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Trustees' Annual Report for the period							
Period start date				Period end date			
From	Day	Month	Year	To	Day	Month	Year
	08	02	2025		07	02	2025

Reference and administration details

Charity name	Council of Management of Scotscalder Hall
Other names charity is known by	
Registered charity number	SC033353
Charity's principal address	Mrs Catherine Busby
	Ivy Cottage
	Scotscalder
	Halkirk
	Postcode KW12 6XJ

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	Mr David Busby	Chairman		
2	Mrs Catherine Busby	Treasurer		
3	Miss Anne Frew	Secretary		
4	Ms Clare Manson			
5	Ms Nicky Bennett			
6	Miss Anne Upton			
7	Mr Lewis Sinclair			
8	Mr John Hymers			
9	Mrs Cathy Snowdon			
10	Mr Graham Brooks			
11	Mrs Barbara Hymers			
12	Ms Jeanette Stark			
13	Ms Katie Gunn		Until Sept 2025	
14	Ms Shannon May		Until Sept 2025	
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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

Structure, governance and management

Type of governing document

Council of Management of Scotsclader Hall is a charitable unincorporated association and the purposes and administration arrangements are set out in the Constitution.

Trustee recruitment and appointment

Trustees are appointed or reappointed by the members at the Annual General Meeting held annually in February/March.

Objectives and activities

Charitable purposes

Our purposes, as set out in the Constitution, are to maintain, by fundraising and management of events, the premises donated to the communities of Calder, Dorrery and Brawlbin for public use.

Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects

Various events organised by the Committee to raise funds to maintain the Hall, and use of the Hall for private events organised by members of the public in the communities mentioned above.

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Achievements and performance

The financial year 2025/26 saw the monthly Blether & Bite sessions being well attended. Speakers add interest to these events. Funding is provided by the HDCC Mini Fund. In March the Hall was hired out for a weekend Scout Camp. The group were delighted with the facilities on offer and are keen to use the Hall again in the future. A Spring Tea was held in May with crafts and an Easter Egg Hunt for the children and a raffle for Hall funds. Again this was well attended and everyone enjoyed the event.

In June a Bingo Night was well attended. Over the summer school holidays Zumba, Zumbini and PlayMusic classes were held, funded by Foundation Scotland from the ABH funds, with juice and snacks provided for children and adults. A children's fun day was held at the end of the holidays and much enjoyed by all who attended. This included indoor crafts and games, outdoor fun and a DIY pizza lunch. The annual Stovie supper was held in November and catered for by Martin Duffy and a band of volunteers from the Committee with music by Jocky, Boysie and Kevin. December saw the children's Christmas Party when Santa visited to deliver presents and all the children and adults had an enjoyable time. The Hall has also been used for private parties during the reporting period. Caithness Young Farmers hired the Hall for their Annual Speechmaking Competition. Halkirk Ceilidh Dancers have met on a Wednesday night in the Hall starting in May 2025 with a break over the summer and during the winter. There is a good attendance every week. Weekly Strength and Balance and Gentle Exercise to Music classes are run by one of the Committee members and Nordic Walking Classes are also held when the weather is kind. The Scotscladder Hall Newsletter 2026 produced by Anne Frew lists the forthcoming Hall activities.

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The year-end accounts show a healthy reserve which will be used for ongoing expenses, and improvements as and when required. Donations and grants helped towards costs incurred during the year.

Details of any deficit

A small deficit has arisen due to the Committee covering the cost of some replacement catering equipment.

Donated facilities and services (if any)

N/A

Other optional information

Fundraising/Donations

The Bingo Night and Stovie Supper generated income for the Hall. Donations were received for the use of the hall for private parties and from those who attend the Blether and Bite sessions. Parents attending the summer activities also donated towards the catering provided. Various donations are also received throughout the year and are used for general expenses, along with income from raffles at events

Grants received

Grants totalling £300 were received from Achlachan Windfarm Mini Fund through Halkirk District Community Council. These fund the cost of a gardener who keeps the outside areas tidy at Scotsclader Hall and Spittal village welcome signs. Foundation Scotland awarded grants of £3000.00 for annual running costs, £1200.00 for Children's Summer Classes and a discretionary grant of £500.00. A contribution towards the cost of Blether & Bite from Halkirk District Community Council through the Achlachan Windfarm Mini Fund continues to be made.

Improvements / Repairs to the Hall/:

The Foundation Scotland discretionary grant was used to buy a fridge freezer. A new heated trolley was purchased, along with an additional soup kettle. Equipment for the Exercise Classes and Nordic Walking have been bought. General minor repairs are carried out, including Fire Inspection and Electrical PAT Testing, replacement of a handwash unit, and purchase of a Baby Change Unit.

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	David J Busby	Catherine Busby
Position (e.g. Chair)	Chairman	Treasurer
Date	16/6/26	16/6/26