# **MyParkScotland**



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### **Drivers**

- Greenspace surveys: falling levels of use
- Local Authority pressures
- Growing Friends & community groups
- State of UK Public Parks report 2014

need for alternative mechanisms for people to discover, enjoy and support their local parks and green spaces ...
something like justgiving ... but for parks



### Nesta/HLF Rethinking Parks programme

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## We Wanted a ....



- web-based and social media platform
- mechanism for supporting individual & business giving
- crowdfunding to support park improvement projects
   & activities
- gift-aid to create an Endowment Fund
- one-stop parks information portal and interactive hub – information about parks, events and activities



The Community Hub

The Funding Hub



# Discover, enjoy and support parks and green spaces



### **Developing MyParkScotland**

**Customer insight testing** - surveys and focus groups:

- 75% liked the idea of being able to seek funding for their local park project
- 66% liked the idea of being able to donate to local park projects
- 73% liked the idea of being able to support ongoing maintenance of their local park



## **The PARTNERS**

### steering group | website building | branding | comms





transforming urban spaces into people places







Nesta...





# www.mypark.scot





Why MyParkScotland? | Explore Parks | Activities & Events | Get Involved | Support Parks | Park Stories

#### **Explore** Parks









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Use the Search Area below to find the park you are looking for either by entering the park name or using the drop down options.

To start your search again first click the Clear button below.

| Park name:        |   |
|-------------------|---|
| Area:             |   |
| Edinburgh         | • |
| Postcode:         |   |
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| Facilities:       |   |
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Abercorn Park

Allison Park

Atholl Crescent

#### Support Parks

#### Mini Orchard for Hayburn Park

#### This project is to improve: Hayburn Park, Glasgow





A mini orchard will enhance the natural features of the park and an interesting and stimulating area for natural play.



Hayburn Playpark 2015 from MyParkScotland on Vimeo.



#### £597 Raised Target £550.00 O days to go

#### 108.559

Ended on August 28, 2015See more projects >>

#### Gift Idea 1: £5

£5.00 | £5 towards cost of fruit bushes and trees

#### Gift Idea 2: £5 plus Gift Aid

£5.00 | £5 plus Gift Aid towards cost of fruit bushes and trees

#### Gift Idea 3: £12

 $\pm 12.00\,|\,\pm 12$  help to buy and plant a fruit bush

#### Gift Idea 4: £12 plus Gift Aid

£12.00 | £12 plus Gift Aid help to buy and plant a fruit bush

#### Gift Idea 5: £35

£35.00 | £35 help to buy and plant a fruit tree

#### Gift Idea 6: £35 plus Gift Aid

£35.00 | £35 plus Gift Aid help to buy and plant a fruit tree

### **Other projects & crowdfunds**

Some examples...

- Biohaven islands for great crested grebes Glasgow
- Children's nature trail Edinburgh
- Commonwealth compass Glasgow
- Pensioners' playground Edinburgh
- Outdoor classroom Glasgow
- Bat boxes Edinburgh
- Glasgow Green Boathouse





100%

of donations go directly to projects 70% of donations include Gift Aid

6%

of donations go to create an endowment fund for parks

# The future...

- Text giving introduced
- Extending to other areas
- Thematic crowdfunds



- Resources, training and mentoring support
- Developing business partnerships
- Building the endowment



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