



## Braehead, Broomridge & District Community Development Trust

# Annual Report Growing Year 2022 & Accounts 1 April 2021—31 March 2022







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 AGM 2022, the Trustees are:

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A copy of the Trust constitution can be obtained from <a href="www.braehead.org">www.braehead.org</a>.

The Trustees can be contacted at the above address or trust@braehead.org







### **OUR MEMBERSHIP**

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 2022 growing year.

This year saw the return of a form of normality within our primary project, Braehead Community Garden. The garden was finally open for the hire of raised beds following two very difficult operational years.

Polytunnel One and Two and a number of outside beds continued to be dedicated to the market garden. During the growing year the growing group produced a bumper harvest in the polytunnels and also from the external market garden. Later in the summer, a range of fresh, healthy, local produce vegetables were available with recipients choosing to leave donations for the produce. This was thanks to the ongoing determination, hard work and generosity of the growing group.

Polytunnel Four was finally opened for raised bed hire and an amazing variety of crops was harvested by those garden members who had hired indoor beds.

A number of open events were held and supported by garden members and local residents. The annual plant sale returned. A bumper harvest from the orchard supported an open to all apple weekend where apples grown in the garden were available to press into apple juice. Apple themed bake competition gave superb baked cakes, etc to enjoy with a well earned cup of tea/coffee. Halloween was once again celebrated in style. The craft group has resumed much to the delight of the those was attended the Xmas craft fayre.

Thanks to funding from the Good Food for All fund we were able to recruit a part time garden development officer who joined us in late May. This person has been a great help to the members for example taken on

- membership process for the garden. For the first time since we opened we have a wait list
- communications, internal and external resulting in regular newsletters and event publicity
- outreach to local employers, nurseries, schools

We are currently exploring funding opportunities to extend the contract period and role.





The hen group continued to work hard to ensure that the hens' welfare was maintained whilst adhering to the DEFRA guidance re avian flu. The hens have been in lock down longer than the humans. A new weather resistant roof has been added to the hen house and run to provide dry conditions for both the hens and the humans. The hens continue to provide a highlight for the local dog walking circuit and many conversations were struck up through the fence with people taking their daily exercise.

The bee keepers has harvested the honey for this year and product honey for the members and local residents to enjoy for a donation.

What continues to be evident is that the garden provides a place where people's mental health and wellbeing could be nurtured. Many used the garden as somewhere peaceful to do their daily exercise or just maintain their own vegetables while having some conversation. This displays the value of the garden as a community resource and our hope is that the Trust and the garden project will play a key role in Braehead and Broomridge's response and recovery from the pandemic.

Gillie Thompson Chair of the Trustees, November 2022







### **Annual Accounts**

Notes on the accounts

In year 2021/22, the CDT had:

Income of £32,182.43. These funds were raised through two broad areas of operation:

Fundraising through grant applications for enhancement projects within Braehead Community Garden (£23,009.61). This funding in this year is from Climate Challenge Fund (Keep Scotland Beautiful), Good Food for All and Communities and Mental Wellbeing Fund.

**Operational income associated with Braehead Community Garden**, including the sale of memberships for year 2021/22, plant sales, honey sales, egg sales, kitchen garden vegetable and fruit sales. The sales of vegetables and plants from the market garden have been very successful and have been a major source of income in this year

Expenditure of £5,826.80. These expenditure were revenue and capital.

Revenue funds associated with the operation of Braehead Garden (£4,504.97). These figures are reduced for this year as the garden day to day operations was impacted by Covid 19 restrictions. Despite the installation of the solar array, there is not yet any revenue as the feed in tariff payments are not due until the new financial year

Capital funds associated with infrastructure costs with Braehead Community Garden (£1,321.83). This was work to complete the build of the fourth polytunnel.

Capital funds associated with the role of Development Officer (Good Food for All Fund) has no associated expenditure as the post was not filled within financial year 2021/22.







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### **RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS**

#### Year ended 31st March 2022

<b>Receipts</b>			£		<b>Payments</b>	£
Opening balance:		Bank	8,042.56			
		Cash in Hand	3.33			
		Conden accepts /				
Add:	General	Garden events / membership	9,172.82	Deduct	General	4,504.97
	Grants	Various	23,009.61		Grants	1,321.83
					Closing bank balance:	34,401.52
					Cash in Hand	-
Total			40,228.32		Total	40,228.32





2021/22 Budget

## Braehead, Broomridge & District CDT Summary for Financial Year 2021/2022

	Opening Balance			£8,045.89
held as	Bank accounts:		£8,042.56	
	Revenue account	£1,066.12		
	Reserve account	£6,976.44		
	allocated to:			
	Future Project Development Fund	£542.56		
	Infrastructure Improvement Fund	£1,000.00		
	Polytunnel & raised bed maintenance	£1,000.00		
	General Reserve Fund	£1,500.00		
	BCG Operational Revenue Budget 2020/21	£4,000.00		
	Cash in Hand		£3.33	
	Receipts			£32,182.43
	General		£9,172.82	
	Grants		£23,009.61	
	Payments			£5,826.80
	General		£4,504.97	,
	Grants		£1,321.83	
	Closing Balance			£34,401.52
held as	Bank accounts:		£34,401.52	,
	Revenue account	£34,401.52		
	allocated to:			
	Future Project Development Fund	£15,021.52		
	Development Officer	£10,200.00		
	Good Food For All Grant	£3,380.00		
	Infrastructure Improvement Fund	£1,000.00		
	Polytunnel & raised bed maintenance	£1,000.00		
	General Reserve Fund	£6,000.00		
	BCG Operational Revenue Budget 2021/22	£8,000.00		
	Cash in Hand		£0.00	

### **Detailed Summary for Financial Year 2021/2022**

		Original	Revised	Actual
Receipts	General	£2,300.00	£0.00	£9,172.82
	Membership	£1000.00	-	£3,751.93
	Fob (returnable)	£0.00	-	£0.00
	Lets	£0.00	-	£0.00
	Propagation Endeavour	£1,000.00	-	£3,854.53
	Events	£0.00	-	£252.53
	Club House Fridge Sales	£0.00	-	£0.00
	Egg Sales	£300.00	-	£996.66
	Flower Show	£0.00	-	£0.00



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	Covid-19	£0.00	7	£0.00
	Miscellaneous	£0.00	_	£0.35
	Honey	£0.00	_	£316.50
	Bank Interest	£0.00	-	£0.00
	Grants	£0.00	£0.00	£23,009.61
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	RECEIPTS TOTAL	£2,300.00	£0.00	£32,182.43
		2020/21 B	2020/21 Budget	
Do 4		Original	Revised	
Payment s	General	£7,450.00	£7,850.00	£6,491.23
	Utilities	£1,000.00	£0.00	£833.78
	Toilet	£1,000.00	-	£363.78
	Garden	£600.00	£0.00	£220.28
	Communications	£100.00	£0.00	£169.51
	Office	£300.00	£0.00	£93.59
	Professional	£300.00	£0.00	£245.04
	Propagation	£700.00	-	£645.98
	Events	£0.00	-	£0.00
	Club House Fridge	£100.00	-	£30.26
	Club House Others	£100.00	-	£86.85
	Hens	£1,000.00	-	£689.96
	Maintenance	£1,000.00	-	£1,075.61
	Bees	£200.00	-	£24.90
	Flower Show	£0.00	-	£0.00
	Netting	£0.00	_	£0.00
	Hen Run Roof	£250.00	_	£0.00
	Covid-19	£0.00	-	£14.99
	Craft Group	£200.00	-	£10.44
	Grants	£14,000.00	£0.00	£1,321.83
	P1 : Development Officer	£10,000.00	-	£0.00
	P2 : Polytunnel Four	£0.00	-	£701.60
	P6 : Good Food For All	£4,000.00	-	£620.23
	PAYMENTS TOTAL	£20,850.00	£0.00	£5,826.80

