

Caithness Community Connections
AGM 2026

Trustees Report

Thank you to all for coming along to our AGM. The 25/26 financial year, has been a very busy year for CCC delivering:

THRUMSTER CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

Term time, fortnightly Messy Play sessions
Term time, weekly Youth Club sessions for P1-P3
Term time, weekly Youth Club sessions for P4 - P7
Term time, weekly Teen Group sessions for S1 - S6
Zorb session for Thrumster teen group in Lybster Hall
Easter Egg Hunt - community event

LYBSTER CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

Term time, weekly Youth Club sessions for P1- P7 (Mondays)
Term time, weekly Youth Club sessions for P1 - P3 (Fridays)
Term time, weekly Youth Club sessions for P4 - P7 (Fridays)
Term time, twice weekly Teen Group sessions for S1 - S6 (Mondays & Fridays)
Holiday Sessions - Easter, Summer & October
Easter Egg Hunt - community event

CRAFT SESSIONS

Weekly craft sessions alternating between Clyth, Lybster & Latheron up to December 2025, then alternating between Clyth and Latheron in 2026.
Craft work submitted for Latheron 100th Anniversary Show
Christmas Tree at Groats - taken apart and improved - still a work in progress!!
11 Poppy Displays for Armistice Day
Poppy Displays for VE Day (Latheron) and VE Day celebrations in Lybster

FOOD DISTRIBUTION

Lybster & surrounding area - Food distribution (114 people)
Thrumster & surrounding area - ad hoc basis (7 people)
Food distribution via all youth clubs (fruit & veg - 9 crates)
Meals & snack provided in youth clubs/teen groups
Monthly lunches started in Thrumster as part of a new programme to prevent isolation

In addition:

We attended - Latheron Show, Thrumster Game Fair, & Watten Market so people can find out more about us and what we do
We attended VE Day celebrations in Lybster providing free children's games and activities
We distributed school uniform items such as trousers, shoes, pinafores and specific Wick High School clothing - mainly hoodies
With help from our youth clubs we distributed flowers to random homes in Thrumster and Lybster following generous donations from supermarkets as part of our food collection

We are very grateful to all our funders who made these projects possible, and in many cases continue to do so. Foundation Scotland via Bad A Cheo, Tannach & District, Halsary, and the Lybster & Tannach Fund.

We are also grateful to all those who made donations to our charity in 2025/26. This included the Model Club and Foundation Scotland.

While we run projects on what can only be described as a shoestring, our largest overhead is staffing, but as Trustees we remain committed to paying our employees the Real Living Wage. Our biggest constraint at the moment, to growing as a charity is staff recruitment.

All in all it has been a very busy, but successful year for Caithness Community Connections

**Peter Gunn Independent Examiner
Appointed by Trustees**

Peter H...
15/7/2026

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Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

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Report to the
trustees/members of

Registered charity
number

On the accounts of the
charity for the period

Charity name

CAITHNESS COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

SCO 48936

Period start date

Day

Month

Year

01

04

2025

to

Period end date

Day

Month

Year

31

03

2026

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. 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 Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. 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 accounts.

Independent examiner's
statement

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention ~~other than that disclosed on the attached page*~~

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:

Name:

Peter Gunn

Date:

15/7/2026

PETER GUNN

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

CHARTERED BANKER

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*Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply. If the words do apply, set out those matters which have come to your attention on the following page.

APPENDIX 3

Disclosure section

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material problems.

Give here brief details of
any items that the
examiner wishes to
disclose