

# Glenlivet & Inveravon and Kirkmichael & Tomintoul Community Associations

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Dear Community Members,

## **NEW Development Trust for your Community – we need you to be a part of it**

The communities of Tomintoul, Glenlivet, and the wider AB37 9 postcode area are coming together to form the Tomintoul and Glenlivet Development Trust. The Trust will work to make a real difference to the entire AB37 9 postcode area by undertaking projects including anything from broadband to signage, and housing to environmental projects. Further information on the Trust, what it is, how it came about and its aims and objectives are outlined overleaf.

### **Why become a Member?**

We need as many people as possible from the community to become Members of the Trust to ensure that it is representing your interests. Membership costs £1 per annum and you can have as much or as little involvement as you like. Becoming a member will ensure that you are kept up to date with the work of the Trust and can be part of and have your say on the projects it undertakes. Anyone over the age of 12 can join so please make sure you tell your friends and family about it.

**Join Now** – complete and return the enclosed form OR apply online at <https://surveymonkey.net/s/TGDT>

### **Nominating Directors**

We need a strong Board of Directors to help guide and advise the Trust. Directors will be elected from amongst the Members of the Trust and will need to include a range of skills, knowledge and expertise e.g. financial knowledge, leadership ability, business experience, great organisational skills etc. If you feel that you or someone you know has skills and expertise to offer the Trust then please get in touch. Nominations for Directors should be submitted on the enclosed form to the address above no later than 20 June 2012.

### **General Meeting & Election of Directors**

The first General Meeting of the Trust will be held on 21 June 2012 at 7:30pm in the Glenlivet Public Hall. This first meeting will be an opportunity to find out more about the Trust. Election of Directors will take place at this meeting so please come along and use your vote. If you need a lift to the event or are willing to offer a lift to others then please let us know.

Yours Faithfully,

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# Development Trust – an Overview

## Why have a Trust?

The AB37 9 postcode area is a remote rural community facing a number of challenges and opportunities. The two Community Associations have been working with a range of groups and agencies as part of a Regeneration Project. The aim of this project was to identify issues facing the area (e.g. economic and social issues were identified such as empty buildings, transport, housing, tourism, employment, training etc.) and the potential solutions. A Regeneration Strategy and Action Plan has been produced and has been discussed at a number of public meetings. Setting up a Trust was identified as a key priority for the community and this received a lot of support from the community at Public meetings. The Trust can work with and apply for funding from a range of different funding bodies and already has the support of The Moray Council, Highlands and Islands Enterprise, The Crown Estate and the Cairngorms National Park Authority.

Full details of the Regeneration Project, the Strategy and Action Plan and notes from all of the public meetings are available online at <http://www.cairngorms.co.uk/live-work/regeneration-project/>.

## What is the Trust?

The Tomintoul and Glenlivet Development Trust (TGDT) is a company Limited by Guarantee covering the AB37 9 postcode area. It was registered as a company in May 2012. The company will be made up of Directors and Members and can employ staff. Funding has already been secured to employ a Development Officer for three years to help establish the Trust, obtain funding, and deliver projects. Recruiting the Development Officer will be the first job for the new Board once it has been elected.

## What is the Trust For?

The Aim:

- to benefit the communities within the AB37 9 postcode area.

The Objectives:

- maintenance, regeneration and improvement of the communities' physical, economic, social and cultural infrastructure; and
- advancement of education and training, arts, culture, heritage, sports, recreation, environmental improvement, social and economic well-being.

## What do Members have to do?

The Trust is run by the community for the community. As such it needs as many members of the community as possible to become Members to ensure that their interests are represented. Membership costs £1 per annum and there are four different types of Membership (see the enclosed form for details). Members can do as much or as little as they wish. As a Member you could:

- Do nothing – just support the Trust by paying your fee and keeping up to date on progress via updates
- Get involved in Projects
- Help identify potential projects to undertake
- Become a Director of the Trust
- Vote for Directors of the Trust

## Look out for an email from us

If you are on our email database already you will also receive this information via email and a link to the online membership form.