



Pitmedden Amenities Trust, SCIO



Trustees' Annual Report

1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025

Charity contact information

Pitmedden Amenities Trust, SCIO

Incorporation Date: 05th February 2018

Scottish Charity Number: SC048116

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Charity Trustees

The Pitmedden Amenities Trust, SCIO is made up of the following team.

No	Name	Position	Start Date	Date to
1	Paul Johnston (PJ)	Trustee	5 th Feb 18	
2	Stuart Boyle (SB)	Board Secretary	3 rd Oct 18	
3	Fiona Fraser (FF)	Trustee (FOPS)*	3 rd Oct 18	
4	Anne Grant (AG)	Trustee	3 rd Oct 18	
5	David Hadwin (DH)	Park Keeper	3 rd Oct 18	Nov 23
6	Drew Leil (DL)	Trustee	3 rd Oct 18	Mar 24
7	David Mutch (DM)	Chair/ Acting Treasurer	3 rd Oct 18	
8	Eleanor Stewart (ES)	Trustee	5 th Feb 18	
9	Tracy Gibb	Trustee	2 nd Nov 19	
10	Iain Hirst	Trustee	Nov 22	
11	Ailsha West	Booking Secretary	24 th Aug 22	
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* FOPS = Friends of Pitmedden School

* FUYA = Formartine United Youth Academy

Independent Examiner: Karen Gardiner BA, CA, CTA.

Bank Name: Pitmedden Amenities Trust SCIO

Bank account type: Treasurers Account

Bank of Scotland
Business Banking
PO Box 1984
Andover
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Objectives and activities

The Pitmedden Amenities Trust, SCIO was registered with OSCR in February of 2018 by Paul Johnston, a local Aberdeenshire Councillor and a Pitmedden Hall Trust and Pitmedden Park Trust, Acting Chair and Trustee.

The aim of the new Pitmedden Amenities Trust, SCIO was to take over the management of the Pitmedden community Public Hall and Park from the two previous Trusts with a new Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation. The current Hall and Park Trust are in the process of being dissolved. In the meantime, the new PAT, SCIO is supporting the existing Trusts in the day to day running of the amenities in the village until we can officially take over.

The Pitmedden Amenities Trust, SCIO;

- The organisation's purposes are the provision of recreational facilities such as amenity open space, parks, halls and meeting places, for the organisation of recreational activities, with the object of improving the conditions of life for the persons of Pitmedden and Udney and those in need of access to such facilities on visiting Pitmedden.
- This trustees formally meet six times a year to review hall activities. The trustees maintain the hall and park actively manage bookings, rental income and the general upkeep of the hall.
- The people of Pitmedden and Udney and those in need of access to such facilities on visiting Pitmedden.

The Pitmedden Public Hall continues to be managed by the existing Trust and the PAT, SCIO team. Activity levels in the Hall are high with users such as dance classes, Martial Arts, Football teams, fitness classes, Guides and the children from the 'Pitmedden Tiny Tots' groups.

The Hall is hired for various fund-raising events. These are frequently held to support local groups.

The Park is also used by the local community with ad hoc football games by the local children and more formally for Formartine United Youth Academy for training and games.

Structure, governance and management

Type of governing document

The Pitmedden Amenities Trust, SCIO governing document is a constitution.

Type of organisation

The organisation is a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (SCIO), (single-tier)

Scottish principal office

The principal office of the organisation will be in Scotland (and must remain in Scotland).

Powers

The organisation has the power to do anything which is calculated to further its purpose or is conducive or incidental to doing so.

No part of the income or property of the organisation may be paid or transferred (directly or indirectly) to the charity trustees – either in the course of the organisation's existence or on dissolution – except where this is done in direct furtherance of the organisation's purposes.

General Structure

The structure of the organisation consists of the BOARD – who hold regular meetings, and generally control the activities of the organisation; for example, the board is responsible for monitoring and controlling the financial position of the organisation.

The board also appoints charity trustees to fill vacancies, and the people serving on the board (in their capacity as members of the organisation have power to make changes to the constitution itself.

The people serving on the board are referred to in our constitution as CHARITY TRUSTEES – and they are *also* the MEMBERS of the organisation for the purpose of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005.

Under the provisions of our constitution, no-one can be a member unless he/she is also a charity trustee of the organisation.

The Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 requires certain decisions to be taken by the charity trustees in their capacity as members of the organisation.

Trustee recruitment and appointment

Number of charity trustees

The maximum number of charity trustees is 15 and the minimum is 3.

Eligibility

A person will not be eligible for election or appointment to the board if he/she is;

- Disqualified from being a charity trustee under the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005; or
- An employee of the organisation.

Initial charity trustees

The individuals who signed the charity trustee declaration forms which accompanied the application for incorporation of the organisation shall be deemed to have been appointed by the members as charity trustees with effect from the date of incorporation of the organisation.

Appointment

The board may at any time appoint any person to be a charity trustee – by way of a resolution passes by majority vote at a board meeting.

At the conclusion of the first AGM, one third (to the nearest round number) of the charity trustees shall retire from office; the question of which of them is to retire shall be determined by some random method.

At the conclusion of each AGM (other than the first) any charity trustees appointed during the period since the preceding AGM (but excluding those re-appointed during that period) shall retire from office. Out of the remaining charity trustees, one third (to the nearest round number) shall retire from office.

The charity trustees that retire shall be those who have been longest in office since they were last appointed or re-appointed; as between persons who were last appointed/ re-appointed on the same date, the question of which of them is to retire shall be determined by some random method.

A charity trustee who retires from office either at the first or subsequent AGM's conclusion shall be eligible for re-appointment by way of a resolution passed by majority vote at the next board meeting.

A charity trustee vacating office at the conclusion of an AGM will be deemed to have been re-elected at the board meeting which next follows unless:

- he/she advises the board that he/ she does not wish to be re-appointed; or
- a resolution for the re-appointment of that charity trustee was put to the board meeting and was not carried.

The Pitmedden Amenities Trust, SCIO had various meetings in person between April 2024 and March 2025 to actively recruit/ appointment new charity trustees and critical officer positions. The officers then developed roles and responsibilities within the charity trustees to support the organisation and the activities carried out in the hall and park.

The charity trustees, positions and date appointed are listed on page three of this report. The new Pitmedden Amenities Trust, SCIO now has a diverse board making the charity more effective in meeting our aims. The Pitmedden Amenities Trust, SCIO has charity trustees that are also linked to the Pitmedden Primary School, (FOPS: Friends of Pitmedden School) and FUYA, (Formartine United Youth Academy) the main users of the park.

We have during this period continued to seek someone to be the treasurer, but unfortunately our search has, again been unsuccessful. We will continue to look to the community to fill this role over the next year, as well as a park convener to replace David Hadwin, and a Hall Maintenance Manager to replace Drew Leil.

Achievements and performance

The PAT, SCIO team has prepared accounts for the financial year 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025.

The PAT, SCIO has developed a strong structure and wide range in team members to ensure the future on the SCIO and to support the amenities and the user of Hall and Park in the village.

Park Update

PAT SCIO would like to thank Oliver Deeming and his team at Aberdeenshire Council for all their work in maintaining the Park and David Mark for the waste collection.

The existing skate and bike ramps and obstacles continue to be discussed, while we see the equipment used regularly, the concrete is starting to flake and crumble, we have asked for prices to remove the structures and then form a steering group to get new play equipment built.

The EV charging points in the car park remain incomplete, the enabling work has been done but the points are not live as the car park belongs to the PAT SCIO not the Council.

Pitmedden Hall Update -

PAT SCIO has had a successful year with close to full capacity through the week and parties at the weekends. The curtains have now been installed and are looking great. The next big item to look at will be the oven in the kitchen and the cooking group have said it unreliable, All the standard safety checks have been carried out, emergency escape route and lighting, fire extinguishers etc.



Hall set up for Swap Shop

Financial review

The accounts have been prepared and show a balance in the accounts of £23,670, which is a very healthy balance. In summary the hall costs about £14,500 pa to run.

There have been discussions regarding an increase to the hire rates of the halls to cover the potential increase in the cost of electricity and this will be monitored during the next year and any increase communicated to the regular users.

Statement of the charity's policy on reserves

PAT, SCIO policy for holding reserves for the Hall and Park is to retain a years' worth of costs in reserve, currently the main bank account balance is around £13,000 so we are comfortable, and we have an account to specifically hold the reserve of £10,000 separate from day-to-day account which we currently have.

Details of any deficit

Should PAT, SCIO have a deficit this will be reported and explain why this has happened and the steps the charity trustees are taking to correct it.

Donated facilities and services

PAT, SCIO has no donated facilities or services to report.

Future plans

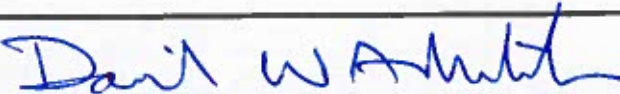
PAT, SCIO has future development plans for the refurbishments/ upgrades to the Hall. Application for funding will be sought from various sources including the Udney Community Trust LTD Company. The upgrades will range from continued maintenance to the development of an operating office for the PAT team to operate from and for the potential lease as a meeting room to users and businesses in the local community.

Additional information

Nothing to report in this annual report.

Declaration

Signed on behalf of the charity trustees:



Print name

DAVID WAMUTI

Designation

CHAIR PERSON

Date

6th APRIL 2026

Receipts and payments accounts							
For the period from	Day	Month	Year	to	Day	Month	Year
	1st	April	2024		31st	March	2025

Section A Statement of receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Expendable endowment funds to nearest £	Permanent endowment funds to nearest £	Total funds current period to nearest £	Total funds last period to nearest £
A1 Receipts						
Donations	1,000				1,000	
Legacies					-	
Grants					-	
Receipts from fundraising activities					-	
Gross trading receipts					-	
Income from investments other than land and buildings	361				361	152
Rents from land & buildings	10,979				10,979	18,968
Gross receipts from other charitable activities					-	
					-	
A1 Sub total	12,340	-	-	-	12,340	19,120
A2 Receipts from asset & investment sales						
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets					-	
Proceeds from sale of investments					-	
A2 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	12,340	-	-	-	12,340	19,120
A3 Payments						
Expenses for fundraising activities					-	
Gross trading payments	15,547				15,547	13,670
Investment management costs					-	
Payments relating directly to charitable activities					-	
Grants and donations					-	
Governance costs:					-	
Audit / independent examination					-	
Preparation of annual accounts					-	
Legal costs					-	
Other	-				-	
					-	
A3 Sub total	15,547	-	-	-	15,547	13,670
A4 Payments relating to asset and investment movements						
Purchases of fixed assets					-	
Purchase of investments					-	
A4 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	15,547	-	-	-	15,547	13,670
Net receipts / (payments)	(3,207)	-	-	-	(3,207)	5,450
A5 Transfers to / (from) funds						
					-	
Surplus / (deficit) for year	(3,207)	-	-	-	(3,207)	5,450

Section B Statement of balances

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Expendable endowment funds	Permanent endowment funds	Total current period	Total last period
		to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cash and bank balances at start of year	26,877				26,877	21,427
	Surplus / (deficit) shown on receipts and payments account	(3,207)				(3,207)	5,450
						-	
	Cash and bank balances at end of year	23,670	-	-	-	23,670	26,877

(Agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

B2 Investments	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Market valuation	Last year
			to nearest £	to nearest £
		Total	-	-

B3 Other assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (if available)	Current value (if available)	Last year
			to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
		Total	-	-	-

B4 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due	Last year
			to nearest £	to nearest £
		Total	-	-

B5 Contingent liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (estimate)	Last year
			to nearest £	to nearest £
		Total	-	-

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
<i>David W A Muth</i>	DAVID WA MUTH	3.4.26

3 APPENDIX 3



Scottish Charity Regulator

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

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Report to the trustees/members of

Pitmedden Amenities Trust SCIO

Registered charity number

SC048116

On the accounts of the charity for the period

Period start date: 1st Day April 2024 Year to 31st Day March 2025 Year

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

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) 2005 Act and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended). The charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (d) of the 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, and
- 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: Karen E Gardiner

Date: 6/4/26

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):

Member of The Institute of Chartered Accountants of Scotland

Address: 30 Keithleigh Gardens Pitmedden Ellon Aberdeenshire AB41 7GB

Section C Notes to the Accounts

C1 Nature and purpose of funds (may be stated on analysis of funds worksheets)

The purpose of the funds are to allow the management and maintenance of the Pitmedden Village Hall and Park so that the community can continue to benefit from these amenities

C2 Grants

Type of activity or project supported	Individual / Institution	Number of grants made	£
		Total	

C3a Trustee remuneration

If no remuneration was paid during the period to any charity trustee or person connected to a trustee cross this box (otherwise complete section 3b) X

C3b Trustee remuneration - details

Authority under which paid	£

C4a Trustee expenses

If no expenses were paid to any charity trustee during the period then cross this box (otherwise complete section 4b) X

C4b Trustee expenses - details

	Number of trustees	£

C5 Transactions with trustees and connected persons

Nature of relationship	Nature of transaction	Transaction amount (£)	Balance outstanding at period end (£)

C6 Other information