





## **Year One Review**

The Galloway Glens Landscape Partnership Scheme is undertaking five years of co-ordinated activity and projects in Dumfries & Galloway between 2018 and 2023, focussed on the river catchment of the Ken/Dee valley. Our aim is to 'connect people to their heritage' and in doing so, drive economic activity in the area and support sustainable communities. We have now finished the first year of our delivery phase and this is an opportunity to give an overview of work to date.

The Scheme is primarily funded by the National Lottery Heritage Fund Scotland, with additional support from a range of other partners, including Dumfries & Galloway Council and the Galloway & Southern Ayrshire UNESCO Biosphere.

## We have six programmes of activity:



Increasing understanding of our local heritage



Improving access opportunities and infrastructure



Providing education opportunities and skills training



Assisting the sustainable use of community buildings



Encouraging people to visit the area



Supporting wildlife and habitats

## **Volunteer Activity**

More than £62,000 worth of volunteer time has been undertaken on the Scheme this year.

Year Two is now underway but we are always open to new suggestions and opportunities. Please feel free to contact the office or visit our website for more details.

www.gallowayglens.org







Many thanks to our partners, including







## **Year One Snapshot**



Offices Opened in Castle Douglas



Work underway on Old Smiddy in Balmaclellan



New Loch Skerrow footbridge created



Education Shelter & Red Squirrel Hide opened in Kirkcudbright's Barhill Woods



Business Academy Events providing support to local businesses delivered



Habitat restoration projects underway



Community Archaeology project 'Can you dig it' commenced



**Experiential Tourism events held** 



Project to tag, release and track Greenland White fronted Geese underway



Groundworks underway for path improvements



Biosphere Education programme launched in schools



Fish populations in Loch Ken surveyed