

Leith Chooses – the choices have been made

There was £44,624 on offer as part of the participatory budgeting scheme, Leith Chooses and last night the decisions were made as to who would get how much.

The votes were cast at a public event on 1 February when all the groups got the chance to pitch to the public.

At Leith Community Centre last night the announcements were made.

Here is the full list :

The following groups / projects have received the largest number of votes from the Leith community, and will receive funding through Leith Chooses 2020, for projects fighting hunger and/or loneliness.

The figure below, per group, is the amount the group applied for

YMCA	£5,000
Multicultural Family Base	£5,000
NE Edinburgh Foodbank	£5,000
Feniks	£3,808
Citadel Youth Centre	£4,990
Leith DIY Skateparks	£4,500
ELREC	£5,000
Projekt 42	£3,900
Pilmeny Dev. Project	£3,870

Dr Bells Family Centre £3,556 (*partial funding*)

There will be an open 'Feedback' discussion session on Tuesday 10 March 2020, at 6:30 pm in the Leith Community Centre cafe, to review and evaluate all/any aspects of the 2020 feith Chooses process.

All are welcome, and all views and contributions will be listened to and taken on board for future events.

The team from Feniks are delighted to win funding for their 50+ group who will be doing workshops in cooking, art, and exploring memories of growing up in different cultures. Plus a day trip out! Cultural exchange and integration activities to fight social isolation. pic.twitter.com/VzP2dWsIAX

– *feith Chooses (@LeithChooses)* [February 18, 2020](#)

YMCA will use their feith Chooses funding for an expanded holiday play-scheme with sports, art & science, for children experiencing disadvantage, including a nutritious breakfast, and lunch for the whole family. pic.twitter.com/ATgjfGs7ww

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Projekt 42 will use their feith Chooses funding to help hard to reach and isolated older people to gain the confidence to join exercise activities to improve their social contact and physical and mental health. pic.twitter.com/C3dlKxfIIy

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North Edinburgh Foodbank will use their feith Chooses funding

to provide fresh food (as well as tins etc.) to Food Bank clients pic.twitter.com/VQZsq8hWcP

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Edinburgh and Lothians Regional Equalities Council (ELREC) will use their feith Chooses funding to hold weekly ‘Lunch and a Story, in Leith’ sessions, including multicultural recipe information, with music and socialising, to combat hunger and loneliness. pic.twitter.com/UXmtJz0iAz

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The Citadel Youth Centre’s Games Club will use feith Chooses funding to help socially isolated young gamers to make face to face friendships, enjoy interesting activities and learn new skills. pic.twitter.com/JCbc1ZFUEd

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Multicultural Family Base will use feith Chooses funding to run food, music and dance events, and organise a sociable day trip out, for families that struggle with food poverty and lack opportunities to build social networks. pic.twitter.com/7Y6m9xCuqw

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We would like to thank everyone who came out and voted for us [@LeithChooses](#) We were delighted to find out this evening that

we received funding to support the delivery of our holiday programme! Thank you! ☐ [#leithchooses](#) [#drbells](#) [#DBFC](#) [#community](#) pic.twitter.com/JWo0PakCOH

– DrBell'sFamilyCentre (@bells_dr) [February 18, 2020](#)

