

20th Leith Boys Brigade Company
Trustees Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 August 2025
Scottish Charity number SC035670

Current trustees

Charles Livingstone
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Recruitment and appointment of Trustees

The trustees were reappointed at our annual general meeting which was held in August 2025.

Governing document

The charity is a charitable unincorporated association and the purposes and administration arrangements are set out in our constitution.

Charitable purposes

Our purposes as recorded in the constitution are:

- to promote the Object of The Boys Brigade.
- to develop, through a series of suitable programs of activities and instruction, the abilities of each boy in a progressive manner appropriate to his age and capabilities.
- to encourage leadership qualities.

These purposes further the following charitable purposes:

- the advancement of education
- the advancement of religion
- the advancement of citizenship or community development
- the advancement of public participation in sport
- the provision of recreational facilities, or the organization of recreational facilities

Activities and achievements

The charity continues to offer a wide range of activities for its members. We had around 19 boys attending across all sections in the course of session 2024-5 and 6 members of staff (all volunteers, some part-time).

We did not have any boys of Anchorboy age (P1-P3) during 2024-25, with the previous group having moved up to Junior Section. Our Junior section continued to offer a mix of games, crafts and teaching (including religious teaching), with occasional trips to external venues, for boys in P4-P6. We ended the year with 8 Juniors, up from 4 the previous year.

Numbers in our Company section, which covers P7-S6, increased to 11 from 8 the prior year. The uniform standards were very good, and we provided a mix of classes, games, trips and Christian teaching. The company chaplain also attended most weeks and the boys engaged with him on complex issues.

Staffing remained a challenge, with some staff on part-time status due to family or work commitments, and some full-time members having unpredictable working patterns. We had just enough staff resource to run most weeks, with part-time staff filling gaps where required. The staff were assisted by two of the older Company section boys, who helped lead the Anchorboy and Junior sections as part of their community service for the Duke of Edinburgh award and the BB President's Badge and King's Badge.

Our regular session ended with a parents' night at which the boys received the awards they had worked for during the year, with sketches and presentations to show the parents what the boys had been doing throughout the year. The previous company captain was our inspecting officer.

Due to constraints in the availability of both staff and event space, what had been our main fundraiser (an annual coffee morning) did not take place again in 2025.

We therefore ran a deficit in the year, increased from a smaller deficit in the prior year. This nevertheless remained sustainable due to us exercising good financial discipline and building up our cash reserves in prior years.

The charity intends to continue current activities for the foreseeable future.

Trustee remuneration and expenses

The trustees did not receive any remuneration or expenses in the year.

Reserves

The charity had a deficit in the current year of £525 (2024: deficit of £194). The Company had cash reserves of £785 at the end of the financial year.

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf

C D LIVINGSTONE

Charles Livingstone, Captain and Trustee

9 August 2026

**Independent Examiner's Report on the accounts of
20th Leith Boys Brigade Company (Scottish Charity number SC035670)**

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year 1 September 2024 to 31 August 2025 which are set out on pages 4 to 5.

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 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended). The charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1)(d) of the 2006 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:

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
 - 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.



Name: Alister Greig

Relevant qualification: Treasurer, Newhaven Church, Edinburgh

Address: 7 Craighall Road, Edinburgh

Date: 10 June 2026

20th Leith Boys' Brigade Company
Receipts and Payments Account for the year ended 31 August 2025

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Restricted	Total	Unrestricted	Restricted	Restricted	Total
	2025	general	camp	2025	2024	general	camp	2024
	£	2025	2025	£	£	2024	2024	£
		£	£			£	£	
Receipts								
Enrolment fees	475	-	-	475	335	-	-	335
Weekly subs	283	-	-	283	122	-	-	122
Uniform sales	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Coffee Morning	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
General donations	20	-	-	20	145	-	-	145
Canteen income	90	-	-	90	-	-	-	-
Camp contributions from boys and staff	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Trip income	331	-	-	331	136	-	-	136
Miscellaneous	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	1,199	-	-	1,199	738	0	0	738
Payments								
Regular meeting costs	349	-	-	349	50	-	-	50
Trip costs	383	-	-	383	260	-	-	260
Camp costs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Seniors awards	39	-	-	39	-	-	-	-
Competitions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Uniform costs	116	-	-	116	-	-	-	-
Closing night costs	82	-	-	82	29	-	-	29
Coffee morning costs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Battalion / HQ fees	631	-	-	631	554	-	-	554
Bank charges	26	-	-	26	-	-	-	-
Repairs & maintenance	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Purchase of equipment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Canteen outlays	98	-	-	98	39	-	-	39
Misc	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	1,724	-	-	1,724	932	0	0	932
Surplus/(deficit) for the year	(525)	-	-	(525)	(194)	-	-	(194)

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Statement of Balances at 31 August 2025

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Restricted	Total	Unrestricted	Restricted	Restricted	Total
	2025	general	camp	2025	2024	general	camp	2024
	£	2025	2025	£	£	2024	2024	£
Bank and cash in hand								
Opening balances	1,310	-	-	1,310	1504	-	-	1504
Surplus/(deficit) for the year	(525)	-	-	(525)	(194)	-	-	(194)
Transfers	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Closing balances	785	-	-	785	1,310	-	-	1,310
Assets								
Equipment at purchase cost	1,594	2,005	-	3,599	1,594	2,005	-	3,599

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf

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Charles Livingstone, Company Captain & Trustee

10 June 2026