

SSN Finance Action Group - Funding Guidance

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Active travel - Places For Everyone (Sustrans Transport Scotland)									
Project stage applicable	Finance source	Timing	Focus of Finance	Type of Finance	Benefits	Challenges			
Up to & inc Construction/ Deployment	Sustrans (Scottish Govt)	Staged, and ongoing. 2020/21 round opens May 2020.	Active travel: Projects should benefit people who are cycling, walking and wheeling.	Grant	Can provide 100% of the funding for approved pre construction costs.	Funding levels are dependent on the type of project. Projects that benefit one active mode to the significant detriment of another will not be supported.			

Community municipal bonds								
Project stage applicable	Finance source	Timing	Focus of Finance	Type of Finance	Benefits	Challenges		
			Public projects	Bond/Loan				

Crowd funding								
Project stage applicable	Finance source	Timing	Focus of Finance	Type of Finance	Benefits	Challenges		
N/A	Private	Open	Multiple	N/A	 A wide buy in from lots of people Money from many sources 	Lots of stakeholders that could pull money		

District Heating Loan Fund									
Project stage applicable	Finance source	Timing	Focus of Finance	Type of Finance	Benefits	Challenges			
Construction/ Deployment	Scottish Govt	Open	Capital for District Heating; low carbon and renewable heat	Loan	 Low interest loan, circa 3.5%. Security not required (unsecured loans) Technical support available 	Loans only			

Energy Efficient Scotland							
Project stage applicable	Finance source	Timing	Focus of Finance	Type of Finance	Benefits	Challenges	
Up to & inc Construction/ Deployment	Scottish Govt	To Be Confirmed, from 2020.	Low carbon property improvements & Fuel poverty	Loan, small element of grant TBC	tbc	tbc	

Equity raising								
Project stage applicable	Finance source	Timing	Focus of Finance	Type of Finance	Benefits	Challenges		
Construction/ Deployment	Private	Open	Open - related to domestic assets	Loan	Releases investment opportunity from asset	Increases borrowingBorrows against expected savings		

EU Structural Funds - ERDF Scotland									
Project stage applicable	Finance source	Timing	Focus of Finance	Type of Finance	Benefits	Challenges			
Up to & inc Construction/ Deployment	EU Commission	Funding period 2014- 2020 (currently closed)	 Supporting a shift towards a low carbon economy in all sectors Preserving and protecting the environment and promoting resource efficiency 	Grant	tbc	Brexit			

Green Bonds						
Project stage applicable	Finance source	Timing	Focus of Finance	Type of Finance	Benefits	Challenges
N/A	Any organisation with bonding authority may issue green bonds	Open	Any project looking at environmental/ sustainability improvement	Bond	Comes with tax incentives	

Green Investment Portfolio									
Project stage applicable	Finance source	Timing	Focus of Finance	Type of Finance	Benefits	Challenges			
Up to & inc Construction/ Deployment	Scottish Govt/private investment	Open	Follow the EU Taxonomy guidelines for energy, built environment, transport, rural, industrial, circular economy	Leverages private capital	Competitive	tbc			

Industrial Strategy Challenge Fund								
Project stage applicable	Finance source	Timing	Focus of Finance	Type of Finance	Benefits	Challenges		
Up to & inc Construction/ Deployment	UK Govt	Open	Energy use of new buildings & carbon industrial clusters	Grant	tbc	tbc		

Low Carbon Infrastructure Transition Programme (LCITP) -Catalyst								
Project stage applicable	Finance source	Timing	Focus of Finance	Type of Finance	Benefits	Challenges		
Early Feasibility	Scottish Govt/European (ESIF) Launched in 2015, the LCITP is a partnership between the Scottish Government, Scottish Enterprise, Highlands & Islands Enterprise, Scottish Futures Trust and sector specialists.	Until 2021, open	Innovation	Grant / Loan	Designed to create commercial investment in low carbon infrastructure projects.	 Does not support concept development or options appraisals Onerous financial records to enable payments 		

Low Carbon Infrastructure Transition Programme (LCITP) -Development								
Project stage applicable	Finance source	Timing	Focus of Finance	Type of Finance	Benefits	Challenges		
Investment Grade Business Plan	Scottish Govt/European (ESIF)	Until 2021, open	Evaluation & analysis of infrastructure project to produce investment grade business proposal.	Grant / Loan	Supports decision- making by detailing strengths and weaknesses, opportunities and threats, & identifying resources required to deliver it.	 Does not support concept development or options appraisals Onerous financial records to enable payments 		

Low Carbon Infrastructure Transition Programme (LCITP) -Demonstrator **Project stage** Finance Type of **Timing Focus of Finance Benefits** Challenges applicable Finance source Does not support concept development or options appraisals Onerous financial records Capital support to demonstrate Provides capital where Scottish to enable payments Until Construction/ Govt/ commercial viability market does not support full Public and/or private 2021, Grant / Loan Deployment European of unproven investment, enabling growth sector led projects staged (ESIF) technology in of market sector. minimum ratio of 50% Scotland. (LCITP): 50%(Project) • Community projects -ratio of 80%(LCITP): 20%(Project)

Non Domestic Energy Efficiency Framework									
Project stage applicable	Finance source	Timing	Focus of Finance	Type of Finance	Benefits	Challenges			
Up to & inc Construction/ Deployment	Public/ Private	Open, to 29 February 2020	Non-domestic energy efficiency retrofit, public sector and local energy regeneration (including combined heat and power systems and district heating systems).	Procurement Framework & Energy Performance Contract ("EnPC") or Call-Off Contract under Framework.	 Transfers risk to installer. Economies of scale and standardised approach. Self-funding (i.e. the costs saved pay for the assets installed). Installers design & build 	 More complex procurement than standard procurement frameworks Complex measurement of savings excludes any change of use or reconfiguration of the space for the duration of the contract 			

Private finance							
Project stage applicable	Finance source	Timing	Focus of Finance	Type of Finance	Benefits	Challenges	
N/A	Private	Open	Varies	Varies	Privately funded	LAs might not accept (borrowing restrictions set per LA, procurement challenge)	

<u>PWLB</u>	<u>PWLB</u>								
Project stage applicable	Finance source	Timing	Focus of Finance	Type of Finance	Benefits	Challenges			
Up to & inc Construction/ Deployment	UK Gov	Open	Focus on capital, for anything of benefit to the area.	Loan	 Very low interest rate Reporting limited to accounting/ financial management 	 Loans only Managed by Treasury / Finance within LAs 			

Resilience bonds								
Project stage applicable	Finance source	Timing	Focus of Finance	Type of Finance	Benefits	Challenges		
N/A	Scot/UK Gov	tbc	Resilience infrastructure	Bond		Money must be spent specifically on resilience infrastructure		

<u>SALIX</u>								
Project stage applicable	Finance source	Timing	Focus of Finance	Type of Finance	Benefits	Challenges		
Construction/ Deployment	Private	Open	Energy efficiency work	Loan	Interest free loan	 Investment must be matched Payback less than 10 years Loans only 		

Scottish Green Bus fund (Transport Scotland)							
Project stage applicable	Finance source	Timing	Focus of Finance	Type of Finance	Benefits	Challenges	
Construction/ Deployment	Scottish Govt	CLOSED	Encourage more low carbon emission buses onto Scotland's roads.	Grant	Grants will be offered to successful bidders for up to 80% of the price differential between a LCV and its diesel equivalent.	Excludes minibuses	

SP Green Economy Fund							
Project stage applicable	Finance source	Timing	Focus of Finance	Type of Finance	Benefits	Challenges	
Up to & inc Construction/ Deployment	Private	Staged: next round TBC	Impact SP Energy network directly or indirectly & social or environmental impact.	Grant	 A wide range of organisations eligible to apply Deliver advice, training or technology deployment 	Match funding or time essential.	

Strength in Places Fund Project stage Finance **Timing Focus of Finance** Type of Finance Benefits Challenges applicable source Collaborative bids Place-based approach to research and innovation between businesses funding. and research Up to & inc Research and high quality Split of organisations. UK Research & Construction/ Open innovation where activities capital/revenue Bids must tbc Innovation Deployment activities should make a significant demonstrate strong change in rate of growth, engagement with relative to the baseline for local leadership the place. partners.