Registered Charity No SC 052902

BALFRON HIGH SCHOOL'S

PARENT COUNCIL

REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2026

BALFRON HIGH SCHOOL'S PARENT COUNCIL

CHARITY INFORMATION

Trustees

Lynn Armstrong (Appointed as Chairperson 9 Sept 25, resigned as Chairperson 12 May 26)

Annabel Gaywood (Appointed 9 Sept 25, Vice Chair 9 Sept 25, resigned as Vice Chair 12 May 26)

Robert McQuater (resigned as Treasurer 12 May 26)

Katie Goodier (Appointed 6 May 25, Secretary 6 May 25)

Elaine Bannatyne (Head Teacher) (Appointed 6 May 25)

Jackie Mackay (Appointed 6 May 25)

Alex Smeed (Appointed 9 Sept 25)

Christine Heron (Appointed 9 Sept 25)

Alastair Pickard (Appointed 12 May 26, appointed as Chairperson 12 May 26)

Lorna Grant (Appointed 12 May 26, Appointed as Treasurer 12 May 26)

Fiona Nicholl (Appointed 12 May 26)

Catherine O'Halloran (Appointed 12 May 26)

Resignations

Fiona Gallagher (resigned as Secretary 6 May 25, resigned 12 May 26)

Anne Winther (resigned as Chair 6 May 25, resigned 12 May 26)

Registered Address

Balfron High School

Roman Road

Balfron

G63 0PW

Charity Registration Number

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TRUSTEES' REPORT

The Trustees submit their report and account for the year ended 30 April 2026.

The Aims of the Parent Council are:

- To support the school in its work with pupils
- To promote partnership by parent's own active participation
- To lead Parent Forum participation
- To act as a communication conduit between school managements, parents, pupils and community

The Parent Council exists to further these aims to represent the views of the Parent Forum and raise money for school projects and activities.

Activities during the year

Parent Council meetings are held five times during the academic year. The Head Teacher shares pupil achievements, policy, local authority updates and encourages active discussion with the Parent Forum.

As well as fund-raising to support pupil activities, the value of the Parent Council to the school is to provide an opportunity to consult with the Parent Forum on important issues e.g. Uniform policy or school trip allocation.

School events: We have supported the provision of teas and coffees at Sports Awards, School shows, Prizegiving, D of E awards, Christmas Concert, Digital event and Graduation. We are always looking for volunteers to help at these events.

Financial review

During the year the Charity transitioned from its previous 500 Club to Your School Lottery, which now provides a steady income.

The Charity is now registered with the HMRC and has started making Gift Aid Claims.

The Balfron Clothing Company provides income with its weekly Wednesday Pop-up Shops and attendance at Parent's Evenings.

The Parent Council has supported funding requests from the school which are listed in the accounts on page 5.

Total income for the year was £9,409 (2025: £6,411)

Total Expenses for the year were £4,346 (2025: £785)

Total Awards made during the year were £2,370 (2025: £7,022)

The Surplus for the year was £2,693 (2025: Deficit £1,396)

The Funds held at 30th April 2026 were £6,447 (2025: £3,754)

Governance and statutory

The Parent Council is an unincorporated association registered as a charity with OCSR in October 2023. The first OSCR trustee annual report was submitted in 2024, the constitution was revised in January 2025 and trustee declaration and sharing details of trustee responsibilities are part of the induction process for new trustees.

Changes to the Trustees/Committee are listed on Page 1.

Thank you

The Parent Council would like to thank the numerous volunteers, parents/carers and the staff of Balfron High School who have supported the work of the Parent Council over the last year.

ALASTAIR PICKARD

Chair Alastair Pickard. Date 8/9/2026

Balfron High School Parent Council

Accounts for the year ending 30th April 2026

		Income £	Costs £	2026 Total £	2025 Total £
General Funds					
500 Club		12	-	12	(252)
School lottery		3,556	-	3,556	-
Refreshments	School show & sports awards	733	-	733	(358)
	Christmas concert (coffees & raffle)	757	-	757	102
	Spring Concert / Art Exhibition	-	-	-	45
	Other (DofE)	34	(33)	1	-
Clothing sales		2,600	-	2,600	500
Other	STEM on Track fundraising	-	-	-	950
	Donations	-	-	-	1,750
	Indemnity insurance	-	(110)	(110)	(98)
	Gift Aid	1,713	-	1,713	-
	Bank charges	4	(6)	(2)	-
Reserved Funds					
Virgin Money Grant (Digital inclusion)		-	-	-	1,987
Stirling Grant Liability (1)		-	(1,500)	(1,500)	-
Tesco Breakfast Club (2)		-	(1,000)	(1,000)	1,000
Blazer payment (3)		-	(1,697)	(1,697)	-
		9,409	(4,346)	5,063	5,626
Awards made:					
04/06/2024	Breakfast club		-	-	(500)
28/06/2024	STEM on Track (Espire Education)		-	-	(3,780)
05/11/2024	Digital Equipment (Virgin Money Grant)		-	-	(1,992)
19/12/2024	PEF trip support		-	-	(500)
01/10/2025	Sewing machines		(400)	(400)	-
01/10/2025	Pickle ball set		(255)	(255)	-
01/10/2025	Duke of Edinburgh awards		(250)	(250)	-
07/10/2025	Dux Medallist Amazon vouchers		(200)	(200)	(250)
04/03/2026	International frames		(180)	(180)	-
04/03/2026	PE lockable noticeboards		(285)	(285)	-
04/03/2026	Sewing machine & staging		(600)	(600)	-
23/04/2026	PEF trip support		(200)	(200)	-
			(2,370)	(2,370)	(7,022)
Net surplus/(deficit) for the year				2,693	(1,396)

Balfron High School Parent Council

Accounts for the year ending 30th April 2026 (continued)

	2026 Total £	2025 Total £
Assets		
Blazer stock (at cost)	1,247	-
Funds		
Opening funds		
Bank	3,447	4,945
Cash	234	132
PayPal	73	73
	3,754	5,150
Surplus/(deficit) for the year	2,693	(1,396)
Blazer stock	1,247	-
Closing funds	7,694	3,754
Closing funds comprised of		
Funds available for future awards	6,447	1,254
Blazer stock (3)	1,247	-
Stirling Grant Liability (1)	-	1,500
Tesco Breakfast Club (2)	-	1,000
	7,694	3,754
Closing funds held as:		
Bank	7,727	3,447
Cash	344	234
PayPal	73	73
	8,144	3,754
Blazer stock value	1,247	-
Liability for blazer payment	(1,697)	-
	7,694	3,754

Notes

1. A grant of £1,500 was received from Stirling Council in financial year 2021-2022, to support a student newspaper. This project did not happen, and the money was repaid to Stirling Council on 27/06/2025. There is no ongoing liability relating to this grant.
2. The Tesco Breakfast Club grant was received by the parent council and passed directly to the school. The grant was received at the end of financial year 2024-2025 and transferred to Balfron High School on 11/06/2025, which is in financial year 2025-2026. No ongoing liability exists in relation to this grant.
3. The Parent Council purchased a stock of blazers in 2025-26, to ensure availability of blazers at clothing sales. There is an outstanding liability for payment for the blazers of £1,697 which was paid on 15/05/2026. The Current Asset Value of the blazer stock as at 30th April 2026 was £1,247. The income from the new blazers that have already been sold is reflected in these accounts.

Approved by the Trustees of Balfron High School's Parent Council and signed on its behalf:

ALASTAIR PICKARD

Chair _____ Date 8/9/2026

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Balfron High School's Parent Council

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 30 April 2026 which are set out on pages 4 to 6.

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 [other than disclosed below*]

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 M Graham

Name: M Graham

Relevant Professional qualification/professional body:

BPS

Address: Gartocharn

Date:08/09/2026