

# 2016 AGM REPORT





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### **CNSFUND OVERVIEW**

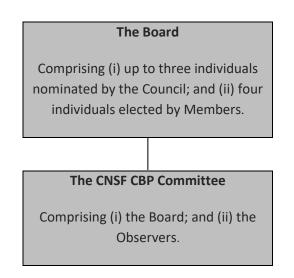
# The Caithness & North Sutherland Fund

The CNSFund was established by the Nuclear Decommissioning Authority, DSRL and Dounreay Stakeholder Group to distribute funding to community organisations for projects that will increase the attractiveness of Caithness & North Sutherland as a place to live, work and invest with particular emphasis on achieving environment, social, culture and infrastructure improvements.

A £4M funding package is being provided by the NDA as a planning condition of D3100, the lowlevel waste facility built near Dounreay. The NDA provided £1m at the start of construction in 2011 and £300,000 in 2014 and each year until 2023. The funding is distributed in line with the NDA's socio economic policy and funding applications are assessed quarterly by the Caithness & North Sutherland Fund Community Benefit Package Committee.

Responsibility for the day-to-day management and funding decision-making of the CNSFund rests with the Board. The Board comprises of four individuals appointed to represent the local community as a result of an open application process and three Highland Councillors from Caithness & North Sutherland nominated by the Highland Council.

The CNSF CBP Committee (which is established by the Board) has responsibility only for considering and approving the distribution of grants. The members of the CBP Committee comprises of the Board and the Observers nominated by DSRL and the NDA. The role of the observers is to gain an overview of governance and financial management.



The CNSFund employs a Fund Coordinator to administer the Fund and to coordinate the funding applications it receives as well as manage the Fund's day to day operations.

#### **CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT**

Now in our fifth year of operation, it is extremely encouraging to everyone at the Caithness and North Sutherland Fund that we have continued to see a sustained increase in both enquiries and applications coming forward. Since the last AGM, the Fund has held four assessment meetings and has assessed 28 applications awarding a total of £332,727 to 26 community projects, a year on year increase of 13% on enquiries which is very heartening.

In addition to the quarterly assessment meetings, the Board also held its annual review meeting in January 2016 and found that the Fund's criteria, application process and level of applications coming forward were meeting the Fund's mission statement aims & objectives well. Feedback from applicants was also reviewed and continues to be extremely positive.

We are keen to ensure that funding is invested throughout the Caithness & North Sutherland area in a responsible, fair and appropriate manner that is in partnership with the other community benefit funds operating within our shared areas. We wrote to the other community benefit funds encouraging a partnership approach to supporting projects for which we have a mutual interest and feel that we have improved links with a number of these funds.

In July we carried out a successful open recruitment process to fill the scheduled Board vacancy. David Glass was the successful 2016 candidate to be nominated as an appointed director. In September, Highland Council appointed Cllr Gillian Coghill as a Council Director to replace Cllr Gail Ross who stepped down following her new MSP role. We welcome both new Directors to the Fund and they will make an excellent addition to our Board. We must thank Gail for her valuable contribution over the years where she was a stalwart support of the communities we serve.

The current Board of Directors are committed to ensuring that we achieve the best value for our area by supporting community effort and maximising benefit. I would like to thank my Vice-Chair Jim Macgregor and the other Directors for their support and their very positive approach to the work of the Fund. In particular I would like to thank John Henderson who stands down as a Director at this AGM. John is one of the original Directors whose valuable contribution and wise counsel has been integral to the success of the Fund. We wish him a happy retirement.

For our applicants, perhaps our greatest asset is the face of the fund, David Shearer. As our Coordinator, he guides the applicants through the process with encouragement and a positive attitude. Feedback tells us he is helpful and approachable. We are grateful to him and appreciate the effort and commitment he gives to the Fund.

We continue to hope that we have made a real difference to the ability of community groups to reach their aspirations. We hope that groups continue to come to us for support as we would like to assist those seeking to develop and improve the quality of life in this very special area.

Frances Gunn October 2016

#### **STATISTIC REPORT**

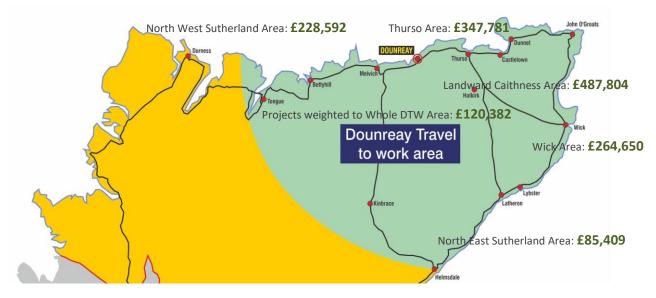
#### Summary

Since launching in October 2011, the CNSFund has committed a total of **£1,534,618** to one hundred and nineteen community projects that will benefit people living in the Dounreay travel to work area. The total value of these projects is estimated to be in excess of **£6.6m**.

The Caithness & North Sutherland Fund Community Benefit Package Committee assesses funding applications quarterly. To date, the Committee has held nineteen assessment meetings and have assessed a total of one hundred and thirty three funding applications.

A geographic breakdown of the awarded funding within the Dounreay travel to work area is shown below: (Figure 1)

#### **Geographic Allocation of Funding Awarded**



(Figure 1)

#### **Geographic Allocation of Funding Awarded & Projected Leverage Funding Values**

	Project	Leverage	In Kind	CNSF
DTW Area	Cost	Funds	Value	Awarded
North West Sutherland	861,537	604,109	28,836	228,592
Thurso	1,672,907	1,216,318	108,816	347,781
Wick	954,790	573,508	130,814	264,650
Landward Caithness	1,828,109	1,250,151	90,154	487,804
North East Sutherland	880,740	692,909	102,422	85,409
Weighted to Whole DTWA	462,088	326,050	15,656	120,382
TOTAL	£6,660,171	£4,663,045	£476,697	£1,534,618

(Table 1)

#### **CULTURE IMPROVEMENT - PROJECT CASE STUDY**

## Castletown Heritage Society A Window on the Hidden Bronze Age Landscape of Caithness

Castletown Heritage Society is a community led organisation who manages the Castlehill Heritage Centre as an educational resource for visitors, local students, school children and the wider community. The society is a very active group and has established itself as a substantial community organisation with a strong local following. They deliver a wide ranging programme of interpretive exhibitions and interactive workshops promoting interest and understanding of the history, heritage, vernacular skills and environment of Castletown and the parish of Olrig. In 2008 they also launched a new community-owned archaeological research facility within the Castlehill Heritage Centre which records around 2,500 visitors annually.

A recent Airborne Laser Scanning Survey (LiDAR) of the Caithness Landscape had revealed extensive and previously unrecorded traces of prehistoric settlement and agriculture in the

Caithness landscape. The traces which included numerous possible hut circles, the remains of prehistoric roundhouses, were characteristic of the Bronze Age. The Society sought permission to make use of the survey and put together a programme of archaeological activity that would engage the local community in researching, interpreting and recording archaeological information on this newly revealed and previously unknown aspect of the Caithness landscape.



Castletown Heritage Society project management team

The project placed significant emphasis on encouraging community participation by individuals not normally involved in heritage-based activities, by providing a wide range of different approaches

# to investigating and interpreting the historical landscape. 'I had never done this before and have a re-awakened interest in archaeology, in particular Caithness archaeology'.



**Exhibition Display** 

The project included the delivery of a Summer School of classroom based workshops and various practical field work activity. A range of participative workshops were also delivered including a specific Young Person's Bronze Age Experience Workshop involving local school pupils. Public lectures were also held and an exhibition has been installed at Castlehill Heritage Centre as a permanent display of the project outcomes. The exhibition also includes a digital resource featuring the prehistoric landscape of Caithness and the LiDAR data. A final archaeological report by the appointed AOC Archaeology Group was also produced presenting the results and conclusions of the excavations and survey carried out at Skaill, North East of Baillie Hill, which demonstrates the occupation and agricultural activity in both the earlier and middle Bronze Age.

## **INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENT - PROJECT CASE STUDY**

# Thrumster Primary Parent Council Thrumster Primary Outdoor Pavilion Project

Thrumster Primary Parent Council is a voluntary body which promotes the partnership between the school, its pupils and parents to develop and engage in activities which support the welfare and education of the children. The parent council also raise money on behalf of its pupils and have funded a number of improvements and activities such as establishing a low level timber trail and tarmac resurfacing with children's games markings.

In 2014, the Scottish Community Development Centre was commissioned to explore options for future community developments within the Tannach area. The work highlighted the local primary school as being the heart of the community. A need to improve facilities for young people within the village was considered one of the priorities for the area. A purpose built outdoor pavilion that would serve both the school and wider community was an idea initially put forward by the pupils. At an open day the whole community was encouraged to be involved in the design of the facility ensuring wider community needs were taken into account.



Thrumster Primary Outdoor Pavilion



**Opening Ceremony** 

Groundworks began in November 2015 and the log pavilion was erected on site in January. An opening ceremony was then held in May to formally declare the facility opened and the event was well supported by the whole community. **'The new outdoor pavilion has enhanced the appearance of the school field and the sign of investment and improvement in amenities within our community gives a positive appearance to all who pass'** 

As well as being used by the school pupils to enhance their extra-curricular education experience, the new pavilion is also being used by the local playgroup and village hall during its many outdoor activities such as the local Gala which takes place within the school grounds. The innovative facility is also being well used for other community and charity events and a Christmas Fayre with Santa is also being planned.

# SOCIAL IMPROVEMENT - PROJECT CASE STUDY

# Dunbeath & District Centre Kitchen Equipment Upgrade Project

Dunbeath & District Centre provides a vital role in helping the 50 + age group to continue to live in their own homes within the community, enhancing their quality of life through social contact and participative activities. It also acts as an emergency centre during extended road closures as it is ideally situated close to the A9 and has been used on numerous occasions. The management committee, along with staff and their twenty three loyal volunteers, strive to build community capacity and encourage the whole community to come along and get involved.

The community health and wellbeing facility has continued to develop over the years and now has over one hundred and thirty registered users. The Centre provides a two course hot meal with tea/coffee and home-baking. They also offer a laundry service, showering facilities, hairdressing service, photo copying, internet access, book CD DVD and magazine swap. The Centre is open five days per week and encourages intergenerational contact through activities appealing to mixed age groups. There are excursions, weekly outings and invited guest speakers as well as a wide range of participative activities are also provided which include craft group, yoga and tripudio sessions, board games, computer classes, readers group, whist drive and patchwork/quilting classes and a Christmas party and Christmas week at the Centre.



Dunbeath & District Centre



Inter-generational cooking at the Centre

The Centre produces around eighty five hot, home cooked meals each week along with homebaking, teas and coffees. The outdated kitchen equipment was in real need of improvement. Funding was granted to buy new industrial standard kitchen appliances of dishwasher, fridge and gas cooker. The project was successfully completed in June this year.

# 'The new equipment brings our kitchen equipment up to date, delivering a legacy project that ensures we have a functioning kitchen for many years to come.'

Better equipment has enabled the kitchen to function with greater efficiently and make sure the facilities meet current and future standards. The Centre now offers a new service of 'take away' for the housebound where meals are collected by family members, friends or care staff to provide a home care service.

#### **ENVIRONMENT IMPROVEMENT - PROJECT CASE STUDY**

# Dunnet Forestry Trust Woodchipper & Container Project

Dunnet Forestry Trust, a voluntary community woodland group that manages Dunnet Forest, the most northerly community woodland on the British mainland. Their vision is for Dunnet Forest to be a forest managed by the community with rich and varied wildlife and a place in which to learn about, respect and enjoy the natural environment.

The forest averages over 100 visitors per day recording over 55,000 visitors annually. The Trust proactively manages the 104 hectare forest and involves the community through its numerous activities. The Trust employs part-time foresters and has membership of over 500 local people. It is very well supported by an active pool of volunteers and holds a wide range of innovative forest activities and family events involving a range of local groups. The Trust has also won numerous Scotland's Finest Woods Awards.



Volunteers clearing forest after recent storms



Forest area cleared and planted

A continuous programme of forest maintenance and pathways is undertaken by the Trust's foresters and many volunteers. Ongoing clearing and management of greenery and small branches is essential to ensure that the forest remains tidy and safe to allow for tree planting, further improvements as well as ensuring a safe freedom of movement for its visitors. The large accumulation of brash was impeding freedom of movement within the forest, affecting wildlife habitat and becoming increasing time consuming to manage.

The Trust sought funds to buy a woodchipper and storage container to manage the forest brash and pathway maintenance. The new equipment was in place in December and the paths and wildlife habitat have already greatly improved. **'We are now able to manage the community woodland more efficiently ensuring the forest continues to be a safe environment to be enjoyed by all as a major recreational resource.'** 

# Projects Approved by the CNSF CBP Committee

The table below shows the projects that have been awarded funding in each of the Dounreay travel to work area communities. The table also details which of the Funds improvement themes *(Environmental (E), Social (S), Cultural (C), Infrastructure (I))* each project is delivering for their area as well as the projected total funding leverage and value of each awarded project.

North West Sutherland Area		Project	Leverage	In Kind	CNSF	Impr	ovem	ent Th	iemes
Organisation	Project	Cost	Funds	Value	Awarded	Е	S	С	1
Bettyhill Village Hall	Bettyhill Village Hall Performance Improvements	13,055.00	6,738.00	1,825.00	4,492.00		х	х	
Transport for Tongue	T for T 16 seater disabled access vehicle Project	58,378.00	30,000.00	8,320.00	20,058.00		х		х
Mackay Country Community Trust Limited	MCCT- Establishing a Social Enterprise Project	52,181.00	21,444.00	3,081.00	27,656.00		Х	Х	Х
Tongue & Farr Sports Ass	Clear Water Project	62,002.00	37,202.00	0.00	24,800.00	Х	Х		Х
North Coast Community Transport Ass	Replacement Minibus Project	13,270.00	7,270.00	0.00	6,000.00		х		х
Strathnaver Museum	Museum Development Project	50,146.67	24,000.00	3,500.00	22,646.67		х	х	
Farr Edge 2000	Children & Youth Club Project	25,800.00	4,300.00	8,000.00	13,500.00		х		
House of Gaelic - Melness	Rob Donn - Songs Still Sung Project	18,702.00	11,412.00	2,290.00	5,000.00		х	х	
HC Farr High School Fund	Outdoor Multi-use Sports Area Project	84,000.00	74,000.00	0.00	10,000.00		Х		Х
North Coast Connection	Kyle Centre Development Project	354,920.00	324,920.00	0.00	30,000.00	Х	Х		Х
Transport for Tongue Ltd	T4T North Highland College UHI Link Project	21,188.50	6,753.00	0.00	14,435.50				х
House of Gaelic - Melness	Dr'ine - The Songs of Rob Donn Project	20,300.00	12,600.00	1,200.00	6,500.00		Х	Х	
North Sutherland Outdoor Bowling Club	Outdoor Bowling Green Feasability Project	11,594.00	5,000.00	0.00	6,594.00		Х		Х
Tongue Village Hall Committee	Hall Energy Saving Project	16,100.00	9,072.00	0.00	7,028.00		Х		Х
CVS North	CVS North Project Development Consultant	54,430.00	28,847.90	0.00	25,582.10		Х		Х
Melness & Tongue Community Development Trus	Tongue & Area Walking Network Booklet	5,470.00	550.00	620.00	4,300.00		Х		Х
	Totals	861,537.17	604,108.90	28,836.00	228,592.27	2	15	5	11

Thurso Area		Project	Leverage	In Kind	CNSF	Impr	ovem	ent Th	iemes
Organisation	Project	Cost	Funds	Value	Awarded	Е	S	С	1
Caithness Biodiversity group	Theraputic Garden Project	32,742.00	5,995.00	19,712.00	7,035.00	х	х		
2nd Thurso Scouts	Thurso-Brilon 40th Anniversary Joint Summer Prog	16,710.00	11,065.00	2,800.00	2,845.00		х	х	
Caithness Horizons	Joint Museum Information Management System Project	6,797.00	1,797.00	0.00	5,000.00			Х	Х
Thurso Heritage Society	Thurso History Interactive	19,660.00	4,500.00	7,160.00	8,000.00			Х	Х
Ormlie Community Ass	Young & New Mothers Support Group	73,127.88	51,189.52	0.00	21,938.36		Х		
Caithness Rugby Football Club	Four Change Room Rugby & Associated Facilities Project	383,180.00	327,180.00	26,000.00	30,000.00		х		х
Reay Golf Club	Replacement of Essential Golf Equipment Project	25,784.00	18,180.00	2,104.00	5,500.00	х	х		х
Pentland Canoe Club	Paddlesport Coach & Leader Development Programme	77,356.37	26,181.81	21,246.38	29,928.18	х	х	х	х
Thurso high School Mountain Bike Riders	Start-Up THS Mountain Bike Riders	23,136.00	17,878.00	0.00	5,258.00	х	х		х
Thurso Players	Mill Theatre Roof Project	98,500.00	78,500.00	0.00	20,000.00		х	х	х
1st Thurso Boys' Brigade	1st Thurso Boys Brigade Hall Refurbishment Project	69,471.76	42,971.76	7,500.00	19,000.00		х	х	х
Caithness Horizons	Year of Ancient Ancestors Festival 2014	30,390.50	20,390.50	0.00	10,000.00		х	х	
Pentland Firth Yacht Club	Training of Sailing Instructors Project	6,883.28	3,960.00	1,633.28	1,290.00		х		х
Rush.dance	Rush.dance Studio Project	27,718.88	13,000.00	160.00	14,558.88		Х		Х
Caithness Artistic Gymnastic Club	Leotards and Tracksuits Project	5,244.10	1,286.67	0.00	3,957.43		Х		
The Scottish Surfing Federation	Scottish National Surfing Championships 2015	7,809.97	2,500.00	0.00	5,309.97		Х	Х	Х
Bumblebee Conservation Trust	Thurso: Gateway to the Great Yellow	131,380.00	102,592.00	14,500.00	14,288.00	Х			
Thurso Town Improvements Assoc	Thurso Christmas Lights Display	29,610.00	22,207.50	0.00	7,402.50		Х		Х
Reay Recreational Regeneration	Reay Recreational Regeneration Project	116,621.00	80,621.00	6,000.00	30,000.00		Х		Х
Thurso High School Parent Council	Thurso High School Community Minibus	22,554.36	14,600.00	0.00	7,954.36		Х		Х
Ormlie Community Association	Enhancing Employability Project	103,414.56	80,108.00	0.00	23,306.56		Х		
Thurso Squash, Tennis & Racketball Club	Renovation of Thurso Millbank Tennis Courts	159,031.04	129,039.04	0.00	30,000.00		Х		Х
Caithness Horizons	Caithness Viking Festival 2016	18,858.84	13,650.00	0.00	5,208.84		Х	Х	
Thurso Golf Club	Tractor Unit & Attachments Project	30,125.00	20,125.00	0.00	10,000.00		Х		Х
Reay Golf Course	Golf Course Purchase Project	156,800.00	126,800.00	0.00	30,000.00		Х		Х
	Totals	1,672,906.54	1,216,317.80	108,815.66	347,781.08	5	22	9	17

Wick Area		Project	Leverage	In Kind	CNSF	Impr	ovem	ent Th	iemes
Organisation	Project	Cost	Funds	Value	Awarded	Е	S	С	1
Caithness Harbourfest Committee	The Wick Diamond Jubliee Harbourfest	58,100.00	33,100.00	5,000.00	20,000.00		х	х	
The Wick Society	Stairlift & Wheelchair Project	6,836.00	1,500.00	560.00	4,776.00		х	х	х
Highlife Highland	Active Schools Summer Programme Activities 2012	3,819.11	2,000.00	0.00	1,819.11		х		
Wick Coastal Rowing Club	Wick Coastal Rowing Club Project	42,915.00	13,855.00	21,060.00	8,000.00		Х		Х
Wick High School Parent Council	WHS Belize 2013 Project	28,271.44	26,271.44	0.00	2,000.00	х	х	х	
Friends of Newton Hill Woodland	Derelict Crofthouse to Community Shelter Conversion	48,000.00	31,500.00	0.00	16,500.00		х	х	
Pulteneytown Peoples Project	Contracts & HR Manager Post Project	49,428.00	19,880.00	9,548.00	20,000.00		х	х	
Wick High School Parent Council	Wick Duke of Edinburgh Awards Programme	31,056.00	9,150.00	12,256.00	9,650.00	Х	Х		
The Laurandy Centre Ltd	Laurandy Centre Refurbishment Project	23,328.16	15,328.16	0.00	8,000.00	Х	Х		Х
The Wick Society-Boat Section	Navigational & Safety Equipment Upgrade	4,372.40	920.70	689.60	2,762.10		Х	Х	Х
Caithness KLICS	Caithness CLIKS Project	176,112.00	139,280.00	30,000.00	21,013.47		Х		
Wick Gala Committee	Wick Riverside Play Park Project	120,000.00	90,000.00	0.00	30,000.00		Х		Х
Caithness Voluntary Group	Telecom & IT Refurbishment Project	9,237.03	1,900.00	0.00	7,337.03		х		х
Wick Squash Club	Wick Squash Club Exterior Refurbishment Project	29,664.00	15,664.00	0.00	14,000.00		Х		Х
Pulteneytown Peoples Project	Cinema for Wick Project	53,737.00	43,737.00	0.00	10,000.00		Х	Х	Х
St Fergus Bowling Club	Bowling Green Regrading & Maintenance	20,314.20	7,422.00	500.00	12,392.20	Х	Х		Х
Wick Old Stagers Rifle Club	Facility Improvement Feasability Project	9,000.00	3,000.00	0.00	6,000.00		Х		Х
Wick Youth Club	WYC Afterschool Scene & Holiday Hangout Project	115,600.00	39,000.00	51,200.00	25,400.00		Х		
Wick Players	Club Rooms Roof Refurbishment Project	25,000.00	10,000.00	0.00	15,000.00		Х		Х
Staxigoe Play Park	Staxigoe Play Park Project	100,000.00	70,000.00	0.00	30,000.00		Х		Х
	Totals	954,790.34	573,508.30	130,813.60	264,649.91	4	20	7	12

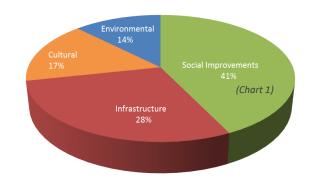
Landward Caithness Area		Project	Leverage	In Kind	CNSF	Impr	rovem	ent Th	emes
Organisation	Project	Cost	Funds	Value	Awarded	Е	S	С	T
Dunnet Forestry Trust	Dunnet Forest Woodland Shelter	26,588.00	7,390.00	4,950.00	14,248.00	х	х	х	х
LLCCDC	South East Caithness 2012 Development	42,850.00	6,000.00	7,000.00	29,850.00	х	х		х
Thrumster Park Regeneration Fund	Thrumster multi-sports area	11,658.00	6,658.00	0.00	5,000.00	х	х		
Keiss Family Community Project	Keiss Family Community Park Project	66,866.00	36,526.00	5,340.00	25,000.00		х	х	х
Lybster Primary School Parent Council	Illuminating the past	9,000.00	1,000.00	500.00	7,500.00		х	х	
North Lands Creative Glass	North Lands Creative Glass Studio Assistant	24,500.00	15,000.00	0.00	9,500.00		х	х	
St Johns Loch Improvement Ass	Anglers Lodge Project	23,950.00	10,000.00	1,700.00	12,250.00	Х	Х		Х
Dunbeath Centre	Heating System Upgrade Project	8,586.50	2,811.50	775.00	5,000.00	Х	Х		Х
Britannia Hall Committee	Essential Building Refurbishment Project	20,306.00	10,153.00	0.00	10,153.00				Х
Home-Start Caithness	Home-Start Parents Group Project	10,126.59	4,820.09	486.40	4,820.10		Х		
Bower Community Centre	Bower Community Centre Energy Efficiency Improvement	48,180.00	20,000.00	3,000.00	25,180.00	Х	Х		Х
Reiss Killimster & Sibster Hall Committee	Reiss Hall Refurbishment Project	58,440.06	29,220.06	0.00	29,220.00		Х		Х
Berriedale Portland Hall Committee	BPH Refurbishment Project	380,277.00	333,845.00	16,432.00	30,000.00	х	х		х
Watten Improvements Group	Watten Play Area Refurbishment Project	109,999.00	89,999.00	0.00	20,000.00		х		х
Lyth Arts Centre	Lyth Residencies Development Project	168,600.00	138,600.00	0.00	30,000.00		х	х	
The Castletown Community Project	The Castletown Community Project	152,180.00	125,180.00	0.00	27,000.00		х	х	х
Lybster Outdoor Bowling Club	Lybster Outdoor Bowling Hall Refurbishment	10,232.68	4,232.68	1,500.00	4,500.00		х		х
Yarrow Heritage Trust	South Yarrows South Laser Survey Project	8,487.00	800.00	4,000.00	3,687.00	х	х		х
South Lybster Residents Group	South Lybster Play Area Project	47,040.00	37,040.00	0.00	10,000.00		х		х
Ploughing Championships (Scotland) Ltd	51st Scottish Ploughing Championships	40,750.00	39,050.00	0.00	1,700.00		х	х	
Northern Nashville CCM Festival	NNCCM Festival 2014	117,400.00	97,600.00	8,800.00	11,000.00		Х		
Plantlife	Munsary Peatlands-Improving Visitor Experience	26,171.00	16,761.50	0.00	9,409.50	Х			Х
Laidhay Preservation Trust	Laidhay Museum Car Park Resurface Project	23,760.00	8,760.00	0.00	15,000.00				х
Scottish ornithologists Club-Caithness Branch	Birds of Caithness-Breeding & Wintering Atlas	22,122.00	7,700.00	0.00	14,422.00	Х			
Castletown Heritage Society	Window in the Hidden Landscape of Caithness	81,700.00	52,500.00	9,200.00	20,000.00	Х	Х	Х	
Thrumster Primary Parent Council	Thrumster Primary Outdoor Pavilion/Classroom	34,000.00	24,500.00	1,000.00	8,500.00		Х		Х
Yarrows Heritage Trust	Iron Age Swartigill Project	13,603.00	1,500.00	6,860.00	5,243.00	Х	Х	Х	
LLC Community Development Company	Lybster Tool Shed Project	74,000.00	42,700.00	8,000.00	23,300.00	Х	Х		Х
Halkirk Village Council	Ross Institute Refurbishment Project	51,060.00	31,060.00	0.00	20,000.00				
Dunnet Forestry Trust	Woodchipper & Container Project	12,592.40	2,500.00	242.40	9,850.00	Х	Х		Х
Murkle Community Association	Murkle Hall Upgrade Project	16,195.20	8,195.20	0.00	8,000.00		Х		Х
Dunbeath & District Centre	Upgrade of Kitchen Equipment Project	6,038.59	1,549.59	308.00	4,181.00		Х		х
Lybster Golf Club	Fairway Mower Replacement Project	18,600.00	10,300.00	0.00	8,300.00		Х		Х
North Lands Creative Glass	North Lands Creative Community Project	35,150.29	14,103.64	6,943.02	14,103.63		Х	х	
Lybster Outdoor Bowling Club	Outdoor Bowling Green Upgrade Project	15,000.00	7,650.00	0.00	7,350.00		Х		х
Latheron Agricultural Society	Latheron Show Improvements Project	7,600.00	4,100.00	0.00	3,500.00		х		х
Berriedale & Dunbeath Community Council	Dunbrae to Dunbeath Broch Path Construction Project	4,500.00	345.60	3,117.60	1,036.80		Х	Х	
,	Totals	1,828,109.31	1,250,150.86	90,154.42	487,804.03	14	32	11	24

North East Sutherland Area		Project	Leverage	In Kind	CNSF	Impr	ovem	ent Th	emes	
Organisation	Project		Cost	Funds	Value	Awarded	Е	S	С	Ι
Helmsdale & District Community Ass	Helmsdale Community Housing Project		676,827.00	578,983.00	68,000.00	29,844.00		х		х
Helmsdale Community Golf Club	Greens Replacement Project		13,499.57	5,000.00	1,621.92	6,877.65	Х	Х		Х
Timespan - Heritage and Arts Society	Translocation Excavation Project		33,340.00	18,440.00	4,900.00	10,000.00	х	х	х	х
Timespan Helmsdale Heritage & Arts Society	Paradigm North Project		111,641.00	74,441.00	17,200.00	20,000.00	х	Х	Х	
Bunillidh Rowing Club	Helmsdale Rowing Regatta Project		3,510.00	1,100.00	700.00	1,710.00		Х		
Bunillidh Rowing Club	St Ayles Skiff World Championships 2016		6,372.00	4,395.00	0.00	1,977.00		Х		Х
Timespan	A Museum for the North Project		35,550.00	10,550.00	10,000.00	15,000.00		Х	Х	
	1	Totals	880,739.57	692,909.00	102,421.92	85,408.65	3	7	3	4

Projects weighted to Benefitting Whole DTW Area		Project	Leverage	In Kind	CNSF	Impr	ovem	ent Th	emes
Organisation	Project	Cost	Funds	Value	Awarded	Е	S	С	1
Caithness Citizens Advice Bureau	Volunteer Recruitment, Training Support Project	24,785.00	13,341.00	0.00	11,444.00		х		1
Melvich Gaelic Choir	Pan Celtic International Festival	80,500.00	75,500.00	0.00	5,000.00		Х	Х	1
Caithness Big Band	Bring The Band Outside Project	6,904.00	4,766.00	0.00	2,138.00		х	х	х
Elise Lyall School of Highland Dance	Scotdance 2013 Canada Project	21,600.00	19,600.00	0.00	2,000.00		х	х	
Advocacy Highland	Caithness Advocate Project	23,582.37	6,241.52	200.00	17,140.85		х		х
Caithness Agricultural Society	New Portable Toilets & Sheep Gates Project	10,694.40	5,347.20	0.00	5,347.20	х	х	х	х
No Limits Caithness	No Limits Project	66,824.04	56,824.04	0.00	10,000.00		Х		
HomeAid Caithness & Sutherland	Homeaid Delivery Van Project	21,015.84	14,010.56	0.00	7,005.28	х	х		х
Tanya Horne Dancers Committee	Tracksuits & Dance Equipment Project	8,376.50	4,188.25	0.00	4,188.25		Х	Х	
Caithness Canine Club	Agility Equipment Project	3,524.00	2,000.00	0.00	1,524.00		Х		Х
Science 03	Caithness International Science Festival	35,600.00	16,000.00	14,600.00	5,000.00	Х	Х	Х	
Caithness Voluntary Group	Caithness Rural Transport Community Minibus	41,148.00	26,148.00	0.00	15,000.00		Х		Х
Highlife Highland - Activer Schools	Extra-Curricular Physical Activities for All	21,544.17	6,093.68	855.60	14,594.89		Х		1
The Conservation Volunteers Scotland	Working for Caithness Project	95,990.00	75,990.00	0.00	20,000.00	Х	Х		1
	Totals	462,088.32	326,050.25	15,655.60	120,382.47	4	14	6	6
		Project	Leverage	In Kind	CNSF	Impr	ovem	ent Th	emes
		Cost	Funds	Value	Awarded	Е	S	С	I
	Total of All Awarded Projects			476,697.20	1,534,618.41	32	110	41	74

(Table 2)

The aim of the CNSFund is to increase the attractiveness of Caithness & North Sutherland as a place to live, work and invest with particular emphasis on achieving environment, social, culture and infrastructure improvements. The projects that the CNSFund has supported deliver one or more of these improvement themes. The overall weighting of the improvements being delivered is shown in *Chart 1*.



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