

## **CSGN DEVELOPMENT FUND 2017-18 – Projects Awarded Funding**

The following projects have been awarded funding from the latest round of the CSGN Development Fund.

This document outlines the total grant awarded to projects over the financial year 2017 to 2018. Further details are available on request from CSGNT.

### **CLACKMANNANSHIRE**

**greenspace scotland** has been awarded £9,110 to undertake a feasibility project which will inform the development of a Clackmannanshire-wide allotments and food growing strategy based on local need and demand for community growing. It will identify land available currently and options for making more land available to increase provision. The project will also explore both traditional and innovative community growing approaches and support the development of action plans on a community level for food growing projects and activities.

### **EAST LOTHIAN**

**Dunbar Community Woodland Group** has been awarded £7,500 to undertake a study to provide costed options for land engineering works for an unmanaged woodland with a view towards bringing this greenspace into community ownership and using it as a community resource.

### **EDINBURGH**

**Edinburgh Palette Ltd.** has been awarded £10,000 to help connect users of St Margaret's House with an adjacent woodland. The works will include installation of paths, flat areas and terraces across the 3ha site to ensure the varied St Margaret's House community can all engage with and benefit from this local greenspace.

**New Caledonian Woodlands Ltd.** has been awarded £12,552 to continue to develop a project involving local people in the management of three Millennium Woodlands in Edinburgh. In addition to core woodland management actions that will increase woodland biodiversity and resilience whilst harvesting sustainable resources, it will generate a range of additional social and environmental outcomes of benefit for the communities surrounding the sites.

**The Federation of City Farms and Community Gardens** has been awarded £17,823 to trial a new way of delivering one-to-one support to community growing projects. The Garden Mentors project will test the feasibility of creating a system whereby community garden projects support each other in a way which recognises and fully values the time, skills and experience of the mentors supporting other projects.

### **FIFE**

**Fife Coast & Countryside Trust** has been awarded £41,145 for pathworks between Culross, North Queensferry and Markinch as part of the Fife Pilgrim Way, a new long distance walking route. The Fife Pilgrim Way will extend over 109km to St Andrews Cathedral, connecting a number of communities in the CSGN area of Fife. The funded pathworks will total approximately 70km, passing through former coal mining communities such as Kelty, Rosyth, Lochore and Kinglassie.

### **GLASGOW**

**The Woodlands Community Development Trust** has been awarded £21,036 to further develop a community garden as an outdoor community centre, enhancing its use as a therapeutic space to promote both physical and mental well-being. The project will also work with the local community to

carry out environmental improvements to contribute to the development of a green corridor linking Woodlands Community Garden to Kelvingrove Park.

**Glasgow City Council** has been awarded £36,000 to undertake a feasibility study which will assess accessibility and connectivity of five large peri-urban greenspaces within a 957ha area between the Cart and Castlemilk areas of Glasgow. The study will produce an over-arching management strategy for the core sites taking into account accessibility considerations and woodland ecological connectivity.

**Cassiltoun Trust** has been awarded £57,000 to support Phase 5 of their highly successful woodland improvement and employability programme based in Castlemilk Community Woodlands. Phase 5 builds upon the success and lessons of the previous phases by offering three paid trainees the opportunity to undertake a 26-week work placement with training and qualifications. It will also provide 16 volunteers with the opportunity to undertake work experience and training.

### **NORTH AYRSHIRE**

**Fullerton Community Garden Association** has been awarded £35,460 to help increase the capacity of its garden to meet local community growing needs. The project will improve access from existing public pathways and the local primary school and it includes the creation of planting and seating areas on a derelict site.

**North Ayrshire Council** has been awarded £40,000 towards the second phase of the Three Towns Green Network, creating a network of accessible and high quality green spaces between three towns of Stevenston, Saltcoats and Ardrossan. The project will include upgrading paths; improving open space; installing seating, signage and interpretation; and tree and wildflower planting.

### **SOUTH LANARKSHIRE**

**East Kilbride Community Trust (EKCT)** has been awarded £14,000 to employ a short term Woodland Project Manager to help deliver an enhanced engagement programme for 2017/2018 focused upon K-Woodlands next to Hairmyres Hospital. Activities will range from health walks, volunteer days and day programmes aimed at providing a range of socially inclusive activities for the whole of East Kilbride residents and those from outside the area to enjoy.

### **WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE**

**West Dunbartonshire Council** has been awarded £22,000 to commission a feasibility and design study to explore the physical potential of creating a long distance route from NCN7 and Dalmuir Train Station, along the existing Duntocher Burn Trail, through the Kilpatrick Hills to the John Muir Way. It will also investigate opportunities to create safe, attractive and accessible active travel and recreational links between existing paths and the wider access network.

### **WEST LOTHIAN**

**West Lothian Council** has been awarded £20,000 to commission a feasibility study on potential improvements to the Livingston North Blue / Green Network in West Lothian. This will focus on five connecting corridors covering approximately 7-8km in the north part of the former New Town. The project aims to enhance the quality and improve the connectivity and functionality of the 'Greenways' through Livingston North for the benefit of people and wildlife.

Total Number of Projects = 14

Total funding for all CSGN DF Projects in 2017-18 = £343,626

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