



# **Braehead, Broomridge & District Community Development Trust**

## **Annual Report & Accounts 1 April 2019—31 March 2020**





Braehead, Broomridge & District Community Development Trust (SC046408)  
is a charity regulated by OSCR, with its registered address at

Braehead Community Garden, Broom Road, Stirling, FK7 7GU.

As of 31st March 2019, the Trustees are:

Matthew Power (Chair)  
Chris Kane (Secretary)  
Aileen Hall (Treasurer)  
Wendy Mclean  
Gillie Thomson  
Ailsa Power  
John Miller  
Alistair Kerr  
Mandy Rae  
Tracy Rich  
John Wright  
Martin Shaw

A copy of the Trust constitution can be obtained from [www.braehead.org](http://www.braehead.org).

The Trustees can be contacted at the above address or [trust@braehead.org](mailto:trust@braehead.org)





## OUR MEMBERSHIP

The Membership of BBCDT is open to everybody who lives in Braehead or Broomridge and to those further afield who share our aims and objectives.

## OUR VISION

To create a vibrant, connected community which flourishes as a key part of 21st Century Stirling with healthy, happy residents.

## OUR MISSION

(1) We will pursue projects and objectives which recognise that our physical and mental wellbeing is inseparable from the condition and health of the built and natural environment in which we live.

(2) We will listen to and amplify the local community voice to create, influence and facilitate new opportunities that enhance the quality of life in Braehead and Broomridge

(3) We will work with partners and members to nurture civic pride and enhance our reputation regionally and nationally.

Key objectives will be:

- Regular community engagement to stay relevant and connected to our members' priorities
- Exploring and delivering innovative technologies and projects that enhance and improve our built environment
- Expanding on the success of Braehead Community Garden by continuing to explore and improve attitudes and skills relating to growing and preparing locally grown food
- Expanding on the success of Braehead Community Garden by continuing to create hub spaces and events for members and residents to foster strong, vibrant relationships.
- Creating and / or identifying volunteering opportunities and matching them with residents who have the skills to help facilitate success.
- Our key objections and our mission will be regularly reviewed and updated – we welcome input from all of our members.





## Chairman's Report

This report covers the year 1st April 2019 - 31st March 2020. This has very much been a year of consolidation with 6 new trustees joining the board at our last AGM in January 2020 and membership of the Trust remaining at over 100. Braehead Community Garden continues to be the Trust's main and indeed sole project.

Within the garden, in April a cob oven was built with support from Historic Environment Scotland. This has been a great addition and provided pizza and garlic breads for some of the events in the garden.

The growing team worked tirelessly to provide plants for members in the garden and our annual plant sale took place in May. The market garden was a great success, once again producing beautiful, fresh, organic, local produce.

In the garden several events took place which have now established themselves as regulars for users of the garden and the public alike. The pumpkin festival was a great success attracting many families in to the garden to carve pumpkins and view the prizewinners later in the evening. The hogmanay bonfire afforded everyone a great view of the fireworks and a fine way to see in the New Year.

In addition to this the craft group met in the clubhouse over the winter months to create some fantastic gifts which were sold at a Christmas get together held at the East Argyll Centre.

Monthly volunteer sessions took place over the autumn and winter months. These were great fun with attendees bringing along food to share, engendering a fantastic community spirit while giving the garden some much needed maintenance.

In another first for the Trust, we welcomed in 3 young people from Wallace High who volunteered for weekly sessions as part of their commitment to attaining their DofE award. This was a great success and the young people quickly became part of the garden community on Saturday mornings.





Delivering an ambitious 30kw solar array in the garden remains our primary infrastructure project for 2020, but has been delayed due to coronavirus. Full funding has been secured, with £38,000 coming from the Green Energy Fund and the Clackmannan and Stirling Environment Trust. The project will allow the garden to go 'off-grid' for all of our energy needs, along with generating a regular income thanks to our successful application to receive a 'feed-in tariff' for the next twenty years.

Our other main infrastructure project in the coming months is to replace the skin on one of our polytunnels, which recently ripped off in a storm.

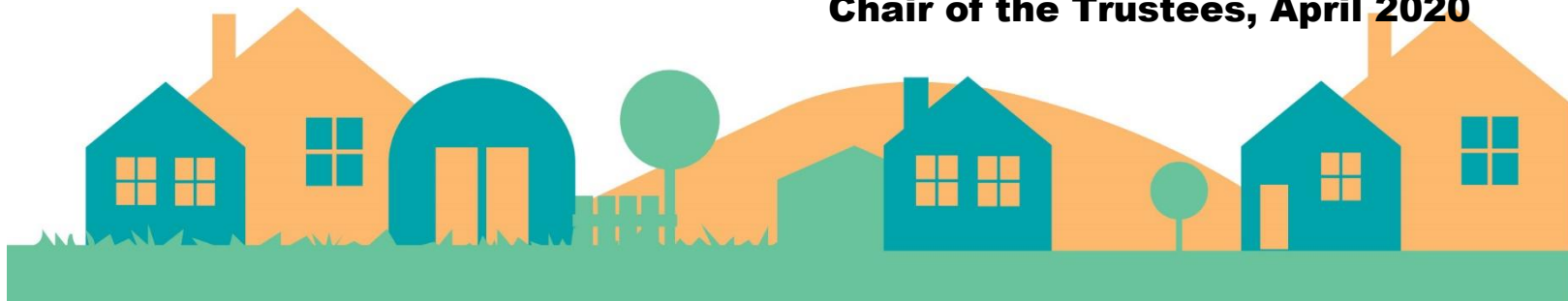
We are also progressing planning for taking on staff to help the Trust achieve its aims in the coming years. A sub-group of Trustees are looking at what we need and how we might fund any positions. I hope that this work will continue next year and bear fruit in 2021.

As we end this year we look towards 2020 with trepidation but also with a strong will to grow and prosper within the community. The Coronavirus pandemic is beginning to take hold and the Trust's focus will temporarily shift towards assisting those most vulnerable within the community. As an 'anchor organisation' we will work with Stirling Council, the third sector and other community groups to ensure those who need help in our community receive it.

We recognise that the community garden will provide a much needed space for physical and mental wellbeing and we are working hard to ensure users can continue to access the facility in a safe way. We will continue to provide opportunities for individuals to grow fresh food, but we will also use any spare capacity to produce crops for community use.

It is clear that the coming year will be very different to what we have experienced so far but I know that our community, and our charity, will rise to the challenges ahead.

**Matthew Power**  
**Chair of the Trustees, April 2020**







## Some of our events and activities in 2019/20

Welcome:



Building the cob oven and then enjoying the result !!!



Bees and bee keepers at work ..... Hens at rest .....







Garden members and volunteers hard at work throughout the year .....



Halloween shenanigans.....



Christmas crafts, hand made with love, laughter and cake by garden members.....





# Annual Accounts

## Notes on the accounts

In year 2019/20, the CDT had:

Income of **£10,116.78**. These funds were raised through two broad areas of operation:

**Fundraising through grant applications for enhancement projects within Braehead Community Garden (£2,328.94).** All of this funding in this year is from Clackmannanshire and Stirling Environment Trust, and came through match funding of elements of our infrastructure projects.

**Operational income associated with Braehead Community Garden**, including the sale of memberships, hire of the facilities to third parties, community events, plant sales and kitchen garden vegetable and fruit sales (**£7,787.84**). New in 2019 was the sale of honey from the garden apiary, this was only £55.95 but it is worth noting that this is the first produce from the bee hives within the garden.

Expenditure of **£10,880.56**. These expenditure were revenue and capital.

**Revenue funds associated with the operation of Braehead Garden (£9,213.68).** These figures have not changed much since last year in terms of what was spent on electricity and internet access - but have increased for toilet costs due to the need for an external hire of a chemical toilet whilst we sourced parts to repair the onsite chemical toilet, and an expected increase in maintenance costs.

**Capital funds associated with infrastructure costs with Braehead Community Garden (£1,666.88).** This was work to improve the layout of the compost area this will increase the production of compost for use within the garden.







## Braehead, Broomridge and District Community Development Trust

### RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS

Year ended 31st March 2020

<u>Receipts</u>		£	<u>Payments</u>		£
Opening balance:	Bank	28,662.41			
	Cash in Hand	75.31			
Add:	General	7,787.84	Deduct	General	9,213.68
	Grants	2,328.94		Grants	1,666.88
				Closing bank balance:	27,970.61
				Cash in Hand	3.33
Total		<u>38,854.50</u>	Total		<u>38,854.50</u>





**Braehead, Broomridge & District CDT**  
**Summary for Financial Year 2019/2020**

	<b>Opening Balance</b>		<b>£28,737.72</b>
held as	Bank accounts:	£28,662.41	
	Future Project Development Fund	£2,278.82	
	Infrastructure Improvement Fund	£3,383.59	
	Polytunnel & raised bed maintenance	£7,000.00	
	General Reserve Fund	£5,000.00	
	BCG Operational Revenue Budget 2019/20	£11,000.00	
	Cash in Hand	£75.31	
	<b>Receipts</b>		<b>£10,116.78</b>
comprising	General	£7,787.84	
	Grants	£2,328.94	
	<b>Payments</b>		<b>£10,880.56</b>
comprising	General	£9,213.68	
	Grants	£1,666.88	
	<b>Closing Balance</b>		<b>£27,973.94</b>
held as	Bank accounts:	£27,970.61	
	Revenue account	£1,276.09	
	Reserve account	£26,694.52	
	allocated to:		
	Future Project Development Fund	£2,970.61	
	Infrastructure Improvement Fund	£2,000.00	
	Polytunnel & raised bed maintenance	£7,000.00	
	General Reserve Fund	£5,000.00	
	BCG Operational Revenue Budget 2020/21	£11,000.00	
	Cash in Hand	£3.33	



## Detailed Summary for Financial Year 2019/2020

		2019/20 Budget		Actual
		Original	Revised	
<b>Receipts</b>	<b>General</b>	<b>£6,900.00</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£7,787.84</b>
	<i>Membership</i>	£3,500.00	-	£3,690.00
	<i>Fob (returnable)</i>	-£100.00	-	-£95.00
	<i>Lets</i>	£100.00	-	£26.00
	<i>Sales : Propagation</i>	£1,600.00	-	£1,818.88
	<i>Events</i>	£500.00	-	£1,382.75
	<i>Sales: Club House Fridge</i>	£200.00	-	£125.17
	<i>Sales: Egg</i>	£1,000.00	-	£584.92
	<i>Flower Show</i>	£0.00	-	£0.00
	<i>Other</i>	£0.00	-	£145.40
	<i>Honey</i>	£100.00	-	£55.95
	<i>Bank Interest</i>	£0.00	-	£53.77
	<b>Grants</b>	<b>£2,200.00</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£2,328.94</b>
	<i>Grants</i>	£2,200.00	-	£2,328.94
<b>RECEIPTS TOTAL</b>		<b>£9,100.00</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£10,116.78</b>

		2019/20 Budget		Actual
		Original	Revised	
<b>Payments</b>	<b>General</b>	<b>£9,100.00</b>	<b>£10,500.00</b>	<b>£9,213.68</b>
	<i>Utilities</i>	£1,200.00	£1,200.00	£1,350.62
	<i>Electricity</i>	£600.00	£600.00	£804.74
	<i>Internet</i>	£600.00	£600.00	£545.88
	<i>Toilet</i>	£600.00	£2,000.00	£2,328.00
	<i>Garden</i>	£600.00	£600.00	£191.80
	<i>Growing</i>	£600.00	£600.00	£191.80
	<i>Communications</i>	£100.00	£100.00	£230.00
	<i>Website</i>	£100.00	£100.00	£230.00
	<i>Office</i>	£300.00	£300.00	£0.00
	<i>Professional</i>	£300.00	£300.00	£428.00
	<i>Insurance and Legal</i>	£200.00	£200.00	£174.00
	<i>Publications and Professional Memberships</i>	£100.00	£100.00	£254.00
	<i>Propagation</i>	£700.00	£700.00	£327.78
	<i>Events</i>	£500.00	£500.00	£601.62
	<i>Club House Fridge</i>	£400.00	£400.00	£201.73
	<i>Club House Others</i>	£200.00	£200.00	£124.47
	<i>Hens</i>	£1,000.00	£1,000.00	£468.83
	<i>Maintenance</i>	£2,000.00	£2,000.00	£2,695.72
	<i>Bees</i>	£250.00	£250.00	£0.00
	<i>Flower Show</i>	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
	<i>Netting</i>	£300.00	£300.00	£200.32
	<i>Pizza Oven</i>	£100.00	£100.00	£64.79
	<b>Grants</b>	<b>£1,500.00</b>	<b>£1,500.00</b>	<b>£1,666.88</b>
	<i>P5 : Compost Area refit</i>	£1,500.00	£1,500.00	£1,666.88
<b>PAYMENTS TOTAL</b>		<b>£10,600.00</b>	<b>£12,000.00</b>	<b>£10,880.56</b>