

DALGETY COMMUNITY TRUST

FOR OUR FUTURE



Welcome to your latest update on the work we have been taking forward!

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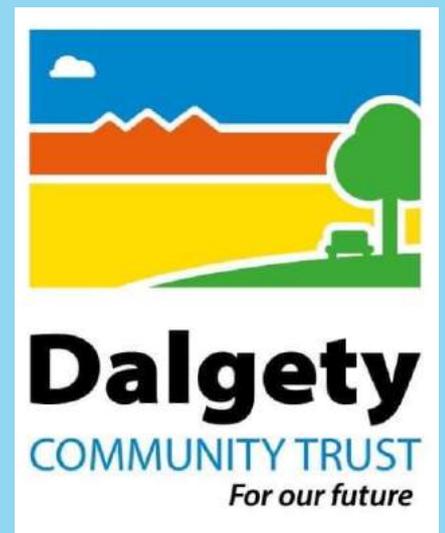
I hope you are all keeping safe and well and starting to enjoy more freedom as restrictions are lifted.

Despite the challenges of the last 18 months, we have endeavoured to take forward the work of the Trust. Our team has been busy working on community projects and ideas, whilst membership has remained steady at around 180. The Dalgety Heritage Trail continues to be very popular and we are now shaping the design of a physical 'Heritage Trail' around the town. Hopefully, we will be able to share more on this with you in the New Year. If you haven't managed to tune in to any of the articles yet, you can find the Heritage Trail on our dedicated [Facebook](#) pages.

Whilst the Trust remains committed to working towards delivering our three landmark projects: a new civic square, a revitalised pathway from the town centre to the Fife Coastal Path and a new community hub for our town. Our work continues to be affected by the pandemic and the recovery; put simply everything has slowed down. Nevertheless, we have remained in good heart and have tried to progress things where we can as well as engaging in other community initiatives and activity.

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Dalgety Bay Pump Track

Earlier in the year, the Trust was approached by a team of very enthusiastic, local young people seeking support to build a pump track in Dalgety Bay. It didn't take us long to be absolutely convinced that this is a brilliant idea and one which we should get behind.

Consequently, the Trust agreed to work in partnership with the pump track team to take this forward. Since then, we have conducted extensive community engagement building support for a track and where it might be built, we have secured a commitment from Fife Council to allow the pump track to be built at Dalgety Bay Sports and Leisure Centre and more recently asked Fife Council to provide planning guidance on the preferred site. We are also working with a major funder and have recently passed their stage 1 approval process; fingers crossed we will have more good news on this front soon.



Example of a pump track

So what is a pump track?... Typically, it comprises a looped sequence of rollers and berms (swoopy banked turns) and features designed to be ridden by riders 'pumping' – generating momentum by up and down body movements and with minimal pedalling or pushing. Our aim is for our pump track to be accessible to everyone, all ages and abilities, learning to handle their bikes, scooters and skateboards in a safe, accessible area. Find out more about our pump track plans [here](#).

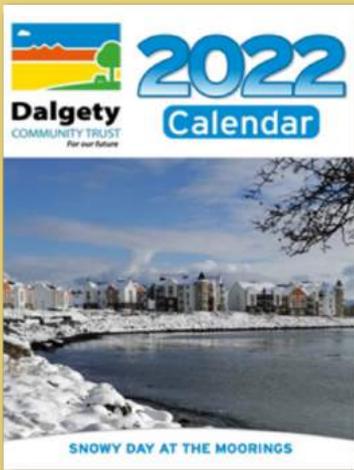


Marking International Day of Peace Day 2021

The Trust has been working with Dalgety Bay and Donibristle primary schools on a project conducted by Primary 7 children to learn more about the background to International Day of Peace and the significance of folding paper cranes for the event. The Trust provided a learning support pack and specialised origami paper to both schools to support this.

On International Day of Peace itself, celebrated on 21st September every year, members of the community and children involved in making cranes, gathered at our community peace garden at Dalgety Parish Church for a short service led by messages of peace. Between Dalgety Bay and Donibristle Primary schools, the children made a fantastic 750 origami paper cranes which made for a dazzling display at the peace garden.

We were extremely privileged to be able to work with our young people on this, but this isn't the end of the journey for the paper cranes made by the schools. A number of them have been sent with messages of peace, written by the children, to the UK Peace Centre in Warrington and the Scottish Peace Sanctuary at Allanton. We have also sent some of the cranes on a 5,600mile journey to form part of the annual display of paper cranes at the Hiroshima Peace Memorial Park in Japan. We have retained some of the cranes to go on display at the Parish Church for the wider community to enjoy.



You may recall that earlier in the year we held a competition for members of the local community to submit their favourite photos of our local area together with a caption of what the photo means to them, with the winning entries being published in a community calendar.

We have now selected the winning entries and the calendar is now available to order from secretary@dalgetycommunitytrust.co.uk priced at £6 each.

All proceeds from calendar sales will go back into our community projects with the development of the pump track being our current priority for funding.

Dalgety Bay Christmas Fair



The Trust has been working with other local groups including the Gala Team and the Parish Church to host a Christmas fair on **11th December** at the Parish Church and surrounding buildings/area. Full details are yet to be confirmed, but I can reveal that there will be a Santa's grotto available to pre-book tickets for (we are so excited!), trade and craft stalls, seasonal food stalls and lots more besides.

If any of you or someone you know wants to get involved or host a stall or activity at the event, then please do get in touch with us. We will be publishing more details on the event soon.

And finally

I hope to be able to write to you before Christmas with more positive news about our plans for the town centre land between Louie Brown's and the Parish Church.

You can keep up to date with the work of the Trust through our [Facebook](#) pages and our [website](#). To be truly representative, we want the Trust to have the widest possible reach within our community. We want to grow our membership and supporters, so please help us by letting your family and friends know about the Trust, it is simple and free to join, our membership form can be found [here](#).

As always, I'm keen to hear the views and thoughts of our members, please feel free to contact me directly at the secretary@dalgetycommunitytrust.co.uk.

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