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Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator

Trustees' Annual Report for the period							
Period start date				Period end date			
From	Day	Month	Year	To	Day	Month	Year
	01	01	2025		31	12	2025

Reference and administration details

Charity name	7 th Coatbridge Boys' Brigade Company		
Other names charity is known by			
Registered charity number	SC008528		
Charity's principal address	C/O Mr A Peat		
	51 Balfron Drive		
	Carnbroe		
	Coatbridge	Postcode ML5 4FF	

Names of the charity trustees on date of approval of Trustees' Annual Report

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Douglas Hazlie	Captain		
2	Alastair Peat	Treasurer		
3	Donald Craig	OIC, Company Section		
4	Stewart Allan	Officer		
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Reference and administration details

Names of all other charity trustees during the period, if any, (for example, those who resigned part way through the financial period)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
Gordon Allan	1/1/2025 – 31/11/2025
Lewis Hendry	1/1/2025 – 30/11/2025
Janice Watt	1/1/2025 – 30/11/2025
Andrew McIntosh	1/1/2025 – 30/11/2025
Karen Mather	1/1/2025 – 30/11/2025
Alex Craig	1/1/2025 – 30/11/2025
Morag Craig	1/1/2025 – 30/11/2025

Structure, governance and management

Type of governing document

7th Coatbridge Boys' Brigade Company forms part of The Boys' Brigade movement. Our BB Company is an unincorporated association and is run by a group of officers (named as trustees above). The officers review and appoint the relevant office bearers on an annual basis.

Trustee recruitment and appointment

New officers (trustees) are recruited by an approach from the existing officers after discussion/approval at a meeting. Where new officers agree to take on this role, their selection is ratified by the Kirk Session of Coatbridge Middle Church (of which we are affiliated) after the relevant Safeguarding checks are completed and advised to The Boys' Brigade at national level.

Objectives and activities

Charitable purposes

The purpose of our Company is to follow the Object of The Boys' Brigade: 'The advancement of Christ's Kingdom among boys and the promotion of habits of obedience, reverence, discipline, self-respect and all that tends towards a true Christian manliness.'

Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects

- Working with boys aged from 5 – 18 and offering a range of activities including games, sports, crafts and outings.
- Carrying out a range of classes for the boys in line with the national badge scheme to enable them to gain awards in a range of topics including Community, Recreation & Leisure, and Life Skills.
- Enable the boys to take part in competitions, at local and national levels, in a variety of fields e.g. sporting events, drill, quizzes, etc.
- Assist boys achieve the highest awards in The Boys' Brigade i.e. President's Badge / King's Badge / Duke of Edinburgh's Award.

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Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the financial period

- The Company continued to meet weekly on a face-to-face basis with members in all sections until the summer of 2025, and carried out activities in line with our traditional programme.
- Number of members in the Company at that time remained at 23, the same level as at the end of 2024.
- All sections continued to follow the national badge programmes, and we were delighted that in April 2025 4 Senior boys achieved their King's Badge, the highest award in The Boys' Brigade, and the first King's Men in our Company's history, following on from the previous 121 Queen's Men in our Company. 2 further boys achieved their President's Badge, the second highest award in The Boys' Brigade.
- Sadly, following decisions taken by the local Church of Scotland Presbytery, the church to which we are affiliated, Coatbridge Middle Church, is to close with an expected date of closure of 31st December 2025. This closure includes the associated halls, where our Company meet each week, leaving us with no meeting place in the area in which we have operated successfully for 83 years.
- Extensive discussions were held by the Company's volunteer staff over the summer recess to consider all options available to us going forward, including whether there were any other facilities available in the area for us to meet on a weekly basis – sadly, no suitable premises were found. Consideration was also given to whether we should continue to meet in Middle Church halls until December 2025, but as this would be half way through the BB session, it was agreed that this would not be fair to our members who would not be able to complete any of their badgework and achievements in that timescale.
- With great sadness, the decision was made not to re-form for the 2025-26 session but to meet with parents to explain the situation and to offer to introduce the boys to other local BB companies if they wished to continue their BB journey at this time.
- A closing outing and gifts were arranged for all the boys, and a Reunion Dinner was held for past and present members to celebrate the history of 7th Coatbridge Company, together with a subsequent Thanksgiving Service in Middle Church in December.
- Donations of money and equipment have already been made to local charities associated with our membership, and the remaining trustees continue to raise funds from the sale of badges and equipment with the aim of distributing the remaining funds to local charities in line with our Constitution. The charity will be formally closed at that time.

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Due to lower membership and only meeting for the first half of 2025, income was understandably reduced from 2024, while expenditure increased due to closing outings and gifts for our members, the Reunion Dinner for past and present members, and the preparation and issue of a Company History booklet and pen for all attendees.

Donations have also been made to several local charities in December 2025 as we start to distribute our remaining funds in line with our Constitution.

Reserve funds held at this time, such as Equipment Fund (£1986), Camp Fund (£1000) and Headquarters Fund (£2579) will no longer be required and will be available for distribution along with our General Funds going forward.

Details of any deficit

N/A

Donated facilities and services (if any)

N/A

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Other optional information

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)





Full name(s) Douglas Hazlie

Alastair Peat

Position (e.g. Chair) Captain

Treasurer

Date

28/8/2026

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