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The Wee Bursary is set to boost financial inclusion for Edinburgh's young people.

Money Ready, a leading provider of impactful financial education across the UK, has teamed up funders Hymans Robertson Foundation, Albert Hunt Trust, Wheatley Foundation, Safe Deposits Scotland and the City of Edinburgh Council to improve the financial resilience of young people in Edinburgh.

On 22nd April, The Wee Bursary Edinburgh will be launched to support young people in the city facing hardship or those needing development funding. Through a partnership network of charities and community groups, including Scottish Huntington's Association, Barnardo's and the City of Edinburgh Council, applications are open to 16-25-year-olds living in the city of Edinburgh council area and receiving support from one of the listed referral partners. The aim of the scheme is to remove financial barriers and empower Edinburgh's young people to thrive.

Young people can apply for a small, flexible bursary of up to £300, for everyday financial essentials. This could be anything from digital access to covering energy costs to items related to wellbeing, education and travel. Importantly, every applicant, whether successful or not, will have the opportunity to take part in a Money Ready financial education programme.

Gemma Orr, Area Manager for Scotland, Northern Ireland and North England, Money Ready, said:

"If young people can justify it, we will consider reasonable requests for other items too. This is an essential part of the programme. At Money Ready, we believe every bursary, and every financial product, should be paired with financial education to make sure the recipient knows how to make sense of their money and make smart financial decisions. Understanding money equips young people to develop healthy financial habits, make confident choices and contribute to their own financial stability as well as the wider economy.

"The Edinburgh Wee Bursary reflects Money Ready's dedication to financial empowerment and community inclusion, ensuring that young people – whatever their background or circumstances – have the opportunity to build essential money management skills that will help them flourish."

Commenting on the Wee Bursary, Marcella Boyle, CEO of the Hymans Robertson Foundation, said:

“With our co-funders, we are delighted to support the Wee Bursary in Edinburgh. We support similar bursaries in Glasgow and Birmingham and have seen the impact of direct funding in young people’s lives. We have supported bursaries since October 2020 and are proud that we have been joined by other funders in key UK cities.”

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The list of partners is growing, but at the time of issue includes:

- City of Edinburgh Council
- Scottish Huntington's Association
- Barnardo’s
- Citadel Youth Centre
- Rock Trust
- Action for Children
- Developing the Young Workforce
- Spartans
- Street Soccer
- Wheatley Foundation

About Money Ready

Money Ready is a charity dedicated to creating a financially fluent population. From pocket money to pensions, Money Ready equips people aged 4 to 40 with the skills and knowledge to make informed choices and take control of their financial futures.

Partnering with schools, youth organisations, and community groups across the UK, Money Ready delivers expert-designed, high-impact programmes that make money make sense – bringing the language of money to life so everyone can navigate their finances with confidence.

From early money habits to lifelong financial resilience, we empower people to see money as a tool for independence, stability, and opportunity. Find out more:

www.moneyready.org

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- [Download a photo of Gemma Orr, Money Ready's Area Manager for Scotland and Northern Ireland.](#)

About the Hymans Robertson Foundation

Established in 2016, The Hymans Robertson Foundation is registered as a charity in England & Wales (1168951) and Scotland (SC046931). The Foundation was established with the aim to make a real difference to the lives of disadvantaged young people by helping to improve their financial literacy. The Foundation receives a proportion of the firm's profits each year from Hymans Robertson LLP (allocated to charitable activities) coming under the oversight of the Foundation Trustees.