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Dunfermline Greenspace Forum

What activity did you run?

Dunfermline Greenspace hosted our first climate action fair at Baldridgeburn Community Centre. We had interactive sessions, films, workshops and stalls from various local community groups including Baldridgeburn Community Garden and Pantry, Cosy Kingdom, The Sanctuary Garden, Fife Climate Hub, Plastic Free Dunfermline, Fife Council and Fife Voluntary Action and a Climate Reality Truth in Ten talk.

The aim of the fair was to get everyone talking about climate action in a fun and friendly way. We had interactive sessions and hints and tips on how everyone can take small steps to become greener and help Dunfermline reach net-zero by 2045.

Who were your main audience?

We targeted local Dunfermline community groups and residents. We also visitors from as far as Kirkcaldy. We hosted six stalls, ran two workshops, one Truth in Ten talk and screened two films. 49 people visited the fair.

What did you learn?

Things that went well: The Front Room at Baldridgeburn was a good size for the amount of stall holders and the set up worked for the event. There was a good variety of community groups represented with each having something different to communicate to visitors.

The workshops being run in a different room also worked well, but the room was quite far away from the rest of the events making it feel a little disconnected. There was good engagement between the stall holders and a nice community feel to the event.

Things to improve next time: Look at a more central venue with a greater footfall to attract more visitors. Promote the workshops earlier. Spend more on advertising the event. Approach craft/food vendors earlier. Many were interested but already had commitments on the day of the event.

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Has your project increased your community's capacity to tackle the climate emergency?

We received great feedback from the visitors to the fair – they were particularly engaged with the workshops and the information from Adaptation Scotland. The focus was very much on what individuals can do and how if we all make a small effort it assists the greater challenges.

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