

The Trust Can Help

Looking for support or help with a project?
Have an idea for improving our town?

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Request an application form
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**Blairgowrie & Rattray
Development Trust Ltd**
One Voice for the Community

A Community-led Organisation

Helping to create a thriving and attractive town,
with a strong sense of community and identity,
appealing to those who live, work and visit.

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About The Trust

Blairgowrie and Rattray Development Trust Ltd is managed by volunteer trustees and two part-time staff funded by the Scottish Government - Strengthening Communities Programme.

One Voice is an integral part of the Trust run by volunteers who manage the popular Booklore shop, where they also provide information to all comers about the many attractions in the local area. This group publishes the quarterly Hub Magazine and supports many other projects including fundraising.

Our Purpose

The Trust works alongside local people, community groups, business and the local authority towards these shared aims:

- Blairgowrie and Rattray is recognised and renowned for its attractive public spaces, accessibility and conscientious environmental approach
- There is a strong sense of community wellbeing and resilience
- More people live, work and spend in the town
- Local activities increase to promote sustainable use of natural resources
- Community involvement increases; acting as one towards common purposes
- The community is a widely recognised centre for arts, crafts, leisure, and outdoor pursuits
- More people choose to visit all year-round
- The history and culture of the local area becomes widely known to residents, and visitors alike

The Work Of The Trust

- Ensuring the priorities in the *Community Action Plan* are delivered; and that it is reviewed and updated on a regular basis with progress reported to the community
- Delivering Trust services, managing projects and launching initiatives
- Supporting and assisting community groups, individuals and volunteers to deliver their projects and proposals
- Raising community awareness of the exceptional local environment, culture, heritage and history
- Working with Government agencies, Perth & Kinross Council and other bodies for sustainable and enduring improvements in the town

Priority Projects For 2019

- Build a sustainable development network; creating a shared vision and common purpose through partnership working with community groups and businesses
- Produce a project management plan to support the establishment of an accessible vibrant community hub

The Trust will also work with associated groups, businesses and organisations to:

- Enhance and develop a sustainable local environment
- Plan, design and create a permanent home for a heritage/cultural centre
- Develop the riverside area to make the best use of the town's greatest environmental asset
- Continue to provide households, businesses and communities with independent energy saving advice through the HEAT Project