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Doric Grant Scheme Opens For Applications

Projects seeking funding to promote the Doric culture and heritage of the North East of Scotland are being invited to submit applications for a grant scheme.

Following the success of the inaugural Doric Board New Year Awards in 2020, the scheme has now opened up for its second round of applications with successful projects to be announced early in 2021.

The Doric Board (North-East Tradition and Language - NETAL) was created to energise public appreciation of the region's exceptional heritage of Doric language, music, ballad, song, story, history, lore, and the creativity of those who live and work in the area. It aims to be a powerful voice for social and economic regeneration, and a driver towards a national Scots language board.

As part of the founding aim of The Doric Board, it offers grants to applicants who reside in the North East to assist in the funding of projects which comply with the Board's objectives - the promotion of the language, traditions and culture of the North-east of Scotland. The scheme was created with the support of the Scottish Government to develop and support a sustainable, dynamic future for Doric as a vibrant language.

In 2020, a total of 18 locally-based projects were supported with funding boosts up to £1000 each.

Commenting on the invitation to apply Doric Board Chair Frieda Morrison said: "The Board appreciates that, given social distancing implications, this year has been a challenging time for performers and musicians. In a commitment to show support, applications are especially encouraged from individuals and groups from within the performing arts."

Applications should be emailed to The Doric Board by 12th December 2020. Funds will be made available to successful applicants the in mid-January 2021. To find out more, visit the website at www.doricboard.com or email info@doricboard.com