

**ASSET TRANSFER UNDER THE COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT ACT
DUMFRIES AND GALLOWAY COUNCIL VALIDATION NOTICE**

Nith Valley Leaf Trust

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6th September 2021

This Validation Notice relates to the asset transfer request made by the Nith Valley Leaf Trust in relation to Closeburn Playing Fields, also known as the 'Gala field', adjacent to the former Closeburn Primary School, DG3 5HP, UPRN – 021x00.

The date of validation of the Community Asset Transfer Request is as above and confirms that Dumfries and Galloway Council has received the required information to progress the Request to the point of decision. The Council now has a maximum of 6 months to make it's decision in relation to the Request. An extension to this time limit may be requested by the Nith Valley Leaf Trust (NVLТ) and considered by the Council.

Should no decision be made within the 6 months period or any agreed extended timescale, the NVLT may appeal directly to the Scottish Ministers. Information on how to appeal to the Scottish Ministers can be found using this link:

<https://www.gov.scot/policies/community-empowerment/asset-transfer/>

The Council can confirm that there have been no other Requests for the named asset and there are no current Requests from other parties.

The Council now confirms that the disposal of the asset is prohibited to any other person or party until the conclusion of your Request.

The Council's decision-making process for CAT Requests has two stages. We will now prepare a report for the local Area Committee who will be asked to review your Request and Business Plan and thereafter make a recommendation to the Council's Finance, Procurement and Transformation Committee. This second Committee will make the decision on your Request. Your local Ward Officer will keep you informed of dates for both Committees.

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Project Manager – Asset Transfer & Leases

Dumfries and Galloway Council