

Linlithgow Scotch Hop SCIO

Trustees' Annual Report and Financial Statements

1 January to 31 December 2025

Charity contact information

Registered address: 32 Broomhead Park, Dunfermline, Fife KY12 0PT

Charity number: SC046165

Charity Trustees

Sue Anderson (Chair)

Rory Davies (Treasurer)

Janet Mundy (Secretary)

Sheila McCutcheon

Seonaid Scott

Bryony Stocker (from 26th March 2025)

Independent Examiner

James Rigby FCMA

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Charity Purposes

To advance the cause of Scottish music and dance through the co-ordination and running of a season of Scottish Dancing for All in Linlithgow in July and August each year and other related events.

Trustee Recruitment

At each AGM, the members may elect any member (unless he/she is debarred from membership under clause 28) to be a charity trustee. The board may at any time appoint any member (unless he/she is debarred from membership under clause 28) to be a charity trustee. Clause 33 At each AGM, all of the charity trustees must retire from office - but may then be re-elected under clause 31. Clause 34 A charity trustee retiring at an AGM will be deemed to have been re-elected unless: - 34.1 he/she advises the board prior to the conclusion of the AGM that he/she does not wish to be re-appointed as a charity trustee; or 34.2 an election process was held at the AGM and he/she was not among those elected/re-elected through that process; or 34.3 a resolution for the re-election of that charity trustee was put to the AGM and was not carried.

Type of governing document

SCIO was established by Constitution agreed by OSCR on 30th November 2015. The Constitution was revised on 26th March 2025 to allow for remote participation in trustees' and members' meetings, with confirmation of notification of changes received from OSCR on 2nd April 2025.

Trustee recruitment and appointment

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 on 30th November 2015. New trustee appointments can be made by the board at any time from existing members of the SCIO. The board may at any time appoint any non-member of the organisation to be a charity trustee either on the basis that he/she has been nominated by a body with which the organisation has close contact in the course of its activities *or* on the basis that he/she has specialist experience and/or skills which could be of assistance to the board.

Statement of the charity's policy on reserves

In any year income from ticket sales is highly weather dependent. We have therefore historically had a policy to ensure sufficient reserves to cover all 5 nights of the following season taking place indoors. The level of reserves ensured that we had sufficient funds to cover costs during the period when we have been unable to run a full season of events. We have a surplus from 2025 of £2,899 and reserves of £9,314, which is sufficient to cover us in the unlikely event of three loss-making seasons.

Chair's report

Our usual activities are running a series of 5 evenings of Scottish dance in Linlithgow on Wednesday evenings in July/August every year, at Linlithgow Palace, with an alternative venue depending on the weather. In 2025, we were most fortunate that we were able to dance at the Great Hall at the Palace all 5 evenings. As in 2024, numbers attending were restricted by remedial works being carried out at the Palace.

We are very grateful to the trustees, volunteers, performers, supporters and everyone who attends for making this season so successful. Particular mention goes to Patrick Steuart, as a member of the committee and much appreciated supporter, for providing safety lighting and help with promotion, as well as everything else that he does.

We would also like to thank Historic Environment Scotland and their staff for their help with access to Linlithgow Palace as our main iconic venue.

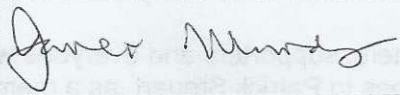
Sue Anderson
Chair

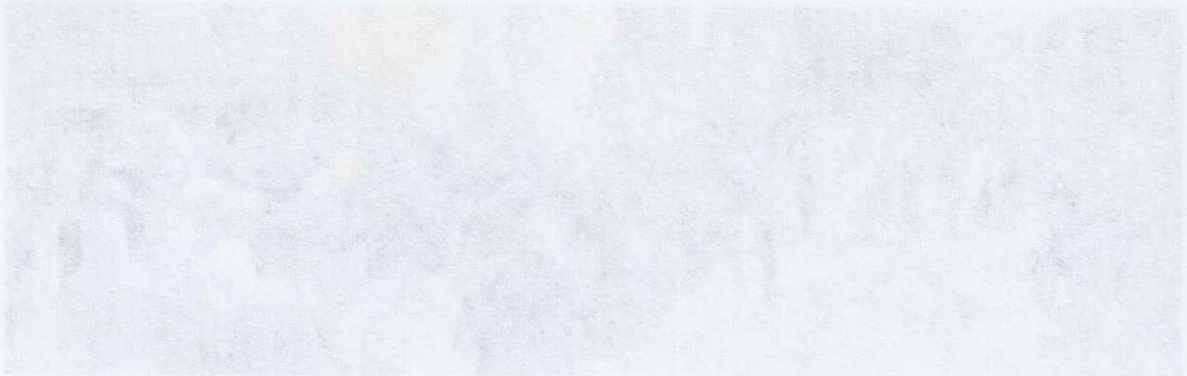


Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signature		
Full name	JANET MUNDY	
Position	Secretary	
Date	27 th May 2026	



Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/members of	Linlithgow Scotch Hop SCIO						
Registered charity number	SC046165						
On the accounts of the charity for the period	Period start date				Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year	to	Day	Month	Year
	01	01	2025		31	12	2025
Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner	<p>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.</p>						
Basis of independent examiner's statement	<p>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.</p>						
Independent examiner's statement	In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention:						
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 <p>have not been met, or</p> 2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached. 						
Signed:	<i>James Rigby</i>				Date:	18 April 2024	
Name:	JAMES RIGBY						
Relevant professional qualification(s):	FCMA						
Address:	34 BARNTON GROVE EDINBURGH EH4 6EJ						

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		To/from funds		Previous Year 2024
		(Unrestricted	Restricted)	
Income and Expenditure				
Income	£9,677	(£9,677	£0)	£10,767
Donations (offered, from people, no strings)	£768			£0
Anonymous		£609		£600
Named (e.g. with tickets)		£159		£354
Grants (sought, from bodies, specific purposes)	£0			£0
Events (for OSCR, Receipts from "other charitable activities")	£8,909			
TicketSales		£8,909		£9,813
Other Income	£0			
Expenditure	£6,778	(£6,778	£0)	£8,011
Promotion (flyers, ads, online)	£0			
Printing		£0		£43
Distribution		£0		£0
Adverts		£0		£45
Events (bands, venues, catering etc)	£6,678			
TicketCosts		£434		£481
Bands		£3,250		£3,900
Welcome (Pipers)		£0		£0
Welcome (other)		£0		£0
Cadets		£0		£0
Catering Supplies (tea, shortbread etc)		£497		£507
First Aid cover		£700		£700
Insurance (event)		£0		£390
Venues		£1,798		£1,700
Administration	£100			
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Insurance (equip)		£33		£31
Equipment-maintenance		£0		£0
Online-presence		£0		£29
Formal-Fees		£0		£35
Bank & Cash Balances				
Balances start of year	£6,415			£3,659
Bank		£6,415		£3,659
Cash		£0		£0
+ ADD total income (above)	£9,677			£10,767
- DEDUCT total expenditure (above)	£6,778			£8,011
= balances at end of year	£9,314			£6,415
Bank		£9,314		£6,415
Cash		£0		£0
Online tickets		£0		£0
Surplus (or deficit) for year	£2,899			£2,756

I certify that this is a true copy from the detailed accounts of Linlithgow Scotch Hop SCIO,
Rory Davies, Treasurer.

Rory Davies