



## **CSGN DEVELOPMENT FUND 2016-17**

### **Projects Awarded Funding March 2016**

There has been a further allocation of funding for the CSGN Development Fund in 2016-17. The funding was made available from the Scottish Government, Forestry Commission Scotland, Scottish Natural Heritage and Transport Scotland.

#### **Fife:**

- Greener Kirkcaldy has been awarded £14,053 to bring a new section of the Ravenscraig Walled Garden back in to use by developing a training garden in addition to the 50 allotments and community orchard already sited there. The training garden will facilitate a pilot programme of community learning, as well as employability training through volunteer placements when developing the site.

#### **Glasgow:**

- Partick Housing Association has been awarded £4,460 to transform a derelict play park in Partick into a community garden with raised beds, fruit trees and a seating area. The project will link in with an existing space which provides local growing opportunities to the local community.
- Cassiltoun Trust has been awarded £74,455 to support a fourth phase of their woodland improvement and employability programme based in Castlemilk Community Woodlands. The programme offers 25 participants an 8 week work placement with training and qualifications. Two participants will be able to access a further 6 months paid work placement, and one participant a 52 week paid placement.

#### **Edinburgh:**

- The Health Agency has been awarded £20,030 to install a garden room in the Calders Community Garden which will widen the work and activities that can take place at the community garden and facilitate engagement with more groups in the community. The construction of the new building will also offer local unemployed job seekers construction training opportunities.
- New Caledonian Woodlands Ltd has been awarded £12,850 to work with volunteers and community groups to manage two Millennium Woods within Edinburgh and engage with local community participants to learn woodland management skills and produce fuel wood.
- Braidwood Bikepark Group has been awarded £40,000 to clean up and improve semi-derelict woodland in the centre of Edinburgh. The project will create an attractive greenspace with free cycling recreational facilities, a new footpath, seating, planting and bat and bird boxes.

#### Falkirk:

- Communities Along the Carron Association (CATCA) has been awarded £8,019 to conduct a feasibility study to assess the potential of establishing community growing spaces in Denny/Dunipace, Langlees and Carronshore in the Falkirk area.

#### Midlothian:

- Midlothian Council has been awarded £28,173 to create a strategic multi-use path link to connect Mayfield Park to local services, shops, schools and amenities in Mayfield as well as wider Midlothian. The path will form part of a wider park upgrade that includes all abilities play equipment, woodland works, wildflower grassland and a new park entrance.

#### North Ayrshire:

- North Ayrshire Council has been awarded £39,250 to create a green corridor along the former Caledonian railway line between Saltcoats and Ardrossan, bringing the site into positive use for active travel, biodiversity and recreation. The project includes the upgrade of existing paths, the improvement of open space, installation of seating, signage and interpretation, and tree and wildflower planting.

#### East Ayrshire:

- East Ayrshire Council has been awarded £25,312 to develop a proposal for a 23.5km circular route around Kilmarnock, which forms an integral part of the wider Kilmarnock Green Infrastructure Project. The route will provide improved cycling and walking choices, connecting communities with places of interest and local facilities throughout the town, as well as the wider path network.
- Mauchline Community Action Group has been awarded £25,000 to create a community garden in the centre of Mauchline. The garden will include various raised beds to accommodate all users including young children, elderly and disabled people. The site will also include container grown fruit trees, a rainwater collection system, a BBQ/fire pit, seating and a covered area for socialising.

#### Renfrewshire:

- Renfrewshire Council has been awarded £22,500 to conduct a feasibility study into the development of a strategic cycling/walking link from the National Cycle Route at Johnstone to the Erskine Bridge and consequentially to the National Cycle Network to the north of the bridge.

#### East Renfrewshire:

- East Renfrewshire Council has been awarded £15,000 to undertake a feasibility study of developing a green link to the west of Barrhead. In addition to the route which would follow the line of the former Paisley-Barrhead District Railway, the study will also explore opportunities for various environmental enhancements along the corridor, such as woodland management, open space enhancements and school ground grow and/or play spaces.

#### North Lanarkshire:

- St Dominic's Primary School has been awarded £8,704 to create a community garden at St Margaret's High School in Airdrie. The primary school relocated to St Margaret's High School following a fire, where they also lost their community vegetable garden. Pupils from both St Dominic's Primary and St Margaret's High School will use the garden to grow fruit and vegetables to benefit the community.
- Parent Action for Safe Play has been awarded £4,995 to complete a feasibility study to determine the best methods to encourage local food production in an urban community. Through a community gardener working with individuals at an existing community garden in Coatbridge, this project will describe, after evaluation, best practice and the feasibility of replicating positive outcomes in similar communities.

#### South Lanarkshire:

- Clydesdale Community Initiatives has been awarded £16,629 to develop an area of derelict land at the Langloch Farm Enterprise and Inclusion Centre in Lanark into a community growing and accessible eco-learning space. The project will engage with members of the community, as well as schools, community groups and green health projects.
- Friends of Stonehouse Park has been awarded £22,200 to complete a woodland study and a land use study of the woodland area of Alexander Hamilton Memorial Park in Stonehouse, to explore how it could be developed and improved into an asset that will benefit the local community.
- East Kilbride Community Trust has been awarded £56,804 to employ a community woodland officer who will bring 8.74ha of urban woodland back into active management, as well as deliver new access paths and community engagement events and programmes.

Total Number of Projects – 18

Total funding for all CSGN Development Fund projects in 2016-17 - £438,434

Total programme value - £1,040,321

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