

Annual Report 2017-18

The Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015, Section 95, requires each Relevant Authority to publish a report on asset transfer for each year. This should detail the number of requests made and the outcome of each request, alongside what we have done to promote and support asset transfer.

There has been interest shown in community asset transfer in 2017-18, further to awareness raising, training events and communications by the Council (e.g. via Community Planning Partnership Workforce Development Programme and [Community Grants Newsletters](#)). However, there have been no valid asset transfer requests made to the Council within the reporting period. Assistance has been provided to a number of community groups outside of the formal process.

Summary Statistics

Summary data for East Dunbartonshire Council for the period 27 January 2017 to 31 March 2018 is as follows:

- Number of Asset Transfer Enquiries = 7
- Number of Asset Transfer Request Forms sent = 0
- Number of Request forms returned as not valid = 0

Our Approach

Community Transfer Bodies (CTBs) are encouraged to discuss their interest at an early stage with the Council to establish the most appropriate route to progress their interest. This could involve CTBs using the existing arrangements (e.g. license to occupy, short and long term lease) or arrangements under the Act for transferring an asset.

East Dunbartonshire Council's approach to community asset transfer under the Act builds on existing policy and practice and has the following key features:

- It has a focus on capacity building, dialogue and partnership
- It enables community transfer bodies to proceed at a pace that suits them
- It provides different routes to asset transfer