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ANNUAL REPORT

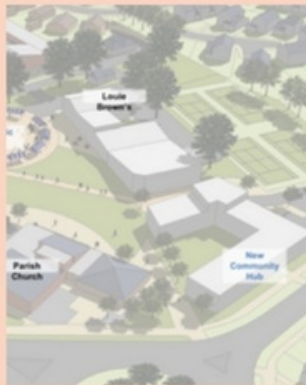
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FOR OUR FUTURE



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CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT



As I look back on the past 12 months or so since the last Annual Report, I can't help feeling that you never quite know what is around the corner. It feels like we are finally seeing light at the end of the tunnel as the current pandemic restrictions slowly ease and life returns to 'a new normal', just as very worrying events on the international stage emerge. Nevertheless, I remain optimistic about the future. My optimism is driven by the goodness I see in people, their generosity and willingness to help those around them and by having confidence in what is important, family, friends, our health and our community.

It has been a privilege for me to continue to chair the Trust during 2021. A year impacted in many ways by the COVID 19 Pandemic, but also a year where we have made good progress in our plans to make improvements in our town. Our membership has continued to grow and now stands at 190.

We have successfully achieved our aim of being self-sufficient in terms of meeting our day to day running costs through fund raising, we have taken a significant step forward in terms of funding for our projects with an award of £25,000 from the Muir Dean Environmental Trust, taking our overall reserves to around £40,000. We have run several, popular community events culminating in a fantastic Christmas fair which we hosted in partnership with other local groups in December 2021. We have also committed ourselves to support a group of local young people in their quest to build a cycling pump track in Dalgety Bay.

I also want to highlight the Dalgety Heritage Trail which since it was launched in the summer of 2020 has become a very successful and interesting focal point for our local history. We are well on the way to establishing this part of our activity as a highly respected source of local history and have recently been humbled by being trusted to take care of a number of important legacy archives from individuals.

Despite the continuing challenges, it has been a successful year for the Trust and an exciting one. Your board remains committed to working towards delivering positive improvements for our town and achieving our 'big ambitions' to see a new civic square and new community hub right in the centre of our town.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our members for their ongoing support and my fellow directors of the board for their hard work and determination over the past year. I'd also like to thank Fife Council and Dalgety Bay & Hillend Community Council for their continued support and of course the Muir Dean Environmental Trust for their generous donation in support of the work of the Trust.

I hope you find this annual report interesting and useful.

As always, myself and the other board members would be happy to discuss the work of the Trust further with any of our members.

Contact details are contained in the report or through our [website](#) and [Facebook](#) pages.



Phil Evans, Chair

OUR WORK; 2021 HIGHLIGHTS

- Despite the challenges presented by the Pandemic we have made good progress in 2022:
- We have been awarded £25,000 from the Muir Dean Environmental Trust which will be put towards taking forward the development of a new civic square for our town. This takes the total Trust reserves to around £40,000
- On the back of Dalgety Bay featuring in the latest Fife Council plan for South & West Fife, we have secured agreement from our Ward Councillors and Fife Council that they will work alongside us to bring forward plans for a new community hub in Dalgety Bay to replace the existing community centre. This work will initially be aimed at developing the feasibility of a new hub to the point where it is sufficiently developed to be put forward for major Scottish or UK Government funding.
- Over the last year the Heritage Trail team have been working at cataloguing over a thousand photos, local history articles, and donated memorabilia, which will ultimately be housed at the future community Hub. In addition to our regular Dalgety Heritage Trail Facebook posts we are currently working, behind the scenes, to show new content and reference material to highlight our rich local history and to help people see, not just below the tarmac, but what is still there today.
- We would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge and thank two of our benefactors, George Hastie and Muir Homes, who have kindly donated two collections of unique photographs and newspaper articles which will help us to present a new insight on how our town has changed over the last 6 decades.
- Working alongside a group of local young people, we have commenced a project to develop a cycling pump track in Dalgety Bay
- Our 'big ambition' to develop a new civic square and a new community hub for our town remain our main priorities. As we have now agreed to support the development of a pump track in Dalgety Bay, your board has decided to place the development of a new pathway from the town centre to the coast on hold for the time being. We will return to this objective in the future as resources allow.
- Completion of the Legal Land Transfer document for the transfer of the community land to the Trust including proving the titles for the property, which has proven to be a major exercise for the town centre land.
- We have raised over £1,800 from our day-to-day fund-raising activities, including sale of Calendars, Christmas cards and the Christmas fair
- We have secured a monthly Farmers Market for Dalgety Bay, starting in April 2022



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OUR WORK; 2021 HIGHLIGHTS CONTINUED

- We have continued to grow our membership which now stands at 190
- We have continued to grow our social media presence, this can be seen by our current annual movement in 'Followers' with the Trust growing by 26% and the Heritage page recording an increase of 33% in 2021
- We have reached a new long-term agreement with the Dalgety Bay Community Woodlands Group securing the safe and responsible management of the three community woodlands (Crow Wood, Hopeward Wood and Bathing House Wood) to come into effect once the Trust takes ownership of the community woodlands from the Community Council
- We have run several successful community activities/events through 2021
 - An Easter bunny trail competition in Longhill park, which attracted dozens of entries
 - International Peace Day project with the two local primary schools culminating in a display of nearly 1000 origami cranes at the parish church in September.
 - Running a successful photo competition for a community calendar, raising a net amount of £448 for the Trust after taking off the costs for producing the calendars.
 - In partnership with other community groups, we ran a very successful Christmas fair in December 2021, enjoyed by hundreds of local people and raising over £900 for the Trust
- The Trust made two donations in 2021:
 - £50 to the Lady Haig Poppy Fund to place a Poppy Wreath on behalf of the Trust at the Dalgety Bay War Memorial on Remembrance Sunday
 - £50 to Dalgety Parish Church funds in recognition of their support to the 2021 Christmas Fair



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OUR MEMBERSHIP



SOCIAL MEDIA



FACEBOOK

TRUST PAGE

Typical monthly reach 5,918

Quarterly Followers Growth 8.5%



FACEBOOK

HERITAGE PAGE

Typical monthly reach 10,788

Quarterly Followers Growth 4.7%

Breakdown of Membership by Type

Full Members 182

Associate Members 8

Junior Members 0

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OUR PROJECTS

- In delivering on our overarching aim to develop and deliver priority community projects, we have always said that we want to be a sustainable presence in the community for years to come. In practice, this means as we go forward, we will need to listen to our local community and be prepared to adapt to take on new or different projects that add value, but importantly really matter to our community.
- Over the past 12 months, we have continued to engage with and listen to our community and this has reinforced our strong sense that much needed investment is required in our community. We have built on this to focus our efforts on four main, priority projects:
 - Developing a new Community Hub to replace the existing community centre
 - Developing a Civic Square in the centre of our town on the community owned land between Louie Brown's and the Parish Church
 - Developing a cycling pump track in partnership with a local community group
 - Building Dalgety Heritage Trail

We had previously included developing a new pathway through Longhill Park from the town centre to the coast in our main projects. We have not forgotten about this but have put this to one side for the time being so that we can focus part of our efforts on supporting the development of the Pump Track alongside our other activities.

In addition to our main projects, we have been actively involved in supporting and driving local initiatives, always with the aim of building/enhancing a sense of community and trying to find ways to bring the community together.



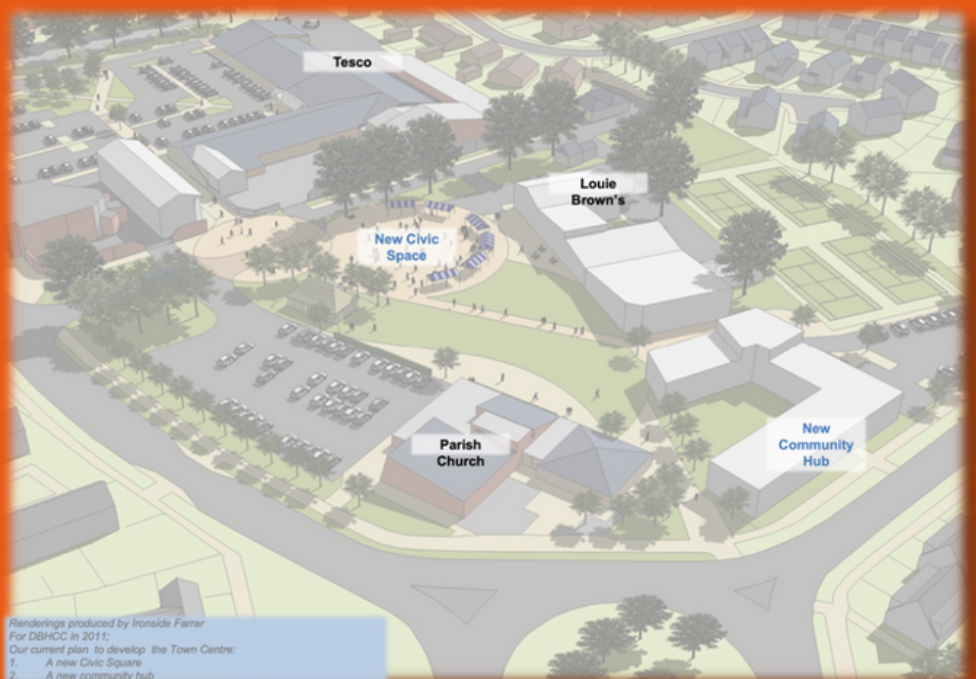
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COMMUNITY HUB PROJECT

Whilst Dalgety Bay is a relatively new town, it is served by a community centre that was constructed over 40 years ago when the population of our town was only around 2,000. Investment is long overdue. We have set out our plan to develop a new community hub delivering:

- Modern, fit for the future facilities that can serve the community for years to come
- A multi-functional and multi-generational hub promoting opportunities for all
- Community-led and ultimately community-owned
- Facilities that span the generations meeting the growing needs of toddler, youth, family and older people at the centre of our community
- Facilities to address growing concerns about anti-social behaviour – partly blamed on lack of facilities for young people and the growing concern about the social isolation of older people in our community
- Spaces to allow people to come together and participate in a wide range of community events

Fortunately, our local councillors and Fife Council agree with us and due to the efforts of the Trust they have agreed to support us in investigating the feasibility to replace the existing Community Centre. This feasibility study is aiming to bring forward a “ready to go” proposal in 2022 which the Trust and Fife Council will work on to identify funding sources. This is a major step forward in recognising the need, and starting the process to bring to life our ambition to develop a new Community Hub for Dalgety Bay.



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CIVIC SQUARE PROJECT

A new civic square will be a central focal point for the town, a place residents' can be proud of, well thought out and sustainably built to last a generation or more with a balance of hard and soft landscaping, seating and cultivated areas. The square will be accessible to all and provide lighting and other utilities to support community use. The space will also be used to display public art celebrating the heritage of our local area, whilst at the same time ensuring the area remains sympathetic to the environment, works in the context of neighbouring buildings and successfully uses the existing topography.

In 2021, our focus has been to secure more funding towards the civic square and to complete the transfer of the land required to build the square from the Community Council to the Trust:

- In November we were delighted to receive a grant award of £25,000 from the Muir Dean Environmental Trust which we will put towards developing our plans for improving the Town centre. Securing funding for our projects is a key activity of the Trust which has become all the more challenging during the COVID 19 Pandemic. So, we were delighted when the Muir Dean fund agreed to provide this funding, a step which signalled their confidence in the viability of our plans as well as the trust they have in our group.
- We have worked hard with the Community Council to complete the land transfer of community owned land to the Trust. This has been complicated by the time it has taken to ascertain the legal boundaries of the land which has required a dedicated land expert to confirm for us all. This is now complete and the legal documents to transfer the land were delivered to the Community Council in September. Once the Community Council have completed their necessary due diligence of the documentation, we hope to have the land transferred by the middle of 2022.

As we look ahead to 2022, we will use the grant from Muir Dean to help fund a full design for the civic square to enable us to hold a further round of engagement with the local community to develop a final proposal which we can then proceed to planning consent.



COMMUNITY PUMP TRACK PROJECT

We are delighted to be working alongside a group of local young people to develop a community use pump track within Dalgety Bay. A pump track is 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. Pump tracks can be used by everyone, all ages and abilities, children and young people can learn to handle their bikes, scooters and skateboards in a safe, accessible area.



Example of the kind of pump track facility we would like to build in Dalgety Bay

In 2021, our focus has been on community engagement, determining a site for the track and pursuing funding:

- We held an extensive consultation within our local community in early 2021. We received 550 responses to our questionnaire, the vast majority of which were supportive of our proposals.
- Based on the consultation, we have identified Dalgety Bay Sports and Leisure Centre as an ideal, preferred location for our pump track and our proposal is to convert part of the existing unused grassed area of the playing fields at the leisure centre into an enclosed pump track.
- Fife Sports and Leisure Trust (the manager of the Leisure Centre) and Fife Council (the ultimate owners of the Leisure Centre) have agreed in principle to permitting the use of the land identified at the centre for a community pump track.
- We have received pre-planning advice from Fife Council that does not raise any major planning consent issues with the proposal, which they see as consistent with national and local planning guidelines.

In 2022, our focus will be on taking forward our work to secure funding and we have already reached advance stage discussions with a potential major funder. We will also be aiming to select a design and construction contractor for the pump track by the middle of 2022, with the overall aim that the track would be completed in mid to late 2023.

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HERITAGE TRAIL PROJECT

The town is proud of its 12th century St Bridget's Kirk but there is so much more to learn about our past. Our aims are to build a Heritage Centre at the new Community Hub that will be a resource centre with a fully accessible digital library, supported by an 'interpretation board' led physical trail around our old Dalgety Parish lines to help highlight what was here before.

Since the launch of the Heritage Trail, we have expanded our team of volunteers providing day-to-day support including researching and writing articles. We have also been humbled to have been trusted to be the custodians of a number of private family archives, some of which is now being seen for the first time outside family collections. We have the foundation stones in place to catalogue our growing digital collection in readiness for the opening of the Hub. The Trust would welcome anyone who wants to get involved in this interesting and exciting aspect of our work. If you can help either through, research, digital or tech support or want to have a go at writing then please get in touch with us through our Facebook pages or via the website.

- The Heritage Team now have over 1,000 photos, articles, and documents being catalogued for the future digital library.
- The team are constantly researching Dalgety Parish history to produce a fortnightly post on the Facebook page. These posts, through the help of sharing, are reaching a monthly audience of over 9,000 different Facebook newsfeeds.

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LEADING LOCAL INITIATIVES THAT MATTER

In addition to our main projects, the Trust has been actively involved in supporting and driving several local community initiatives in 2021. Our aim with this activity during the COVID 19 Pandemic was to look for ways to maintain and preserve a sense of togetherness within our community as well as bringing a little light into our lives during a difficult time for everyone:

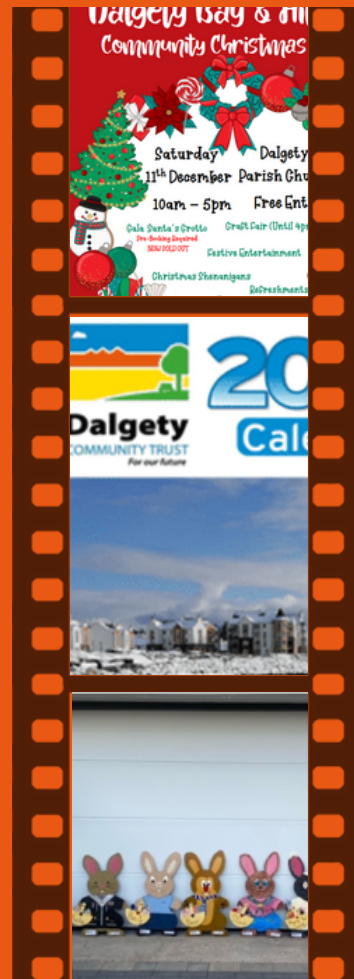
- Following on from the Reindeer trail at Christmas 2020, at Easter, we set up an Easter bunny trail in Longhill Park. Members of the community kindly designed and decorated bunnies for us and then we challenged our local children to find them all hidden in Longhill park. This activity was enjoyed by many local children and through the generosity of local businesses we were able to deliver over 40 easter eggs as prizes.
- Between the spring and Autumn terms, we worked with the local primary schools to help them learn about the meaning behind International Day of Peace. The Trust provided learning and craft materials to the P7s at both schools. The activity culminated in a ceremony at the Parish Church on International Day of Peace in September where the children displayed over 700 origami paper cranes they had made. A number of the paper Cranes were subsequently sent to the UK peace centres and also to Japan to be displayed in the Hiroshima Peace Garden.
- At Christmas, in partnership with The Gala Team, The Parish Church and Three Bridges Rotary, the Trust hosted a Christmas fair. This fantastic event was attended by hundreds of local people who came out on a wet day in December to enjoy themselves and soak up a little Christmas cheer. The event also helped to raise much needed funds for the community Groups taking part. The Trust raised over £900 from the event.
- Over the summer 2021, the Trust invited members of the community to take part in a photographic competition based on our local environment. The winning photos from the competition have been used to make a 2022 community calendar which raised a net amount of £448 for the Trust after taking off the costs for producing the calendar. This proved to be a very popular initiative and something we will probably repeat for 2023.
- The trust is supporting a local group who are working towards improving the area around Donibristle Chapel for the community, including siting a new information board at the chapel and clearing and improving the surrounding pathways and accessibility to the Coastal path. The Trust has agreed to fund the information board with a grant of approximately £600



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LEADING LOCAL INITIATIVES THAT MATTER CONTINUED

- In the second half of 2021, the Trust has been working with Fife Farmers Market and the Parish Church with the aim of bringing a regular farmers market to Dalgety Bay. We are delighted that we have reached agreement with all concerned and the first market will take place on 9th April with subsequent markets happening on every second Saturday of the month initially for the remainder of 2022. We believe this will be a fantastic addition to the community's social calendar which will see around 35 traders showcasing high quality local produce every month.



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OUR OBJECTIVES FOR 2022

Our overarching aim is to develop and deliver priority community projects which have a positive social, environmental and ultimately economic impact. We will continue to work towards achieving our aims in 2022 with particular focus on:

- Working alongside our local ward councillors and Fife Council we have agreed to work with them to develop the concept of a new community hub in Dalgety Bay to replace the existing community centre to the point at which it is sufficiently developed ('shovel ready') to qualify for Scottish and or UK Government capital grant funding. This is a significant step along the path to delivering a new community hub for our town and signals that Fife Council accept the need as well as indicating their confidence in the Trust as the preferred community partner for this. We will embrace this opportunity and work tirelessly for our community to deliver a new hub.
- Now we have received £25,000 of grant funding from Muir Dean, we will take forward the design of a new civic square for the town to the point at which we can consult on preferred design options with the community and seek planning consent for the civic square.
- To support the design and planning consent for the civic square, we will finalise the transfer of the land for the square from the Community Council to the Trust. The legal documents to transfer both the town centre land and the community woodlands (Crow Wood, Hopeward Wood and Bathing House Wood) have been delivered to the Community Council and we await their approval, which we expect to receive in the first half of 2022.
- Once the transfer of the land from the Community Council is complete, we will work closely with the Dalgety Bay Community Woodlands Group who currently manage the community woodlands to ensure that they are maintained and enhanced for the benefit of the everyone, including ensuring that priority funding is given to their proper care and maintenance.
- We have agreed with Fife Farmers Market and the Parish Church that we will host a Farmers market in Dalgety Bay every second Saturday of the month for the remainder of 2022. The first market is to be held on the 9th April. We are grateful to the Parish Church for agreeing to work with us on this and host the market on their car park. It is our aim to make the farmers market a permanent fixture in the event calendar for Dalgety Bay and eventually, once the civic square has been completed, we would extend the market to cover this area as well. The Trust will receive a fee from each market based on the number of stalls that are booked, which we will use to support/fund other community initiatives



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OUR OBJECTIVES FOR 2022 CONTINUED

- We will continue to work alongside the Dalgety Bay Pump Track community group that is promoting the development of a track, in Dalgety Bay. We have agreed to be the sponsoring legal entity for this project and are excited to be working with the group, their energy and enthusiasm is contagious. We have every confidence that delivery of the pump track within 18 months is achievable.
- We will continue to build the Dalgety Heritage Trail. We are aiming to move from solely digital materials, to develop a physical archive for materials that we have been trusted with. We will also continue to expand and strengthen our group of local enthusiasts, researchers and archivists.
- A key aim of the Trust is to ensure that we can meet our day-to-day operating costs from our ongoing fund-raising activity ensuring that as much as possible of the grant monies we receive are put towards delivering community projects. We estimate that once the Community Council have transferred the town centre land and the community woodlands to the Trust that our annual running costs will be in the range of £2,000 - £3,000. Our aim is to achieve an annual income of £5,000 from our day-to-day fund raising activity which we believe we should be able to successfully achieve from 2022. Any surplus funds from our day-to-day activity will be put towards community projects.
- Alongside the monthly farmers market, we will aim to host or participate in a series of other community initiatives/events during the year. Discussions have already commenced on hosting a Christmas fair in 2022
- We will continue with our major fund-raising activity in 2022. We have two principle aims.
 - The doubling of the reserves we currently have to be dedicated to developing the new civic square for the town. From the current £40,000 to £80,000
 - The achievement of £100,000 of funding for the pump track.



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FINANCIAL REVIEW

- The Trust received grant funding of £25,000 in 2021 from Muir Dean Environmental Trust. This takes the total reserves of the Trust to around £40,000. Given the challenges of the pandemic and the changes that many funders have made to their evaluation criteria, quite rightly focussing more on COVID recovery projects, this is a significant achievement. Whilst we haven't made the progress with funding that we had hoped for in 2021, we believe that as things slowly return to normal, more funders will revert to assessment of a wider range of projects. We believe our projects are perfectly positioned to take advantage of this, as one thing we hear time and again is that as a direct result of the pandemic, many people now place a greater value on their local community and what it can offer.
- In addition to major grant funding, the Trust raised £1,850 from its own fund-raising activity in 2021. One of our key objectives for prudent management of the Trust is to ensure that we are self sufficient in terms of being able to meet our day-to-day running costs from self-generated fund raising, rather than using grant funding. In 2021, the Trust successfully achieved this aim, generating a small surplus to put back into our community projects.
- Prior to taking ownership of the community land, the Trust's day-to-day operating costs are around £600 per year. The majority of this is made up of essential insurance and paying for our Trust email and web services. The remainder covers donations and other small adhoc costs. In addition to this, in 2021, we made payments to cover the costs for printing calendars and hosting community initiatives of approximately £950.
- Once we take over the community land, we expect our annual running costs to increase to between £2,000 and £3,000 per year. The increase is mainly due to the additional costs of insurance associated with land ownership and necessary, ongoing essential costs for maintaining the land. The Trust is confident that with revenue from the farmers market and other revenues related to the land ownership and our fundraising events, we will be able to continue to achieve our financial prudence objective of meeting our day-to-day running costs from fundraising activity.
- A full copy of our most recent annual accounts for our financial year ended July 2021 is available on our website. A summary of the balance sheet and the profit and loss account follows. It should be noted that these are for the Financial Year ended July 2021 for the Trust and pre-date the award of the grant from Muir Dean and the monies received from fund raising activities after this point.
- We have estimated that to complete the civic square to the standard that we have outlined in our discussion with the community will cost approximately £300,000. Whilst to build a pump track in Dalgety Bay will cost approximately £180,000. We are very encouraged by the support we are receiving from Fife Council on developing a full feasibility study for a new community hub, including exploring funding options. Securing funding for our projects is a key focus area for the Trust going forward. The Board has and will continue to apply a considerable proportion of its time to securing funding.
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FINANCES

BALANCE SHEET

DALGETY COMMUNITY TRUST

BALANCE SHEET

AT 31 JULY 2021

	2021 £	2020 £
Current assets	13,422	14,009
Creditors - amounts falling due within one year	(1,107)	(607)
Net current assets	12,315	13,402
Total assets less current liabilities	12,315	13,402
Provisions for liabilities	(12,315)	(13,402)
Net assets	-	-
Capital and reserves	-	-

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the micro-entity provisions of the Companies Act 2006 and FRS 105 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the Micro-entities Regime.

Company information

The company is a private company limited by shares incorporated in Scotland.

Its registered office is -
3 St Davids Business Park
Dalgety Bay
Fife

The financial statements are presented in Sterling, which is the functional currency of the company.

The company was entitled to exemption under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the micro-entity provisions and delivered in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The accounts were approved by the board on 23 February 2022
and signed on its behalf by:

Philip Evans
Director

Company No. 637544 (Scotland)

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PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

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PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2021

	2021	2020
	£	£
Turnover	50	14,268
Other income	1,087	(13,402)
Other charges	(1,137)	(866)
Profit before tax	-	-
Tax	-	-
Profit	-	-

Company No. 637544 (Scotland)

OUR SUPPORTERS

Dalgety Community Trust would like to acknowledge and thank the following groups and organisations for their generous support during 2021:

- Muir Dean Environmental Trust
- Dalgety Bay & Hillend Community Council
- Fife Council
- Our Ward Councillors; Alice McGarry, David Barratt, Dave Dempsey and Dave Coleman
- Morgan's Solicitors
- Robson Forth Accountants
- The Development Trust Association Scotland
- The Dalgety Bay and Hillend Gala Team
- The Dalgety Bay Community Woodland Group
- Dalgety Parish Church
- Dalgety Bay Primary School
- Donibristle Primary School
- All of the volunteers who support Dalgety Heritage Trail
- The Trust Board members
-and of course, our members for their ongoing support



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CONTACT US

If you would like to get involved or hear more about the work we are doing at the Trust check out website our at www.dalgetycommunitytrust.co.uk or visit us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/dalgetycommunity_trust

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