and Regions	Purchase capital equipment for a project that invests in cycling infrastructure.	Galashiels, Scottish Borders	£5,200.00
Loch Arthur Camphill Community Ltd	New Market Opportunities	Uplift to previous grant to install and operate a 70kW solar PV	Beeswing, Dumfries & Galloway	£24,745.18
Manse Interiors Ltd	Productive Businesses and Regions	Support the relocation of destination retail outlet to currently derelict building in Moffat High Street and diversification to provide café/bistro.	& Galloway	£57,230.00
Middlemiss Embroidery Ltd	New Market Opportunities	Support the introduction of Tufting technology to produce premium embroidered products	Jedburgh, Scottish Borders	£36,750.00
Mylar Speciality Films UK Limited	New Market Opportunities	Install 110 GEM steam traps to improve process steam efficiency on site and reduce energy wastage	Drungans, Dumfries & Galloway	£84,588.00
Newcastleton & District Community Trust	New Market Opportunities	Feasibility design and analysis of innovative approaches to 'wet land' site design	Newcastleton, Scottish Borders	£29,887.00
Old School Thornhill	Entrepreneurial People and Culture	Commission of a fully business plan	Thornhill, Dumfries & Galloway	£3,000.00

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Owen Farm Services Ltd	Productive Businesses and Regions	Purchase and redevelopment of farm buildings	Lockerbie, Dumfries & Galloway	£85,000.00
Paxton House Scotland Ltd	Productive Businesses and Regions	To deliver high quality visitor accommodation in Eastern Berwickshire	Paxton, Scottish Borders	£95,000.00
Port William Inshore Rescue Service	Entrepreneurial People and Culture	Design and costing for the extension of The View Café	Port William, Dumfries & Galloway	£30,800.00
Sea The Change	Entrepreneurial People and Culture	Uplift to previous grant for property acquisition to enable creation of Eyemouth Bike Hub	Eyemouth, Scottish Borders	£19,930.00
Shambellie House Trust	New Market Opportunities	Refurbish 10 rooms and install a commercial preparation kitchen within Shambellie House	New Abbey, Dumfries & Galloway	£33,320.00
St John's Town of Dalry Community Properties Trust	Entrepreneurial People and Culture	Purchase kitchen equipment for Glenkens Community Centre	St Johns Town of Dalry, Dumfries & Galloway	£5,000.00
Stow Community Trust	Entrepreneurial People and Culture	Feasibility works to the conclusion of RIBA stage 2 for an ambitious community housing and enterprise project	Stow, Scottish Borders	£15,000.00
Stranraer Development Trust	Productive Businesses and Regions	Purchase capital equipment for a project that invests in cycling infrastructure	Stranraer, Dumfries & Galloway	£5,008.60
Stranraer Water Sports Association	Skilled Workforce	Water sports skills development and youth engagement	Stranraer, Dumfries & Galloway	£5,200.00
T Fleming Homes Limited	Productive Businesses and Regions	Purchase of site and creation of new manufacturing facility	Duns, Scottish Borders	£198,853.00
The Crichton Trust	Skilled Workforce	Complete Phase two feasibility and design work for introduction of student/key worker	Dumfries, Dumfries & Galloway	£23,600.00

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		accommodation at the Crichton		
Tiger Cycles UK Ltd	Productive Businesses and Regions	Support the installation of a mezzanine floor to increase floor space and in turn increase capacity to manufacture	Lockerbie, Dumfries & Galloway	£12,243.00
Tweed Trotters	Productive Businesses and Regions	Establish an on-site butchery to process its' own livestock, enabling direct sales to customers.	Peebles, Scottish Borders	£2,864.00
Tweedvale Knitwear Ltd	Productive Businesses and Regions	Install a Macpi steam garment press	Walkerburn, Scottish Borders	£5,000.00
Upper Tweed Community Enterprise Ltd	Productive Businesses and Regions	Additional cost for redevelopment of retail premises	Broughton, Scottish Borders	£7,000.00
William Clark & Son (Parkgate) Limited	Productive Businesses and Regions	Purchase and install new capital equipment in the form of a CNC Milling machine and welding equipment	Parkgate, Dumfries & Galloway	£100,551.00
Wm Lockie and Co. Limited	Productive Businesses and Regions	Support the purchase of automated knitting machines	Hawick, Scottish Borders	£100,000.00
Year of the Dog Ltd	New Market Opportunities	Net Zero / Solar improvements	Hawick, Scottish Borders	£6,118.26