

Scottish Land Fund Grants Approved to Date

07/01/2003

Applicant Organisation	Project Description	Assistance	SLF Grant
Kinlochleven Land Development Trust	<p>Employment of a project manager and administrative support to implement phase II of the Kinlochleven Regeneration Strategy. The initial focus will be on the transfer of land from Alcan to the community and the efficient management of that land to provide a sustainable economic future for the village of Kinlochleven. Following the land transfer the Trust will implement a number of key infrastructure projects to assist in the development of the economic base of the village to a diverse, sustainable sectorial mix.</p>	<p>Development</p> <p>Year 1 Year 2 Year 3</p>	<p>30,000 30,000 30,000</p>
Laggan Forest Trust Forestry Co. Ltd.	<p>Employment of a project manager to pursue the second phase of the Trust's development of the woodland, the generation of income from selected developments to contribute towards its future operation. Income generating projects and small businesses will be developed in the Strathmashie forest to give the Trust both financial stability and to fulfil its objectives of stimulating the local economy. The project manager will lead the process of identifying, researching and progressing projects with income generating potential.</p>	<p>Development</p> <p>Year 1 Year 2 Year 3</p>	<p>23,700 24,383 25,089</p>
Comrie Millennium Footpath Association	<p>To create a 1450 metre circular, hard surface footpath suitable for use by wheel chair users and the less able. The route will include rest areas, picnic facilities, a sensory area and viewpoints. Assistance is now sought which will contribute to the legal fees to agree and draw up a management agreement between CMFA and each of the three landowners, the design of bridges and walkways, a planning application and the preparation and assessment of tender documents.</p>	<p>Technical</p>	<p>4,381</p>

Woodhead/Windyhills Community Group	<p>The site which the group intends to acquire is designated a SSSI due to its unique national and international geological interest. Technical assistance is being sought to do a forestry assessment, an interpretation strategy and a community consultation. These exercises will feed the development of a business plan to support the acquisition of the site by a suitably formed company. Legal advice, risk and safety assessments will also be developed as this project will be very much aimed at providing a significant site of geological interest in balance with public amenity.</p>	Technical	9,415						
Fernaig Community Trust	<p>This project has both revenue and a capital development aspects. Revenue assistance is being sought to fund a project officer over three years to develop projects associated with the trusts land at Fernaig and forest management agreement at Stromeferry. Capital assistance is being sought to provide new vehicular access comprising a road and a bridge to the Fernaig land acquisition area. Capital assistance will also support the replacement/creation of fencing of the Fernaig land area.</p>	Development	<table border="1"> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="1783 732 1865 756">Year 1</td> <td data-bbox="1966 732 2051 756">28,692</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="1783 764 1865 788">Year 2</td> <td data-bbox="1966 764 2051 788">14,552</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="1783 798 1865 821">Year 3</td> <td data-bbox="1966 798 2051 821">14,552</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Year 1	28,692	Year 2	14,552	Year 3	14,552
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Deskford and District Community Association	<p>This project involves Deskford and District Community Association acquiring two strips of land adjacent to their existing community hall. The consolidation of the landholding would allow them to demolish two derelict buildings on the site (including the old village hall). It would also allow them to make use of an additional property to extend their existing facilities. The environment of the entire site would be improved by demolishing the derelict building, landscaping the cleared area and creating additional car parking to reduce congestion on the public road at busy times.</p>	Acquisition	12,000						

Port of Ness Harbour Limited	Acquisition of a key site overlooking the Port of Ness Harbour to enable its development as a community facility. An innovative design is planned for the site. It will be called the Shore View Pavilion and will have a shape reminiscent of the marine craft of the area. The pavilion will be a multi use building accommodating a tea-room, exhibition area, retail area, public toilets, changing rooms, shower facilities and office accommodation for the community company. The car park and surrounding land will be landscaped, including the use of local stone walls.	Acquisition	4,168
Burghead Amenities Project	Acquisition of 0.21 hectares of land in the village of Burghead to enable optimal development of a community facility and amenity space. A community centre is planned, which will use an existing old railway station building as the entrance and extend behind the station over part of the land associated with this application. The remainder of the new land will be developed for children's play, sports and outdoor amenity.	Acquisition	19,108
Mull and Iona Community Trust	Acquisition of the only remaining Butcher's Shop on the Island of Mull. The shop will be run by a new community company which the Mull and Iona Community Trust will establish for this purpose. This retail outlet is seen as strategically essential to the viability of the islands only abattoir. The shop, in the islands main town, Tobermory intends to add value to the locally raised product and will be an integral part in the Mull meat marketing project.	Acquisition	33,268
Ross of Mull Historical Centre	Acquisition of the Old Mill in Buessan, Isle of Mull for restoration	Acquisition	52,907

and conversion into a permanent base for the Ross of Mull Historical Centre. The group researches, educates, interprets and entertains residents and visitors in the local genealogy, social and built heritage, Gaelic language, natural heritage, geology and archaeology of the Ross. The group are also involved in facilitating access to and interpretation of many sites of interest throughout the Ross of Mull. The groups' work provides a unique window on how the land use on the Ross has shaped the landscape and social structures evident today.

Isle of Eigg Heritage Trust	This project will produce a detailed study to identify renewable energy sources across the Island of Eigg. The study will establish clusters of demand, potential sources associated with those clusters, the wishes of the residents and will produce a provisional plan and costings for the development of these resources in line with the residents wishes.	Technical	3,375
Balmacara Square Management Committee	The technical assistance will enable the Balmacara Management Committee to assess the potential for the community to either acquire or establish a management agreement over the Forest Enterprise campsite at Balmacara, by Kyle of Lochalsh.	Technical	964
Glen Beag Woodland	The project involves conducting a feasibility study into the prospect of the community taking ownership of a 410 acre woodland in Glen Beag by Glenelg, Lochalsh.	Technical	300
Abriachan Forest Trust	The project represents a second major phase in the Trust's woodland development plans and aims to improve the structure and biodiversity of the forest, and to extend and upgrade recreational and access facilities	Development	94,000

for both locals and visitors. This is designed to take advantage of the opening of the Great Glen Way through the area and to create local employment within the woodland.

Durness Development Group	This project involves Durness Development Group acquiring a semi-detached house in the village of Durness to provide a youth facility, an administration centre for local groups and an office base for public agencies. Acquisition will assist the community work towards reducing their disadvantage through co-ordination of local initiatives and service provision.	Acquisition	15,670
Woodhead & Windyhills Community Group	The proposed project involves acquisition of Windyhills Wood by Woodhead/Windyhills Community Group to conserve the site for scientific, environmental and amenity objectives, and to ensure that this important asset is sustainably managed for the local community.	Acquisition	90,000
Tiree Rural Development Limited	The proposal is to build a purpose designed rural centre to address several complimentary needs identified by the community as either essential to or very supportive of, the sustainability of the community on Tiree.	Development	50,000
Kilchoman Community Group	This grant assistance will contribute towards the costs of a feasibility study and business plan preparation relating to the potential community purchase of 20 hectares of land adjacent to the village of Port Charlotte, Islay.	Technical	1,536

Gordon Community Woodland Association	This technical assistance grant to the Gordon Community Woodland Association will be used to examine the feasibility of purchasing and managing Kircal Wood as a community woodland. The woodland extends to 85 hectares. It includes an area of Scots pine and newly planted broadleaf species.	Technical	720
Isle of Eigg Heritage Trust	This initiative causes the installation of a localised hydro-electric power station, capable of generating sufficient power to satisfy five homes in the community of Kildonnan on the Isle of Eigg. This will bring reliable, environmentally sustainable power to 14 of the islands 70 inhabitants.	Development	20,310
Ballantrae Rural Initiative Care in the Community	This project is aims to acquire the second half of a semi-detached house in Ballantrae for the Ballantrae Rural Initiative Care in the Community. The group already own the adjoining property and intend to develop the two properties in support of expanding the services which they deliver for elderly residents in the Ballantrae area.	Acquisition	26,690
Gigha Community Land Steering Group	This assistance will enable the community on the Isle of Gigha to commission consultants to carry out feasibility studies into the viability of a community bid for the island. The work will address the agriculture, housing, tourism and other business potential of the island.	Technical	2,974
Isle of Eigg Heritage Trust	This project will provide funding for a part time company secretary and full time project development officer for the trust over a period of three years. The main objectives of the posts will be to secure the sustainable development of the island through the development of infrastructure and revenue earning projects in balance with the local environment.	Development	
		Year 1	12,368
		Year 2	24,691
		Year 3	25,460

Kells Croft Steering Group	This project involves the acquisition of Croft No. 7, Armadale, Sutherland. The community intend to develop the derelict croft house into a local heritage centre and utilise the land for a camping site for tourists and a putting green for locals and tourists.	Acquisition	12,475
Gigha Community Land Steering Group	This project, the largest to date for the Scottish Land Fund, involves the community purchase of the Isle of Gigha, just West of the Kintyre peninsula. The group have had feasibility studies conducted, consulted comprehensively within the community and now voted in a secret ballot to pursue a bid to acquire the island.	Acquisition	3,525,000
Fernaig Community Trust	This project will secure a community office with meeting and display space as well as storage space for community tools. A further storage space will be rented out to provide an operating income for the office.	Acquisition	11,873
North Sutherland Community Forest Trust	NSCFT wish to establish a management agreement with Forest Enterprise over Naver Forest and to pursue ownership of Borgie Forest, in order to increase economic activity in the North Sutherland area. The costs associated with the project are predominately legal fees with some subsistence support for the applicant.	Technical	1,491
Howwood Community Woodland Group	This project involves commissioning a valuation survey of Midtown Wood in Howwood – a village south west of Paisley. The ten-acre site of semi-natural woodland is at the centre of the village, and generated considerable community interest when it was put on the market.	Technical	485

Strathnairn Community Woodland Project	This project involves the Strathnairn Community Woodland Project commissioning consultants to investigate the potential for a community buy-out of two areas of woodland. The overall aim of the study is to determine if the woods can be run as a well-managed sustainable resource for the benefit of the community of Strathnairn and its environs.	Technical	1,151
Howwood Community Woodland Group	This project is to acquire the 10 acre Midtown Wood in Howwood, Renfrewshire. The group who previously received technical assistance from the Fund, intend to develop the woodland for amenity. This application was expedited through a fast track process to enable the group to be in a position to bid for the woodlands in an auction.	Acquisition	13,870
Acharacle Community Company	The project involves Acharacle Community Co. acquiring Acharacle Post Office, which comprises a post office, general store, tea-room and a private dwelling house. The applicant proposes to lease the post office/ general store and tea-room businesses to private operators, and to provide Lochaber Housing Association with a 20-year let for the dwelling house.	Acquisition	96,420
Iomairt Chille-Choman	This grant assistance will contribute towards the acquisition of a 20ha parcel of land adjacent to Port Charlotte, Islay. Acquisition will protect the current community amenity use and enable further developments for the amenity of locals and the enhancement of tourism facilities on Islay.	Acquisition	30,358
Trossachs Community Trust	This will enable the acquisition of a village centre green space for amenity	Acquisition	20,000

and tourist information development. The space will also be used for outside accommodation associated with village hall events and provide a site for a safe bus shelter for villagers.

Mid Deeside Limited	This technical assistance is for the group to develop a management plan for the 4 ha Ladywood forest, Aboyne, with a view to establishing community ownership. The funding will also provide an independent valuation of the woodland.	Technical	3,665
Mid Deeside Limited	This will fund technical assistance for the group to develop a project plan for the development of the 110 ha Bellwood forest for recreation purposes. The funding will also provide an independent valuation of the woodland.	Technical	4,350
Distillery Wood Association	The Distillery Wood Association plan to undertake a feasibility study to determine the viability of the local community purchasing and managing the Distillery Wood at Tomatin, 17 miles south of Inverness.	Technical	940
Highland Perthshire Communities Land Trust	This project involves providing technical assistance to investigate the feasibility of a community acquisition of Dun Coillich near Glengoulandie.	Technical	2,910
Strichen Community Park	Strichen Community Park Company commissioning a valuation of a piece of ground adjacent to their existing park.	Technical	176

Gordon Community Woodland Association	This project involves the purchase of Kircal wood, Gordon by the community. The primary objectives relate to amenity and conservation opportunities. The property is an area of mixed woodland extending to 85 hectares. The majority was planted in 1992 under a Woodland Grant Scheme and consists of mixed broadleaf.	Acquisition	69,971
North Ronaldsay Trust	This project involves the North Ronaldsay Trust acquiring North Ronaldsay Lighthouse Buildings. Following acquisition the Trust will renovate the the properties to provide a number of new facilities on the island.	Acquisition	50,835
Isle of Gigha Heritage Trust	This project is to provide funding for a Development Manager for the island of Gigha for a three year period. The funding will pay for a salary and all burdens and also for the establishment and running of an office from which to operate.	Development	
		Year 1	33,600
		Year 2	28,200
		Year 3	28,200
Anagach Woods Steering Group	Anagach Woods Steering Group require assistance towards commissioning a valuation of the Anagach Wood, adjacent to the village of Grantown on Spey. The applicant has undertaken local consultation and submitted quotes for the required work	Technical	399
Laggan Forest Trust Forestry Company Limited	This project involves a feasibility study into the development of a "Forest Pavilion" at Strathmashie Forest, Laggan.	Technical	1,000
Anagach Woods Steering Group	This funding will allow the Anagach Wood Steering Group to commission a feasibility study for the acquisition of Anagach Woods, adjacent to	Technical	799

Grantown-on-Spey.

Hoswick Visitor Centre Acquisition	This project is to acquire the Hoswick Visitor Centre in Sandwick on the South Shetland Mainland. The centre will be redeveloped and improved as part of an integrated Sandwick project pursuing the interpretation of the natural, social and cultural heritage of the area for the benefit of locals and visitors to the area.	Acquisition	25,265
Kingsburgh Woods Acquisition	This project will enable the Acquisition of two blocks of forest on the Kingsburgh township in the North of Skye. The forests cover some 178 ha. The group plan to develop the forests for amenity and interpretation as well as for their commercial value. All profits from activity will be used to further other community projects.	Acquisition	148,805
Loch Katrine Community Trust	This funding will allow the Loch Katrine Community Trust to be formed. The Trust aspires to be selected by West of Scotland Water to be the Land Management entity for the Loch Katrine catchment basin.	Technical	961
Anagach Woods Trust	This will allow 944 acres of mature forest to pass into community control. The wood, established concurrent with the establishment of Grantown, will be developed for tourism and amenity as well as for limited sustainable timber production.	Acquisition	724,125
Killin Care Trust	Acquisition of a residential care home in the village of Killin. This grant will allow care services for the elderly in the village to continue under the management of the community based Trust.	Acquisition	90,400

Sandbank Community Development Trust	The purchase of 0.8 acres of derelict ground, for the development of an amenity area in Ardnadam.	Acquisition	3,300
West Highland Housing Association	Acquisition of 4 former school teachers houses, 2 on Tiree and 2 on Mull, for the development of social housing.	Acquisition	114,955
Iomairt Chille-Choman	Funding of a part time Development Officer for a 2 year period, to implement a series of development projects.	Development	
		Year 1	12,758
		Year 2	10,283
Culag Community Woodland Trust	Funding of a Development Officer, for a 3 year period to drive forward development projects in the Culag Wood and little Assynt Estate.	Development	
		Year 1	23,217
		Year 2	22,209
		Year 3	22,692
Ranachan Community Project Steering Group	Acquisition of a 1,800 acre croft in Strontian, West Lochaber.	Acquisition	142,289
Keose & Glebe Community Association	Multifaceted project, including the acquisition of a development plot adjacent to the pier, access rights to the new pier, acquisition of a former mission house adjacent to the pier, and acquisition of a plot of land on which to develop a children's playground.	Acquisition	4,324
Laide & Aultbea Community Woodland Group	Technical assistance to establish the viability of a community purchase of the Laide Forest.	Technical	305

Cromarty Hall Association	Acquisition of a development plot adjacent to the Cromarty Hall in South Ronaldsay, Orkney, for the development of a hall extension and amenity space.	Acquisition	3,448
Callander Youth Project	Acquisition of the upper two floors of a former hotel for conversion to a youth facility serving the 16 to 25 year age group in Callander and the surrounding area.	Acquisition	69,720
North Harris Community Steering Group	Technical assistance for North Harris Community Trust to establish the viability of a community acquisition of the North Harris estate.	Technical	3,494
Fort Augustus Abbey	Assistance to commission a valuation, to incorporate the new company and other legal costs for the acquisition of the building for further development.	Technical	2,000
Maxton 21	Legal fees, associated with the community acquisition of land adjacent to the village hall in Maxton.	Technical	392
Roths Council	Acquisition of a building on the High Street of Roths in which to continue development of the group's Visitor centre and Resource Centre services.	Acquisition	19,661
Roths Council	Acquisition of a village edge site on which to develop a nature trail for visitor and community enjoyment. The local primary school will also exploit the resource for environmental awareness education.	Acquisition	9,748

Paxton Village Green Charitable Trust	Acquisition of a piece of land in the centre of Paxton on which to develop a village green.	Acquisition	10,000
Rannoch and Tummel Community Venture	Acquisition of the Post Office and a parcel of land opposite on which to develop a petrol station.	Acquisition	46,116
Loch Ewe and Gairloch Enterprise	Acquisition of a woodland for development as an amenity for the tourists and the local community. The land also includes two sites with full planning permission for dwelling houses.	Acquisition	54,207
Loch Katrine Community Trust	Technical assistance to carry out agricultural and tourism feasibility studies of the Garrison Farm at Inversnaid with a view to making an offer to purchase.	Technical	3,745
Birse Community Trust	Technical assistance to allow the Birse Community Trust to take forward three projects; the negotiation of a sale and leaseback of Slewdrum Forest, valuation and negotiation for the Finzean Old School and land adjacent to the Finzean Mill to act as an area for stacking timber, parking vehicles and to site a toilet block.	Technical	3,135
Dalmally Community Company	Acquisition of a 2.5 hectare site on the outskirts of the village of Dalmally for the development of a community centre and playing fields.	Acquisition	34,720

Auldearn Community Trust	Purchase of 3.75 hectares of land adjacent to the Auldearn Primary school to extend the school's limited playing field and provide a recreation facility for the whole village.	Acquisition	8,010
Bedrule Village Hall Trust	Acquisition of the Bedrule Village Hall to ensure its continuing availability to the community. The range of activities carried out in the hall will also be extended in particular more activities and services for the young are planned.	Acquisition	28,169
North Sutherland Community Forest Trust	Acquisition of two industrial units on a 2 hectare site at Forsinain, Sutherland. The buildings cover 17550 ft2 and will be developed as a timber processing facility for the Group's own timber interests and as a service to others in the area.	Acquisition	26,876
Mid Deeside Limited	This project involves the acquisition of the Bellwood forest near Aboyne in Aberdeenshire. This follows an earlier technical assistance award to the group.	Acquisition	123,444
Colonsay Community Development Company	Colonsay Petrol Station acquisition will be achieved with this assistance.	Acquisition	6,750
Bernera Community Association Limited	Bernera Petrol Station site acquisition will be achieved with this assistance.	Acquisition	1,437
Mid Deeside Limited	Technical assistance to establish a 99 year management agreement over the Ladywood forest near Aboyne in Aberdeenshire.	Technical	898

Comrie Millennium Footpath Association	This assistance covers legal fees and a feasibility study of the creation of a conservation wetland area for Lednock Wood.	Technical	3,242
LUCE 2000	This will fund valuation of land and fishing rights at Whitefields Loch.	Technical	278
Birse Community Trust	This project will assist BCT to purchase Finzean Old School and Birse Church Hall for the benefit of residents of the Parish of Birse. It will strengthen the asset base of the community and increase the community development potential of both sites.	Acquisition	95,450
Strathfillan Community Development Trust	This grant assistance will contribute towards the acquisition of a 1.10ha parcel of land within the village of Tyndrum. The land is a mature woodland, locally known as the 'Shelterbelt'. It will be developed for local and visitor amenity.	Acquisition	5,979
Maud Village Trust	This grant will provide technical assistance to establish the feasibility of the Maud community taking ownership of the former mart site in the centre of the village to be redeveloped to provide facilities and services for the community.	Technical	3,475
Woods of Resolis Trust	This grant will enable the Rosolis community to make a bid for a 92 hectare mixed woodland and meadowland farm on the Black Isle. The property will be developed to deliver amenity and conservation objectives.	Acquisition	123,248
Stornoway Angling Association Limited	This grant will allow SAAL to commission consultants to survey the River Creed	Technical	1,859

	River system and generate development plans and a business plan to improve the sport fishing resource.		
Balmaclellan Village Hall	This will provide legal assistance to secure title to land that forms part of the plot on which the Balmaclellan Village Hall is located.	Technical	789
Dornie Community Projects Group	Acquisition of a development plot at the pedestrian entrance to the village of Dornie, for development as an amenity and village interpretation space.	Acquisition	11,824
Maud Village Trust	Acquisition of the former Maud auction mart site for multi use redevelopment.	Acquisition	47,500
Strachur & District Community Development Company Limited	Acquisition of a site within the village for development as a sports facility. This is the first of two parcels of land that the community wish to develop for sport.	Acquisition	19,190
Luce 2000	Acquisition of riparian woodlands and fishing rights on Whitefields Loch.	Acquisition	19,144
Strathnairn Community Woodland Project	Acquisition of the School and Milton woods in Strathnairn.	Acquisition	56,946
Callander Woodland Link	This award will allow the group to assess the feasibility of community management of two areas of woodland, Callander Crags and Coilhallan Wood.	Technical	8,825

Dunnet Forestry Trust	This grant will fund employment of a project officer over three years and also contribute to the capital costs of constructing hard standing, forestry equipment and tools and an all terrain vehicle.	Development	35,640
Strichen Community Park Company	Acquisition of 7.5 acres of derelict industrial land to be developed to compliment the existing Strichen Country Park.	Acquisition	67,343
Slockavullin Community Group	This grant assistance will contribute towards the acquisition of a 0.25ha parcel of land known as the village green, Slockavullin.	Acquisition	3,286
Fernaig Community Trust	Recruitment of a consultant to carry out a feasibility into the construction of a café/shop and interpretation centre at the viewpoint above Stromeferry.	Technical	1,000
Drumbowie Environment Action Group	This project provides the legal assistance to effect the transfer of ownership of 30 acres of land into community ownership, for further amenity & environmental development.	Acquisition	786
Torwood Community Woodland Group	Feasibility study relating to a possible community purchase of the 114 hectare Torwood Forest near Falkirk.	Technical	2,717
Braes Community Foreshore Steering Group	Feasibility study into the benefits of pursuing community ownership of a 17 km section of foreshore on the East Coast of the Isle of Skye.	Technical	580

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