CSGN DEVELOPMENT FUND 2015-16 – Projects Awarded Funding March 2015

There has been a further allocation of funding for the CSGN Development Fund (CSGN DF) in 2015-16. The funding was made available from Forestry Commission Scotland (FCS) and Transport Scotland (TS).

Edinburgh

CSGN820 - Causey Development Trust (CDT) has been awarded £18,838 to transform The Causey, an existing greenspace in the south side of Edinburgh, to make it people friendly and less car dominated and to reinforce the green network within Edinburgh by connecting existing green spaces at George Square, The Meadows and Holyrood Park.

CSGN835 - Edinburgh and Lothians Greenspace Trust has been awarded £36,220 to transform a currently vacant site in Craigmillar awaiting development into a future new high school for the area. The site is at the centre of the wider Craigmillar regeneration area, adjacent to the newly-built Community Hub and library building and with neighbouring plots at varying stages of development. As the school is not scheduled to be built before 2020, landscaping the site will help support efforts to regenerate Craigmillar.

East Renfrewshire

CSGN821 - East Renfrewshire Council has been awarded £15,000 to develop design proposals for approximately 15ha of green network within the Barrhead South Strategic Development Opportunity area, as identified within the East Renfrewshire Local Development Plan.

CSGN822 - East Renfrewshire Council has been awarded £20,000 to create a new green network connecting the town of Barrhead with Glasgow. The project is located on 8ha of derelict ground beside the River Levern in a narrow strip of greenbelt between two urban areas. It is ideally placed to form a key link in the wider strategic green network.

Forth Valley

CSGN810 - Forth Environment Link Fruit Futures Programme has been awarded £50,700 to work with projects operating in areas within the lowest 15% of the Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation and/or located in or near areas of derelict or vacant land.

The project will train and support community and Eco-school leaders to design, develop and support their community orchards through a series of workshops, events and networking opportunities; and identify and seek to develop a demonstration project with a hope of identifying other sites which might be used to showcase best practice within the sector.

Glasgow

CSGN828 - Glasgow City Council and the West of Scotland Housing Association (WSHA) have been awarded £156,000 for Phase 3 of the 2014 Multifunctional Greenspace Project (MGP). The MGP relates to the regeneration of a former derelict/business park site in Camlachie. The project is one of Glasgow City Council’s flagship Commonwealth Games Greener Legacy projects and part of Glasgow’s Green Year 2015 celebrations.

CSGN829 - Cassiltoun Trust has been awarded £62,705 to support Phase 3 of their highly successful, high quality and well regarded woodland improvement and employability programme based in Castlemilk Community Woodlands.
CSGN834 - GCV Green Network Partnership has been awarded £24,950 to develop an IGI Plan for the Greater Easterhouse Strategic Development Framework. The Plan will focus on greening over 180ha of vacant and derelict land, improving greenspace and woodland in deprived communities, identifying new green routes for walking and cycling and addressing surface water management to reduce flood risk.

Midlothian

CSGN825 - Midlothian Council has been awarded £16,000 to improve the quality of a 2.2ha open space within the heart of Gorebridge. Approximately half of the site is derelict because of underground mine-workings and is currently fenced off to the public.

North Ayrshire

CSGN826 – North Ayrshire Council has been awarded £33,500 to create a green corridor along the former railway line between Loadingbank and Ladeside in Kilbirnie. This will bring the site which is on the Scottish Vacant and Derelict Land Survey Register into positive use for active travel, biodiversity and recreation.

CSGN827 – North Ayrshire Council has been awarded £22,000 to construct an all abilities and multi-user section of the National Cycle Network (NCN) and create a green network between Nethermains Industrial Estate and Kilwinning Town Centre.

North Lanarkshire

CSGN816 - Scottish Wildlife Trust has been awarded £32,026 to undertake a Green Routes Feasibility Project. This will deliver costed proposals for three Green Routes in Cumbernauld that will link disadvantaged communities, promote active travel to and from the town centre, improve environmental quality and re-connect the woodland habitat network.

Renfrewshire

CSGN824 - Renfrewshire Council has been awarded £22,500 to quantify and evaluate the wood fuel biomass available from Renfrewshire Council’s existing and potential future woodlands and to establish a biodiversity baseline in two currently unmanaged woodlands, against which the effects of future management inputs can be assessed.

Total Number of Projects = 13

Total funding for all CSGN DF Projects in 2015-16 = £510,439

Total programme value = £2,861,393

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