



# SITA TAYSIDE BIODIVERSITY ACTION FUND

May 2007 (2)

## List of funded projects

| Organisation                                | Project   | SITA Trust contribution (£)          | Summary & progress  | Contacts  |
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| <i>Forest Research</i>                      | Small Cow-Wheat Species Recovery Project (Perth and Kinross)<br><i>(photograph below)</i> | 11,200 (total project costs: 39,900) | Habitat creation to recover small cow wheat by collecting of small cow wheat seeds from 3 donor sites within Scotland and have them sown on 3 sites within Perth and Kinross.<br><i>Project completed</i>   | Alice Broome,<br><a href="mailto:Alice.broome@forestry.gsi.gov.uk">Alice.broome@forestry.gsi.gov.uk</a> |
| <i>Forest Research</i>                      | Small Cow-Wheat Species Recovery Project phase 2 (Perth and Kinross)                      | 11,900 (total project costs: 17,500) | Habitat creation to recover small cow wheat by collecting of small cow wheat seeds from 3 donor sites within Scotland and have them sown on 2 sites within Perth and Kinross.<br><i>Project in progress</i>   | Alice Broome,<br><a href="mailto:Alice.broome@forestry.gsi.gov.uk">Alice.broome@forestry.gsi.gov.uk</a> |
| <i>Broughty Ferry Environmental Project</i> | Following the Water of Life (Dundee)<br><i>(photograph below)</i>                         | 5,100 (total project costs: 17,100)  | Project focuses on the theme of water, both in terms of the habitats it provides and the species it supports. The project designs, plans and build an amphibian over wintering habitat to a local pond located at Broughty Ferry Library.<br><i>Project completed</i> | Ann Lolley,<br><a href="mailto:Environ.projects@dundee.gov.uk">Environ.projects@dundee.gov.uk</a>       |
| <i>Forest Research</i>                      | Juniper Natural Regeneration Management Trials (Perth and Kinross)                        | 6,314 (total project costs: 16,418)  | Habitat management to regenerate juniper which is a UKBAP priority species. The project monitors the impact of summer grazing by cattle at two identified sites.<br><i>Project in progress</i>  | Alice Broome<br><a href="mailto:Alice.broome@forestry.gsi.gov.uk">Alice.broome@forestry.gsi.gov.uk</a>  |
| <i>Angus Council</i>                        | Artificial Sand Martin Wall (Angus)<br><i>(photographs below)</i>                         | 10,029 (total project costs: 10,029) | Habitat creation through the construction of artificial sand martin wall within Crombie Country Park.<br><i>Project completed</i>   | Tom McGrath,<br><a href="mailto:monikipark@ol.co.uk">monikipark@ol.co.uk</a>                            |

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| <i>Tay Ringing Group</i>                      | Saving Tayside's Ring Ouzels (Angus)                                 | 1,065 (total project costs: 3,396)   | Radio tracking of Ring Ouzels, a rapidly declining red list species<br><i>Project completed</i>  | Les Hatton<br><a href="mailto:les@lydox.fsnet.co.uk">les@lydox.fsnet.co.uk</a>                         |
| <i>Tay Ringing Group</i>                      | Tay Reedbed Habitat Management (Perth and Kinross)                   | 1,890 (total project costs: 4,050)   | The ringing of various species of birds that use the River Tay reedbeds. The species targeted for ringing are Reed bunting, Bearded tit, Sedge warbler and Swallow.<br><i>Project in progress</i>  | Les Hatton<br><a href="mailto:les@lydox.fsnet.co.uk">les@lydox.fsnet.co.uk</a>                         |
| <i>RSPB Scotland</i>                          | Tay Reedbeds Biodiversity Enhancement Project (Perth and Kinross)    | 26,000 (total project costs: 85,000) | The Tay reedbeds contain 15% of the British reedbed resource. The project will conserve the reedbeds which support populations of Bearded tits, Water rail, Sedge warbler, Marsh harrier and Reed bunting.<br><i>Project in progress</i> | Gregg Wilkie<br><a href="mailto:Gregg.wilkie@spb.org.uk">Gregg.wilkie@spb.org.uk</a>                   |
| <i>Angus Council</i>                          | Lilybank Bio-diverse garden (Angus)                                  | 6,000 (total project costs: 8,900)   | Creation of a biodiverse garden in the grounds of an Adult Resource Centre<br><i>Project in progress</i>   | Pierre Bernard<br><a href="mailto:Swd_lilybankarc@angus.sol.co.uk">Swd_lilybankarc@angus.sol.co.uk</a> |
| <i>Tay Ringing Group</i>                      | Marsh Harrier Management (Perth and Kinross)                         | 3,400 (total project costs: 4,300)   | The purchase of two satellite tags to track Marsh harrier movements and raise awareness<br><i>Project completed</i>  | Les Hatton<br><a href="mailto:les@lydox.fsnet.co.uk">les@lydox.fsnet.co.uk</a>                         |
| <i>Sustain Dundee</i>                         | Dundee Red Squirrel project (Dundee)<br><i>(photograph below)</i>    | 6,250 (total project costs unknown)  | Control of Grey squirrels, and the setting up of supplementary feeding stations to improve breeding success of Red squirrels<br><i>Project in progress</i>   | Julie Sturrock<br><a href="mailto:juliesturrock@dundeecity.gov.uk">juliesturrock@dundeecity.gov.uk</a> |
| <i>Angus &amp; Tayside Conservation Group</i> | Little tern Breeding protection (Angus)<br><i>(photograph below)</i> | 3,468 (total project costs: 3,468)   | Provision of warden service during Little tern breeding season<br><i>Project completed</i>   | Mechelle Coutts<br>01674 676336  |
| <i>Angus Council</i>                          | Swift/Bat Housing Project (Angus)<br><i>(photograph below)</i>       | 3,172 (total project costs: 3,172)   | Provision of Swift and bat boxes on William Wallace House, Orchardbank, Forfar (Angus Council Housing Dept.)<br><i>Project completed</i>   | John Morrow at Housing<br>email : <a href="mailto:morrowj@angus.gov.uk">morrowj@angus.gov.uk</a>       |
| <i>Dundee City Council</i>                    | Dundee Biodiversity Garden (Dundee)                                  | 4,500 (total project costs: 156,200) | Creation of a biodiverse garden providing nesting/ roosting/ hibernating boxes and bird tables and plants to attract invertebrates.<br><i>Project in progress</i>  | John Porter<br><a href="mailto:John.porter@dundeecity.gov.uk">John.porter@dundeecity.gov.uk</a>        |
| <i>Sustain Dundee</i>                         | Dundee Red Squirrel project Phase 2 (Dundee)                         | 4,250 (total project costs: 16,250)  | Control of Grey squirrels, and the setting up of supplementary feeding stations to improve breeding success of Red squirrels<br><i>Project in progress</i>   | Julie Sturrock<br><a href="mailto:juliesturrock@dundeecity.gov.uk">juliesturrock@dundeecity.gov.uk</a> |

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| <i>Broughty Ferry Environmental Project</i>                         | <b>Following the Water of Life Phase 2 (Dundee)</b><br><i>(photograph below)</i> | 6,890<br>(total project costs: 11,890)  | Project focuses on the theme of water, both in terms of the habitats it provides and the species it supports. The second phase of the project is focusing on the restoration of a number of urban ponds located across Eastern Dundee/Broughty Ferry.<br><i>Project in progress</i> | Ann Lolley,<br><a href="mailto:Enviro.projects@dundee.gov.uk">Enviro.projects@dundee.gov.uk</a> |
| <i>Nature Bureau projects (on behalf of Bat Conservation Trust)</i> | <b>Dundee Bat Project (Dundee)</b><br><i>(photograph below)</i>                  | 9,660<br>(total project costs: 11,717)  | Survey and monitoring of bats will enable the Bat Conservation Trust, in conjunction with the local bat group, to survey sites used by pipestrelle bats and how they can be improved.<br><i>Project in progress</i>   | Suzanne Marshall<br><a href="mailto:post@naturebureau.co.uk">post@naturebureau.co.uk</a>        |
| <i>Field Studies Council</i>  | <b>Kindrogan Otter Project</b>   | 1,700<br>(total project costs: 8,890)   | Riparian management and creation of otter holt<br><i>Project in progress</i>  | Martyn Jamieson<br>01250 870150   |
| <i>Field Studies Council</i>  | <b>Kindrogan Red Squirrel Project</b>  | 2,700<br>(total project costs unknown)  | Woodland management and provision of Red Squirrel feeding areas<br><i>Project in progress</i>   | Martyn Jamieson<br>01250 870150   |
| <i>Scottish Agricultural College</i>                                | <b>Perthshire Barn Owl Project</b>   | 2,140<br>(total project costs: 3,090)   | Monitoring and research into 6 areas in Glen Isla to ascertain, and then safeguard, Barn owl populations<br><i>Project in progress</i>  | Christine Hall<br>01738 636611  |
| <i>Dundee City Council</i>  | <b>Trottick Pond Restoration</b>   | 3,790<br>(total project costs: 7,580)   | Community and Ranger Service restoration of historical rhetting pond<br><i>Project in progress</i>  | George Potts  |
| <i>Dundee City Council</i>  | <b>Den o'Mains Pond Restoration</b>  | 5,260<br>(total project costs: 10,520)  | Community and Ranger Service restoration of historical rhetting pond<br><i>Project in progress</i>  | George Potts  |
| <i>Angus &amp; Tayside Conservation Group</i>                       | <b>Tern Conservation in Tayside (Montrose)</b>                                   | 15,500<br>(total project costs: 15,500) | Interim safeguarding/ awareness-raising of tern colony ahead of a major project to commence in 2008.<br><i>Project in progress</i>  |   |
| <i>Angus FWAG</i>   | <b>Angus Tree Sparrow Project</b>  | 5,550<br>(total project costs: 6,875)   | Monitoring and research into 10 areas in Angus to ascertain, and then safeguard, Tree sparrow populations.<br><i>Project in progress</i>  | Carol Littlewood  |
| <i>Perthshire FWAG</i>  | <b>Perthshire Tree Sparrow Project</b>   | 5,550<br>(total project costs: 6,875)   | Monitoring and research into 10 areas in Perthshire to ascertain, and then safeguard, Tree sparrow populations.<br><i>Project in progress</i>   | Richard Lockett   |

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| <i>Fife &amp; Kinross FWAG</i>       | <b>Kinross-shire Tree Sparrow Project</b>                                     | 5,550<br>(total project costs: 6,875)   | Monitoring and research into 10 areas in Kinross-shire to ascertain, and then safeguard, Tree sparrow populations.<br><i>Project in progress</i>  | Shirley Paterson |
| <i>Scottish Agricultural College</i> | <b>Highland Perthshire Calcareous Grassland Project (Perth &amp; Kinross)</b> | 8,146<br>(total project costs: 34,108)  | Feasibility study into suitable areas (Highland Perthshire) for demonstration sites and specific grassland management for invertebrates (inc. Mason bee).<br><i>Project in progress</i> | Christine Hall   |
| <i>Angus FWAG</i>                    | <b>Linnet Link (Angus)</b>  | 13,530<br>(total project costs: 14,220) | Provision of new native shrub plantings along A92 cycle track to enhance the linnet population.<br><i>Project in progress</i>   | Carol Littlewood |

*Photographs below*

**Sand Martin Wall, Crombie Country Park, Angus (exterior from loch)**



**Sand Martin Wall, Crombie Country Park, Angus (showing interior) – the first research Sand Martin nesting wall in Scotland.**



**(FLOW) Following the Life of Water Project Phase 1 (Amphibian Hibernacula)**



**(FLOW) Phase 2 (Pond Restoration)**



**Swift/Bat Housing Project: William Wallace House, Forfar**



*Species Focus for SITA TBAF Projects in Tayside:*

**Small Cow-wheat Species Recovery Project, Perthshire (Forest Research)**



**Red Squirrel Project, Dundee**



**Little Tern Conservation Project, Montrose**



**Dundee Bat Project**



## Creation of otter holt for Otter Project, Kindrogan Field Studies Council

