# Community Pubs and the Journey to Community Ownership

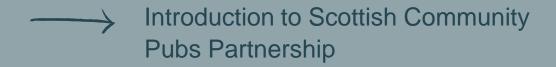
Meet two pub groups and hear about the Scottish Community Pubs Partnership



### Agenda

# What we'll discuss this afternoon





Case Study – Inn at Kingsbarns, Fife

Case Study – Anchor Tavern,
Port Bannatyne, Bute

→ Q&A



- A national charity with a vision for resilient, thriving rural communities
- Support people in mainly rural areas to set up and run community-owned businesses
- Provide **business support and training** to help these businesses start-up, and after opening and trading
- Offer regular peer networking opportunities
- Raise awareness of the community business model UK-wide

Supporting rural community-owned businesses



## Community pubs partnership

- Close working partnership with CSS/Democratic Finance
- Free packages of business support for new and trading community owned pubs in rural Scotland
- Quarterly online networking meetings
- Free tailored training events and associated resources
- Early stage grants of up to £2,000 available to March 2025







How does Plunkett help early stage groups?

- Free helpline
- Creating an action plan
- Choosing a legal structure
- Writing a business plan
- Raising funds
- Liaising with CSS on support

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# How does Plunkett help trading community businesses?

- Helpline
- Governance and relationships
- Financial planning
- Volunteer management
- Diversifying
- Raising funds
- Practical operational advice





## Complementary partnership working with Plunkett UK





Support to raise Democratic Finance – historically community shares but other options being developed



Scottish grant funding landscape – Scottish Land Fund requirements



Scottish legislative context – Community Asset Transfer, Community Right to Buy



Governance expertise – bespoke models for DTs



Link to DTAS Development Officers and wider DTAS member support



### A growing community pubs network



- 12 trading Community Pubs
- 23 in pipeline developing business plans and raising funds
- Almost £700,000 raised through community shares to date – usually complemented by Scottish Land Fund
- Almost 2,000 citizen investors



### Meet the pubs!

#### **Sharon Makin**

Kingsbarns Community Development Trust
The Inn at Kingsbarns (Fife)

### **Garry Charnock**

Port Bannatyne Development Trust The Anchor Tavern (Isle of Bute)















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