

## **Scottish Landfill Communities Fund (SLCF)**

The Landfill Tax was first introduced in 1996 as a way of reducing the amount of waste going to landfill and promoting more sustainable methods of waste management. Moray Council is part of an innovative tax credit scheme enabling it, as a local landfill operator, to contribute funding to projects that create significant environmental benefits and improve the quality of life for Moray communities.

Since 1996, the council has contributed each year towards the Landfill Communities Fund (LCF), which has helped support community based projects across the Moray

The Landfill Tax was devolved to Scotland on 1 April 2015, changing the way the fund is administered. The SLCF replaced the LCF in Scotland. Due to new legislation, local authorities are not permitted to directly disburse SLCF funding. Only not for profit organisations, called approved bodies, can administer grants to eligible projects. Moray Council has appointed [EB Scotland](#), as its sole approved body, and details of the application process can be found [here](#).