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Perthshire community take over major public event

Pitlochry Area Community Interest Company become first in country to take over a major publicly run event.

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Enchanted forest: Major event take over Pic: © STV

A community group have become the first in Scotland to take over control of a major publicly run event.

Pitlochry Area Community Interest Company - a social enterprise based in the Highland Perthshire town - has taken control of this year's Enchanted Forest - Scotland's largest outdoor light and sound show.

Environment Minister Roseanna Cunningham officially handed over the event at Forestry Commission Scotland's Faskally Wood on Monday.

The flagship event is a highlight of Scotland's autumn calendar, consistently growing in popularity since its move to Faskally in 2006.

It attracts around 20,000 visitors annually to the Pitlochry area - almost 90% of whom visited the area specifically to attend the Enchanted Forest.

Ms Cunningham said: "The Enchanted Forest has been a Big Tree Country success story from the outset. It draws thousands of visitors to Pitlochry every year and last year injected an estimated £1million into the local economy.

"Hugely enthusiastic support for the event from local businesses and the wider community has helped to make it the success that it is today.

"It is great to see that level of commitment develop into a Community Interest Company, one that will ensure the continued success of this amazing and remarkable fixture in Scotland's tourism calendar."

Graham Brown, managing director of the Pitlochry CIC welcomed the handover, and added: "This is an historic event for a community group to take on responsibility for the running of one of Scotland's most successful events.

"I am particularly honoured to be accepting Big Tree Country's generous gift on behalf of the many members of the community who have worked together to make this possible.

"We have a keen and experienced management team on board to continue the good work laid down over the last seven years, and to take the Enchanted Forest forward into the future."

Over the years, the Enchanted Forest has played host to, amongst others, dragons, aliens, witches, faeries and some of Scotland's most famous mythical characters.

The trees surrounding Loch Dunmore have danced with light, reflected in the still waters, and been illuminated by fire bursts - all set to eclectic soundtracks of rock, folk and traditional music.

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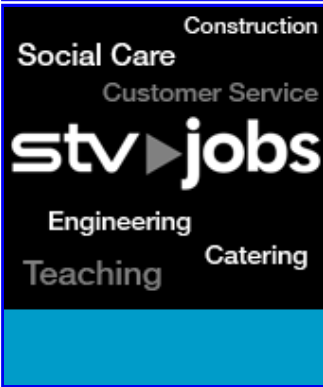


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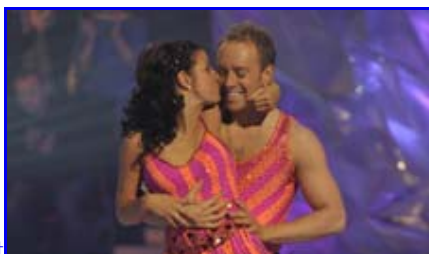


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