

**DEVELOPMENT TRUSTS
ASSOCIATION SCOTLAND**

Annual Conference 2026

Sponsorship Brochure

Glasgow Caledonian University, G4 0BA

Tuesday 1st - Wednesday 2nd September

Development Trusts Association Scotland

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Sponsorship Opportunities

About Development Trusts Association Scotland (DTAS)

DTAS is an independent, member-led organisation which aims to promote, support and represent development trusts in Scotland. Established in 2003, DTAS now has over 350 development trust members – community-led organisations in urban, rural and island communities across Scotland.

DTAS Mission

DTAS' mission is to support communities across Scotland to thrive, through our community-led network and national place-based sustainable action.

About the Development Trusts Association Scotland's Annual Conference

The DTAS Annual Conference is accessed by full, associate, provisional and aspiring members; as well as intermediary organisations, local authorities and clients of the Democratic Finance programme and Community Ownership Support Service.

The Conference is a highly valued event for all that work in the community sector.

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DTAS Annual Conference 2025

In 2025 we delivered a rich programme of plenary sessions, workshops and study visits.

The structured sessions were interspersed with time for networking or visiting the Marketplace space which exhibited types of support available to Development Trusts.



321 Total attendees



173 Organisations



25 guest speakers and workshop hosts



3 study visits



16 exhibitors

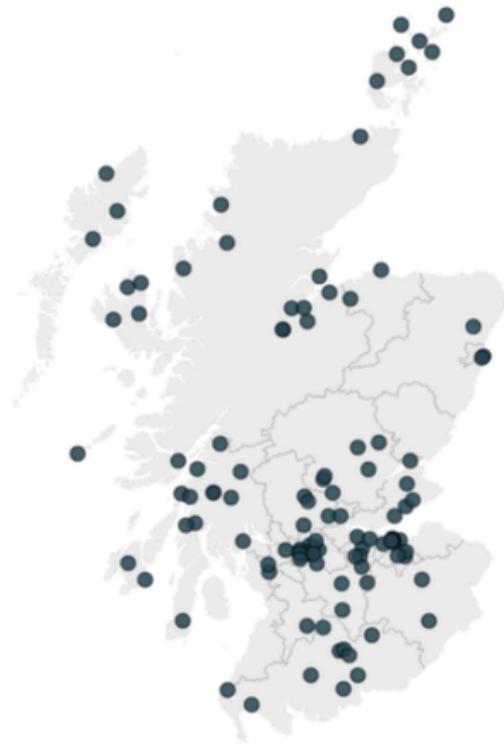


10 workshops

Distribution of organisations that attended DTAS Annual Conference 2025

2025

Map does not include organisations that aren't on Salesforce (mainly intermediaries)



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It was all brilliant! I've never talked or listened so much in my life. I enjoyed listening to other groups' experiences and making connections within the sector face to face.



Group panel discussions were excellent, and met some amazing people during the market place sessions. Really well organised, excellent venue and great to compare notes and experience with others.



I left feeling incredibly excited about using some of the learning in my own community and wider work.



The number of talented people involved in transforming the quality of life for communities across Scotland was breath-taking. The experience of being part of such a movement was inspiring.



Development Trusts Association Scotland Annual Conference 2026

This year the Annual Conference will take place in Glasgow at the Glasgow Caledonian University.

This year's programme:

1st and 2nd of September 2026

Plenary sessions that address challenges facing the sector, and provide solutions!

Small "TED Talk" style presentations showcasing the work of member groups

12 workshops

2 study visits

15 marketplace stalls, providing delegates with the opportunity to explore nationwide support for Development Trusts

Buffet lunch on both days

Evening reception with drinks, canapés, and networking.

Through the programme we strive to provide delegates with:

- Networking opportunities
- Improved organisational capacity
- Opportunity to influence policy
- Knowledge sharing opportunities
- Tailored advice and support
- Learning and skills improvement



Sponsorship Tiers

£900 + VAT

Hear from our members - Short talks

Support the delivery of a series of short talks, showcasing the incredible work of our member groups.

The sponsorship includes:

- Brand acknowledgement and advertisement in Annual Conference publications
- “Thank you” announcements throughout the event
- Two conference tickets for your organisation



£2,000 + VAT

Bursary places

We like to provide organisations that would otherwise be unable to attend the conference with bursaries. In 2025, 18 organisations were awarded conference bursary places.

This sponsorship includes:

- Brand acknowledgement and advertisement in Annual Conference publications
- “Thank you” announcements throughout the event
- Two conference tickets for your organisation



£5,000 + VAT

Evening Reception

The after conference drinks reception on day one is an opportunity for our delegates to have some fun, enjoy entertainment, drinks and canapés.

This sponsorship includes:

- Brand acknowledgement and advertisement in Annual Conference publications
- “Thank you” announcements throughout the event
- An opportunity to speak at the evening reception
- Two conference tickets for your organisation

You choose

General sponsorship

This could cover logistical costs, communications, marketing and general planning of the event.

Or, sponsor one bursary position for £300 + VAT.

This sponsorship includes:

- Brand acknowledgement and advertisement in Annual Conference publications
- “Thank you” announcements throughout the event
- Two conference tickets for your organisation

Sponsorship Summary

Sponsorship option	Cost	Tickets for attendance	Sponsorship includes
Hear from our members - short talks	£900 + VAT	Two conference tickets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brand acknowledgement and advertisement in Annual Conference publications • “Thank you” announcements throughout the event
Bursaries	£2,000 + VAT	Two conference tickets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brand acknowledgement and advertisement in Annual Conference publications • “Thank you” announcements throughout the event
Evening Reception	£5,000 + VAT	Two conference tickets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brand acknowledgement and advertisement in Annual Conference publications • “Thank you” announcements throughout the event • An opportunity to speak at the reception
General	An amount that you choose	Two conference tickets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brand acknowledgement and advertisement in Annual Conference publications • “Thank you” announcements throughout the event

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