

The Caley (Royal Caledonian Horticultural Society) Honorary Treasurer Background Information

Background

The society was established in 1809 in response to a desire to share skills and knowledge, building on Scotland's horticultural heritage and expertise, for the "encouragement and improvement of the best fruit, the most choice flowers and the most useful vegetables.

Today, our ambition remains very similar:

- To inspire, encourage and improve the science, art and practice of horticulture in all its branches
- To advance education in gardening and horticulture for the public benefit in Scotland.

Our recent activities have focused on:

- Developing and maintaining a range of educational and horticultural activities
- Developing an effective infrastructure, along with an office base, demonstration and teaching gardens
- Growing membership across Scotland

In 2011 the Society began working in partnership with The City of Edinburgh Council on the restoration of Saughton Park. The restoration of the park is now complete and, prior to the pandemic, the society began to establish a programme of activities on site. The society has plans and ambitions for the future to continue the society's exciting future.

Members include professional, amateur or people with a general interest in Scottish gardening and horticulture.

Trustees

Caley Council members, are all volunteers who share an interest in horticulture and gardening in Scotland, and are trustees of the Society which is a registered Scottish Charity.

Staff

The staff team currently consists of

- Administrator (P/T) *funded from Caley resources*
- Education Development Manager (P/T) *funded by designated grant funds*