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SKDT

South Kintyre Development Trust



ANNUAL REPORT

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About SKDT

SKDT is a community anchor organisation, delivering several substantial projects. It is a registered charity led by a board of volunteers with wide ranging skills and experience who all live in the South Kintyre community and want to make a difference!

Our annual report highlights South Kintyre Development Trust's achievements over the last year – both in our projects and in our partnerships with community groups.

It's a summary of our work and our plans for the future and a statement of our financial position in the year and how we allocated our charitable funds.

SKDT is a company limited by guarantee. It was incorporated at Companies House, Edinburgh on 15 October 2008 and became a registered charity on 13 January 2011.

List of Current Directors

Chairperson - Rory Colville

Vice Chair-Felicity Kelly

Treasurer - Les Van Acker

Director-Sandra Spence

Director (Membership Secretary)-Vivien Carmichael,



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Vision & Mission Statement

OUR VISION

The Trust works towards financial sustainability, ensuring resources are in place to deliver agreed community needs and deliver community development opportunities.



OUR MISSION

To be influential in developing South Kintyre as a vibrant and strong community working with partners both in the third sector and public bodies. To achieve this, the Trust will: take cognisance of community consultations and, with partners, prioritise action within available resources; provide a base for the dissemination of information and support for third sector organisations; identify improvements to the infrastructure and built environment; encourage renewable energy projects in the area; be a high profile facilitator working towards making South Kintyre a good place to live.

OBJECTIVES

SKDT has a broad set of charitable objectives designed to benefit both the people of South Kintyre and its environment:

- To advance environmental protection, reclamation, remediation, preservation, restoration and improvement;
- To encourage, stimulate and support volunteering;
- To advance citizenship and community development.

Since it began operation in October 2008, the company has pursued its objectives in the community without distinction on racial, political, religious or other grounds. Mindful of the interests of social welfare and the need to ensure that public benefits arising from its activities clearly outweigh any private benefit to individuals, SKDT has followed principles of sustainable development (where "sustainable development" means "development which meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs") to achieve its objectives.

You can view the full audited Annual Report and Financial Statements in the Town Hall. Our Articles of Association, minutes of meetings and other documents can be found on the website www.skdt.org.

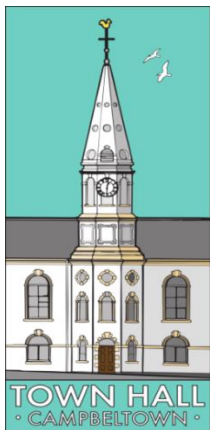
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Current Activity

In March 2014, SKDT was delighted to be awarded funding from the Scottish Government's Strengthening Communities Programme to employ a **Trust Manager** who is responsible for all aspects of Trust business ensuring it is at the centre of economic and community development in South Kintyre.

"In the past 3 years we made significant changes to the way we work. We are now better placed than ever to support our partners in delivering the sustainable activities throughout Kintyre, increasing the impact of what we do." Zena - Trust Manager

A review of IT systems, branding, website and blog and introduction of a regular Newsletter as well as a strong presence on social media have all helped raise the profile and increase membership to almost 600. The developments of a Director's portfolio and a thorough review of policies and procedures have impacted positively on the governance of the trust improving its effectiveness and performance.



The main focus of SKDT's activities during this financial period has been the **Campbeltown Town Hall** renovation project. SKDT took ownership of the Town Hall on the 14 October 2014 and opened the building as community resource in April 2016. Its open day attracted over 1100 members of the public through the doors.

"Campbeltown Town Hall has become a truly special place in our hearts. SKDT's hard work, dedication and passion has brought this beautiful building back to life – it is a real jewel in the crown of Campbeltown". Mr and Mrs Anderson, married 2nd July 2016 (The New Town Hall's first wedding!)

A Manager was appointed to be responsible for the day to day operation and marketing of the "new" Town Hall. Since trading commenced in May 2016, the building has hosted a wide range of events including weddings, concerts, fundraisers and corporate events. An organization supporting social entrepreneurs became the first tenant of the refurbished facility, providing a regular income for SKDT.

"In September 2016, the Town Hall project was commended with a special 'Judges Award' at the Herald Property Awards for Scotland for demonstrating the very best of communities working together." Claire - Town Hall Manager



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Achievements & Performance

PROJECTS

Over the past 3 years SKDT have secured grant funding for a range of small and large projects focusing on community benefit.

IMPROVING THE ENVIRONMENT

In July 2015 the trust received £2,500 from “Stalled Spaces”, a Scottish Government initiative, to improve a vacant lot in the town, owned by Argyll Community Housing Association. With various partners the gateway to Campbeltown will be improved using planting and landscaping. Further funding from Tesco Greenspace will be used to augment this project.



SOME OF THE SMALLER PROJECTS



Spring Clean community clear up of the Esplanade area



Whisky Barrel Floral Displays



Vacant Shop window displays



Photo Competition and Calendar publication



Design and creation of Marina website & social media marketing tools



Re-instatement of Community Banners



Introduction of biannual 50/50 lottery



Employment of a Town Centre Handyman through an employability project

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RENEWABLES

This major development, which started in August 2014 with partners Kintyre Recycling and The Long and Winding Way (Kintyre Way) has been exploring different models of community-led renewable energy. Community Energy Scotland (CARES) invested in the partnership, enabling feasibility studies to be undertaken. Although a long term project, it is hoped that, if progressed, a robust income stream would be available to the Trust after 2021. The Trust are also looking for shared equity renewables projects with an earlier commissioning date than 2021, but the current market disruption is causing developers to review their plans.

"SKDT are committed to sustainable development and want to be an integral part of the movement towards Community Ownership of Renewables where the benefits come direct to local areas like South Kintyre" Tony - SKDT Trust Manager

VOLUNTEERING & EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

The Trust has been grateful to Voluntary Action Fund Scotland for funding **volunteer coordinators** to March 2015 and currently to March 2017 who achieved the targets set for recruitment of new volunteers and training opportunities.

Fyne Homes People and Communities Fund funded an Administrative Assistant post for two 24 week placements to assist the Trust Managers.

Funding from the same source enabled the local putting green to re-open during the season, securing seasonal employment to two people, offering an added attraction for holiday makers and locals alike.

Volunteers assist the Trust on a regular basis with fund raising events, distributing local publicity and the newsletter and other community landscape activities.

"Working with SKDT has rebuilt my self-confidence. The work is interesting and meaningful and I now have a set of invaluable skills." Morag - SKDT Admin Assistant



VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES

If you want to make a difference in the community and have some spare time and skills to offer would like to hear from you.

Please pop in to the Town Hall or email us at info@skdt.org for further information.

"Volunteering with SKDT has been fun, motivational and frequently challenges my creativity." Tina - Volunteer

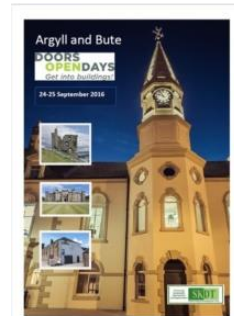
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COMMUNITY PROJECTS

For the past two years the Trust Manager has promoted the national **Doors Open Day** event locally, attracting 490 visitors to 14 venues in the area in 2015. 2016 was equally successful.



The Trust has supported Jan Nimmo to take forward a celebration of the coal mining industry of rural Kintyre Road with the **Road to Drumlemin** project. This collaborative project involving mining families, local organisations and schools is due for completion in April 2017 culminating with an exhibition of work done by local children and young people, the community archive material, and a series of drawings by Jan Nimmo portraying many of the Argyll Colliery workers.



"SKDT has been a valued member of the DTAS network for nine years now and in that time we have watched the Trust work tirelessly to complete and deliver the iconic Campbelltown Town Hall project. We can't wait to see what the Trust comes up with next!" Wendy - DTAS (Development Trust Association Scotland)



COMMUNITY ASPIRATIONS & CONSULTATIONS

As a community led body, the Trust is committed to ensuring that their projects and programmes are in line with community aspirations. The Trust worked with consultants to develop a vision and action plan for the community - led regeneration of the town centre "**Campbeltown Connections**", being only one of 5 towns to be awarded this funding. The resulting report provided an extensive range of possibilities which have been narrowed down with strategic priorities set for the coming year.



In addition to this research, SKDT have, in the past months lead the review the **Community Action Plans** for the area. This process will be completed in early 2017 and will address the way forward for the Trust over the next 5 years.

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Plans for the future

Our new strategy will be launched in 2017 and will set out our plans for the coming two years and how we aim to support sustainable regeneration in Kintyre.

South Kintyre Development Trust has identified strategic priorities in relation to:

1. Delivering activities as a coordinating body, facilitating, supporting and liaising with others to achieve community goals.
2. Delivering activities with a mix of roles and activities and the opportunity to be flexible in how it works.
3. Delivering activities which provide opportunities to develop people as well as assets.

Assessing the Campbeltown Connections proposals has been undertaken with priority given to activities which can deliver quick wins and income generation potential. The board met on 18.11.16 and agreed to the following strategic priorities for 2017-2019.

PROJECT	INFORMATION
The Old Post office	Purchase and redevelopment of building
Broadband Provision in East Kintyre	Support East Kintyre in their quest for suitable broadband provision
Creative Campbeltown	Development of Creative Producer Role to coordinate a cultural programme and maximise the Town Hall
Town Team	Project management role to build on partnerships under the umbrella of SKDT
Develop Links with northern Ireland	Continue to liaise and grow ideas
DWP Tender	An opportunity to provide social and other services against a broad employability journey

SKDT will continue to support the community to achieve “real” and “lasting” change.

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Grant Funding

The trust has been supported by project grants and donations from a number of organisations and we would like thank them all:

Funder	Total £
Big Lottery Fund	818,210
Energy Saving Trust	35,477
Historic Scotland	167,276
Scottish Government	47,208
ABC CHORD/THI	655,918
Campbeltown Common Good Fund	9,250
Fyne Homes People & Communities Fund	3,136
TOTAL	1,736,475



"These achievements would not have been possible without the help and support of the many volunteers and partner organisations we work with. We would like to thank them all for their support in shaping South Kintyre Development Trust and we look forward to working with them again in the future." Rory - SKDT Chairperson

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Financial Summary

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

- Income
- Expenditure
- Funds carried forward

INCOME

Incoming Resources	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL £
Voluntary Income	4,854	13,901	18,755
Activities for generating funds	1,389	1,545	2,934
Investment income	120	0	120
Income from Charitable activities	0	1,735,225	1,735,225
Other Incoming resources	131		131
Total Incoming Resources	6,494	1,750,675	152,544

EXPENDITURE

Resources Expended	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL £
Fundraising trading	1,451	0	1,451
Charitable activities	974	95,073	96,047
Governance costs	1,846	5,361	7,207
Total Resources Expended	4,271	100,434	104,705
Net income before transfers	2,223	1,650,237	1,652,460

TRANSFERS

Resources Expended	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL £
Gross transfers between funds	2,489	(2,489)	
Net Movement in Funds	4,712	1,647,748	1,652,460

RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS

Resources Expended	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL £
Total funds brought forward	2,101	141,097	138,996
Total Funds Carried Forward	2,661	1,788,845	1,791,456

The full Annual Report and the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2016 is available to download on the website www.skdt.org

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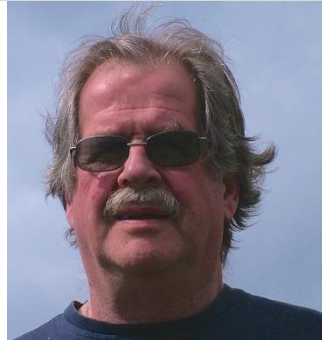
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