

Advancing
Sustainable
Development
and Regeneration

SKDT

South Kintyre Development Trust



A YEAR IN REVIEW

01 APRIL 2016 – 31 MARCH 2017

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About SKDT

SKDT is a grassroots anchor organisation advancing community led regeneration and supporting positive change in Kintyre. It has 4 staff, 5 Directors, over 600 members, 13 regular volunteers and in excess of 40 registered volunteers. We deliver several substantial projects which meet community priorities.

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Company Information

Company Limited by Guarantee (SC349971)
Registered Charity (SC042018)
VAT registered (162 2099 22)

List of Current Directors

Chairperson - Felicity Kelly

Vice Chair – Les Van Acker

Director – Rory Colville

Director - Sandra Spence

Director – Ray McIntosh-Walley



OBJECTIVES

SKDT adopted new Articles at its last AGM in March 2017.

The company's main purpose is consistent with furthering the achievement of sustainable development. Copies of the Agenda, minutes of previous AGM and the Annual Accounts are available to view at the office in the Town Hall.

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PROVIDING RECREATIONAL FACILITIES AND ACTIVITIES

Since reopening in May 2016 there have been over 135 events held in the Town Hall ranging from weddings, fundraisers, concerts and coffee mornings to workshops, training and other community led activity. Some highlights include the first Winter Ball, Cadenheads 125th Anniversary, Cultural Connections events, a number of successful choir concerts and the 10th Kintyre Songwriters Festival.

Community use of the facility continues to grow steadily as we move into 2018 with plans to host a number of events including Kintyre's inaugural gin festival, Gintyre, as well as live music and a number of weddings and private functions already booked throughout the year.



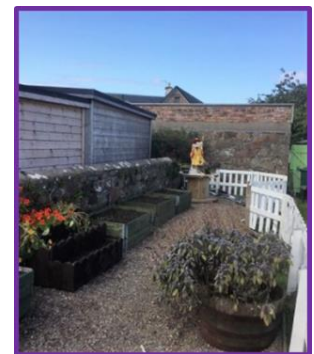
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND REGENERATION

SKDT are committed to bringing real improvements to the lives of people most in need. We identified a gap in provision for suitable facilities for older people's support services and our search for a building led to the Old Post Office which was also a community priority. Unfortunately the study concluded that the building was not suitable but the SSE Hydro Building might be a better option. The building is not yet on the market.

"Coming together is a beginning; keeping together is progress; working together is success."
HENRY FORD

THE PUTTING GREEN

SKDT want to improve the places and spaces that matter to people. Support from Fyne Homes and Inspiralba helped us re-open the Putting Green in 2016 and again in 2017. The funding paid for 2 staff posts. You may also have noticed the installation of raised beds beside the shed which we hope to fill with vegetables next year. We also have an exciting new project planned for 2018 called "Rooting for You" which will involve the entire community in the planting and nurturing of seeds to provide plants for summer displays around the area.



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OPPORTUNITIES FOR PARTNERSHIP WORKING AND VOLUNTEERING

The work of volunteers is fundamental to the trusts activities. Without the support of our volunteers we simply would not achieve everything that we set out to do! They helped with the Community Landscape Projects, Heritage Banners, Putting Green, Crafts and Events and we are so grateful to them all.

We have increased our partnership working over the last year, developing effective links with statutory and Third Sector Agencies. By working together we can help people become more resilient, reduce isolation and loneliness, increase confidence, equipping them with the skills needed to improve their lives.

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.

"No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted."
AESOP

ADVANCING ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION



SKDT has a range of community landscape projects which provide educational, social and economic benefit to the community.

To date the Campbeltown Gateway Park has been our largest landscape project transforming a derelict waste ground into a marine themed park. We held the official open day in July 2017.

"The environment is everything that isn't me."
ALBERT EINSTEIN

The continuing maintenance of the area depends on volunteers. Campbeltown Grammar School Learning Support Team joined us this year and Woodlands have also made commitment to joining us and we are very much looking forward to working with them.



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HISTORY AND CULTURE

SKDT is passionate about local heritage and we want to make sure it is recorded for future generations to enjoy. Last year we collaborated with local artist Jan Nimmo to take forward a celebration of local coal mining history with the Road to Drumleman Project which coincided with the 50th anniversary of the closure of Argyll Colliery. Months of work



gathering images and stories of Kintyre's coalmining past culminated in an exhibition of Jan's work which included banners and bunting made by school children and a video of the miners. The blog is ongoing and can be found here; <https://theroadtodrumleman.wordpress.com/>

SOME OF OUR SMALLER PROJECTS

Securing funds of £1500 from West Kintyre Windfarm Trust ensured the installation of a portable toilet in Westport Carpark for the season.



Heritage Banners were put up around the town centre again this year with a newly designed brochure to compliment them.

SKDT assisted local retailers with the annual Odd One Competition.



SKDT support other organisations with funding applications eg. We are currently assisting the East Kintyre community to secure suitable Broadband Provision.

"Great things are done by a series of small things brought together". VINCENT VAN GOGH

Volunteers planted up hanging baskets and distributed them to local charities to help brighten up the area.

SKDT coordinated Doors Open Day for Argyll in Sep 2016.

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MARKETING AND ADVERTISING

The Town Hall has its own unique brand which identifies its high quality appeal.



On the other hand SKDT volunteers and staff have new polo shirts!



SKDT staff and volunteers also felt it necessary to adopt Boson the friendly Putting Green assistant as our mascot. Hmmmmmmmmm.....Cute though!



"The past cannot be changed. The future is yet in your power".
UNKNOWN

Where are we going? 2017 and beyond...

In 2016 SKDT carried out a community review of the Action Plans for Campbeltown, Southend and East Kintyre and will be publishing the resulting documentation soon. The information gathered has been explored and we have identified community priorities which will become our projects in the coming year.

SKDT is committed to bringing about positive change. Our current strategic plan focusses on Community Growth to increase people's economic prospects and raise their aspirations. We will provide services which help reduce social isolation, address inequalities and tackle disadvantage.

Other strategic priorities include:

- Provision of suitable facilities to increase services for older people
- Broadband Provision for East Kintyre
- Continued and extended use of Town Hall

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

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FUNDERS

During the period the trust attracted funds and would like to thank funders as follows:

Capital Grants completing the Town Hall Project

Big Lottery	£43,028
Historic Scotland	£67,404
Argyll and Bute Council	£38,638

Town Hall Revenue Grants

Big Lottery	£29,678
Argyll and Bute Council	£10,000
Other Project Grants	
Scottish Government	£39,857
Voluntary Action Fund	£10,500
Campbeltown Common Good Fund	£ 6,000
Tesco greenspace	£ 7,500
Stalled Spaces	£ 2,500
Energy Savings Trust	£ 2,900



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Financial Summary

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

- Income
- Expenditure
- Funds carried forward

Source: Annual Report and Financial Statements
Dunlop & Co Limited

INCOME

Incoming Resources	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL £
Donations and legacies	8,172	278,112	286,284
Other trading activities	1,008	19,187	20,195
Investment income	42	-	42
Total Incoming Resources	9,222	297,299	306,521

EXPENDITURE

Resources Expended	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL £
Raising Funds	-	(592)	(592)
Charitable activities	(8,752)	(211,385)	(220,137)
Total Resources Expended	(8725)	(211,977)	(220,729)

Transfers	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL £
Transfers between funds	7,547	78,245	85,792

RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS

Resources Expended	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL £
Total funds brought forward	2,611	1,788,845	1,791,456
Total Funds Carried Forward	10,158	1,867,090	1,877,248

The full Annual Report and the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2017 is available to view at the SKDT office in the Town Hall.