



Earlston Community Development Trust
Annual Report & Accounts
30th November 2016
SCIO Charity No SC042828

Principal Address:

Brookfield
East End
EARLSTON
TD4 6HW

Names of Charity Trustees:

Mags Powell	Chairperson
Lucy Couper	Treasurer
Jackie Kinmond	Secretary
Wilma Brennan	Trustee
Paul Goode	Trustee
Laura Sinclair	Trustee
David Kennedy	Trustee

Charity Trustees left during the year:

Sarah Petrie

Aims and Objectives:

Earlston Community Development Trust (ECDT) is a legally constituted voluntary organisation and is run by members of the Earlston community. Registered as a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (SCIO) whose constitution was signed 26th January 2012.

Charitable Purposes:

- The advancement of citizenship or community development.
- The provision of recreational facilities, or the organisation of recreational activities, with the object of improving the conditions of life for the person for whom the facilities or activities are primarily intended.
- The advancement of environmental protection or improvement.

Summary of Main Activities in relation to objectives:

Our aim is to help the village of Earlston develop facilities that can be owned and managed by the people of Earlston for the benefit of the whole community.

Our goals are to provide services and facilities for recreation and other leisure time facilities for the Earlston area following principles of sustainable development and in the interests of social welfare so that local people's conditions of life may be improved; and to provide an example of best practice for similar organisation's both regionally and nationally.

Mission Statement:

"To meet the social, cultural, environmental, educational and other needs of the communities of the Earlston Area (Earlston and surrounding communities) by providing facilities, services and carrying out other relevant activities. The Trust will be run by the people of Earlston area for the people of Earlston area"

Charitable activities to 30th November 2016:

Community Day:

Sunday 4th September saw the 6th annual Community Day in the village and the weather was once again on our side. With the sun shining the community came out force to enjoy and support the day.

It was a fun filled day with a variety of community groups participating as well as a number of different activities for everyone to try.



Earlston Ukulele Club entertaining everyone

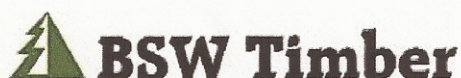
The tug-of-war competition this year saw the Dangerous Divas team (with a little help!) retain their title as champions and keep hold of the Cup donated by BSW Timber.

There was another fantastic raffle with loads of fabulous prizes generously donated by local businesses/individuals from inside and outside the village. We must be one of a number of requests that they receive each year but they never let us down. Your generosity is fantastic and very much appreciated.

We receive so much support that we must say a huge thanks to: Advanced Signs, Alfonso's, Allison Leach, Aquarius Hairdressers, Auto Solutions Borders, Baxter Storey Restaurant, Black Bull, Border Auto Valet, Border Chainsaw, Border Groomers, Chemist, Chic Jewellery, Co-Op, Donaldson's the Butchers, Earlston Civic Week, Earlston Parish Church, Earlston Primary School, Earlston Rugby Club, Edelweiss Florists, Edinburgh Bus Tours, Elliot Electrics, Floors Castle, Galedin Vets, Good Food Chinese Takeaway, Gordon Edgar, Hall/Stewart Family, Harbro, Hardies Bikes, JP Craw, Keith Robertson, Kerry's Cakes, Kyle Family, Leader Body & Beauty, Lynne Hepburn, One Stop Shop, Paul Goode, Pound Bake, Priya Indian Takeaway, Rebecca Kennedy, Red Lion, Rhymers Café, Reiver Recruitment, Robert Young Vets, Sweet Shop, Thirlestane Castle, Thomas & Ethel Tearoom, Tom Davidson Gallery, Traquair House, Trevor Bryant, Ukulele Club and the White Swan.

Also a special thanks to the community groups who participate, the volunteers and everyone who comes along and joins in the fun, we couldn't do it without you all!

Thanks also to:



Orchard Town Project

Over the past year there has been ongoing work weeding and pruning and this year, we saw a lot of trees bearing fruit which quickly disappeared – which is great.

The plans to look at the next development of the project which was to do some urban planting has been put on hold due to lack of resources – both volunteers and funding. We will be concentrating on the trees that we have planted already and will be lifting some grafted fruit trees from one of the nurseries at Drygrange. We will then look to plant these in and around the village replacing damaged/stolen trees and also using up some space in the other nursery at Drygrange.

If you would like further information or are interested in volunteering please contact us at: donalducphillimy4@gmail.com

With many thanks again to our volunteers. We would also like to say a huge thank you to Mrs Murray for the use of her garden over the last couple of years which enabled us to graft and grow our very own Earlstun fruit trees.

Looking forwards

SAVE THE DATE – SUNDAY 16th APRIL 2017

Easter Relay - Off Road Cycle Race and Easter-Themed Decorated Cycle Helmet Competition, Mill Meadow, Earlstun

Registration open from 1pm

£5 entry per team

Easter Bike Helmets judged at 1.45pm

Racing starts at 2pm

The race is open to competent bike riders of all ages. Riders will register as teams of two and be categorised by their combined age (see examples in the table below).

Examples of how you may make up the ten age categories:

8 + 10 = under 20	14 + 13 = under 30	18 + 38 = under 60	73
+ 64 = over 100			

Pre-registration is essential for the successful running of this event. For an entry form and full details of the event contact: trevorgordonbryant@hotmail.co.uk

Spectators are most welcome!

Watch out round the village for posters with further details

Earlston Community Day 2017

At the time of writing this report the date for this year's Community Day has not been finalised. We can say however that it will be another fun filled day with representation from various community groups, the Earlston Bike Ride Out, tug-of-war competition, live music and various activities. Watch out round the village for further details.

Membership of ECDT – have your say

ECDT is a community owned development trust. In practice this works by encouraging local residents from the community to become members. Joining ECDT shows your support for creating a sustainable community and allows the opportunity for residents to work together to make a positive difference to their community.

If you have any ideas for projects that you would like to see ECDT running in Earlston, please become a member of ECDT. Anyone can join, it is open to all – youth, individuals, community groups and businesses. Being a member doesn't cost anything and the level of involvement is entirely up to yourself. It can be as simple as receiving minutes of our meetings to keep you updated on our work.

If you would like to become a member or would like to discuss further then please get in touch via our website, Facebook page, or by contacting Mags Powell – Chair at maggi_wimberley@hotmail.com.

It's our community and together we can make it better!

Sincere Thanks:

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all contributors for their continual support, generosity and hard work over the last year pulling together for the benefit of the community, as without you it wouldn't have been possible.



Financial Review:

Statement on the Charity's policy on Reserves:

The Trust in this early developmental stages is resultant on grant funding, however fund raising has taken place and in due course the Trust aims to have a years running costs in place.

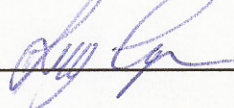
Details of any Deficit:

None this year.

Donated Facilities & Services:

All the Charity's Trustees donate their time to the running of the Trust.

**The Trustees Declare that they have approved the Trustees Report above;
Signed on Behalf of the Charity's Trustees**

Signature:	<u>Margaret Powell</u>	<u></u>
Full Name:	<u>MARGARET POWELL</u>	<u>LUCY COUPER</u>
Positon:	<u>CHAIR</u>	<u>TREASURER</u>
Date:	<u>24/3/17</u>	

Receipts & Payments Account
Year Ended 30th November 2016

Receipts & Payments Account	Notes	Un Restricted	Restricted Funds	Total 2016	Total 2015
Receipts					
Donations		220.50	0.00	220.50	310
Receipts from Fund Raising Activities	1	821.98	0.00	821.98	608
Other Charitable Activities		0.00	0.00	0.00	0
Grants	2	0.00	3569.46	3569.46	3100
Bank Interest		1.87	0.00	1.87	1
		1044.35	3569.46	4613.81	4019
Payments					
Expenses from Fund Raising Activities	3	221.99	0.00	221.99	178
Expenses from Charitable Activities	4	326.28	5384.52	5710.80	1597
Independent Examination		100.00	0.00	100.00	100
		648.27	5384.52	5942.80	1875
Surplus/(Deficit)		396.08	(1815.06)	(1418.98)	2144
Balance Sheet					
		Un Restricted	Restricted Funds	Total 2016	Total 2015
Balances at Start of Year		1683.35	1934.95	3618.30	1473.85
Surplus/(Deficit)		396.08	(1815.06)	(1418.98)	2144.45
Transfer Between Funds		-962.60	962.60	0.00	0
Balances at End of Year		1116.83	1082.49	2199.32	3618.30

Financial Statements approved by the Charity and signed on its behalf by:

Signed Margaret Powell
Chairperson

Signed [Signature]
Treasurer

Notes to the Accounts	2016	2015
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1. Receipts from Fund Raising Activities

Tombola/Treasurer Hunt & Raffles	821.98	608
	£821.98	£0

2. Grants

Big Lottery Fund	3569.46	2550
Scottish Borders Council	0.00	550
	£3569.46	£3100

3. Expenses from Fund Raising Activities

Community Day	221.99	178
	£221.99	£178

4. Expenses from Charitable Activity

Restricted

Materials & Sundry Tools - Orchard Project	19.98	0
Community Engagement - Play Park	5364.54	755
Community Day	0.00	513

Unrestricted

Lawnmower Maintenance - Orchard Project	0.00	30
Insurance	308.28	299
Hall Hire	18.00	0
	£5710.80	£1597

5. Trustee Remuneration and Related Party Transactions

The Trustees did not receive any remuneration or expenses during the year.

6. Nature & Purpose of Funds

The statements of account for the year show the financial figures for the Charity. Grants received are restricted for the sole use of the Charity and its running costs. Funds as at 30th November are made up as follows:

Orchard Town Project	182.52
Community Day Project	1082.49
Play Park Project	0.00
General Funds	934.31
Total	£2199.32

Restricted Funds	1082.49
Un-restricted Funds	1116.83
Total	£2199.32

Independent Examiner's Report on the Accounts

Report to the trustees of Earlston Community Development Trust SCIO

Registered charity number SC042828

On the accounts of the charity for the period 1st December 2015 to 30th November 2016

Set out on Pages 5 to 8

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) 2005 Act and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. The charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (d) of the Accounts Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under section 44(1) (c) of the Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeks explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently, I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 44(1) (a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations, and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations

have not been met, or

2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: Sue Bennett
Sue Bennett

Date: 24-3-17

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body:

ACIE & Dip Business & Finance