

Cardenden Community Development Forum

Scotland · Charity number SC045024

Details

Status	Active
Legal form	Unincorporated association
Registered	2014-07-30
Register	View on the OSCR register

Contact

Address	Easter Bowhill Farm Cardenden Lochgelly Fife KY5 0HB
Website	www.digitalfife.com/Index.asp?MainID=10777

Activities

Activities: 'It makes grants, donations or gifts to organisations', 'It carries out activities or services itself'

Purposes: 'the advancement of citizenship or community development'

What the charity does: Cardenden Community Development Forum is set up to carry out the action points set out in our current action plan to make Cardenden a better place to live in through the proceeds of our Community Shop and applications to grant bodies we are able to support the many voluntary groups in the village.

Beneficiaries: 'No specific group, or for the benefit of the community'

Objectives: The objectives of the Forum are: - To consult with and represent the needs and aspirations of the community and to lobby and work with private, statutory and voluntary bodies to take any action as appropriate. - To promote and develop community action. - To be a means whereby the community is able to voice opinions on local matters, which affect their lives and wellbeing. - To raise and hold money and other resources (including lease of premises) necessary for fulfilment of the above, including grant funding. - To promote well being and quality of life throughout the community area. - To do all such other lawful things as are necessary for the achievement of the objects

Geography

- **Main operating location:** Fife
- **Geographical spread:** A specific local point, community or neighbourhood

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£41,936	£35,977	-	0
2024-03-31	£20,073	£26,958	-	0
2023-03-31	£25,060	£30,062	-	0
2022-03-31	£22,403	£27,803	-	0
2021-03-31	£25,201	£16,361	-	0

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Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date				Period end date			
From	Day	Month	Year	To	Day	Month	Year
	01	04	2024		31	03	2025

Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator

Reference and administration details

Charity name	Cardenden Community Development Forum
Other names charity is known by	
Registered charity number	SC045024
Charity's principal address	c/o Bowhill Community Centre 145 Station Road Cardenden Fife Postcode KY5 0BW

Names of the charity trustees on date of approval of Trustees' Annual Report

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1		Chair	.	
2		Secretary		
3		Treasurer		
4		Vice Chair	From 10.06.24	
5		Member		
6		Member		
7		Member		
8		Member	From 10.06.24	
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Reference and administration details

Names of all other charity trustees during the period, if any, (for example, those who resigned part way through the financial period)

Name

Dates acted if not for whole year

Structure, governance and management

Type of governing document

Cardenden Community Development Forum is a charitable unincorporated association and the purposes and administration arrangements are set out in our Constitution.

Trustee recruitment and appointment

Objectives and activities

Charitable purposes

To consult with and represent the needs and aspirations of the community and to lobby and work with private, statutory and voluntary bodies to take any action as appropriate
To promote and develop community action
To be a means whereby the community is able to voice opinions on local matters that affect their lives and well-being

Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects

As the driving force behind the Cardenden Community Action Plan we run a community shop in the village. All profits are used to support Community groups and projects.
This is only one of many priorities in the plan that was developed after extensive consultation and participatory budgeting processes.
We report back to the community at the Village Fair in August.

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the financial period

The Community Shop opened in January 2016 continues to raise money to enable the forum to continue to carry out improvements to our village. This year has been another challenging one with a drop in income.

The trustees made the decision to reduce donation amount from £250 to £150 until shop profits increase. Over the year we were able to make donations to support 9 local community groups including:- 4th Fife Scout Group, Walking Group, Cardenden Parent Council, Village Fair, Bonfire Committee, Highland Games, Cardenden Nursery, Cardenden Youthwork and [REDACTED] Memorial Committee.

T2TT (Tots to Teens Togs): continues to support young families with free clothing and referrals to the Rainbow Pot have continued throughout the period.

Small Information Plaques/ Benches: plaques detailing places of local historical interest have been placed at various places in village to generate discussion. In conjunction with the local history group, we have placed a plaque at the Smiddy, Woodend and are the process of arranging a plaque on a cairn at the site of Dundonald Pit and the Double Block.

Information booklet: 2000 copies of the A5 booklet were distributed to all households in the village. The information booklet will be updated annually and copies available in the Community Shop, the library, community centres and schools in addition to digital copies.

Village Fair: Unfortunately, the 2024 Village Fair had to be cancelled due to bad weather. We normally report back to the community at this event and award the Community Champion of the year. This took place the next month at the Highland Games.

Highland Games: Continues to thrive and will hold their 5th Highland Games on the 14th of September.2025.

Cardenden Walking Group: have continued their weekly walks in the local area and several further afield. They have been busy upgrading local paths. They have produced an information leaflet on the Bowhill Woodland.

Former institute- 2024 saw the completion of this project turning the former institute into ten flats. OVHA have been commended for the high standard of this build being nominated for an architectural award. The forum members were delighted to attend a viewing of the completed flats before they were occupied.

History group- continue to meet on a Tuesday evening. They have helped with information plaques for the village. They have also repaired and renewed information cairn at Carden Tower and site of Last Duel in Scotland.

4th Fife Scout Group- 2024 finally saw the group complete the build of their new Scout Hall on Orebank Road their old hall was destroyed by a fire in February 2019. The group appreciated help received from the Forum over the six years.

Floral enhancements- in 2024 the Environment Group in conjunction with Cardenden Community Council ensured hanging baskets in addition to boxes on railings decorated the village.

Christmas lights- the Environment Group applied for funding for 2024 lights and we continue to support when required.

Dunc's View and Gammie Place area- we have continued to monitor this area and with the help of the community payback team it is being well kept. Fife Council have planted a Christmas Tree there and this will be the focus for Christmas Lights in 2025.

Mural at Wallsgreen Park Entrance wall- We now have stunning murals on both sides of the Entrance wall – The Youth Forum designed and worked on it alongside Artist Donna Forrester.

Action Plan: our action plan was started with a 'Cardenden Can' public event in August where we ascertained what the community wanted – the information gathered is being used to compile our next action plan which we look forward to publishing in the next few months.

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Our account balance at the end of the year is **£45174.85**
Of this **£35,278.33** is restricted. With £8,000 being reserved for Shop Expenses.

Unrestricted funds = **£9896.52**

Details of any deficit

N/A

Donated facilities and services (if any)

Good quality items have been donated from members of the public to help us run the community shop.

Donated Items of children's clothing are used for the Tots to Teens Togs (T2TT) project which gives items of clothing to families.

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(

Full name(

Position (e.g. Chair)

CHAIR

VICE CHAIR

Date

26/5/2025

