

Everyone should have a home

**Shelter Housing Action With
Rural Communities – A
Dumfries & Galloway Story**

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Shelter

SHARC

Project Funded jointly by
Shelter Scotland and the Big
Lottery Fund

1st Project from 2000 – 2004

2nd Project from 2004 –
March 2007

Aims of SHARC

- Provide information on housing options
- Engage with community bodies to carry out surveys of housing needs
- Using the survey results, develop action plans to ensure the supply of affordable housing within the area
- Establish the Dumfries & Galloway Small Communities Housing Trust
- Host seminars and conferences on a range of issues in relation to affordable housing

Housing Surveys

Moniaive, Auchencairn, Dunscore, Dalry, Dalton & Carrutherstown, Creetown, Springholm, Haugh of Urr, Crocketford, Laurieston, Bridge of Dee, Glenlochar, Southernness, Lochfoot, Borgue, Portpatrick, Dunragit, Moniaive (Older Persons Housing Survey), Drummore, Carsphairn, Ballantrae, Glenluce, Kelloholm & Kirkconnell with more to follow.....

Additional Projects

Wider Area Studies

Glenkens Affordable Housing Study

March 2005

**(Dalry, New Galloway, Balmacellan, Carsphairn,
Mossdale, Dundee)**

Additional Projects

Dumfries & Galloway Affordable Housing Study

August 2006

- Impact of Second Homes & Holiday Accommodation
- Upper Mid Annandale & Eskdale
 - Mid Nithsdale Villages
 - Coastal South Stewartry
 - The Machars

Additional Projects

Rural Empty
Property Survey

Currently 10
applications with
Communities
Scotland for this
scheme

Conferences & Seminars

**Seminars very successful –
only organisation to deliver on
issues in relation to housing**

**Conferences raise awareness
of rural housing issues and
give great opportunities for
networking**

Dumfries & Galloway Small Communities Housing Trust

**Fully established
Funding in place until March 2009
Development Officer due to begin mid February
2007**

Community Housing Groups

- Glenkens Affordable Housing Group
- Isle of Whithorn Affordable Housing Group

The Future for SHARC

Ends on March 31st 2007

**Promote SHARC within
other Rural areas of Scotland**

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And Finally.....