



# **Comrie Development Trust**

**Annual General Meeting  
8<sup>th</sup> December 2015**



**Trustees' Report**  
**1 April 2014 to 31st March 2015**

**CDT Trustee: Chris Palmer**

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# Cultybraggan Camp

## Site Environment and Estate Management

### Infrastructure and Services

- ❖ Infrastructure improvements carried out during 2014/15 including: roads electricity, water, district heating, security;
- ❖ A 12 month trial of a revised traffic management scheme was initiated;
- ❖ Biomass boiler issues required a large amount of time - improving efficiency and making new connections;
- ❖ Environmental work included the possibility of harvesting water from the hill ground to irrigate the allotments;  
The next step is funding - circa £10,000..

### Financial issues

- ❖ CDT financial issues will be dealt with within the Treasurer's Report



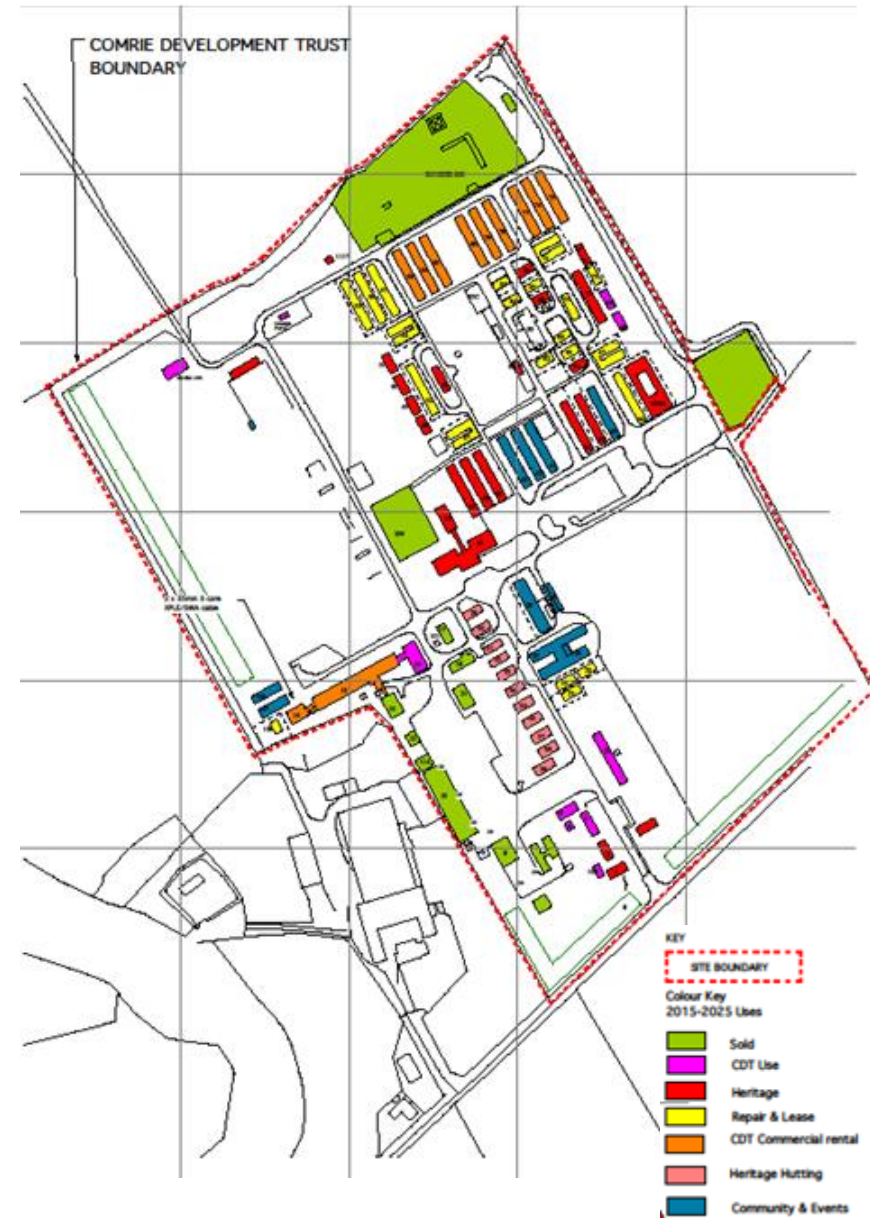


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## Site Environment and Estate Management

### Diversity of Important Uses

- ❖ The CDT Board identified for huts to be used for different purposes: Community, Leasing Repair, Commercial Lets, Heritage, Sports, Events and CDT;
- ❖ The 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Comrie Brownies took on the lease of one of the costs identified for community users;
- ❖ Continuing significance of the camp as a commercial base with 21 businesses employing 45 people.
- ❖ Local base for Comrie in Colour - Gold award winners in the Large Village category, and the Shield in the Overall Category for the Large Village - Take a Pride in Perthshire Awards ceremony in September 2014



# CDT – Key Areas of Interest



## Environment

Bike It Bus It project;  
Pedal powered cinema;  
Energy advice;

## Orchard

Monthly Orchard Work Days - fifth Comrie Apple Day - community picking days for apples and soft fruits;  
Hosted Pruning / Grafting Courses.

## Woodlands

Development of a community native woodland planting scheme on the CDT owned hill land;  
Grazing let with local shepherd.

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## Heritage

Planning and grant applications for self-catering units in B listed huts;  
Second re-enactment – March to the Camp and Open Day took place in June 2014;  
Doors Open Day including bunker – September – 1,000 people;  
Heritage centre's first season as base for displays and tours;  
Beginnings of partnership development with SMVG, PKC Museum and archives, Universities of Glasgow and Dundee, UHI and Perth College, and Crieff Heritage Group.

## Sports and Events

Successful application to Legacy 2014 for Sports and Recreation Strategy development;  
Establishment and promotion of changing facilities on Cultybraggan Camp site;  
Encouraged sports activities, events and use of the sports space at the Camp;  
Hosted the 3th Strathearn Marathon – Planning for Scottish Caravan club rally with 200 caravans.



# Staff and Volunteers

## Staff

Hard work, reliability and extraordinary commitment  
Major uncertainties about employment powers and future work

## Board members

Emma Margrett – staff member then chairperson  
Bill Thow – interim chair  
Ann Petrie – continued work with Comrie Heritage Group  
Ray McMaster – major contribution on camp estate issues

## Working Groups and Other Volunteers

CDT is its working groups and also depends on other volunteers  
Their work is appreciated and valued

## Volunteer Recruitment

Major issue within CDT if it is to move forward and develop creatively and effectively  
AGM will return to the issue later

