



## **Strathblanefield Community Development Trust Activity Update May 2012**

### **GREENHEART**

Greenheart is exploring with Stirling Council a down-sized alternative to a MUGA in the form of a 36m x 18m grass recreational games area for teenagers for five aside football, mini rugby, hockey, netball etc. This could possibly be positioned opposite the toddlers' play-park where fund-raising is nearly complete for the final phase of a Bird's Nest Tower. Following drainage studies, sporting equipment availability and funding feasibility, consultation will take place over the summer months with teenagers and the community.

### **PATHS DEVELOPMENT**

As reported in the April Bulletin re The Old Railway Path. For views, ideas, offers of help etc please contact [cdt@strathblanefield.org.uk](mailto:cdt@strathblanefield.org.uk)

### **ALLOTMENTS**

The site is now cultivated and a small hard-standing and ramp is in place. Effective perimeter fencing has been erected. Plots are being outlined (27 out of 30 have been taken up to date) and standard greenhouses ordered. Take a look! Contact [allotmentcore@strathblanefield.org.uk](mailto:allotmentcore@strathblanefield.org.uk)

### **PROPERTY/CHURCH BOTHY**

Discussions are ongoing with Stirling Council over the hoped-for lease and upgrade of the grave-diggers bothy at Strathblane Parish Church. An interpretive/heritage centre has been mooted but the Trust is keen to get views and other ideas. Contact [cdt@strathblanefield.org.uk](mailto:cdt@strathblanefield.org.uk)

### **MUSIC FOR YOUNG PEOPLE**

A Project Group has been formed and in conjunction with Stirling Council it is hoped to commence a two month/eight session pilot programme in September. A variety of musical instruments and tutors will be provided and there will be opportunities for aspiring band "jam" sessions. The Parish Church and Kirk Rooms facilities will also provide a "drop in" cafe ambience. Watch the Bulletin, website, community and school noticeboards for more information. Contact [cdt@strathblanefield.org.uk](mailto:cdt@strathblanefield.org.uk)

### **INTERPRETIVE MAP**

A draft plan of suitable walks and landmarks in and around Strathblanefield is scheduled for necessary consultation at the end of June. The ultimate map for visitors and locals alike plus some specific signage is programmed for early Autumn. Contact [cdt@strathblanefield.org.uk](mailto:cdt@strathblanefield.org.uk)

### **PHOTO HISTORY BOOK**

Village resident journalist Ann Balfour and photographer Martin Shields are compiling an old plus updated photo library in the form of a book on interesting locations/venues in the village. Anyone who has old photographs (early 1900s) of buildings or landscapes please contact [cdt@strathblanefield.org.uk](mailto:cdt@strathblanefield.org.uk)

**On-Line Business Directory Strathblanefield.** New occupations, trades and enterprises should contact Ian Hamilton on 01360 771037 or [h15dun@btinternet.com](mailto:h15dun@btinternet.com) for free insertion and linked-in network

Community Action Plan Review, SCDT Business Plan update, Membership and Administration Post will feature next month.

### **COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

**Friday 1 June 2012**

6.00pm for 6.30pm – SCDT BBQ and Ceildh – Edmonstone Hall

**Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2012**

11.30am - Allotments Opening Ceremony – Old Railway Track

