

## Trees for Our Future Trustees' Annual Report 14<sup>th</sup> October 2021 to 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022

### Trees for our Future Trustees



#### What Trees for Our Future is set up to do

Trees for Our Future is an inclusive environmental charity and we see that planting and growing trees is vital for everyone's future. We hope to make the world a better place by helping people to do something positive for the benefit of themselves and the natural environment.

As a charity and in the work that we propose to do Trees for Our Future believes in;

- Sustainability
- Cooperation
- Inclusivity

We want to work together with anyone interested in our work and we want the benefits of this work to continue for as long as possible into the future.

We believe that by coming together as a community we can make a difference to our quality of life and that by doing relatively small things we can make long-lasting improvements to the natural environment.

After talking to local environmental groups Trees for Our Future found that their initial aim of planting trees with community groups was already being covered by many other groups in Fife. We felt that rather than pursuing this possible course of action further we would investigate other options to support groups already planting trees in our locality. This led to the idea of community tree boxes.

#### **Community Tree Boxes**

This exciting project has the potential to get people working together to grow and to care for tree seedlings. Tree boxes are small tree nurseries designed to be suitable for shared community spaces like schools, social clubs and churches. When the trees are more mature, they can be planted out in the community or could be given to local tree planting projects. Tending to young seedlings supplied with our tree boxes can lead to a real connection and commitment to the trees of our future.

Trees For our Future have made initial plans of how these boxes could be produced using reclaimed materials.

#### Reasons why activities are yet to commence

Trees for Our Future has made some initial enquiries and applications for funding of it's activities during this period however activities are yet to commence. This has been due to the other work commitments of the trustees as well as ill health - [REDACTED] has chronic fatigue as a result of long-covid and this has significantly limited his capacity for voluntary work.

