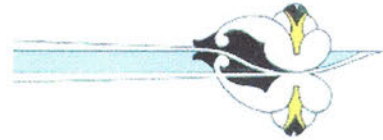


# **Argyll Bird Club**

## **Annual Report & Financial Statements**

**1<sup>st</sup> October 2023 to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2024**



# Argyll Bird Club

## Contact information

Scottish Charity Number: SC050823

Address: South Craleckan, Furnace, Inveraray, Argyll

Postcode: PA32 8XN

Telephone number: 01499 500665

Email address: [treasurer@argyllbirdclub.org](mailto:treasurer@argyllbirdclub.org)

Website: <https://argyllbirdclub.org>

## Objectives and activities

Argyll Bird Club is a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation which is a Registered Charity, governed by its Constitution. The Executive Committee consists of up to 7 Trustees appointed at the AGM and a further 5 Trustees may be appointed by the Executive Committee on the basis that they have specialist experience and/or skills which could be of assistance to the Executive Committee. The Trustees receive no remuneration

The purposes of the Argyll Bird Club are:

- To promote interest in, and conservation of, the birds of Argyll and their habitats
- To carry on any other activities which further those purposes.
- To advance environmental protection or improvement including preservation, and conservation of the natural environment, the promotion of sustainable development, the maintenance, improvement or provision of environmental amenities for the community and/or the preservation of buildings or sites of architectural, historic, ornithological or other importance to the community.

These purposes are achieved mainly through a comprehensive programme of activities, publications and a strong social media presence.

## Charity Trustees

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.
- 7.
- 8.
- 9.
- 10.
- 11.
- 12.



## Financial review

The principal source of funding for the Club is from membership subscriptions. Significant amount of income had been collected from the sale of data to environmental consultants who were conducting investigations related to wind farm and fish farm planning applications. Expenditure is broadly comparable to previous years.

### Investment policy

Under the constitution, the Management Committee has the power to make any investment deemed to be appropriate in the support of the Club's purposes. In the short term, surplus funds are held in a fixed term deposit account.

### Reserves policy

The Club has a reserve fund available to support future projects and is currently drawing up plans for conservation priorities in Argyll.

### Risk management

The organisers of events arranged by the Club, particularly bird watching outings are required to risk assess each event to mitigate exposure to risk. The Club has a Public Liability insurance policy in place.

### Management Committee responsibilities

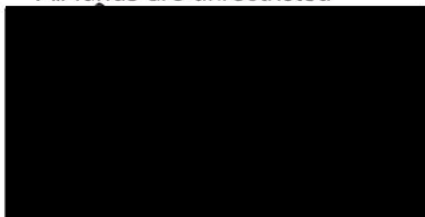
The Management Committee is responsible for keeping proper accounting records which give a true and fair account of the financial activities of the Club during the year and of its financial position at the end of the year. The Management Committee is responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud or other irregularity.

## Argyll Bird Club

### Income and Expenditure for the year to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2024

2022-2023	INCOME	2023-2024
2564.23	Subscriptions	2569.23
10.00	Grants & Donations	260.00
285.00	Raffles	237.00
275.00	Data fees	600.00
192.50	HMRC Gift Aid	201.25
384.68	Bank interest	569.91
3711.41	Total Income	4437.39
	EXPENDITURE	
500.00	Bird report	600.00
-2.57	Print costs	-56.90
62.20	Postage	65.80
863.88	Public meetings	694.63
191.50	Insurance	214.15
0.00	Committee expenses	0.00
0.00	Projects	1654.99
328.17	Grants & Donations	482.51
42.57	Bank charges	51.59
1985.75	Total Expenditure	3706.77
1725.66	SURPLUS/DEFICIT	730.62
	Balance Sheet as at 30 September 2024	
	CURRENT ASSETS	
0.00	Cash on hand	0.00
14.09	Bank of Scotland Current Account	34.44
1150.00	Bank of Scotland Deposit Account easy access 1.30%	6055.15
16502.38	UTB 6 month fixed term @ 4.60% matures November 2024	12000.00
192.50	Debtors	0.00
	CURRENT LIABILITIES	
-500.00	Creditors	0.00

All funds are unrestricted



## Independent Examiner's report to the Trustees of the Argyll Bird Club

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 30 September 2024 which are set out on page 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.

Signed:

Date: 23 October 2024

23

Name:

Address:

## Declaration

Signed on behalf of the charity trustees:

--	--	--

Print name

--

Designation

TREASURER
-----------

Date

23 October 2024
-----------------

