



Beechgrove Sports Partnership

Trustees' Annual Report

1 November 2019 to 31 October 2020

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And William Syson Foundation. The Cumberland Building Society, Harper McLeod, Beechgrove Bowling Club and Beechgrove Tennis Club



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Charity Trustees

1. Andy Armstrong, Chairperson
2. Alex Rae, Treasurer
3. Juliet Brown, Secretary
4. Mike Adlen
5. Alan Davidson
6. John Dickison

This year, the only change to trustees was confirmation of Mike, Alan and John at our last AGM. They had already agreed to join to board and we are delighted to have them on board.

Current Beechgrove Pavilion



Introduction

As for so many people, 2020 did not turn out as expected. We ended the last reporting period in good spirits with a design chosen and a confidence that we were close to our funding target.

Early in 2020 it was clear that we remained short of our funding target and we had some way to go. What should have been a busy year of securing funds was curtailed as we were overtaken by events. However, time was used to make changes to our plans to make the new design more affordable to build, while retaining the design uses and parameters which we had agreed.

What has helped this year is stability of trustees and the welcome input of others who are able to give us specific advice on what the build stage will involve. While not trustees, their input is of great value and will be key moving forward.

Objectives and activities

The Beechgrove Sports Partnership was set up to

- Advance public participation in sport in Moffat
- To provide recreational facilities with the object of improving the conditions of life for those for whom the facilities are primarily intended
- To replace the existing dilapidated pavilion at Beechgrove Recreation Ground, with a modern, accessible clubhouse and community facility

At this stage the aim of the charity is to replace the existing Beechgrove Pavilion. As an older wood building it is no longer fit for purpose. In part this is due to the condition of the building. The construction of all weather tennis courts mean the tennis club now needs a year round facility, something which the current pavilion has never been. The bowling club has also a need for year round premises. Once building is complete, the

Beechgrove Sports Partnership aim to increase participation in sport in Moffat, primarily for young people, and provide a community facility. We will be able to provide a building accessible to all, something which this current building clearly is not.

To this end the work of the trustees and partner organisations is focused on raising the necessary funding for a replacement pavilion and working with architectural services to agree the design of a replacement.

The Creetown Initiative are our principle partner at this time, and they are leading the effort to raise the required funds. None of this has changed since last year. We continue to work with Creetown to meet the aims of the Beechgrove Sports Partnership.



Structure, governance and management

Type of governing document

The Beechgrove Sports Partnership (BSP) operates within the constitution laid out in our governing document, titled “The Constitution of Beechgrove Sports Partnership”. A copy is available from our website at this address: <http://beechgrovesp.wixsite.com/beechgrovesp/about>

Trustees

Trustees to the Board are nominated by the Beechgrove Bowling Club and the Beechgrove Tennis Club.

As mentioned in the report for last year, we lost a number of trustees. As expected, three new trustees agreed to come on board. We retain a balance of three trustees each from the tennis and bowling clubs. Former trustee Tom Thomson, who also has a background in building management, has remained close to the board and is willing to offer his advice. Advice is also being provided by another member of the public who has a background in construction management.

Achievements and performance

Fundraising

The year began with a funding offer from SportScotland. This took us closer to our target, but funds still need to be found. In the closing months of our reporting period we secured further funds which do take us closer to our target. The next six months or so will be key in raising the final amounts needed.

Our accounts show funds which have been received. Given the nature of what we are aiming to achieve, a number of awards have been pledged but funds not yet transferred. To give the full picture of our funding, the table below shows our position in relation to meeting our objectives.

Fundraising Position	
Organisation	Amount
Hollywood Trust (pledged)	£ 100,000
Moffat Construction Fund (pledged)	£ 35,000
Anonymous	£ 1,600
Hugh Fraser Foundation (pledged)	£ 15,000
William Syson	£ 1,000
Cumberland Building Society	£ 250
Beechgrove Bowling Club	£ 2,500
Beechgrove Tennis Club	£ 2,500
Harper McLeod LLP	£ 250
Anonymous (pledged)	£ 39,000
Clyde D&G Community Fund (pledged)	£ 10,000
Annandale and Nithsdale (pledged)	£ 20,000
SportScotland (pledged)	£ 50,000
Total	£ 277,100

Design

Working with Adrian Paterson we ended last year with a design which went out to tender. Having not secured the funds to take the plans forward, we have looked at the plans again. We have, as a board, agreed changes to this design. The changes have been made to reduce the potential build cost, but not at the expense of the functionality of the pavilion. Key design aspects are for:

- 1) Year round use of the building
- 2) Suitable for tennis and bowling clubs
- 3) Space for indoor bowling
- 4) Suitability for community use

Fundraising Target

Our fundraising target has remained at £300,000. We are confident that this amount allows us to deliver a building which meets the above criteria.

All-Weather Tennis Courts at Beechgrove

The all-weather courts have been a fantastic asset for Moffat this year. Since the resumption of outdoor sports, the courts have seen a lot of use. Coaching for kids has been busy on a Saturday morning. Club night has been a big draw. The ability to play under lights has extended our season in ways which would not have been possible in previous years. This shows that in future years we have a real need for a facility which can be opened in the later months.

Financial review

The only assets held by the Partnership is cash at bank and this has a current balance of £ 13,595.09.

The Partnership prepares its accounts as required by OSCAR in a Receipts and Payments format, and these are published annually on our website at: <http://beechgrovesp.wixsite.com/beechgrovesp/about>.

A summary of the receipts and payments for the history of the project is provided at the end of this report.

Statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The Partnership does not hold any reserves: the running costs to date have been absorbed by the trustees.

Details of any deficit

We currently have no deficit.

Donated facilities and services

The Partnership does not have donated facilities or reserves.

The financial position for this year is shown on pages 10 and 11 of this report. This does not include pledged funds, but these have been outlined earlier in the report.

Future plans

As a board, we have agreed that the next six months is key to securing the final funds.

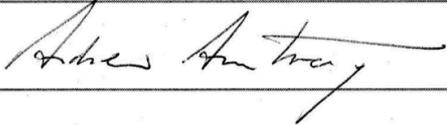
In the meantime, Adrian Paterson has been asked to put the building out to tender. We feel that this has two purposes. We will be closer to being able to start construction once funding is secure. Secondly, having returned tenders will give a figure to which we need to work towards. This may be above or below our current target of £300,000.

Concluding Remarks

We have not had the year which we were looking forward to. We had hoped to have completed fundraising and started construction. However, we feel that the last few weeks of the reporting have seen progress once again. Our design is going out to tender and funds are being secured. Early 2021 will decide a lot about what we do next.

Declaration

Signed on behalf of the charity trustees:



Print name

DAVID ANDREW ARMSTRONG

Designation

CHAIRMAN

Date

30TH JUNE 2021

BSP Receipts and Payments Account to 31 Oct 2020

Receipts				Payments			
Date	From	Type	£	Date	From	Type	£
5/2/16	Finlay Johnston	Fundraising	20.00	8/6/16	McGowan Miller	Fees	900.00
5/2/16	Finlay Johnston	Fundraising	100.00	20/7/16	Asher Associates	Fees	1,500.00
31/3/16	Cumberland BS	Interest	0.01	15/11/16	White Hill Design	Fees	1,200.00
31/3/16	Holywood Trust	Grant	2,500.00	4/10/17	GNW Associates	Fees	460.00
31/3/16	A&N CBC	Grant	500.00	23/1/18	Creetown	Fees	2,575.00
20/6/16	Bank of England Charitable	Grant	500.00	9/4/18	Simon Winstanley	Fees	9,300.00
15/11/16	Cumberland BS	Interest	1.35	1/6/18	McGowan Miller	Fees	720.00
4/10/17	Holywood Trust	Grant	20,000.00	17/12/18	Creetown	Fees	2,325.00
31/3/18	Cumberland BS	Interest	9.10	19/8/19	D&G Council	Planning App	1,604.00
7/6/18	CRH Trust	Grant	1,600.00	30/8/19	DNG Media Advert	Expense	450.00
25/10/18	Cumberland BS	Grant	250.00	22/11/19	Creetown	Fees	2,325.00
20/11/18	Harper McLeod	Grant	250.00				
23/11/18	BSP Race Night	Fundraising	1,090.00				
31/3/19	Cumberland BS	Interest	8.61				
19/6/19	Holywood Trust	Grant	7,000.00				
19/6/19	Bowling Club	Donation	1,000.00				
10/8/19	BSP Buy a Brick	Fundraising	150.00				
10/8/19	Fundraising		25.00				
15/8/19	Tennis Club	Donation	1,000.00				
14/9/19	BSP Buy a Brick	Fundraising	25.00				
17/9/19	BSP Colour Run	Fundraising	641.00				
9/10/19	Bowling Club	Donation	270.71	14/6/21	Cash		0.00
31/3/20	Cumberland BS	Interest	13.31	14/6/21	Bank Balance		13,595.09
Total			36,954.09	Total			36,954.09

