ARBROATH FC COMMUNITY TRUST

> "Accelerate has provided much needed support at a time of change for the Trust which was essential. It has helped our charity to thrive and grow. We are in an excellent position moving forward and owe a lot of that to Accelerate's support. Hopefully, we may have the opportunity to work with Accelerate again in the future."
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> - Arbroath FC Community Trust

Background

Arbroath FC Community Trust (AFCCT), set up in November 2020 during the Covid pandemic, has emerged as a central pillar providing essential support services within the Arbroath community.

Late in 2021, the Trust applied to be part of the national Community Climate Action Plan Programme, to develop bespoke plans for climate action in Arbroath itself.

AFCCT's plans have focused on establishing the Seaton Park development in the town and include projects exploring solutions and opportunities to reduce the impact of climate change as well as providing important services and facilities for local people.

Specific projects include developing the Pavilion at Seaton Park into a community environmental hub, helping the Trust emerge as a key 'anchor organisation' within the Arbroath community.

What we did

AFCCT accessed support from Accelerate to help develop these plans, with specific reference to financial and project planning.

Accelerate supported AFCCT in developing a fully costed funding proposal that would not only establish the community environmental hub but also identify potential income generation options that would contribute to its longer-term financial sustainability. The Plan covers the period to March 2027.

Additional projects include erecting a wind turbine, allotments in Seaton Park and, in partnership with Arbroath Academy, the development of a 3G pitch for use by the both the school and the wider community.

With the support of Accelerate, AFCCT can continue to develop its plans for Seaton Park – and continue to support the people of Arbroath most in need.

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