

Trustees Annual Report

Year ended 31 October 2024.

The trustees have pleasure in presenting their annual report along with financial statement and independent examiner's report.

Charity name

Woollcombe Square Residents Association SCIO

Charity Number

SC046832

Address of Treasurer

[REDACTED]

Current Trustees

[REDACTED]

AGM

The AGM of the Association was held on 25 March 2025, when ten of the twelve households in the Square were represented.

Constitution

The charity is an incorporated body, the constitution of which was adopted on 7 November 2016 (amended to SCIO requirements) and was granted charitable status on 6 September 2016.

Trustees

The above are appointed annually at the AGM. Three trustees are elected and/or not more than ten other co-opted members. The Elected trustees are the chair, secretary and treasurer who meet informally during the year to discuss ongoing issues.

Objectives and Activities

The charity was set up to purchase the vacant ground within Woollcombe Square, in order to advance community development with open space and amenities for the public and provide recreational facilities.. The protection of two large oak trees and a sitka spruce (all with TPO' s) within the area is also a prime object.

The 'Square' referred to is a 'village green' and was designated Open Green Space' in the Local Development Plan. It was maintained by the MoD and then ourselves(privately) until it was bought by a Blinshall Land Leasing, Dundee, and is now a fenced area, growing wild. Planning permission has been refused on three occasions and several offers from the Association to buy the ground from the owners has been previously refused.

During 2024 at the request of the WSRA a Land Surveyor valued the ground at between £15,000 a-£20,000 as an recreational open space.

The Association, in accordance with Scottish Government rules has attempted to buy the ground under the 'Community Right to Buy' legislation which was turned down due, amongst other things, there being no definition of 'Abandoned or Neglected' land. Further site meetings during 2024 with the Scottish Land Fund, [REDACTED] the owner of Blinshall Land Leasing and Mr Swinney, the First minister, has so far failed to provide any satisfactory outcome..

During March 2025 Blinshall Leasing sent a letter to the Association offering the land for sale at between £25,000 and £30,000. for private purchase. This was discussed at the AGM and could be the way forward provided householders remain firm with there assertions to pay their share. A request for approximately half the sum is to be requested from another local benevolent trust. Otherwise the residents may have to decide on a wholly private sale or give up on the acquisition.

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Initially, in an effort to compulsorily buy the ground the residents of ten of the twelve households in March/April 2019 each loaned £500 to the 'Square' fund to have an amount required as an offer for the ground, in the bank. (A stipulation that is required by the Scottish government 'Right to Buy'). Should the Association's efforts to purchase the ground eventually be unsuccessful and the charity closed, any loans from the residents will be returned to them. The occupants of the other two houses have also stated

that they will loan £500 each when it is required.

Sadly, the husband and wife at No. 12 both died during 2023 and it is likely that their £500 loan will be returned to their dependents when matters are finalised.. A decision on this however has been withheld meantime by the members until discussions are finalised.

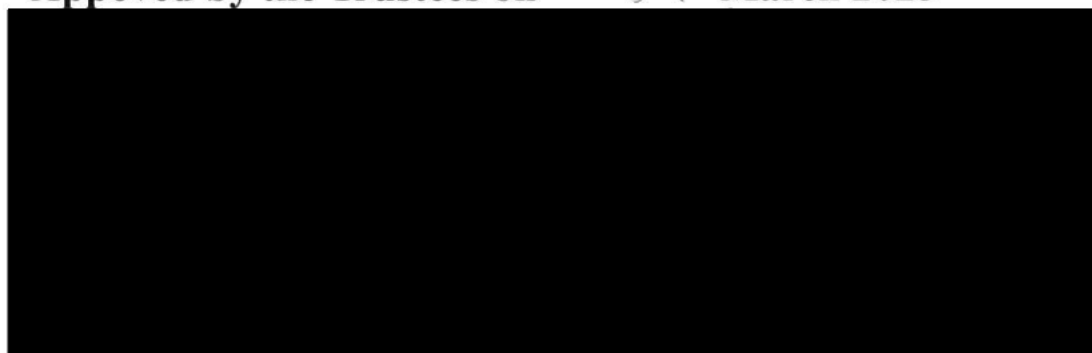
Funding

The Association is presently funded by loans from members as required. , Presently the group has £5000.00 in its bank account for the purchase of, and expenses in connection with said purchase and a further £287.80 for incidental expenses, which was monies given previously by the residents to maintain the ground before charitable status. This figure includes an increase of £5, paid by the treasurer, on 30 October 2023 to keep open the account with Lloyds Bank.

Future Plans

If and when the ground is purchased and returned to its former level and flat green space, it is envisaged that quiet areas and other community spaces will be set out. Seating will be provided for picnicing and other facilities provided as required.

Appoved by the Trustees on 27 March 2025



Bank	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total
	£287.80	5000.00	£5287.80

Receipts for 2023-2024 - Nil

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Payments for 2023-2024 - NIL

This completes the report for year 8 of the Woollcombe Square Residents Association SCIO.

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APPENDIX 3

Scottish Charity Regulator

Independent examiner's report on the accounts v2

Report to the trustees/members of	Charity name	WOOLL COMBE SQUARE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION					
		SCIO					
Registered charity number	SC	046832					
On the accounts of the charity for the period		Period start date				Period end date	
		Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year
		1	NOV	2023	to	31	OCT 2024
Set out on pages		1 - 4					
		<small>(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)</small>					

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) 2005 Act and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended). The charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (d) of the Accounts Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under section 44(1) (c) of the 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 Accounts 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 the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention [other than that disclosed on the attached page*]

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 Accounts Regulations, and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations

have not been met, or

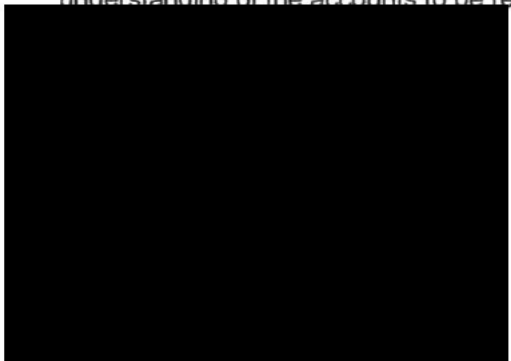
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:**

Name:

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):

Address:



Date:

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*Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply. If the words do apply, set out those matters which have come to your attention on the following page.

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Disclosure section

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material problems.

**Give here brief details of
any items that the
examiner wishes to
disclose**



Treasurers Account Statement

Printed: 25 March 2025

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Date	Description	Type	In (£)	Out (£)	Balance (£)
22 Feb 17	500001	DEP	606.80		606.80
01 Jun 17	000001	CHQ		24.00	582.80
19 Mar 19	[REDACTED] WRSA PAYMENT FP19078O13304899 070436 10 19MAR19 19:48	FPI	500.00		1082.80
21 Mar 19	[REDACTED] 20 00156005632BBCYVLC 090135 10 21MAR19 10:22	FPI	500.00		1582.80
01 Apr 19	[REDACTED] 00156015632BBCQXCK 090131 10 01APR19 16:23	FPI	500.00		2082.80
03 Apr 19	[REDACTED] 500000000453656185 809128 10 03APR19 08:03	FPI	500.00		2582.80
12 Apr 19	500002	DEP	3000.00		5582.80
18 Jun 20	SCOTTISH GOVT	BGC	552.82		6135.62
23 Jun 20	000002	CHQ		552.82	5582.80
04 Nov 20	000003	CHQ		300.00	5282.80
30 Oct 23	[REDACTED] 400000001233474710 809128 10 29OCT23 15:07	FPI	5.00		5287.80

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