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SECTION C: YOUR PROPOSAL		
Name of building / venue / facility		
Tollcross Community Centre		
Name of your organisation		
Glasgow Athletic Football Club		
Please provide details of the legal status of your organisation		
Charity (please provide Charity No if applicable)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	SC051421
Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (SCIO)	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Company Ltd by Guarantee	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Community Club/ Sports Club	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Other (please specify)	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Do you have a formal constitution/ governance documents? (please provide a copy)		YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Tell us about your proposal for the building/ venue/ facility and how you see this operating. Provide some detail as to why your organisation is well placed to deliver the benefits that will flow from the proposal.</p> <p>As we continue to grow our club, we are looking for a base to call home. We are looking for a base to enable us to become more prominent in the community. We have outdoor training facilities at Crown point but limited to outdoor and not suitable to fulfill our ambitions of being a community organisation for all, from toddlers to elderly, schools and nursery football programmes. We intend to operate the venue 7 days a week, offering lets to organisations who previously used the venue for their activities, we will be looking to appoint a Centre Manager, who initially will be assisted by a group of volunteers from within our organisation.</p> <p>The longer term plan is to employ from the local community including young adults interested in youth work, administration roles etc. We are also planning to hold separate weekly meetings for young people and adults suffering with mental health, professional people taking the groups.</p> <p>We are looking to engage the whole community by uniting all sections of the surrounding community, from regular toddlers activities to regular elderly gatherings, open to all. Our board and committee are all local dedicated volunteers who agree that there is a need for the services we are looking to offer. We are also looking to work with local organisations, housing associations and local councilors, to ensure we are including all.</p>		
<p>Tell us about the benefits that you expect to generate from this proposal and how these might meet an existing need. Will your proposal benefit the local community, a community of interest or both?</p> <p>We expect to become a major organisation within the community, we feel the community is in need of the services we mention, such as regular activities for young to elderly, especially considering the past 2 years which has seen a lot of these activities or gatherings cease to operate. We see this as a community base where we can offer a place for the local community to come together and interact.</p> <p>We will not only be offering football but various other physical activities, group meetings for vulnerable groups, toddler groups, elderly groups, dementia groups, hall & meeting room hire to local organisations, lunch Clubs for elderly, digital workshops and mini kickers etc.</p>		

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What are your plans to generate sufficient income/ grants to be able to sustain the ongoing operating costs of the building/ venue/ facility?

We are looking to generate income from pre-school daily mini kicker groups, hall hire, meeting room hire, community football hub, funding for projects, hire to other organisations, hire to our different age groups, kids parties, private functions.

We will also be looking to source funding for staff members, ranging from a Centre Manager to centre staff, we will be looking to the local community to fill some of the roles on an employed basis.

We understand the estimated running costs of £20,000 PA, we understand this is made up largely of maintenance and compliance costs, all of which we are in a position to use contractors less costly than the current ones.

Tell us about any experience you have in managing a building/ venue/ facility.

As chairman, I have a background in property, mainly residential property however its very similar. I have a great understanding of property maintenance and contacts for all building contractors which will be essential as we progress through the PMGC process.

As an established organisation we have many skilled people within our ranks, as well as myself with property management background, we have financial professionals, business professionals, maintenance and compliance experts as well as recruitment consultants.

What help and support from the council family would you require for this proposal?

Initially, I can only see us requiring financial support to rectify any maintenance issues to make sure the venue was fit for purpose and safe to be used by the community. This will be more clearer following a site visit. We have also contacted GCVS and completed the first phase of the organisational health check, we are hopeful that we will continue to receive support from GCVS.

Tollcross Community Centre or Little Egypt as i remember it, was a place i frequented. My group of friends were the original young people who used the facility when it first opened up, involved in the recruiting process of the youth workers it has a sentimental attachment for me. We are very keen to get the venue re-opened, successful and available for all within the community.

Please provide us with any other information that you feel is relevant to your proposal.

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I would just like to add at this point, operating Tollcross Community Centre, whilst continuing with our lets at Crownpoint, will be a great addition and help us achieve our ambition of being a community club for all. Our youngest children will no longer need to lose out on training and team building sessions due to the adverse Scottish weather.

Tollcross CC would also be the base for our coaches involved in the nursery and school programmes to work from.

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