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reCycle
community
bicycle scheme



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Learning**





- **150+ refurbished bicycles provided for free to Mid Argyll residents who can evidence a change in travel behaviour.**
- **100+ bicycles diverted from landfill and returned to the community.**
- **Project participants report physical and mental health improvements in addition to a reduction in car use.**
- **Additional benefits from project has been capacity to support active travel within local community groups through workshop delivery and on road skills training.**
- **Provision of free eBike hire to local community groups.**
- **All services provided by fully qualified staff.**

**reCycle Workshop
based at Blarbuie,
adjacent the Mid
Argyll Hospital**

**Funding currently
being sought to
continue and expand
the reCycle project**



**Providing free bicycles to support
local families cycling**



Creating upskilling and social benefit opportunities



Outdoor STEM Learning



Working with Mid Argyll Schools & home educating families to provide STEM Learning in nature

- **A one-year pilot project based at the ACT MAKI Pups Outdoor Nursery, Kilmory.**
- **Working in alignment with CfE Experiences & Outcomes.**

Developing hands on technical skills



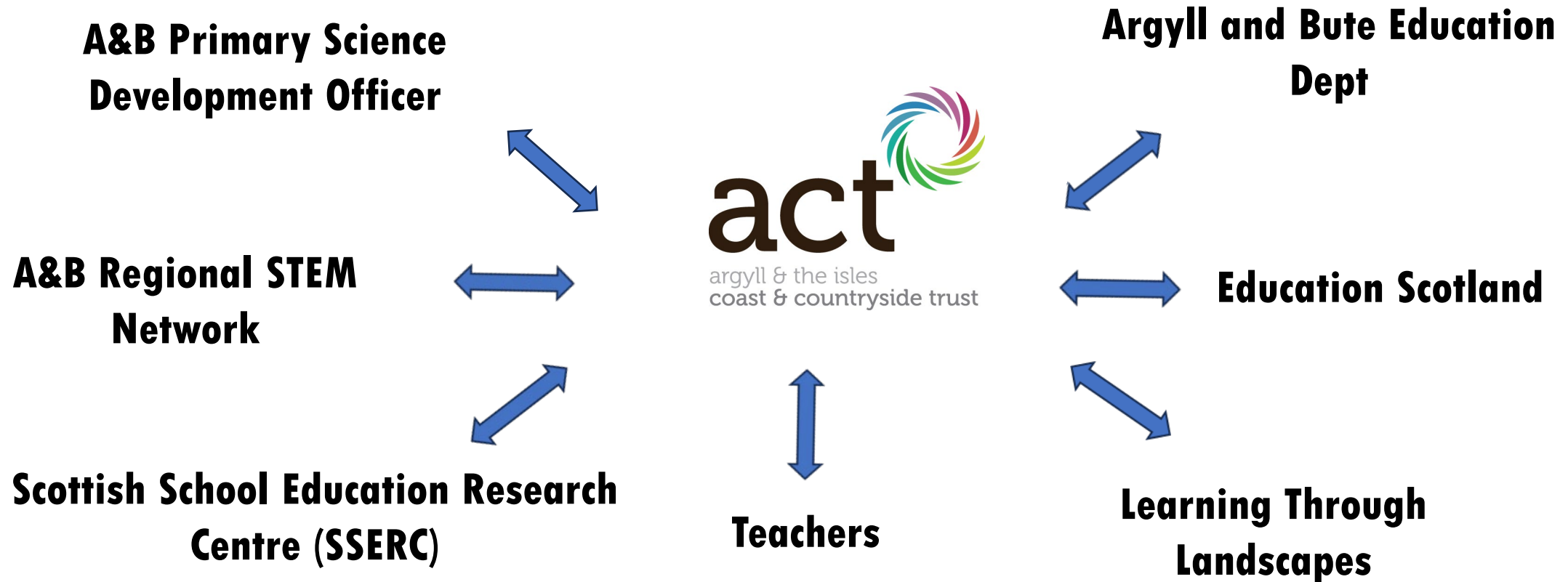
Fostering social skills in STEM planning and development

Utilising everyday resources to embed STEM learning





A network for the growth of Outdoor STEM Learning



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The ABCAN hub model is now up and running (since Jan 24) with a delivery team, made up from community organisations, freelancers and ACT employees delivering community climate engagement in all 4 administrative areas.

- **Seed funding in 23/24 provided circa £48+k of grants which have been accessed by 39 local groups looking to act on climate change. Huge diversity in applicants with many from health and wellbeing sectors recognising climate change as increasingly important to their service users and networks.**
- **ABCAN has created an Argyll & Bute Specific Carbon Literacy Training Course. This certified training is available to all residents and incorporates local relevant examples to build engagement. This is free and will soon be accompanied by training on climate resilience building.**

- **We have delivered 3 regional climate forums, focussing on Energy, Housing, and Food, to reflect Argyll & Bute priorities and capture community voices which will help to inform the wider strategy for Climate Change action in Argyll & Bute.**
- **The ABCAN Website is live at www.abcn.scot and is the platform to access a membership application/portal, offer training opportunities and climate action support, and be the site of a community led Green Map.**
- **This is further supported by the new ABCAN online network. A place for all individuals and groups to share, collaborate, receive support, and share climate related local news etc.**



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ABCAN Aims for 24/25

- **Argyll & Bute communities have the confidence and capacity to respond to the climate emergency.**
- **Broad collaboration and networking, ensuring the engagement is representative of Argyll & Bute communities.**
- **Increased community-level mitigation and/or adaptation/climate resilient actions.**
- **Argyll & Bute communities are empowered to be involved in and influence policy and decision-making.**



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