

Report to Glasgow LM from Bill Taylor Trust

The Bill Taylor Trust was established in 1996 following a bequest of £13965 from Bill Taylor for the purpose of supporting work for the training, education and well-being or advancement of young people living in the Glasgow area. The Trustees have been appointed by Glasgow LM, some serving for more than two triennia, as the work of managing the trust is minimal.

The current trustees are Kate Mooney, Alistair Trainor and Janey Andrews, who were appointed at LM on 5th November 2023 (Minute 23/124)

Over the life of the Trust, funds have mainly been awarded to support young people to attend Quaker events such as Shindig or Junior Yearly Meeting. Occasionally further grants have been made for specific one-off activities, including family weekends and events run by the Woodcraft Folk. In the last 29 years 58 grants have been awarded by the Trust.

During 2025 Trustees have made a significant grant to Toybox, and supported three young people to attend Shindig, plus making a grant to Glasgow Quaker Childrens' committee for a puppet theatre outing.

In the last year there has been a greater administrative load than normal, due to changes in financial regulations, requiring a change of investment from the Ecology Building Society to the Cooperative Bank. The Trustees also appointed a new Independent Examiner of the accounts, and are very grateful to Mary Johnston for undertaking this task free of charge.

The funds remaining in the Trust at 1st August 2025 are £2127. This could support about 5 more young people to attend Shindig in the next few years, or it could be fully utilised by Toybox to support play facilities for children of prisoners in Barlinnie. The Trustees are inclined to award the remaining funds to Toybox this year and wind up the Trust.