

## Small Grant Fund Case Study

# Milton and Coaltown of Balgonie Community Council

### What activity did you run?

We delivered a variety of events which were well attended. The first event was our community litter pick. We also organised a guided walk which was attended by both adults and children from the local area.

Organising this event it has generated an ongoing project at the Bleachfields, which is a large area of meadow, approximately ten hectares. We have written a document showing where the biodiversity needs improving and what we can do to bring back insects, wildlife and plants. We also held a consultation on delivering a project to create an orchard for the public to come along and help themselves to fresh fruit.

Both of the above projects will continue in the years ahead. We closed our schedule of events with our Climate Day Fayre. We had a variety of stall holders such as Cosy Kingdom, Fife Council, Thermomix and The Eco Hub. There was also a Bleachfields information stall, book swap stall, bulbs & seed swap stall.

### Who were your main audience?

Approximately 200 people attended from the local villages. This was a mix of adults and children.

### What did you learn?

We were amazed to learn that so many local people did not know that they had a meadow right on their doorstep. This project has opened the community to be more involved and so many people want to volunteer. The people that attended the Climate Day Fayre were looking for advice on how to keep their homes warm. People also loved the seed swap and book swap. They have asked if we could do another similar event soon.

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

Yes! As well as learning about energy saving measures and increasing biodiversity locally, it has increased the knowledge of a large proportion of Coaltown residents about tackling the climate emergency. We have been asked do another litter pick later this year.

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