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CWP ENERGY

Powering Dalry Parish Boundary Trust for 10 Years



Founded in 2014,
Dalry Parish Boundary Trust
celebrates a decade of
community service.
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CWP Energy – the new name for Community Windpower – celebrates a decade of funding Dalry Parish Boundary Trust

In 2014, CWP Community Benefits Director, Diane Wood approached Robert Barr with a proposal: to establish a local organisation to distribute the company's Dalry and Millour Hill Wind Farms' community fund. Nobody could have foreseen the incredible success that would follow.

'We agreed that it would be better if a committee of local residents used their knowledge to distribute our community funding around Dalry, said Diane. 'It was just an idea but look how far we've come.

'There have been only positive impacts for the town and our partnership with Dalry Parish Boundary Trust remains as strong as ever. The Trust is deeply rooted in this community – and it shows.'

Although CWP still donates directly to projects, Robert and the Trustees ensure that the main 'war chest' of funding goes to where it

is most needed and can have the greatest effect.

CWP Energy Managing Director Rod Wood MBE agrees: 'DPBT has been an outstanding success. Everywhere you'll see evidence of its work, and we receive terrific feedback, not least because our Community Ranger – Ranger Pete – agreed to become a Trustee a couple of years ago.

'An incredible 10 years of effort, meetings, application processing and site visits has seen DPBT and CWP Energy deliver long-lasting results for local folk, said Rod.

'We're delighted to continue funding DPBT going forward and know our £129,750 annual community fund is in very good hands.'

'We are delighted to fund DPBT and support local community groups going forward'

**Rod Wood MBE
Managing Director, CWP Energy**

DALRY OPEN DAY



CHILDREN'S ENTERTAINMENT
FACE PAINTING
CRAFT AND FOOD STALLS
TRACTOR RIDES & WINDFARM TOURS
FREE BURGERS AND HOT DOGS
ENTRY AND CAR PARK
(FOLLOW AA ROAD SIGNS)



31 MAY 2025 | 10AM - 3 PM

LOCATION:
DALRY COMMUNITY WIND FARM,
NORTH AYRSHIRE

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WE WILL BUILD ON... A DALRY CHAMPION'S LEGACY

Welcome to this issue of Your Dalry.

As you will see in our pages, Community Windpower has completed a rebrand, with its new name – CWP Energy – new logo, and fresh colours producing a modern, contemporary look.

But before I come to the benefits of all this, it is with a heavy heart that I write of the passing of our friend, John Smith.

John always seemed to be there and certainly was when it came to the Dalry Parish Boundary Trust he and Robert Barr worked so hard to establish.



Since 2014, they have driven the project forward. How he found the time to do all this while being a farmer I will never know!

The CWP team was so sad to hear of the passing of this true community champion, but we know that he has left the new Trustees a proud legacy on which to build.



John Smith

John was at the heart of the Dalry community and was the beating heart of DPBT. We just could not have done it without you, John.

As John would say, life goes on and it certainly does for the Boundary Trust, with this issue highlighting grants, donations and initiatives, almost all of which he had a hand in.

Last year the Boundary Trust introduced its own new logo and now we have followed suit, with our new name, CWP Energy, chosen to better represent the multiple power generating processes we now harness for the good of Dalry and Scotland.

As we continue to work hand in hand with DPBT, I hope you enjoy reading about them.



Diane
Diane Wood
Community Benefits
Director, CWP Energy

Investing in the adults of tomorrow

A DPBT/CWP PARTNERSHIP

Dalry Primary School art teacher Lesley Sim has been busy over the last couple of school years running a pilot scheme called 'Learning about Forests' – a programme that advocates outdoor learning and hands-on experiences to promote deeper understanding of the natural world amongst young people.



The LEAF programme's key aims are to: Reconnect children and young people with natural environments; Promote and expand outdoor education and improve knowledge of forest-based ecosystems.



With Dalry Primary being one of the schools chosen for the pilot, CWP Energy's Ranger Pete has been working closely with Lesley on the LEAF initiative, which is run by Keep Scotland Beautiful,

and has been working with Dalry pupils to help them learn about nature and local history throughout the school year.

As an end of project treat, last year the pupils visited Renfrewshire's Castle Semple Country Park at Lochwinnoch, which forms part of Clyde Muirshiel Regional Park and three classes – P6, P6/7 and P7 – took part over three separate trips, all funded by Dalry Parish Boundary Trust at a combined cost of £1,000.



CWP Energy



£1,000
DPBT GRANT



'No Boundaries' to DPBT Farm Fun

£1,880
DPBT GRANT



The entire school roll at St Palladius Primary visited Heads of Ayr Farm Park at the end of last year's school year, with the cost of their adventure – transport and admission – being covered by The Boundary Trust.

'Funding trips like this is so important for the schools,' said Robert Barr Chair of DPBT. 'They do raise money when they can but because of the impact of the cost-of-living crisis, North Ayrshire Council rightly requested

that schools refrain from asking hard-pressed parents to contribute to school trips. This is totally understandable, and we try to help wherever we can so that the wee ones don't miss out.'



**£10,000 '24
£8,000 '25
DPBT GRANTS**



Island life... and learning

Each year, Dalry Primary P7 pupils are given the opportunity to attend a residential outdoor learning experience at Arran Outdoor Centre as part of their broader general education.

In early 2024, Dalry Parish Boundary Trust popped £10,000 into the school's kitty to send 42 pupils to Arran. 'Over the course of a week the children worked together in teams to push their personal expectations, create

aspirations and encourage and develop an appreciation for the beauty of the countryside and coast,' said CWP Energy's Education Ranger, Ranger Pete. 'This helps them make informed choices about their lives, manage risks

and extend their knowledge of the real world, amongst a variety of other benefits and skills.' Led by qualified instructors the youngsters experienced a range of activities such as canoeing, gorge walking, hill walking, orienteering, climbing and seal watching while having responsibility for keeping their eating and sleeping areas clean and tidy – including making their beds – as they worked towards their John Muir Award.

'With Outdoor Learning being a key theme of Curriculum for Excellence, the Trustees were very keen to bankroll the trip once more', said Pete. 'And we know educational experiences such as this provides pupils with the opportunity to develop confidence, by living more independently and making their own decisions.'



A grant of £8,000 was previously awarded by the Trust to the school now this year's P7's can have the same brilliant experience.

CWP GRANT GETS MOORPARK KIDS 'OOT THE ROAD'

A fresh era began for pupils in Kilbirnie when the new Moorpark Primary School opened its doors to pupils on Wednesday 30 October last year. The school's 12 primary classes, early years provision and all-weather pitch are part of a quality learning environment, but even though the school stands adjacent to the old, what do you do with a school-full of kids when flitting day arrives if the original move missed the planned start of term target? You get them oot the road of course, by treating them to a visit to Glasgow's Riverside Museum – completely funded by a direct grant

'This is a great example of CWP Energy funding something the school would be unable to afford.'
Ranger Pete
CWP Community Ranger

from CWP Energy. As removal staff got busy with the heavy lifting, CWP answered the school's plea for £1,400 to bus the kids away – and Diane Wood at CWP was happy to help take the entire school population to the Riverside Museum in Glasgow for the day. 'The Riverside is packed with transport and tech items and made a fun educational outing for the children', said Ranger Pete. 'Exhibits from skateboards to steam engines and a 19th century tall ship caught young imaginations while their new school was



**£1,400
CWP DIRECT
GRANT**

being prepared. 'This is a great example of CWP Energy being able to help the community by funding something that the school would otherwise be unable to afford.'



Robyn Grant reports

FOLK FESTIVAL SUCCESS

... with more to come

All at Dalry Folk Club were thrilled that a generous £2,000 donation from Dalry Parish Boundary Trust helped make last year's Dalry Folk Festival an outstanding success, further cementing its place at the heart of our community.

Last July, the festival once again brought together a vibrant mix of music, talent, and local spirit, throughout what was a fabulous weekend during which attendees enjoyed an exciting lineup of performances.

From a Senior Citizen Concert to our highly anticipated Open Mic Competition showcasing local

talent (so much so that we had joint winners), the quality was so high and choice so wide, not forgetting an unforgettable Main Event with the incredible Rallion. David Grant, Chairman of the Dalry Folk Club Committee, shared his thoughts: 'With continued support from The Dalry Parish Boundary Trust, we were able to make 2024 an even better experience than the previous two years, and we couldn't

be more proud of how our folk club and its festival have flourished over the years.

'Looking ahead, 2025 promises even more exceptional performances, with new acts being brought to Dalry... and even as we work on that project our 2026 plans are already underway!

'Our heartfelt thanks go to the Dalry Parish Boundary Trust, Reids Foods, Stalkers Butcher, and Dalry

**£2,000
DPBT GRANT**

Residents at Dalry's Morris Court enjoyed complimentary Folk Festival entertainment



DPBT Trustees, Audrey Mason and Robert Barr help out

Blair Lodge for their continued support.

'Here's to another amazing year.'

<https://www.facebook.com/DalryFolkClub>

'JOLLY BORDERS' OUTING Barrmill Jolly Beggars hit the road, driven by a DPBT grant

The annual Barrmill Jolly Beggars Burns Club Charabanc Outing saw 55 members, the majority being from Dalry Parish, head south in beautiful weather.

The Scottish Borders welcomed the 'golden oldies' who began what was a thoroughly enjoyable away-day with morning coffee and scones at Hugo's Restaurant in lovely Moffat.

After a quick look into local shops, it was back onboard for Peebles. In 'The Royal Burgh' our travellers visited yet more shops and the local museum, parks and gardens before some enjoyed nearby cafes whilst others popped

into local pubs for something a bit stronger. All then regrouped before enjoying a fine dinner at the Green Tree Hotel.

Suitably fed and watered, the Garnockians returned north to auld claes an' porritch after the latest of these annual trips that started in 2013.

When organiser, Kathleen Reid, meets regular attendees they always ask: 'when is our next trip and where are we going?'

Everyone expressed thanks to Dalry Parish



Boundary Trust for their generous £1,000 of financial support, and whisper it... the 2025 trip is to beautiful Oban on 9 August.

**£1,000
DPBT GRANT**

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DALRY PARISH
BOUNDARY TRUST**



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A Double Panto hit... oh yes, it was!

The two Early Year classes from Beith Primary School had an early Christmas treat at Irvine's Harbour Arts Centre thanks to direct funding from CWP Energy. Two trips on separate days proved a big hit with the wee ones, and saw them engrossed in the fun of 'The McDougall's Fairytale Christmas'.



CWP Energy funded both trips - buses and tickets at a cost of £950.



**£950
CWP DIRECT
GRANT**

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CWP Energy



250 VULNERABLE LOCAL FAMILIES HELPED BY CWP ENERGY CHRISTMAS HAMPERS

£15,000
CWP FESTIVE FUNDING



▲ In good humour, Agency representatives queue at uplift



▲ Now where did I leave my list?



BAGS MINE!

◀ North Ayrshire Foodbank's Craig Crosthwaite arrives... there's work to be done!



FUNDED BY
CWP Energy

No two years are the same when it comes to our traditional Christmas Hamper preparation on behalf of North Ayrshire Foodbank.

Last year, all was completed in a record 1.5 hours, as 22 volunteers made light work of a gargantuan task. This year, only seven were available, so it was full on for five to six hours to make the deadline, not helped by the one usual transport lorry being replaced by three separate van deliveries, meaning that everything had to be moved by hand.

Here's what was emptied, sorted and packed: 250 bags of potatoes, carrots, sprouts, parsnips, satsumas; cartons of grapes; then 250 each of bottles of Irn Bru; tins of chocolates; boxes of biscuits; bags of lentils; jars of drinking chocolate and cartons of Pringles.



▲ A gent as ever, Ranger Pete assists!



▲ 'I have a plan', CWP's Turbine Tam Downie to Ranger Pete

Caring Agencies collected the hampers before adding fresh meat packs consisting of turkey crown, pigs in blankets and stuffing, purchased from Stalkers the Butchers by CWP.

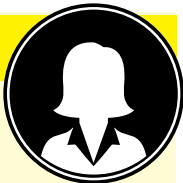
'The packing was a huge effort against the clock, and we are so grateful to our wonderful volunteers', said CWP Community Benefits Director, Diane Wood. 'Speaking to Agency representatives at collection time showed just how important the work that Ranger Pete, Chris Crosthwaite and his team do is. I'd like to record my thanks to all the Agencies for their assistance and invaluable work they do on behalf on local families. Be sure, the CWP Energy team is proud to help.'

Here are just three of the comments Diane referred to. For obvious reasons we have not revealed the identity of the speakers.



▲ Almost there

AGENCY REPRESENTATIVE (FEMALE)



'We can't thank you CWP guys enough. The mix of goodies with seasonal staples and butcher meat is wonderful.'

'Normally it's our community nurses that distribute these, but I'm lending a hand this year. Yesterday I was dropping off toy donations to some of our client families. One couple, both only 16 and now parents, will be over the moon with this.'

'They are trying to make their way in the world and have not even got carpets in the house. Their wee one is lovely. I just wanted to wrap my arms around them all and take them home... know what I mean? This will make their Christmas, believe me. It's all so humbling.'

AGENCY ASSISTANT (FEMALE)



'Ranger Pete and Craig from North Ayrshire Foodbank are part of our Christmas, because Community Windpower [CWP] have been doing this for, oh, as long as I've been here.'

'Anyone on the outside looking in won't appreciate how much each client receives in these festive hamper packs. And in all probability, they will have no idea of the difference they make to folk at what can be a difficult time of the year for many families.'

'Thanks for speaking to me. Please pass on our sincere thanks to your colleagues at Community Windpower [CWP Energy]. What a job you do.'

CHARITY WORKER (MALE)



'I'm from a small mental health charity and I've known Pete and CWP since I joined.'

'Once it was predominately 18 to 65 years age groups, we helped but modern life is taking its toll, and we now cover all age groups; some of this food is going to folk well into their seventies.'

'Our neurodivergent clients have ADHD [Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder], ADHD [Autism Spectrum Disorder] or Dyslexia, to name but three, so anything positive at all is a big help to their wellbeing.'

'I've been doing this for six years now and in that time, I've witnessed a 10-fold increase in demand for some of our services. The young man I brought along with me is 40 years old and one of those you have helped. The look on his face was something to behold when he was leaving with his packs.'

'We are so grateful to you all; to Ranger Pete, Chris Crosthwaite and the volunteers from CWP.'

Biggart windows: no longer a 'Pane'

... thanks to the Boundary Trust



Our weather and time
had taken its toll...

What a difference!

**£15,000
DPBT GRANT**

The Biggart Hall has served Dalry well for over 100 years.

Built as a Mission Hall in the late 19th century, the impressive building was a safe place of worship for less well-off Dalry people, as it was felt needy folk would feel out of place alongside the affluent and better-dressed citizens that attended Dalry's three churches.

Now the church hall of Dalry Trinity Parish Church, 'The Biggart' provides a comfortable home for church

organisations such as the Toddlers Group, the Open-Door Café, and the Relaxation Class, as well as hosting the Scouts and WRI while the new Scout Hall was being built.

But the years and Scottish weather had taken their toll on the building's fabric, especially around the frames of its nine large windows which were very fragile and struggling to support the glass.

The single-glazed panes were prone to

breakage too, and leaking, causing water damage and heat loss, so a replacement plan featuring energy-efficient double-glazed units was drawn up and carried out.

The congregation offers its sincere gratitude to DPBT for the £15,000 grant that enabled the project to be completed and assures everyone of a warm welcome to Sunday worship and to any of The Biggart Hall's other activities.

CWP MAKES MISS MUIR A CHRISTMAS STAR

**£475
CWP DIRECT
FUNDING**



Enthusiastic and excited pupils from Gateside Primary School enjoyed a pre-Christmas treat with some help from the festive team at CWP Energy. A donation of £475 helped meet the cost of transport and tickets for PACE Theatre's Christmas Panto production of Aladdin.

PS: That's yellow-clad teacher, Miss Muir strutting her stuff on stage in Paisley.

Oh yes, it is!

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Changes at DPBT...



It's a time of changes at Dalry Parish Boundary Trust, some planned, some unplanned.

The sad passing of John Smith is the most obvious reason for this. If ever there was a community hero it was John, and as has been said elsewhere in our pages, he will be sadly missed... but far from forgotten.

ROBERT BARR

Trust Chair, Robert Barr has been volunteering his services to Dalry Parish Boundary Trust for 10 years having been a founder member with John Smith in 2014.



What a shift both Robert and John have put in on behalf of the people of Dalry. So much time set aside for good works, so many meetings attended, always fighting Dalry's corner and always promoting the town and its needs to Diane Wood, Rob Fryer and the CWP Energy/Community Windpower team. Robert is rightly proud of the part he and John played in establishing the Boundary Trust. And no wonder. Look around Dalry today and you will see everywhere new facilities and infrastructure that would not exist had it not been for John, Robert and CWP Energy.

Add on-going funding for local schools, charities, clubs, societies and events and we're talking about an impact that is unquantifiable.

In the wake of John Smith's passing Robert has offered to remain on board for another year to offer his advice and lend expertise to the new Trustees.

LIZ MCFARLANE

In terms of planned changes, we only recently lost the services of Liz McFarlane who has stepped down as Trust Treasurer. Liz has been wonderful, and even stayed on to help well after her planned retirement at Christmas.

We wish Liz well as she departs with our heartfelt thanks.

EMILY SHEDDEN

Also retiring from the Trust is Emily Shedden who together with Robert Barr, Jackie Mac, John Smith, Douglas Martin and Rev Jim Teasdale was a member of the first Board of Trustees.

Emily has been a diligent and dedicated Trustee, helping administer and distribute almost £130,000 of community benefit funding annually from CWP Energy's local windfarms.



Her years of dedicated effort on behalf of Dalry deserve recognition and she departs with our utmost thanks. All of which brings us to the present...

OUR NEW FACES

We are grateful that once again Dalry folk have come forward to serve the area and welcome Julie Wales and James Duncan to the Board.

Julie has wide experience of balancing books and has kindly agreed to take on the role of Treasurer.

James is a community-focussed individual and is sure to bring his depth of local knowledge and love of community to the table.

Together with Robert Barr, Ranger Pete, Audrey Mason and Lee Hirst-Amos, Julie and James make up a refreshed Board.

With a new Board in place and newly branded CWP Energy behind us the future for Dalry Parish Boundary Trust and Dalry looks bright indeed.

Bumper Boundary Trust grant in 'Place' at Kilbirnie

£12,000 GRANT

Wear and tear take their toll on plant and machinery. So, when Kilbirnie Place Golf Club's grass cutter reached an age where parts and repairs were difficult to obtain, club members – including many from Dalry Parish – applied to Dalry Parish Boundary Trust for help to finance a replacement.

Club captain Ian Law explains: 'Our sincere thanks go to the DPBT Committee for allowing Ian Mack, Ian McLean and me to explain our position as winter closed in.'

'For some time, we had been trying to source a suitable, reliable machine to keep rough grass areas in check, but the new price of the equipment stood at over £65,000, meaning that good used units are



hard to find and outwith the scope of our funds.

'As our club continues making progress in attracting Junior

members and encouraging all age groups – male and female – to participate at the club it was essential we source a suitable rough cutter to keep the Course in playing condition.

'Through contacts, we knew of a hardly used 'Toro' example that

'This large grant was made possible because the club has so many members from Dalry'

ROBERT BARR
Chair, DPBT



was available at a realistic price and with this generous grant of £12,000 we were able to bring in this quality grasscutter that benefits our members, including the substantial number we have from Dalry Parish.'

DPBT Chair, Robert Barr added, 'This large grant was made possible because the Kilbirnie Place Golf Club has so many members from Dalry.'

'So, the grant we provided, drawn from the Trust's CWP Energy funding package, benefits local golfers, and helps encourage local people, irrespective of age, to enjoy golf with its many social benefits and important contribution to players' health and wellbeing.'

Working together for a better Dalry

CWP Energy and Dalry Parish Boundary Trust

DISCOVER MORE...

Find out more about CWP Energy and the company's local community benefits at

www.cwpenergy.uk

Discover more about the voluntary community work of Dalry Parish Boundary Trust by visiting

www.dpbtp.org.uk

Grant application form may be downloaded from

www.dpbtp.org.uk



£2,000 DPBT DONATION

CHILD'S PLAY WITH DPBT



Harbour Arts Centre's 'McDougals Fairytale Christmas' panto welcomed an audience of young Dalry citizens, all in the 2-5 age

bracket and all from Smith Street's Playtime Early Years Nursery.

DPBT awarded them a total of £2,000 towards the panto trip (bus and tickets) together with a future visit to Saltcoats and Heads of Ayr Farm Park – the sum total being £2,178.

'Investing in Dalry's youngsters starts right from the early years said CWP Energy's Ranger Pete, who is also a Trustee of Dalry Parish Boundary Trust. 'It's all part of the learning process and fun for the wee ones too. We were delighted to help the nursery, and its staff provide these important early life experiences because this is



what community is all about.

'Helping local children to develop interactive skills is so important to the team at CWP Energy. So, being able to contribute as a Trustee is an additional bonus for me as I work so closely with local school pupils and staff.'



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WORKING FOR DALRY

DPBT... MAJOR DALRY SHOW SPONSORS AGAIN

Once again, Dalry Parish Boundary Trust is one of the main sponsors of the 2025 Dalry Farmers Society Annual Show to be held on Saturday 14 June.



'This year's grant of £10,000 represents a substantial donation to the running of the event', said Robert Barr, Chair of DPBT.

'The show is an important part of the fabric of our town and is important to both the local agricultural community and Dalry residents as it brings everyone together and helps showcase community groups.

'Dalry Show is a highlight of the town's social calendar and attracts visitors from across Scotland to a venue that now looks very smart, and we want to help send out a message that we have a vibrant community here.

'Our Trustees were keen to agree to the Society's application for financial assistance and to back the organisers once again.'

Last year's show saw the Boundary Trust contribute £7,500 towards the event and this year the grant has been substantially increased.

'By supporting the organisers, we also help provide an enjoyable community day out for local families', added Robert. 'The Boundary Trust is proud to help the organisers put on a fantastic community event that without fail is always enjoyed by Dalry folk.'

WONKY... BUT WORKING

Dalry Parish Boundary Trust agreed to a request from Dalry Action Group for a grant of £5,000 to help cover the cost of the testing and installation of the town's Christmas lights which was to be done by North Ayrshire Council.

'As every part of life becomes ever more expensive' it's so important that events such as the Christmas lights are supported wherever possible', said CWP Community Benefits Director Diane Wood.

'This is why the DPBT is so important, and I must thank the Trustees for the time they give freely on behalf of the town as they ensure that the funds generated from CWP

Energy's local windfarms are put to best use on behalf of local people.'

All went well and the big switch-on took place at the Tinsel and Torchlight Parade where Ranger Pete, Santa and Julie Wales made an extremely poor job of holding the DPBT roundel the right way up... or was it Santa's fault?



**£5,000
DONATION**

CWP - Generating Positive Change

OUR 100 PER CENT COMMITMENT TO DALRY

Community Windpower's name may have changed to CWP Energy, but our Community Engagement Programmes and funding for local organisations and people are continuing as always.

We've updated our colours and have a vibrant new logo... but that's it. Everything else we do in and around Dalry; our support for projects, schools, charities and community initiatives remains unchanged.

But we're not standing still. Our Dalry windfarms are now welcoming new investment as we install other forms of clean energy generation right here in North Ayrshire.

That means local investment and Scottish jobs as CWP Energy expands its energy portfolio with Solar and Battery Energy Storage projects.

BATTERY STORAGE

New Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS) will allow excess energy to be stored during times of high wind speeds and low electricity demand.

This will then be used during periods where demand exceeds generation at times of lower wind speeds, enabling the energy network to keep up with demand and increase the efficiency of our wind farms.

As I write, we have 100MW under construction with another 440MW in development and on the east coast.



Rob Fryer
Director of Civils and Business Development

EXCITING TIMES

Once operational our Battery Energy Storage System (20MW), Inverters, Transformers and Containerised Switchgears and Control Room at Dalry Wind Farm will add to our capability to produce clean energy in the hills above the town.

This means Dalry will continue to play its part in Scotland's green energy story while benefiting from the partnership between CWP Energy and Dalry Parish Boundary Trust.

Exciting times and as always, we remain 100 per cent committed to Dalry.



BESS:
Artist impression

SOLAR POWER

Before you start, we know... but the sun does shine in Dalry!

And even when it's not sunny there is still energy to be captured from Mother Nature, so CWP Energy is developing solar photovoltaic (PV) schemes, to transform the sun's energy into usable electricity.

Utilising this technology alongside our wind turbines will help ensure a consistent and reliable supply of clean energy across Scotland throughout the year.

To make this a reality we have, at present, 20MW under construction with a further 280MW in development.



Dalry people continue to benefit from a share of the money our turbines generate.

DIANE WOOD
Community Benefits Director CWP

A Decade of Service to Dalry

DALRY PARISH BOUNDARY TRUST CELEBRATED

Just over 10 years ago Dalry Parish Boundary Trust (DPBT) was established by Robert Barr, the late John Smith and four other invited Trustees: Jackie Mac, Emily Shedden, Douglas Martin and Rev Jim Teasdale.

Its inaugural meeting, with Robert in the chair, was held on 4 August 2014 and from that meeting emerged a set of objectives and a clear vision as to how the new DPBT could and would help local people.

Having reached agreement with CWP Energy's Community Benefits Director Diane Wood, a strict application criteria was laid down, which together with the Trustees' local knowledge would enable them to best distribute funds raised by CWP Energy's local windfarms for the benefit of residents, voluntary groups, charities and community organisations across Dalry parish.

For 10 years the Trustees and CWP Energy (formerly Community Windpower), have continued to work together, funding a myriad of successful projects, individuals and voluntary groups, to serve Dalry and make it a better place in which to live.

'Having been approached by Diane I put the idea to my friend, the late John Smith', explains Chair, Robert Barr.

'It was such a new concept and to think that we would be entrusted with the fair distribution of £129,750 of community benefit funding from CWP was a real honour and responsibility.

'We knew we had to get it right from the very start, and despite some local misgivings and dare I say scepticism, we set to work and haven't looked back since.



Founder Robert Barr and the late John Smith planning as always!

'To help local folk in this way is a privilege. John, who passed away in January, was instrumental in all of this and he has my own and CWP's eternal gratitude.

'He was a stalwart member of the Old Folks' Committee for an incredible 30 years and used to work as a mechanical engineer at Ross Products, not forgetting his time running Birkentop Farm, so he knew his stuff – and he knew local people.

'There is not a Dalry public building that has not benefited from his, and the Trust's, efforts and we've lost count of the schools, individuals and community projects we've helped over these past 10 years.

'To date the Boundary Trust alone has distributed over £1 million to projects and people in Dalry Parish. Quite remarkable.

'I'd like to thank our new intake of Trustees for giving up their time to continue DPBT's and John's work. Here's to another 10 years!'

THE GRANT APPLICATION PROCESS

It's a straightforward process to apply for grant aid.

Any individual or organisation that feels they may be eligible can download an application form, and DPBT terms and conditions, from www.dalryparishboundarytrust.org ...Or find out more by emailing the Boundary Trust secretary at info@dalryparishboundarytrust.org

Applicants must be active within the boundary of Dalry Parish or, where citizens of Dalry are involved and may benefit, such as within neighbouring schools, societies



and clubs that lie just outside of the parish boundary.

Grants such as these are provided on a pro-rata basis, consideration being given to the number of Dalry people involved.

Each application is considered on its merit and beneficial impact on our community and is subject to rigorous examination to ensure best value to our community.



And the Dalry Parish Boundary Trustees – all volunteers – join the board of by invitation only.

AS WE GO TO PRESS CWP ENERGY'S DONATIONS TO HOST COMMUNITIES HAS SURPASSED...

£10 MILLION

This astonishing sum is essentially free money generated by our wind turbines. Much of Dalry's share of these funds is distributed by the volunteer trustees at Dalry Parish Boundary Trust, to assist vulnerable local people, schools, charities, voluntary and community groups, community construction projects and a myriad of other worthy causes. www.cwpenergy.uk

WORKING FOR YOU!

**£2,000
DPBT GRANT**

The Boundary Trust...



... Dancing in Dalry!

DPBT were pleased to provide a grant of £2,000 in response to an application from Ellie Hannah, Active Schools coordinator for the Garnock Valley at Garnock Campus Sports Council.

The funds were put towards provision of a fitness and dance instructor for local schools across Garnock Valley.

'Ellie's application was submitted with the intention of working in partnership with the local dance school in Dalry and included regular dance clubs in primaries at lunchtimes and after-school sessions', explained CWP Energy's Ranger Pete who works closely with local schools and is also a Dalry Parish Boundary Trust Board member.

'The Trustees were impressed with the project and its objectives and so

only to develop dance skills but to contribute to the development of youngsters' teamwork skills, confidence and communication', added Ellie.



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**RANGER PETE
DPBT Trustee**

agreed to Ellie's funding request which it must be said has been put to such good use.'

'Dance instructor Chloe has been an incredible coach for Garnock Valley's young people and has been working hard each week with the schools, not

'With this financial support from Dalry Parish Boundary Trust, we have been able to continue the dance programme throughout local schools and delivered an incredible 45 sessions within Term 1 & 2.

'Chloe is now working closely with the schools and is busy with another amazing year of dance in the Garnock Valley.'



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BEITH PUPILS VISIT NEW LANARK

Towards the end of last year, Beith Primary School's two P7 classes enjoyed a trip to New Lanark Heritage Site, their coach travel met by a direct grant from CWP Energy.

'The trip was part of the pupils' Victorians Topic, said Diane Wood, Community Benefits Director at CWP, 'and to say the environment was an eye-opener to the pupils is putting it mildly!'



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'With school budgets so tight these days and the cost of transport and fuel soaring, we were delighted to contribute to such an educational trip. New Lanark provides a stunning learning environment that is so beneficial to the youngsters.'

The pupils' day started with a lesson in the Victorian classroom before they completed a marching drill and wrote on slates. Apparently, the teacher was 'very strict!'

After lunch, a tour of the restored 18th century cotton mill and a look at living arrangements, where eight people slept in one tiny room left them counting their blessings.

A ride on the Annie McLeod Experience following the life of a 10-years-old New Lanark girl completed a day that, as Miss Hamilton, the class teacher said, 'really brought their topic to life and sparked further interest in history for many of our learners.'



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'It's wonderful to see Garnock Valley Pipes and Drums grow again.'

Ailidh Campbell
Project Co-ordinator

Plenty of Puff from Boundary Trust grant

£5,000
DPBT GRANT



Dalry Parish Boundary Trust recently provided grant funding to help Garnock Valley Pipes and Drums provide instruments and tutors to Dalry pupils that previously had to travel to Beith for lessons.

Prior to Covid, GVP&D were going from strength to strength, but only now are they back on track with a new four-week 'taster' block teaching programme at the seven Garnock Valley primary schools.

Project co-ordinator Ailidh Campbell explains: 'We were delighted to receive the Boundary Trust grant, which helped us maintain our input in Dalry Primary School for the entire school year.'

'This has proved successful with P6/P7 pupils, three of whom have moved to full sets of Pipes, and we hope to extend this year-round project to nearby St Palladius in future.'

'Last year, we hosted 'Wee Pipers in the Park' – a week's summer school – and hope to repeat that this year to encourage young people to learn and experience traditional instruments and music.'

'It's wonderful to see Garnock Valley Pipes and Drums grow again and to offer free tuition on chanter and drums to 100 local pupils. The financial support from DPBT and CWP Energy is pivotal to our work with pupils.'

Dalry Primary pupils entertain at GVP&D's Christmas concert



KEEPING EDUCATION IN THE PICTURE

Into Film Scotland is the leading charity for film in education and the community and provides screen industry careers information and advice in addition to supporting young filmmakers as they bring the power of moving image storytelling into classroom teaching.



'As the Into Film programme across the nation ensures it aligns with the unique needs of Scotland's education and youth sectors we knew this was a project worth supporting', said DPBT Trustee and

CWP Energy Community Ranger, Ranger Pete.

Educational funding is a priority and we were pleased to fund coach travel to Irvine's Harbour Arts Centre for St Palladius P1-4 pupils and to Paisley's Showcase Cinema complex for the school's P5-7 children. After the trips they were able to discuss and write about their experiences.

Some Facts about Into Film:

- 30,000 teaching resources downloaded by Scottish educators since 2017
- Into Film has trained around 6,000 Scottish teachers since 2014
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FREE END OF YEAR FUN WITH CWP GRANT

Last summer, Gateside Primary and Early Years class took to the road for their end of year outing, to Finlaystone Country Estate in Renfrewshire with coach travel and entry fees being covered by a direct grant from CWP Energy.

The pupils had a great time despite cool and drizzly weather, as they explored the extensive grounds and woodland trails, and took part in Ranger-led activities that included den building for older children and a mini beast hunt for the wee ones.

Excess energy was certainly burned off at the large custom built play areas – including a wooden fort and pirate ship – which certainly stimulated young imaginations, and all returned home tired but happy.

'Not every request we

receive is huge in terms of money', said CWP Community Benefits Director Diane Wood. 'Funding experiences such as this helps deliver huge benefits to the children in terms of understanding each other, learning about the

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The run will take place on Sunday 22 June at 10 am.

Runners will start and finish at Dalry Public Park.

Look on our facebook page for updates and info on when applications open:

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Poaching was a very serious offence and a fine, possibly as much as £10, together with a prison sentence was a very likely punishment.

You can imagine how Tam felt when he appeared before the man whose land he had poached on.

Tam pled guilty, explaining that his family was hungry. Expecting the worst and unable to pay a fine and escape imprisonment, Tam was astonished to be told that his fine had

been paid and he was free to go.

Apparently, Sir Walter was so troubled about Tam's unfortunate circumstances that he took pity and paid Tam's fine himself.... but that's not the end of this tale.

Tam visited Scott to thank him and to his astonishment Scott offered him a job as his 'Special Assistant', managing the farm and its affairs, which resulted in Tam and his family finding a new home on the estate while Tam and Sir Walter went on to become best friends.

Why am I telling you this story?

Well, Tam Purdie's tale is a reminder of the gospel message. He could do nothing about his situation and was guilty, but Sir Walter took pity on him and paid his debt.

We could do nothing about our predicament caused by Adam in the

Garden of Eden, but God in his grace and mercy took pity on us and sent Jesus into the world to pay the debt we owed Him – not with money but with Jesus' life.

Sir Walter in his grace literally adopted Tam and his family into his, and a great friendship was formed.

Every believer has been adopted into God's family, so every believer can have a best friend in Jesus.

But unlike Tam, who was still Scott's employee and unable to inherit from Scott's estate, every believer becomes heir to everything that Christ possesses and will inherit the same as Christ inherited: eternal life.

God has done all of this for us in Christ, simply because of his great love for us. Let's enjoy the debt free life of sin we can have in Christ.

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St Palladius RC Church

CHANGING FACES AND NEW OPPORTUNITIES

Fr Mark Kelly left Dalry at the beginning of June last year, taking the good wishes and thanks of St Palladius parishioners with him.

Since then, the new Bishop of the Diocese of Galloway, Frank Dougan, has transferred three priests; with Mark going to Irvine and Stephen Latham coming to the Garnock Valley to cover St Palladius in Dalry, Our Lady's in Beith and St Brigid's in Kilbirnie.

Of course, personnel changes always bring new

opportunities, and this year in particular that is very true, because along with a new bishop and new priest, Pope Francis has declared 2025 as a year of Jubilee, with the theme of our being 'Pilgrims of Hope.'

As part of the Jubilee, churches have been asked to revisit some of the documents that came out of the Second Vatican Council and ask how well they have been implemented in our area.



One of the dominant themes of these documents is to make churches and worship more welcoming of all people.

For us, in Dalry, that welcome also extends to the more social side of church life, where anyone and everyone is welcome to come along to our dances, coffee mornings and our regular get-togethers after Sunday mass, where we chat, exchange views and enjoy a traditional cup of tea or two.

Feel free to join us!

Our Sunday service at St Palladius in Dalry takes place at 11.30am and as always, everyone and anyone is more than welcome.

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AHOY! ...AS CAMPUS PUPILS SET SAIL



**£6,000
DPBT GRANT**

DPBT were pleased to provide grant aid of £6,000 to Garnock Community Campus where Teacher of Nurture and Pupil Support, Rachael Millar and a colleague are preparing to take a crew of pupils on a week's voyage with the Ocean Youth Trust, this June.

'The funds will cover the cost of the trip, meals, necessary clothing, and provide the pupils with a pre-trip team building opportunity out on the water at Renfrewshire's Castle Semple Loch or Lochshore here in North Ayrshire', said Trust Chair Robert Barr.



'Projects like this are so important as they build key skills such as resilience, responsibility, leadership and self-confidence in the youngsters, all of whom hail from the Garnock Valley.'

The young people will learn to sail and work as a team, with participants gaining a Start Yachting qualification with the Royal Yachting Association as reward for their efforts as

Rachael explains: 'This experience will help pupils build close relationships with their peers, and we hope to build on the pupils' key skills to promote a positive outlook within them regarding their future.'

'Previously, we took nine pupils on this voyage with 44 per cent coming from Dalry itself and following this year's excursion we intend to hold an event to showcase of the pupils' collective and individual experiences.'

'Our thanks go to the Trustees at DPBT for their generous financial support.'



DPBT funds a look at our ancestors

Last year, DPBT agreed a grant of £205 to allow St Palladius P6 and P7 pupils to enjoy an educational museum tour of Dalgarven Mill, the home of The Museum of Ayrshire Country Life and Costume.

Housed in an historic 1880 grain mill the museum is a top local attraction and stands on a site that reputedly has been home to a mill of one type or another since 1203.

The children were enthralled as they stepped back in time to investigate the lives of local farmers and trades people – some of whom may well have been their ancestors!

Blacksmith, saddler and shoe making equipment fascinated the wee ones as did the costume collection which is acknowledged as one of the finest in Scotland and dates from 1775.



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Last year, DPBT were

delighted to fund Jack's Rugby Tournament branded tee-shirts and commemorative medals for all participants.

'Not only does this fantastic event remember Jack, it encourages young

players to take part in sport and to play rugby in an atmosphere of fun and learning', said DPBT Chair Robert Barr. 'The Trustees are very supportive of the event and were only too happy to contribute.'

Valley Veterans Over 35s SCORE BIG!

Substantial DPBT cash injection for local footballers

Formed in the 1980s by Billy Boyd, and formerly known as Roche Rockets while competing in the Ayrshire League, Valley Veterans have been managed by some big characters, the most notable being local legend Stevie Wilson.

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The club is well established in the Glasgow League.

important for health and wellbeing in today's busy world.

The Vets play from March to October, with

their home fixtures taking place for the most part at Valefield Park, Kilbirnie or, when required, Beith public park and Astro parks.

Recently, the Vets' application for funding from Dalry Parish Boundary Trust was approved, with the £5,000 grant helping to secure the club's future by kitting out the players with new strips, match day tops, bags and equipment for match days.

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