

Summerhill Community Centre
Trustee Report & Financial Statements
Period 1st November 2024 to 31st October 2025

Charity Name Summerhill Community Centre
Charity Number SC044966
Address Ballochmyle Terrace Dumfries DG2 9EF
Current Trustees Elaine Pitt, Kevin Kingtree, Margaret Snoxhill, Patrick Cook

Appointment of Trustees: The Charity's Trustees are supported by the Volunteers who are the members and key facilitators / assistants for the activities at Summerhill Community Centre. Membership is open to all volunteers over 16 years old. New Trustees can be elected by the members and ratified at the monthly meeting or the Annual General Meeting. There must be a minimum of three and a maximum of twelve Trustees. The board may at its discretion invite non-Members to any meeting of the Board, or of the membership; non-Members will be without voting rights.

Employees: Our Employee Pension Scheme is set up and the Organisation has met all responsibilities.

Over the period we have been successful developing wider partnerships and accessing funding to meet our strategic plans and employ Project staff / Commissions :

- Continued 2 year funding (April 2025 to March 2027) from Holywood Trust.
- Scottish Government Funding Programme – Cycle Scotland (April 2024 to March 2025)
- Swestrans partnership - Dumfries & Galloway Council (April 2025 to March 2026)
- Scottish Government Funding Programme – Meeting Centres Scotland (March 2025)

Successful funding streams for Salaries / Commissions and fundraising strategies; partnership working and networks have enabled new opportunities and a very innovative approach to continue at a grassroots level to meet our charitable purposes. We would like to thank all Funding Organisations including the Holywood Trust; Scottish Government; Dumfries & Galloway Council Departments and Councillors.

Also, Cashforkids for financially supporting our children and young people Christmas 2024 activities.

We also express our greatest appreciation to the many Organisations, Companies and local people who donated towards and / or supported our aims, including the Cumberland Society, Move On Project and Glasgow & West of Scotland Fareshare Food Project.

Charitable Purposes

- The advancement of Education
- The provision of recreational facilities, or the organisation of recreational activities, with the objective of improving life for the persons for whom the facilities or activities are primarily intended
- The Relief of Poverty

We are very proud to report that we have continually provided for all ages and our wider communities throughout the whole period. Our very successful Food Projects, Youth Services, Training Programmes and Older Peoples Services, Environmental Projects have all shown to be key community lifelines over the period.

Our positive 'can do' approach is testimony of our strong leadership to reach good outcomes and overcome every barrier.

We have continued to ensure essential items and weekly food provision in the region has reached our most vulnerable and also reached our partner organisations through our staff, volunteers and partners giving their support, time and energy. This huge volunteers commitment and dedication has been incredible for supporting others throughout the area. Together we have overcome many challenges and obstacles through our sheer determination to keep services running and support our wider communities.

Youth Services

Youth Committee meetings
Volunteer Training Programme
Juniors Club Nights (5-10 years)
Juniors Trips (5-10 years)
Seniors Club Nights 11-18 years)
Seniors Trips (11-18 years)
Youth Volunteer Fundraising
Disney Characters/ Djing / Discos
Special Events Workshops
3 (ages) Holiday Programmes
School Holiday Family Day Trips
Family Glamping Holidays
Informal Agency workshops
Heritage & Themed Events
Mental Health Awareness /
Sexual Health workshops (11-18)

Meeting Centres Connections & Intergenerational Activity

Hall Planning Meetings / Centre Maintenance/
Young @ Heart Club / Weekly Day Trips / Dance
Classes / Chair Based Exercise /
PC & Ipads Basic Training / Walking Group /
Themed Community Events / Games afternoon
Fundraising activities / Themed Nights /
Volunteer Training Programme /

Wider Community Projects

School / College Placements
Employability Project
Community Payback Placements
Personal Development Plans
Online Training Programme
Loreburne Town 'Futures' Project
Active Travel Programme
Food Hub Collectives Fareshare
Heritage Partnerships
N W Dumfries CD Network
Dementia Awareness
Amazing Futures

Summerhill Centre
'Realise Your Potential'
2024 / 2025

Sports Programme

Learn to cycle
Bike Maintenance / Cycle Ride outs
Crazy Golf
Football Training (under 11s / 12 plus)
Indoor Gym Fitness Juniors & Seniors
Pool / Darts Tournaments
Outside Gym /Multi Use Games Area
Street hockey / Basketball

Food Hub

Food Fareshare
Community Pantry
Community Food Boxes
Home Cooking Sessions
Traditional Family Meals / Soup
Lunch Drop ins / deliveries
Day Picnics / Evening Suppers
Make Jam Chutney Marmalade
Homemade Bread (Doughliscious)
Wheat Growing
Training Programme
Network Partnerships

Environmental Umbrella Project

Land Art Programme – Stone Carving / Wood Carving / Pond Life
Dry Stone Dyking / Fencing / Land Maintenance /
Planting / Garden Maintenance Workshops /
Community Clean Ups – Litter picks / Park Management / MUGA
Awareness Sessions – Natural Environment /
Global and Local Issues. / Outdoor Classroom
Recycle Programme
Beautiful Scotland Learning Programme
Dumfries Town Board Shine Project

Over a 52 week period November 2024 to October 2025 Activities and Services *delivered* by Summerhill Community Centre volunteers and staff as follows:

- **Youth Services 900 Sessions**
- **Older Peoples Services / Intergenerational and food Activities 280 Sessions**
- **Environmental Umbrella Project 50 Sessions**
- **Sports / Fitness (all ages) 350 sessions**
- **Training / Placements / Support 500 Sessions**
- **Amazing Futures Project 200 sessions (Plus Family Prison Visitors Support 120 sessions)**

(The above sessions do not include additional groups, families and bookings that use the centre with low cost private hire, whereby we engage and support where needed.)

We are proud to maintain people led services with a large volunteer network of 64 unique individuals who range from 10 - 92 years old over this period from November 2024; some who have direct experience of poverty, lived experience of many challenging barriers in life and have joined our network of volunteering for many different reasons such as to get involved with community life; improve community facilities; support others; improve their personal circumstances; life chances or lifestyles through new opportunities. This personal development process has also supported people to move into Training / College/ Employment.

Partnership working; developing wide networks and community support has enabled our unique community development approaches to grow and promote intergenerational activities that are *for the community, by the community*.

Our online training and inhouse training sessions have worked well to include all abilities and ages from 12 year olds. Our youth services at grass roots level provides over 30 hours youth activities / support per week. Our youth volunteer leadership team is testimony of the power in young people with the right support to develop our communities and networks, achieve our aims and improve their knowledge and understanding.

These processes continue to help address the many inequalities in our communities.

Our free food hub activities, free training programmes and free youth services are helping support people with the cost of living and their low income situations.

Youth Services Statistical Information

Activity	Frequency	Under 12 years	12 - 14 years	15 - 25 years	26+ years
School Holiday Programmes	30 hours per week	102	63	35	17
Sports / Gym / Swimming / Cycling	3 weekly	29	32	19	12
Food Related Activities	6 times weekly	50	50	50	20
Training / Arts n Crafts / Music/ Fundraising activities (Fun Stalls / Disney Characters / Discos)	weekly	10	20	25	10
Loreburne Centre Renovation Unit 30 (Summerhill FUTURES)	weekly	25	29	14	10

Total number of individual young people (up to 25 years old) who have registered and engaged during this period is 289. There has been 20 Adults providing volunteer youth services support (over 26 year olds)

Excellent feedback from children, young people and family members in regards to opportunities created and fun happy experiences to last a lifetime from holiday programmes. Day trips, water sports, camping and seaside residentials being the favourites. Caravan overnights were again very much the favourite and for most of those attending, their only holiday away. Lone parents and larger families with low income also had their own small free holiday in the caravan too. These memories will last forever. This maybe their first holiday and children on their first night away from home.

Sports: Street Hockey and Football continued to be the favourite sports on our MUGA at Summerhill and our own gym continues to be a good starting point for young people before feeling confident to attend bigger public gyms. Our Bike Project has become very popular and sessions for all ages are available weekly. Huge thank you to all volunteers and Coaches.

Food Related Activities: continue to be a much needed lifeline for many families and some young people are the ones to collect food weekly for their own families. Nightly supper is a ritual at all the groups and young people making supper have valuable skills being developed whilst having fun.

Youth Training and Fundraising Our youth fundraising activities continue to include Disney Character commissions at Community Fun Days and also our Fun Fair stalls which have a planned theme for every event. Our online Training Platform for all volunteers and wider community has over 60 available Courses and we focus on 6 of these as a requirement for new start volunteers / school placements / youth committee. Other full day training opportunities are accessed where possible, such as REHIS Food Hygiene / Child Protection/ First Aid or training programmes. New volunteers are also supported to undertake Youth Scotland PVG application process if working with children / young people.

Our youth committee community consultations and planning meetings for a new inclusive play park beside the Summerhill Centre have designed the final draft, received quotations and continue to access funding streams. There is £104K allocated through the Scottish Government via Council, £6K community Fundraising. Very successful with Scottish Government funding via Inspiring Scotland to develop a Changing Places Toilet fully equipped facilities for people with disabilities, ensuring dignity and inclusion for all. This modular unit facility costing over £110k, hopefully fitted in 2026 and positioned beside inclusive play park. However, we are continuing to pursue funding to complete the inclusive play park.

Our work with schools continue. We support 'hard to reach' young people not engaging with school but will attend a work placement in the centre learning to cook and helping with food project.

We have weekly photos of youth activities on the Summerhill Community Centre Facebook
<https://www.facebook.com/SummerhillCommunityCentre>

December 2024 was an extremely busy month whereby the youth committee committed to deliver 16 big activities, including being the hosts for our free Santas grotto with elves and Disney characters in town; Also organising and delivering gifts from Dunelm and their customers who supported Summerhill Centre for Christmas 2024. Huge thank you to all involved and the general public's kindness to ensure everyone had special gifts to open.

We have developed a well-known presence through delivering public activities and town centre events, therefore engaging with many more children and young people. This maybe through our Summerhill Community Fun Events / Town Centre activities / Easter 2025/ Summer 2025 activities / Southernness and local Community galas and festivals with our Fun of the Fayre or Disney Character Events.

Our innovative youth activities continue to be connected with health and wellbeing. We are thankful and grateful for the many skilled volunteers and staff who have committed to supporting our youths and introduce new life changing positive experiences.

Lived Experience and Training Projects:

We delivered a partnership blended training programme for volunteers and our young people, also the general public through our Amazing Futures Project upto March 2025.

Having this free access and continuity for people who may only be starting on a learning journey is crucial as we recognise some may have otherwise struggled to be involved with a training environment.

We continued to have over 60 Online Training Courses to choose from.

A massive thank you to all Youth Committee Young People and adult volunteers who have completed training and volunteered beyond all expectations to help manage our Centre and deliver key services. Learners have become more confident, better skilled and some have already moved into College/ further education / employment. This training process helped to develop our volunteer team and a better sustainable community. Since April 2025 we have worked with partners to develop a Training Programme in North West Dumfries whereby unemployment is high and support with personal development would help overcome barriers.

Amazing Futures Project - Our Partnership with the Justice System:

This Project developed new strands of community activities to be used as tools for engagement, receiving feedback and ideas that in turn supported local outcomes and helped improve the Justice System, directly from participants feedback who have lived experience of the Justice System.

However, to ensure equality of opportunity and minimize stigma or labelling, it was important that this overall Project had open opportunities for anyone to be involved and embedded in the community, informal and with a positive proactive approach to personal development. Participants could develop peer support initiatives and team work to create the ideas for the activities. In addition to all this, Amazing Futures

Project aimed to capture local people's unique experiences of the Justice system through 1:1 or small closed groups.

Creating opportunities for Commissions to deliver special projects according to needs such as cooking or gym fitness really excelled with interest and a number of block group sessions in different topics proved to be popular. Our excellent working partnership with the Justice Social Work Community Payback, Unpaid Work units were especially effective in supporting service users to engage with new opportunities.

Our Family Support provision at the Dumfries HM Prison was also part of the Amazing Futures Programme. This Project supported families at Prison visits and family bonding sessions and also their integration into the community. We worked closely with families, prison staff and Scotlands Families Outside. Due to reduced staffing provision and funding opportunities for this very sensitive job role, the Amazing Futures Project also ended in March 2025.

Feedback from the community and our partners was excellent and we continue to maintain great working relationships with the Justice Social Work Team and Prison staff whereby we have commissioned joinery work for our community projects and continue to supervise and support Community Payback personal placements in the community. We are very grateful for all their support and commitment to local community projects. Our new themed crazy golf plans to have detailed mini castles on each of the 9 tracks, made by Dumfries Prison.

Older Peoples Services and Intergenerational Activities / Events

Our Young at Heart Group, part of Older Peoples Services, continued to be very well supported throughout the period and co-ordinated by an amazing team of volunteers who are very experienced in organising and facilitating groups.

Our wide range of entertainment and activities continue to be a life line for many older people and also adults in need of daily company. The Young at Heart, The Walking Group; gardening; Community Lunch Club and Bus trips, keep fit activities or cycling, local events and fun activities remain part of an inspirational programme that continues to engage over 140 individuals at Summerhill each week.

Over the period we also worked in partnership with 'Doughlicious' to introduce homemade bread made at Summerhill centre every week, from organic and natural ingredients including wheat grown and milled in Scotland. Doughlicious' objectives include empowering and inspiring people to bake their own bread and we are so thankful to have the Team at Summerhill.

Our older peoples services have a wealth of knowledge and motivation amongst the volunteers and are such an inspiration. Recognising the need to help reduce poverty and alleviate the cost of Christmas time, the team were happy to work with all ages to ensure the best festive season memories were created for all to enjoy.

Therefore, we continued to have the large intergenerational presence in the town centre for Christmas 2024 too. Similar to previous years, we brought our youth group and older peoples groups together and delivered the December Home Made Soup with a book FREE event in the shopping centre with our very own Santa, Mrs Clause and all the youth elves and their sledge, also with Disney Characters and fun activities. This brought a free, cheerful environment for many local families throughout the festive season, engaging with more than 500 people each day and we thank every volunteer and staff who made it all happen.

Providing such activities helps to reduce social isolation. Our older peoples services are commended throughout the Region and also Nationally, as an excellent example of Community Empowerment and Cohesion, whereby Support Agencies and Social Work Department will signpost service users or come along to introduce them personally.

Successful discussions between our Older Peoples Services, Dumfries Carers Centre and also Meeting Centres Scotland to explore possibility of becoming a Meeting Centre (point of contact) promoting our existing services, signposting and supporting families where needed, and creating more services for people with dementia and their families, friends. This resulted in seed funding to develop this concept and incorporate into the existing model of our Older Peoples Services.

Awareness raising, National Gatherings and Summerhill hosting the 2025 event has been excellent experiences however we recognise the need for more volunteer training and daily activities in addition to existing. This would require funding for staff costs to develop further.

Developing our own new second venue at Loreburne Centre, High Street, Dumfries to help with delivering additional activities and sustainable longer term opportunities, has been challenging but finally began after a long legal process. We now have a five year Lease Agreement on a large Unit which has taken lots of work to paint/ renovate and furnish. Plans for this to be a Town Centre Community Hub with free access to activities and refreshments for all, is being developed slowly. Our different groups plan to deliver their additional activities at the Venue. Our Young at Heart hope to have a weekly social gathering each Saturday if possible. This would link in directly with our Meeting Centres concept too.

Active Travel Projects: Our Bike Project fun activities on the MUGA and cycling adventures are building confidence in cycling amongst many other positive outcomes. The cycle maintenance workshop is showing an increase with youth and young adults keen to have their own bicycle and learn to maintain. We now have 6 people in the area trained to Velotech Bronze, Silver or Gold Standard and amazing volunteers keen to help deliver our programme. We are networking and developing more partnerships to enhance health and wellbeing, ensure bicycles are available for all, encourage school travel, transport barriers reduced and promoting a whole community led behaviour change with bike storage facilities, ebikes and community maintenance workshop. Volunteers collect unwanted bicycles, community members and groups donate old bicycles and volunteers have repaired and donated over 100 bicycles in one year to all ages in need of a bicycle. This excellent project is also helping to reduce crime, overcome some employment barriers and increase independence. Thank you to all who help make this happen. We plan to continue developing this project with more local young people and school placements. Our innovative partnership working has reached out to local Housing Associations; Cycle Scotland, Dumfries & Galloway Council, Swestrans, The Depot, Cycle Dumfries, connected with grassroots organisations, schools and cycling groups, Walk Wheel Cycle Trust, Employability Services, Police. Also referrals from Social Work, Support Agencies and Bethany Trust, supporting community fun days and galas, events and several local community groups. In December 2024 we supported 50 children and young people to have new bikes with helmets, lights, locks and bike pump gifted at Christmas. Bike buddies supported confidence building rides.

We managed and coordinated this Project to ensure our most needy and vulnerable receive these bikes from Santa. Weekly fun cycle sessions include cycle route planning; Learn to Ride Sessions; Go Karting sessions; Taster sessions with cargo bike, ebikes and trikes; School maintenance sessions.

Our project combines bike recycling, training, maintenance, led rides and social support to remove barriers to active travel. We aim to develop a modular mobility Hub that allows better facilities for sheltered classroom bike maintenance sessions with all ages and abilities.

Our older peoples group have engaged with interest regarding active travel and active lives. In addition to our Bike Project we have also supported 6 less able senior citizens to purchase their own second hand mobility scooter and learn to ride these, develop their confidence in public areas. We have also supported our less able community members trial sessions with walking rollators. Our weekly Summerhill walking group has 12 older people attend weekly and the DG Doing More Active Lives Pathway is now delivering new physical activity sessions at Summerhill each week.

Volunteer and participation support for the Guid Nychburris Festival 2025 Town ride. Our Summerhill youth members (18) completed this event with an estimated 130 cyclist participation on the night. Council Youth Work and Summerhill partnership delivered the Mini Fringe Festival at Summerhill Centre in June 2025 and provided sporting activities as well as Dr Bike maintenance station, Bike Distributions to families / individuals, Cycling confidence training, mini bike track / Bike Register – on the National Police approved database. There are over 720 volunteer hours recorded through our Active Travel Project. There are 280 people recorded as engaging with our Project over the past year.

Our Bike Project received lots of interest from First Minister and fellow Ministers / Councillors visiting Summerhill with all being very impressed and eager to find out more. This event led to a motion in parliament highlighting our excellent Summerhill work. Other local visits from our Council Chief Executive, Ward Manager, Employability, Skills and Partnership Services with the Scottish Government Senior Relationship Managers highlighted excellent working practice at a very grassroots level to help reduce barriers and poverty in the area.

Food Projects:

The process continues to enable our Centre to deliver our Food Sharing Programmes and provide good healthy and fresh food into very deprived areas in the region.

Summerhill Centre continues to be the Fareshare Hub whereby we co-ordinate services for parts of the wider community. We continue our key role in reducing food insecurity and contributing to the Community Planning Partnership Anti Poverty Strategy and we thank Dumfries & Galloway Council for their continued support in paying for the Fareshare subscriptions in the region.

Our Food Sharing Hub is an integral part of our Centre with many strands continuing to incorporate cooking sessions, lunches, suppers and much needed life skills for many. Our community food and essentials Pantry is well developed and volunteers manage their own pantry with staff support and helping each other to challenge poverty / overcome barriers and promote neighbourliness.

We are helping to reduce the high cost of living for many families and reducing hunger in our communities. We are also building new relationships, bringing people together and introducing new opportunities / signposting and support for our most vulnerable in society.

Our special volunteer and staff team are managing this service and we thank them all for amazing commitment and reliability.

Every Friday we continue to collect and deliver the Fareshare Food from Glasgow for our regional groups such as Kates Kitchen in Annan; Action for Children in Kelloholm and D&G Multi-Cultural Association in Dumfries, once again throughout the whole year.

Our sincere thanks also to Fareshare Glasgow staff and volunteers who additionally delivered the Tuesday Food subscriptions to Summerhill Centre every week and also a big thank you to the Dumfries and Galloway Council Community Payback Team who faithfully distributed this food supply each Tuesday throughout North West Dumfries to staff & Volunteers at Lochside Community Centre; Sandside Community and also Aberlour at North West Resource Centre.

We also thank Tesco and KFC for twice weekly food donations and the many other organisations and Companies who make contact to provide food for our Food Projects.

Continuing to help reduce food poverty and accessing food / household essentials and clothing in a dignified way continues to be a really important piece of our daily work at Summerhill. This period has experienced new issues and crisis situations and therefore still a real need in our communities which is appreciated by many local people and also Social Services and Support Agencies who also access these provisions.

Summerhill is also a key contributor to the Dumfries Food Provider Group ensuring there is a more co-ordinated approach and partnership working amongst the groups. Our thanks to everyone and to Dumfries and Galloway Health and Social Care Partnership for their support and facilitating this group.

We recognise the importance of food as connecting people and a tool for engaging with others. Therefore, we are in an excellent position to ensure our Community Pantry is providing a wide choice and that we have a good selection of fresh and nutritious food.

Our volunteers and staff are trained to also understand the wider impact of the Dignity Principles and the importance of people being welcomed and involved in the many different aspects of community life. Getting feedback and involving the wider community endorses our whole approach for an inclusive place.

Our food provision supports over 2000 individuals per year and provides signposting to relevant organisations when needed too.

The Impact of the Food Project is evidenced through the sheer volume of participants, many being the working poor.

Our Community Food Hub and support for other groups has been highlighted as innovative, very valuable and most creative to meet the needs of our wider community.

However, we are also aware of the ongoing need to organise volunteer drivers, weekly Glasgow trips, vehicle costs and being sustainable in what we do. Therefore we are undertaking a second costings budget review to explore opportunities for the longer term sustainability of the Glasgow Friday trips.

Partnerships, Publicity and Recognition

We network widely to benefit the whole community and we work closely with small groups to ensure minimum duplication of services and maximum opportunities are widely promoted amongst all groups. We have been instrumental in developing North West Dumfries Community Development Network, whereby the six anchor organisations in North West Dumfries (Summerhill, YMCA, Lochside Community Centre, LIFT, Lincluden Community Centre, Sandside A Patch ae Land) along with Ward Officer, Third Sector D&G, NHS Health Improvement all working together and supporting each other to benefit North West Dumfries. Plans to submit joint funding applications and projects have already began. Our networking with Employability services and the Dumfries Town Board and the Dumfries Shine Project is another great example of new opportunities and fits perfectly with our environmental projects

Our regular features in local newspapers or TV news or social media highlight our wider community partnerships and activities, many which are cross generational and excellent for learning through the ages and respecting all.

Our website promotes our activities and our Social Media Facebook page provides regular photo albums of our activities. www.facebook.com/summerhillcommunitycentre

We have provided Monitoring Reports and Case studies for all our funders throughout 2024/25. Over this period, we have also provided more media features for Fareshare West of Scotland and Dumgal Challenge Poverty Week for a more just and equal society.

Our working with Wheatley Housing Association has developed good community links and consultation sessions through the Summerhill Housing Regeneration process so far, which includes 78 flats now demolished beside Summerhill Centre and 49 new builds starting in January 2026. Our youth committee have attended each of the public consultations and very proactive asking questions and relevant queries about wider regeneration funding for the area, beyond housing provision.

Placements / Personal Development

Our partnerships with Job centre, Employability Services and Justice System Community Payback has provided crucial work experience for 18 Adults over the period, developing their connections, networks and new skills in their community placement.

Our ongoing meetings with Employability Services and their visit to Summerhill is highlighting the need for Drop In Café providing employability support and opportunities for the future. This maybe in town and at Summerhill Centre.

Environmental Projects:

Our Community Land Art requires extensive work each week, however over 2024/25 we had a great team of committed volunteers who managed this process very well. Volunteer availability from May 2025 became less and we were very grateful to have the Wheatley NETS Team and Community Payback Team to help with the weekly maintenance over the summer period. Our small team of volunteers continue to cut all grass and do some strimming / weeding pavements and our gardens / planting seasonal flowers and general tidy ups. Our Youth Project young people have also been amazing in helping with weekly sessions of weeding and litter picks / grass cutting too. Our large swan planters were very impressive with plants in 2025 too. The Youth Project are also responsible for our community garden at the Southerness Caravan too. Massive thank you to everyone who help to keep the area so well looked after, despite a new housing construction site on our doorstep.

Financial Review

Our main sources of income over the period 2024 / 25 have been grants as we recognised the difficulties in fundraising for ongoing salaries . However, our whole community approach did complete beyond our fundraising target yet again to help maintain the Centre, the activities and surrounding environments.

Review expenditure

On a weekly, monthly and annual basis, we shall continue to review expenditure and costs from suppliers.

Reserves Policy

Continue to monitor our reserves over the 2025/26 period in alignment with our Reserves Policy. This will ensure adequate wrapping up reserves as well as contingency reserves. We aim to maintain this to the equivalent of 9 months funds.

Sustainability Strategy and Finance Plan 2025 / 26

Continue to develop the services on a needs and interest basis according to local community and members; manage finances to continue with sustainability aspects and develop the Centre in line with Constitution and Council Lease.

Our strategy is to explore opportunities to identify new sources of fundraising to become sustainable in all aspects, whilst we maintain our overall aims and objectives that are underpinned by our values we uphold such as Empowerment; Inclusion; Lifelong Learning ; Equality; Respect; kindness and understanding others. Our plan is to:

- Further develop Agency and Funding Partnerships and sponsorships that can enhance needs led personal development and provide the daily support, guidance and signposting required for all our participants, volunteers and wider community members;
 - Develop Summerhill Centre and our new Loreburne Centre venue as the community hubs for supporting, learning, achieving and accessing new opportunities. One of the Meeting Centres Scotland with staff to develop further.
 - Work with North West Dumfries Community Development Network to develop a Training Programme with staff and also a creative Public Arts Project in North West Dumfries.
 - Continue building a strong community organisation and community development programme that focusses on positive outcomes.
 - Pursue the additional required Capital Funding for the inclusive play park at Summerhill.
 - Develop the Changing Places Toilet Facilities beside new inclusive play park.
 - Develop Active Travel Project to incorporate other modes of transport and a bike maintenance unit.
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Our strategy for sustainability includes reviewing income / expenditure and how our Organisation manages finances. We shall ensure our activities are Accountable, have Clarity and are Transparent. This helps to build trust in our Organisation that in turn helps encourage donations and support.

Plans for the future

We will seek opportunities to further develop all our community services for all ages and develop training opportunities with recognised qualifications for the local community.

We aim to also further develop Fareshare Food Projects, our free Community Pantry in North West Dumfries and build on our community connections through food. Develop our young leaders programme and channel energies into positive actions for leadership and team working in our community.

The Board of Trustees are keen to explore opportunities to further develop with North West Dumfries Community Development Network and research the funding opportunities for collaborative bids to meet genuine local peoples personal development in following areas:

- 1 N W Dfs Training Co-ordinator
- 2 N W Dfs Bike Project
- 3 N W Dfs Community Clean Up Project
- 4 N W Dumfries Public Creative Arts Project

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Statement of Receipts and Payments for the year ending 31 October 2025

Receipts/Income	2024/25			2023/24
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds	Total funds
	£	£	£	£
Grant funding	12,500	54,248	66,748	134,334
Fundraising events	24,334	-	24,334	18,852
Donations	8,899	-	8,899	11,147
Bank Interest	1,706	-	1,706	1,987
<u>Gross receipts from charitable activities</u>				
Rental income	5,353	-	5,353	4,685
Centre takings	-	-	-	212
Other	-	-	-	1,500
Total receipts	52,792	54,248	107,040	172,717

Payments/Expenditure	2024/25			2023/24
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds	Total funds
	£	£	£	£
Fundraising costs	21	-	21	-
Governance	200	-	200	200
<u>Gross expenditure on charitable activities</u>				
Staff costs & commissioned services	-	87,629	87,629	107,627
Insurance	1,343	305	1,648	1,418
Project running costs	19,840	-	19,840	22,121
Vehicle running costs	10,887	-	10,887	5,507
Licences and subscriptions	579	-	579	6,577
Volunteer expenses	7,760	-	7,760	320
Activities and materials	-	21,179	21,179	28,753
Admin costs	1,062	-	1,062	3,000
Training & placements	-	6,729	6,729	2,122
Sub total	41,692	115,842	157,533	177,644

Purchase of fixed assets	-	-	-	3,048
Total	41,692	115,842	157,533	180,692
Surplus/(deficit) for the year	11,100	(61,594)	(50,493)	(7,975)

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Statement of Balances for the year ending 31 October 2025

Funds reconciliation	2024/25			2023/24
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds	Total funds
	£	£	£	£
Cash and bank balances at start of year	102,773	84,976	187,749	195,724
Surplus/(deficit) for the year	11,100	(61,594)	(50,493)	(7,975)
Cash and bank balances at end of year	113,873	23,383	137,256	187,749

Other assets - at value	2024/25			2023/24
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds	Total funds
	£	£	£	£
Vehicles	3,200	3,600	6,800	8,500
Equipment		1,200	1,200	1,500
Computers		800	800	1,000
E-bikes		1,200	1,200	1,500
Caravan	4,400		4,400	5,500
Freezer		480	480	600
Gazebos	800		800	1,000
	8,400	7,280	15,680	19,600

Liabilities

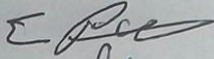
The charity has no liabilities or contingent liabilities

These accounts were approved by the trustees on 28th July 2026 and signed on their behalf by:

Signature(s):

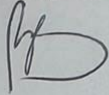
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Name(s):



PATRICK COOK

Summerhill Community Centre
SC044966

**Notes to the accounts
for the year ending 31 October 2025**

1. Funds

Unrestricted funds can be used by the charity to achieve its charitable objectives.

Grants (see note 3) were received towards wages, commissioned services, projects and activities.

2. Related Party Transactions

No trustees received remuneration during the year (2023/24:nil).

Trustees did not receive any expenses during the year (2023/24:nil).

There were no transactions with Trustees or connected persons (2023/24:nil).

3. Grants

	2024/25			2023/24
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	£	£	£	£
Hollywood Trust	-	21,000	21,000	20,000
Scottish Government Prison Project	-	5,000	5,000	26,500
Meeting Centre Scotland seed funding	12,500	-	12,500	-
Cycling Scotland	-	15,000	15,000	3,000
D&G Council Justice Social Work	-	2,893	2,893	4,652
D&G Council Youth Work Fund	-	3,000	3,000	1,778
D&G Council Fareshare Food Project	-	4,855	4,855	5,355
Clyde Radio Cash for Kids	-	2,500	2,500	7,750
Wheatley - The Pledge	-	-	-	6,300
D&G Council Peer Mentor Project	-	-	-	35,000
D&G Council Cooking Project	-	-	-	20,000
D&G Council Employability Services	-	-	-	4,000
	12,500	54,248	66,748	134,334

4. Use of restricted funds

Grants from Scottish Government and D&G Council were received for community support, including working with children & young people and addressing cost of living problems for local individuals and families.

Radio Clyde's Cash for Kids and D&G Council's Summer funds enabled activities to be provided for local children and young people.

5. Reserves

The trustees have agreed to hold a reserve of £80,000 to cover running costs and redundancy costs in the event of sufficient grant funding being unavailable.

Name of Organisation Summerhill Community Centre SC044966
For the period from 1 November 2024 to 31 October 2025

Independent Examiner's Report

I report on the financial statements of the charity which are set out on pages 13-16.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 ("the 2005 Act") and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended) ("the 2006 Regulations"). The charity's trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1)(d) of the 2006 Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under section (44)(1)(c) of the 2005 Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

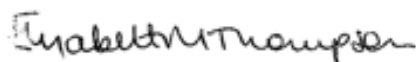
Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the 2006 Regulations. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeks explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently, I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- 1 which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 44(1)(a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Regulations, and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Regulations have not been met, or
- 2 to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Elizabeth M Thompson
Evora, Eaglesfield, Lockerbie DG11 3PF

28 July 2026

