

# SCOTLAND'S IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS

NATIONAL SNAPSHOT 2019



## PROFILE OF IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS

### 37 Operational BIDs

Comprising **26** town centres, **5** city BIDs, **4** thematic (tourism, food & drink, digital), **1** business park and **1** community BID.

### 12 Developing BIDs

Stretching across Scotland, and covering a variety of geographies and innovative models.

### 67 FTE Employees

There is an average of just under 2 FTE employees per BID, ranging from over 8.5 FTE employees to those with one PT employee.

### 338 Board Members

The average number of board members per BID is 9.8, drawn mainly from levy-paying businesses, along with local councillors and council officers.



## IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT FINANCE

### £6.1m ANNUAL LEVY INCOME RAISED

An average of £175k raised per BID in 2018, ranging from just over £1m to £13.4k.



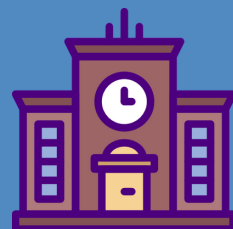
### £1.75m ADDITIONAL INCOME LEVERED

Including funding, events, and contributions from local and national sources.



### £780k LOCAL AUTHORITY CORE FUNDING

Reaching a maximum of £310k and varying by BID and local authority.



### ADDITIONAL IN-KIND SUPPORT

BIDs receiving in-kind support such as volunteer work, office-space, and partnerships with local organisations.



**Find out more:** [improvementdistricts.scot](http://improvementdistricts.scot)

**Note:** Some figures may be under-estimated (such as total levy income) where the improvement district survey response rate was under 100%.

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