

# The Third Sector in Falkirk

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## 1. Introduction

The third sector is defined by the Scottish Government as including community groups, voluntary organisations, charities, social enterprises, co-operatives and individual volunteers. The sector may also be referred to as the voluntary sector as these terms tend to be used interchangeably.

Falkirk district has a vibrant and diverse third sector ranging in scope and size of organisations and groups. Third sector organisations (TSOs) are recognised as providing much needed services and activities in local communities alongside having a direct economic impact on the growth of the local economy.

This impact report aims to highlight the contribution of the third sector in Falkirk to the local economy. This is the first time this research has been carried out since 2004 and as this research has been conducted over a 10 week period, this report should be viewed as a starting point in gaining evidence on the contribution of the sector as a whole in the Falkirk area. However, even at this initial stage, this report provides useful information on the valuable work of the third sector in the local area and the contribution that the sector can make to the economy.

### 1.1. *Context of Falkirk District*

Located in Central Scotland, Falkirk is the 11<sup>th</sup> largest local authority out of 32 local authorities in Scotland in terms of population. Falkirk has a growing population and this will bring a number of challenges to the area in coping with this increased demand for services.

Falkirk experienced a net inflow of population into the area between 2011 and 2013 with more people deciding to live in the area than move away. Falkirk's population is also expected to increase at a higher rate than that of Scotland as a whole by 2037 with a 10.4% projected increase in Falkirk compared to 8.8% for Scotland as a whole. Falkirk has an ageing population, similar to Scotland overall, with the 75+ age group projected to increase the most in size by 2037 (NRS, 2015).

Unusually, Falkirk also has a growing younger population as can be seen in figure 1 with the population of the 0-15 and 16-24 age groups projected to increase. The only age group projected to decrease during this period is 30-49 (NRS, 2015).

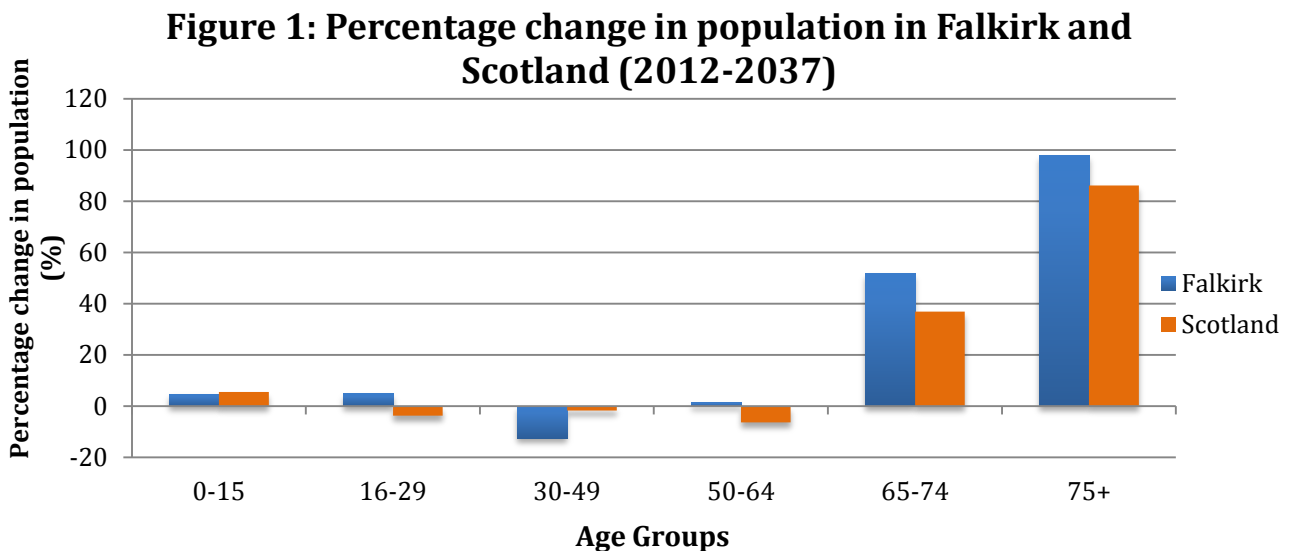


Figure 1: Population percentage change 2012 – 2037 (NRS, 2015).

Another challenge for the Falkirk area alongside the rise in population is that the area has an unemployment rate of 2.4% of working age population which is higher than Scotland as whole with 2.3%. The area also has a higher youth unemployment rate of 4.5% of population aged 18-24 compared to Scotland as a whole with 3.5%. This leaves Falkirk 20<sup>th</sup> place out of the 32 Scottish local authorities in terms of unemployment rates (Falkirk Council, 2015).

The third sector has an important role in overcoming these challenges in the local area with the variety of services, projects and support it provides through providing advocacy to those in need, supporting our most vulnerable citizens, providing care services, employment and training opportunities and regenerating the local environment to name a few.

### **1.2. Aim of this report**

The overall aim for this impact report is to explore the financial and social contribution of the third sector in the Falkirk area by focusing on:

- Annual turnover of third sector organisations and the grant funding received
- Employment and volunteer contribution
- Organisations’ impact in seven key areas:
  - Economic growth and employment
  - Early years and children
  - Community safety
  - Environment
  - Health and physical activity
  - Older people
  - Poverty and welfare reform

These seven key areas were identified from six Community Planning Themes detailed in the Single Outcome Agreement for the Falkirk area 2013 – 2015 (Falkirk Council, 2015) alongside the addition of the environment outcome detailed in Scotland's National Outcomes (Scottish Government, 2013).

## 2. Methodology

In order to gain this information, both primary and secondary data have been collected. All data was collected during a 10 week internship which commenced 20<sup>th</sup> May 2015. Due to the short timescale, there are a number of limitations with the methodology and the conclusions that can be drawn from this research. However, this research process will be brought into CVS Falkirk's mainstream work and the primary data will be built upon on a six monthly basis.

### 2.1. Secondary data

Firstly, secondary data was collected online from the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR) which gave a valuable insight into the size of the third sector in the Falkirk area in terms of the number of registered charities, their primary purpose and the annual turnover of these charities.

The required data was collected from OSCR by searching their database for all charities registered in the Falkirk area. Some of these charities registered in Falkirk have their main geographical operating area as Scotland, UK-wide or overseas. These charities were not included as this research aims to gain data on the financial contribution of the third sector to the Falkirk area. Therefore, only charities that have their main geographical operating area as specifically in Falkirk or in more than one local authority were included. The data collected was valid on the fourth of June 2015 and the annual financial figures relate to either 2013 or 2014.

It must be acknowledged that, despite providing an insight into the third sector, the secondary data from OSCR by no means provides an accurate picture of the sector as a whole in the Falkirk area as:

- Not all organisations are registered on OSCR and not all third sector organisations are registered charities
- Organisations who work in Falkirk yet are not registered with Falkirk as their main operating area are not included
- A breakdown of annual turnover is not available on OSCR for every charity therefore government funding is included in the financial figures

With these limitations, the financial contribution figure is an indication of the annual turnover of the sector and should be viewed as a minimum value of Falkirk's third sector.

Financial details for six social enterprises were also included in the financial contribution figure. These were collected in 2014 during a mapping analysis of social enterprise in the Falkirk area by CVS Falkirk and Falkirk Council.

## ***2.2. Primary data***

A survey was also designed in order to gain financial and employment information from TSOs alongside details of the main activities and services they provide. The survey was designed to gain the additional information required to answer the aim and this also permitted the gathering of data from organisations that were not registered on OSCR (a copy of the survey is included in the appendix). An offline copy of the word document was available as well as a copy of the survey on survey monkey for organisations to complete online.

The survey was open for respondents between 20<sup>th</sup> June and 15<sup>th</sup> July and respondents were invited by email, CVS e-bulletin and during the Community Care and Health Forum to participate. A total of 50 organisations participated with 45 participating through survey monkey, four by completing the word document of the survey and one organisation by an interview.

The main issue with this methodology is the time frame in which the research was carried out. The sample gathered is not representative of the sector as a whole which must be noted when looking at the results from this research as previous estimations stating that the third sector in Falkirk included 800 groups and organisations (CVS, 2011).

However, despite these limitations, it is important to view these results as a starting point in gathering evidence of the impact of the third sector and therefore as a guide to the contribution it makes. Further research will be conducted on a six monthly basis to build on these results from primary data collection and arrive at a stage where the impact of the third sector as a whole in the Falkirk area is understood and reported.

### 3. Results

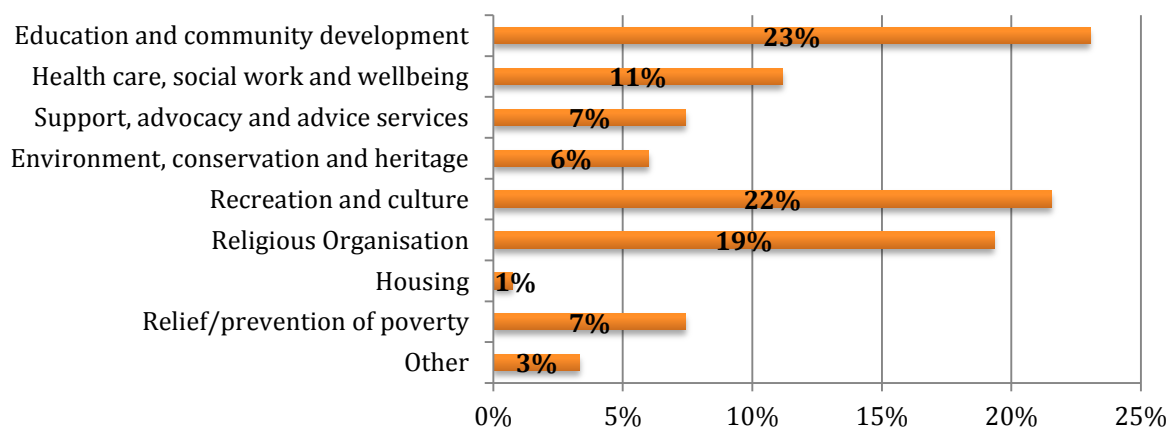
#### 3.1. Introducing the third sector in Falkirk

The financial contribution of the third sector to the local economy can often be undervalued. Falkirk’s third sector is vibrant and diverse with organisations ranging in size and their areas of work. The sector can contribute financially to the local area in a myriad of ways, notably by being a significant employer, by creating and expanding social enterprises alongside providing opportunities for training as well as providing services in response to what local communities require.

This research contains data from **269 organisations** (for a list of these organisations, refer to appendix A). Data for 232 of these organisations has been collected from OSCR, data for six organisations were included from a mapping analysis survey of social enterprise in Falkirk and 50 organisations have provided data by completing our Third Sector Impact Survey. Some of these respondent organisations were also registered on OSCR therefore only the most recent financial data was included for these organisations.

These organisations range in their areas of work. Figure 2 shows the breakdown of these organisations into sub-sectors based on their description on OSCR or their response to the primary purpose question in the survey.

**Figure 2: A breakdown of organisations into sub-sectors**



The sub-sectors with the largest volume of TSOs are education and community development, recreation and culture, and religious organisations, reinforcing that the sector is diverse with a range of sub-sectors. In comparison to the Scottish third sector as a whole (graph included in appendix B), a notable difference is that the Scottish third sector overall has a smaller proportion of recreation and culture with 14% compared to this sample of TSOs from Falkirk with 22%. However, this sample of TSOs from Falkirk has a larger proportion of religious organisations with 19% compared to 1% for Scotland as a whole.

This report will detail the results from this research by focusing on the financial contribution, the employment contribution and the impact that organisations have in the local area.

### 3.2. The financial value of the third sector to the local economy

It is a challenging task to accurately quantify the value of the third sector without a full comprehensive database of all TSOs in the area and their annual turnovers. Having said that, this research has gained financial details for **254 TSOs** which has facilitated an analysis into the financial value of the third sector by:

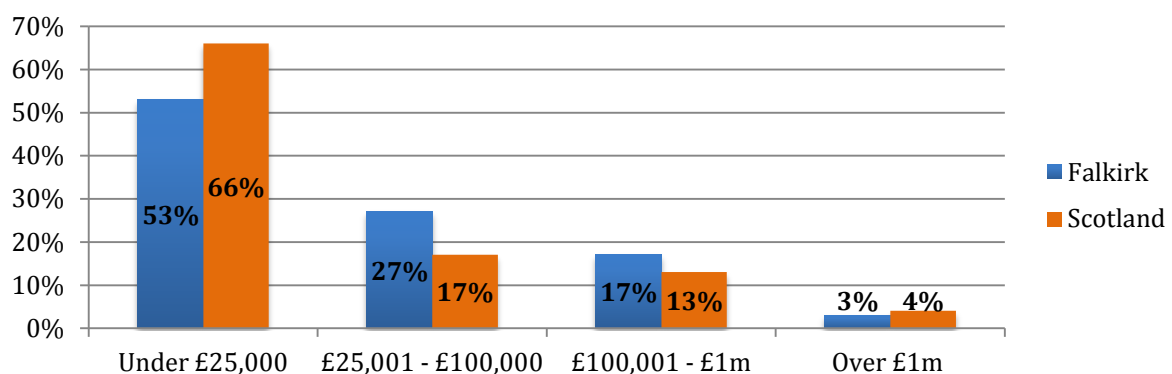
- Providing an initial figure on the annual turnover of the sector
- Allowing annual turnovers of TSOs to be broken down into income categories

Firstly, the annual turnover of the 254 TSOs included in this research has been calculated as **£70.7 million for 2013/14**. This highlights the significant financial value the third sector has in the Falkirk area.

Moreover, data provided from **23 organisations** shows that these organisations received **£3.3m in grant funding in 2014**. This funding is specifically brought in to the local area to help these organisations provide much needed services to local citizens, reinforcing that respondent TSOs have a significant financial value in the Falkirk area.

When looking at the financial contribution figure, it must be noted that the third sector varies dramatically in size, as can be seen in figure 3.

**Figure 3: The annual turnovers of organisations divided into income categories and compared with Scottish Third Sector overall**



53% of organisations included in the financial contribution figure have an annual turnover under £25,000. This is a smaller proportion of organisations compared to the Scottish third sector as a whole as 66% of organisations have an annual turnover under £25,000 (SCVO, 2014).



However, the sample of Falkirk TSOs has a larger proportion of organisations with an annual turnover of £25,000 - £100,000 and £100,000 - £1m than the Scottish third sector overall.

### 3.3. Employment in the third sector

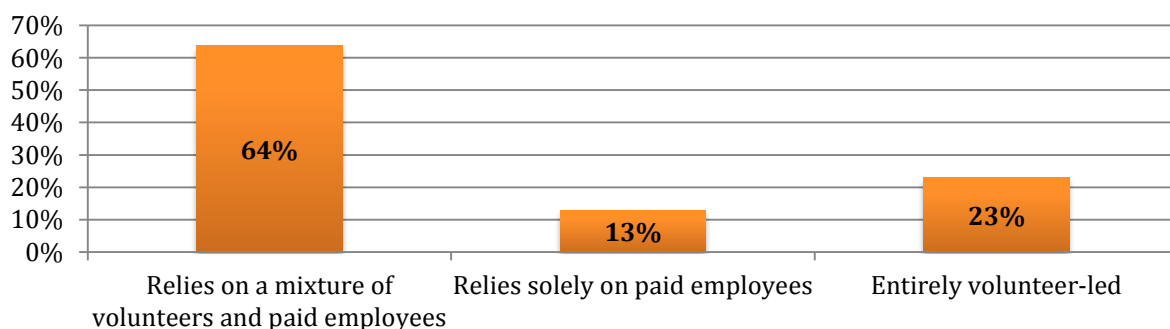
This research has also found that the third sector in the Falkirk area is a significant employer. The research gained employee and volunteer numbers from **47 organisations**. Previous estimations of the third sector in Falkirk were 800 groups and organisations (CVS, 2011) and therefore these totals represent a small fraction of the employment contribution of the sector.

Despite this, these totals are still significant when taking into account that they represent 47 organisations. These organisations employ **854 people** and this includes **590 full-time employees** and **264 part-time employees**. Moreover, these organisations benefit from **1,393 volunteers**.

In 2013, 20% of adults in Falkirk formally volunteered with an organisation or group. This equates to an estimated 26,000 volunteers. This is lower than the Scottish national average with 28% of adults formally volunteering (Volunteer Scotland, 2013).

The diversity of the third sector is also reiterated when looking at how these organisations operate. 64% of organisations rely on a mixture of paid employees and volunteers however 23% of organisations are entirely volunteer-led and 13% rely solely on paid employees. However, overall in the third sector in Scotland, 73% of organisations are entirely volunteer-led (SCVO, 2014). With the future research that will be conducted, the number of entirely volunteer-led organisations will be better understood and it will be clarified if there is a specific difference in Falkirk or if it is due to the sample size used for this report.

**Figure 4: Number of respondent organisations with or without paid employees**



Alongside the financial contribution of being an employer in the area, volunteering also has a significant impact in the local area. Volunteers freely give of their time and contribute significantly towards the running of services and projects by TSOs which have a positive impact in the local area. Volunteering also provides individuals with the

opportunity to gain valuable skills and undertake training while increasing their confidence, wellbeing and contributing towards the local community.

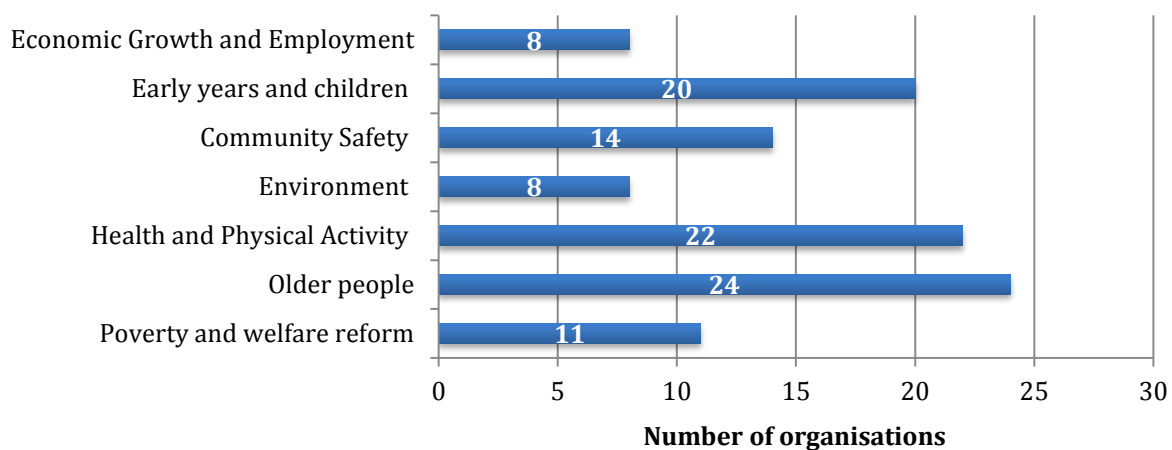
This impact in the local community is the main focus for these organisations and this research aims to indicate the impact that the 50 respondent organisations have in the local community.

### 3.4. Third sector impact in the local community

TSOs impact the local community in a number of ways and it is often difficult to evidence this impact.

Figure 5 highlights which theme the respondent organisations' work relates to. This shows that these organisations have an impact on each theme with the highest volume of organisations working in relation to early years and children, health and physical activity and older people.

**Figure 5: Organisation's purpose in relation to Community Planning Themes**



NB: Organisations were allowed to select more than one theme

Organisations were then asked if they had an impact on specific outcomes within each theme, (refer to section 2 in the survey in appendix B). It was found that many organisations did not recognise their impact on the overall theme such as economic growth and employment yet realised when looking at specific outcomes within this theme, their organisation did have an impact in this area. Organisations were allowed to select as many outcomes as they work towards. These results will now be summarised under each theme and indicate where respondent organisations see themselves as having an impact.

### 3.4.1 Economic Growth and Employment

A diverse group of organisations stated that their work impacts the following outcomes below in economic growth and employment.

**Table 1: Economic Growth and Employment Outcomes**

Outcomes	Number of organisations
Increasing the level of innovation, entrepreneurship and ambition in the area	7
Growing and strengthening the economy of Falkirk	3
Increasing the levels and opportunities for training/obtaining skills in the area	15

The main way that these organisations have an impact on economic growth and employment was by providing training and opportunities to obtain skills in the local area. This can have a direct impact on the local economy such as an organisation providing training to 16-18 year olds has an 80% success rate in getting this age group into employment.

Seven organisations are also increasing entrepreneurship and ambition in the local area by creating innovative social enterprises, such as regenerating areas and encouraging communities to engage positively with their surrounding environment.

Overall, these organisations can have a direct impact on economic growth and employment by creating a more skilled workforce and encouraging individuals to get back to employment, by creating social enterprises and consequently creating jobs and economic growth alongside benefiting the local community with their specific social aim.

### 3.4.2 Early Years and Children

Respondent organisations also recognised themselves as having an impact against the following outcomes below.

**Table 2: Early Years and Children Outcomes**

Outcomes	Number of organisations
Increasing the health and well-being of children in the area	19
Ensuring a safe and protective environment for children to grow up in	14
Ensuring that children achieve their full potential through learning, creativity and skills development	22

Twenty two organisations provide opportunities for creativity and skills development to ensure that children achieve their full potential in a number of ways such as encouraging participation in sport and empowering artistic abilities, especially for those who may experience reduced opportunities.

Nineteen organisations also recognised themselves as increasing the health and well-being of children in the area through providing support and counselling to those in need to achieve their full potential and also by providing services for early years support to ensure children have the best start in life by increasing parent skills and confidence for example. This, in turn, creates a safe and supportive environment for children to grow up in.

### 3.4.3 Community Safety

Moreover, a significant number of respondent organisations recognised that they work towards particular outcomes detailed under community safety.

**Table 3: Community Safety Outcomes**

Outcomes	Number of organisations
Ensuring the protection of our citizens, including vulnerable children and adults	21
Encouraging our citizens to take responsibility for their own health and wellbeing	24
Ensuring that our communities will be safer	13
Reducing the level of crime, the fear of crime and re-offending in the area	11

Twenty four organisations felt they worked towards encouraging citizens to take responsibility for their own health and wellbeing through the provision of services such as providing knowledge and skills to people to self-manage their health conditions. These organisations also indicated that they have a large role to play in ensuring the protection of our vulnerable citizens which is mainly through providing support services for a wide range of needs alongside counselling and advocacy to vulnerable citizens.

Eleven respondent organisations also work towards reducing the level of crime with specific support services to reduce re-offending and the self-management of behaviour as well as community groups focused on increasing community safety. Consequently, this helps towards creating safer local communities.

### 3.4.4 Environment

A number of respondent organisations also felt that they contributed towards improving the local environment.

**Table 4: Environment Outcomes**

Outcomes	Number of organisations
Protecting and enhancing our environment	12
Reducing the environmental impact of our consumption and production	7

These organisations work towards protecting and enhancing our environment by regenerating communities and improving these areas by organising community clean ups for example.

As well as regenerating our environment, these organisations often do this alongside providing training and qualifications for volunteers who take part in their projects. This will have an impact on employment in the local area by creating a more skilled work force.

### 3.4.5 Health and Physical Activity

A high number of respondent organisations stated that they positively impact on health and physical activity outcomes.

**Table 5: Health and Physical Activity Outcomes**

Outcomes	Number of organisations
Increasing the number of people making positive health choices	22
Reducing health inequalities and working towards equitable access to health care and support	15
Increasing the capacity for self-management of health	20
Improving emotional, psychological and social wellbeing	26
Reducing the levels of alcohol and drug related issues	9

Twenty six organisations felt their services improved emotional, psychological and social wellbeing as well as twenty one organisations increasing the number of people making positive health choices such as an organisation providing over 300 walks with 4,210 attendees in the local area.

These organisations provide support to citizens suffering from health conditions such as 317 interventions to provide information and support to sufferers of chronic conditions, their families and carers. This increases the support for sufferers to self-manage their condition as much as possible as well as ensuring equitable access to support. These

organisations provide support, information and advice as well as service provision actively working towards the outcomes detailed in this section.

### 3.4.6 Older People

A range of respondent organisations also work towards improving the lives of the elderly population in the local area.

**Table 6: Older People Outcomes**

Outcomes	Number of organisations
Ensuring older people and their carers have control over their own health, care and well-being	13
Creating a supportive community for older people	20
Creating a support network so that older people are not unnecessarily admitted to hospital	9

Twenty organisations work towards creating a supportive community for older people with providing activities focused on learning exchanges and supporting advocacy skills.

By providing information and advice to older people, organisations aim towards ensuring they can have control over their health, care and wellbeing. Examples of this within these organisations are providing legal advice to older people and local forums aiming to give older people a collective voice and a supportive environment to be consulted on the issues affecting them.

A supportive community for older people can also create a network so that they are not unnecessarily admitted to hospital. For example, 816 food parcels delivered to elderly people being discharged from hospital who are living alone or a carer for someone in 2014 - 2015. Similar to the previous sections, by providing information, advice and support, these organisations are positively contributing towards a supportive community for older people.

### 3.4.7 Poverty and welfare reform

Moreover, a smaller number of respondent organisations stated that they work towards the following outcomes in poverty and welfare reform.

**Table 7: Poverty and Welfare Reform Outcomes**

Outcomes	Number of organisations
Increasing the number of people in better paid, secure employment	8
Reducing unemployment in the area	1
Encouraging and supporting our most vulnerable children to reach their full potential	12
Reducing the levels of debt in our area	4
Reducing and preventing homelessness	5
Ensuring that our most disadvantaged communities are not adversely effected by reductions in public sector budgets	7

Twelve organisations empower our most vulnerable children to achieve their full potential through encouraging their creativity and participation in sport for example.

Seven organisations also work towards ensuring our most disadvantaged communities are not adversely effected by reductions in public sector budgets by providing support and advocacy to those in need, advice on welfare rights for people with support needs and the provision of emergency food. Six tonnes of emergency food a month is distributed in the Falkirk area.

Many of the impacts of these organisations are difficult to narrow into one outcome as many organisations have indirect impacts on the economy and alleviating poverty for example. Overall, section 3 details organisation responses to which outcomes they are working towards and as a result this section highlights the impacts that respondent organisations have in the local community.

## 4. Conclusion and Recommendations

### 4.1. Conclusion

Overall, as a starting point, this research provides an insight into the third sector in the Falkirk area which can be built upon by further research. The main findings from this research are:

- A collective annual turnover for 254 TSOs as £70.7 million indicating that the third sector is a significant contributor financially.
- 23 organisations brought £3.3 million of grant funding into the area
- A total of 854 people were employed and 1,393 volunteers for 47 organisations suggesting that the third sector is a significant employer. Further research should provide detailed evidence to confirm this suggestion.
- 50 respondent organisations work in a range of ways towards outcomes detailed in economic growth and employment, early years and children, community safety, environment, health and physical activity, older people and poverty and welfare reforms. No large conclusions can be drawn from this data other than highlighting that these organisations positively impact these outcomes through the varying services they provide.

The third sector has a significant role to play in the local economy and also for the wellbeing of our citizens in a number of ways. The sector provides employment, brings money through grant funding into the local area, and provides a large range of training opportunities and skills development for our citizens and importantly it empowers our most vulnerable citizens through service provision, information, support and advocacy. The third sector has a large positive contribution to make in the Falkirk area and further research will be able to build upon this evidence and clearly highlight the scale of the third sector in Falkirk and the impact that these organisations have in our local communities.

### 4.2. Recommendations

In light of the limitations of this research and the fact that CVS Falkirk will update this process on a six monthly basis, there are a number of recommendations on how this research process should be developed:

- This research process must be widened throughout the third sector in the local area and there should be engagement with a broader range of TSOs in order to gain a more representative and valid sample of the sector as a whole.
- A wide communication strategy should be drawn up to promote engagement with this research including e-bulletin, CVS website and twitter as well as visiting organisations. There should also be engagement and consultation with existing and upcoming third sector forums on this research and how the process can be developed.



- This research process should be continually reviewed and adapted as appropriate once there is engagement with a large sample of TSOs. There is potential to gain more in-depth information such as the amount of volunteer hours and the number of people that use organisations' services.

This is a real opportunity to evidence the work of the third sector and to support a collective voice about the difference TSOs have in our local area.

If there is any feedback on this research and report or if you are a TSO operating in the Falkirk area and would like to participate, please get in contact at [info@cvsfalkirk.org.uk](mailto:info@cvsfalkirk.org.uk) or by phone on 01324 692000.

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## 6. Appendices

### Appendix A

A list of all organisations included in this research through primary and secondary data collection.

11th Falkirk Brownie Unit
145th Glasgow Company Boys Brigade
15th Forth Valley Scout Group
16th Forth Valley (Laurieston) Scout Group
1st Bantaskin Brownie Pack
1st Bantaskin Guide Company
1st Braes Senior Section Unit
1st Brightons Brownie Unit
1st Camelon Brownie Unit
1st Falkirk (14th Forth Valley) Scout Group
1st Falkirk Brownies
1st Hags Boys Brigade Company
27th Bonnybridge Scout Group
2nd Dennyloanhead Brownie Pack
2nd Polmont Brownies
2nd Torwood Scout Group
3rd Bo'ness Scout Group
3rd Falkirk Brownie Unit
3rd Falkirk Guides
4th Falkirk Boys Brigade
6th Denny Brownies
40th Falkirk Scout Group
62nd Larbert Scout Group
89th Stenhousemuir Scouts
93rd Braes Scout Group
9th Forth Region (Duniplace) Scout Group
Aberlour Child Care Trust (and Aberlour Early Years Outreach and Aberlour Perinatal Befriending Support)
Active Schools - Falkirk Community Trust
Addictions Support and Counselling Forth Valley
Adrian Bowling Club
Adult ICT Forum
Age Concern - Falkirk
Air Training Corps No 0470 Falkirk Squadron
Air Training Corps No 0867 Denny Squadron
Airth Parish Church of Scotland
Airth Parish Community Care
Alzheimer Scotland
Artlink Central

Avonbridge Parish Church of Scotland
Bainsford Parish Church of Scotland
Barony Film Society
Barony Players
Blackbraes and Shieldhill Parish Church of Scotland
Board of Management of The Anderson Bequest
Bo'ness Amateur Operatic Society
Bo'ness Children's Fair Festival Executive
Bo'ness Community Council
Bo'ness Community Safety Group
Bo'ness Old Kirk (Church of Scotland)
Bo'ness Playaway Play Group
Bonnybridge Community Education Association
Bonnybridge St Helen's Parish Church of Scotland
Bothkennar and Carronshire Parish Church
Bowhouse Community Association
Braes Community Young People Project
Brightons Hall Management Committee
Brightons Parish Church of Scotland
Building Bridges
Camelon and District Pipe Band
Camelon Community Centre
Camelon Parish Church
Camelon Thistle Football Club
Carriden Parish Church
Carronshore Hall Trust Fund
Cat Register and Rescue
Central Advocacy Partners
Central Carers Association (Falkirk and Clackmannan)
Central Scotland Fuschia Society
Central Scotland Methodist Church
Central Scotland Regional Equality Council
Children's Theatre Bo'ness
Citizens Advice Bureau (Grangemouth and Bo'ness) LTD
Cloybank
Communities Along the Carron
Creche Matters!
CVS Falkirk and District
DASH
Denny and Duniplace Citizens Advice Bureau
Denny and Duniplace YMCA
Denny and Duniplace Heritage Society
Denny Baptist Church
Denny CommunitySupport Group
Denny Old Parish Church of Scotland

Denny West Park Church of Scotland
Dennyloanhead Community Hall LTD
Dobbie Hall Trust
Dolphin Club
Dr Aitken's Trust for the poor of the Parish of Falkirk
Drumbowie Environment Action Group
Duncan M Weston's Trust For The Benefit Of The Poor Or Indigent People Residing In The Village Of Glencoe
Dundas Gospel Trust
Duniplace Parish Church of Scotland
Duniplace Primary School Parents Association
Enable Falkirk and District Branch
Epilepsy Connections
Essentia Foundation
Etrick Dochart Community Hall Management Committee
Falkirk and Central Scotland Samaritans
Falkirk and Clacks Carers Centre
Falkirk and District Arts and Civic Council
Falkirk and District Association for Mental Health
Falkirk and District Boys Brigade Battalion
Falkirk and District Recreation Club
Falkirk and District Spiritualist Church
Falkirk and District Women's Aid
Falkirk Bohemian Amateur Operatic and Dramatic Society
Falkirk Caledonia Choir
Falkirk Christian Centre
Falkirk Children's Rights Services
Falkirk Citizens Advice Bureau LTD
Falkirk Community Trust Limited
Falkirk Company of Archers
Falkirk District Scout Council
Falkirk Environment Trust
Falkirk Festival Chorus
Falkirk Fiddle Workshop
Falkirk Foodbank
Falkirk Homeless Project
Falkirk Larbert Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses
Falkirk Local History Society
Falkirk Operatic Society (SCIO)
First 4 Kids
Falkirk Temperance Café Trust
Falkirk Town Mission Charitable Trust
Falkirk Trinity Church of Scotland
Forth Regional Scout Council
Forth Valley Advocacy

Forth Valley Broadcasting
Forth Valley Enterprises
Forth Valley Language Support
Forth Valley Medical Benevolent Trust
Forth Valley Sensory Centre
Forth Valley Social Enterprises
Forth Valley Sports Association for People with a Disability
Forth Valley Talking Newspaper Association
Forth Valley Visually Impaired Bowlers
Friends of Dundas
Friends of Forth Valley First Responders
Friends of Forth Valley Hospital
Friends of Kinneil
Friends of the Charlotte Dundas
Gill Park Residents and Tenants Association
Go! Youth Trust
Grahamston Adult Learners
Grahamston Evangelical Church
Grahamston United Church
Grahamston Youth Trust
Grange Centre Playgroup
Grange Community Education Association
Grange Kidz
Grange Youth Club
Grangemouth Abbotsgrange Church of Scotland
Grangemouth Carers
Grangemouth Choral Society
Grangemouth Community Care SCIO
Grangemouth Congregation of Jehovahs Witnesses
Grangemouth Council of Churches
Grangemouth Credit Union
Grangemouth Evangelical Church
Grangemouth Heritage Trust
Grangemouth Old Peoples Welfare Committee
Grangemouth Spitfire Memorial Trust
Grangemouth Zetland Parish Church of Scotland
Grangemouth, Kirk of the Holy Rood, Church of Scotland
Great Oaks Kids Club
Greenloaning Equine Centre
Greenpark Community Education Association
Haggs Longcroft and Banknock Community Association
Haggs Parish Church of Scotland
Home Start Falkirk West
Independent Living Association FV
J T Borland Charitable Trust

John Dunsmuir Trust
Keep Ticking Falkirk
Kersiebank Community Projects Association
Kinneil Miners Charitable Society
Larbert and Stenhousemuir Age Concern
Larbert Amateur Operatic Society
Larbert Baptist Church
Larbert Churches Youth Trust
Larbert East Church of Scotland
Larbert Old East Church of Scotland
Larbert Pre-school PlayGroup
Larbert West Parish Church of Scotland
Larbert West Toddler and Twos Group
Later Life Information Centre
Laurieston Hall Management Committee
Laurieston Old Folks Welfare Association
Laurieston Parish Church of Scotland
LGBT Youth Scotland
Link Group
Lochgreen Playgroup
Lodge Callendar No 588 Benevolent Fund
Lodge Camelon No 1456 Benevolent Fund
Lodge Carron No 139 Benevolent Fund
Lodge Polmot No 793 Benevolent Fund
Lodge St Andrew No 176 Denny & Loanhead Benevolent Fund
Lodge St John Falkirk No 16 Benevolent Fund
Maddiston Community Education Association Management Committee
Make it Happen Forum
Mrs H E Mitchell Trust
Muiravonside Parish Church of Scotland
Neighbourhood Watch Scotland
Newlands Community Association
NHS Forth Valley Endowment Funds
Olivet Evangelical Church
Open Secret
Paragon Housing Association LTD
Parkinsons UK Falkirk Branch
Peoples Church
Polmont Age Concern
Polmont Old Parish Church of Scotland
Polmont Playgroup
Power
Presbytery of Falkirk
Project Theatre

Quiet Waters Charitable Trust
Redding and Westquarter Church of Scotland
Reddingmuirhead Community Hall
Reddingmuirhead Playgroup
Regener8 Centre SCIO
Relationships Scotland
Re-union Canal Boats
RNIB Scotland
Rotary Club of Falkirk Trust Fund
Royal British Legion Scotland Grangemouth Branch
Royal Scottish Country Dancer Society - Falkirk branch
S kids Pre School Centre
Sandcastles Toddler Group
Scottish Association of Mental Health
Scottish Community Drama Association Falkirk District
Scottish Railway Preservation Society
Scottish Waterways Trust
Shieldhill Community Education Trust
Shieldhill Youth/Community Hall Trust
Slamannan Community Education Association
Slamannan Parish Church of Scotland
Stenhousemuir FC
St Andrews West Church of Scotland: Falkirk
St Catharines Episcopal Church: Bo'ness
St James Church of Scotland: Falkirk
St Mary's Episcopal Church: Grangemouth
Steins Thistle
Stenhouse and Carron Parish Church of Scotland: Stenhousemuir
Strathcaron Hospice
Stoneywood Community Projects
Syngenta Juveniles Football Club
Tamfourhill Community Hall Management Committee
The Action Group
The Agnes Watt Trust Fund
The Big Bad Wolf Children's Theatre Company
The Braveheart Association SCIO
The Carron Connect Partnership
The Driving Force
The Falkirk Football Community Foundation
The Falkirk Muslim Educational and Cultural Community Education
The Julia Taylor Staffie Trust
The Salvation Army Shop Bo'ness
Torwood Community Woodlands
Tryst Theatre
Wallacestone Methodist Church

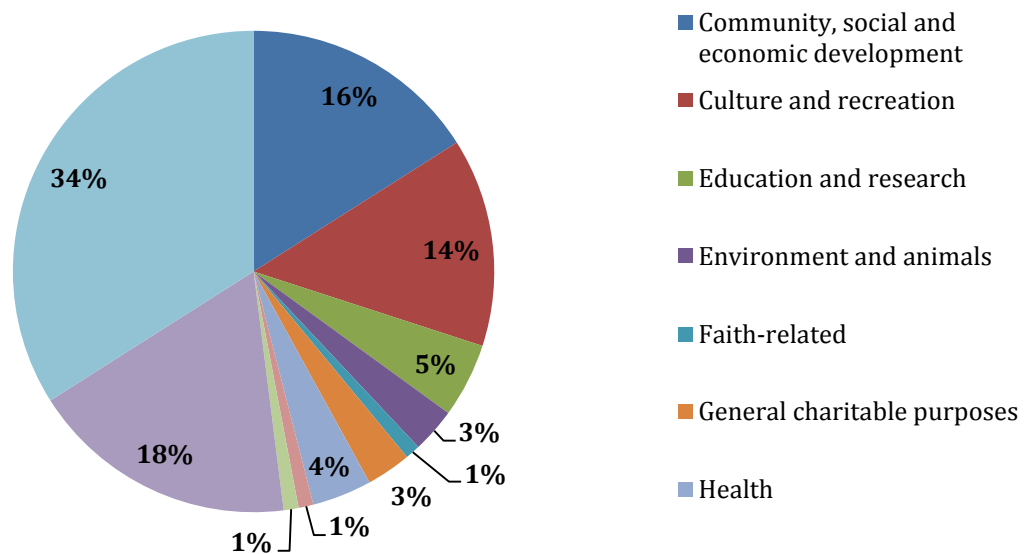


Wasp Community Club
Wee County Crafters
Westfield Park Community Centre
Westquarter and Redding Community School Project
Wider Access to School Project
Windmill playgroup

## Appendix B

The graph below indicates organisations by sub-sector in the Scottish third sector. Despite the fact that the sub-sectors are different to the breakdown included in section 3.1 of the report, a general comparison between Falkirk and the Scottish third sector overall can be made.

### Scottish third sector organisations divided into sub-sectors



Source: SCVO (2014) State of the Third Sector Report.

## Appendix C

# Impact Assessment of the Third Sector in Falkirk

In an increasingly competitive environment with pressures on funding, it is important that we, in the third sector, are able to clearly indicate the positive social impact and the financial contribution that organisations make in our communities. While we understand that surveys are time consuming and can seem like a thankless task at times, the information provided in this survey will greatly help towards **building evidence of the positive impact of the third sector** on communities and people in the Falkirk area.

This information will then be used in a baseline report by CVS Falkirk which aims to **highlight the valuable work of the third sector and recognise its impact in the Falkirk area** so that the difference that the third sector makes is understood and reported clearly. By filling out this survey, your organisation will be helping CVS Falkirk to be in a stronger position to showcase and provide evidence of the difference that the third sector makes locally.

The information given in this survey will be kept confidential as the report aims to form an overall picture of the contribution of the third sector as a whole in Falkirk district and therefore the information provided will be aggregated together with other organisations.

If there are any queries regarding this research or if you would like any assistance with this survey, please contact Jennifer Kean at [Jennifer2@cvsfalkirk.org.uk](mailto:Jennifer2@cvsfalkirk.org.uk) or on 01324 692021.

## Section 1: Information about your Organisation

### 1.1. Contact Details

<b>Name of Organisation</b>	
<b>Address</b>	
<b>Telephone Number</b>	
<b>E-mail</b>	

## 1.2. Further Information about your Organisation

<p><b>Please state below the Falkirk area(s) you operate in</b></p> <p>_____</p>	<p><b>Which of the following community planning themes does your organisation contribute to? (tick as many as appropriate)</b></p>
<p><b>My organisation is a... (tick as many as appropriate)</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Registered Charity</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Constituted Community Group</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Social Enterprise</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Company Limited by Guarantee</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other Please state: _____</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Economic Growth and Employment</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Early years and Children</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Community Safety</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Environment</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Health and Physical Activity</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Older People</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Poverty and Welfare Reform</p>
<p><b>Please provide details of your organisation's primary purpose</b></p>	
<p><b>How many people currently volunteer with your organisation in the Falkirk area?</b></p>	
<p><b>How many paid <u>full time</u> staff are employed by your organisation in the Falkirk area?</b></p>	
<p><b>How many paid <u>part time</u> staff are employed by your organisation in the Falkirk area?</b></p>	
<p><b>Please provide from your records your organisation's most recent <u>annual turnover</u> and if possible show separately the <u>total of any grant funding</u> you received that year (Please provide figures for the Falkirk area only if this is possible).</b></p> <p>Annual turnover: £ _____ Grant funding: £ _____</p>	

## Section 2: Your Organisation's Objectives

This section allows you to provide more specific information regarding the objectives of your organisation in relation to the community planning themes stated in Section 1.2. Please tick whichever box(es) are relevant to the work and aim of your organisation.

There is space for additional information at the end of this section if you feel that your organisation's work doesn't necessarily fit into any of these outcomes.

### Economic Growth and Employment

Increasing the level of innovation, entrepreneurship and ambition in the area	
Growing and strengthening the economy of Falkirk	
Increasing the levels and opportunities for training/ obtaining skills in the area	

### Early Years and Children

Increasing the health and well-being of children in the area	
Ensuring a safe and protective environment for children to grow up in	
Ensuring that children achieve their full potential through learning, creativity and skills development	

### Community Safety

Ensuring the protection of our citizens, including vulnerable children and adults	
Encouraging our citizens to take responsibility for their own health and wellbeing	
Ensuring that our communities will be safer	
Reducing the level of crime, the fear of crime and re-offending in the area	

### Environment

Protecting and enhancing our environment	
Reducing the environmental impact of our consumption and production	

## Health and Physical Activity

Increasing the number of people making positive health choices	
Reducing health inequalities and working towards equitable access to health care and support	
Increasing the capacity for self-management of health	
Improving emotional, psychological and social wellbeing	
Reducing the levels of alcohol and drug related issues	

## Elderly Population

Ensuring older people and their carers have control over their own health, care and well-being	
Creating a supportive community for older people	
Creating a support network so that older people are not unnecessarily admitted to hospital	

## Poverty and Welfare Reform

Increasing the number of people in better paid, secure employment	
Reducing unemployment in the area	
Encouraging and supporting our most vulnerable children to reach their full potential	
Reducing the levels of debt in our area	
Reducing and preventing homelessness	
Ensuring that our most disadvantaged communities are not adversely effected by reductions in public sector budgets	

**Please state any other objectives of your organisation that are not mentioned above.**

### Section 3: Qualitative Information

This section allows you to provide supporting information and evidence in relation to the services and projects provided by your organisation.

**Please provide information regarding the activities/services you provide to show your organisation's work in the local community** (Continue onto a separate sheet if required)  
(Please provide as much information as possible such as statistics about the use of your services).

**Please provide further details of any reports, case studies or news articles which provide further evidence of your work in local communities** (Continue onto a separate sheet if required) (This can be in the form of website links to particular stories for example).

**Please provide details of any other relevant information that you think would help evidence the impact of your organisation in the local community** (Continue onto a separate sheet if required).

Thank you for taking the time to fill out this survey. Please submit finished surveys to CVS Falkirk and District at **Unit 6, The Courtyard, Callendar Business Park, Callendar Road, FK1 1XR.**

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