Annual report for Ayton Heritage October 2026

The past year has been one of no physical progress on the preservation of St Dionysius, the ruined formed parish church in Ayton.

After discovering some unstable stonework, Scottish Borders Council was informed and the only solution undertaken by that body was to erect a temporary fence around the site to prevent public access. Needless to say, this has resulted in the re-growth of the vegetation and saplings which volunteers had previously removed.

Despite attempts to engage with Scottish Borders Council and to find a collaborative way forward Ayton Heritage trustees have been unable to obtain any support from the council.

Having obtained legal advice which suggests that Scottish Borders Council is the owner of the site, trustees are looking at taking the matter forward by other means. If the owner could be established it would give grant applications a greater chance of success.

INCOME EXPENDITURE 2025/26

INCOME			2024/25
Donations		425.00	417.00
Membership Fees			
Grants:	BCCF Environmental Fund	-	5,000.00
	Tweed Forum	-	8,797.60
Total Grant Income		-	13,797.60
Total Income		425.00	14,214.60
EXPENDITURE			
Consultancy Fees	Sarah Kettles		1,875.00
	Will Napier		6,000.00
	Narro Associates		2,516.52
Insurance			120.16
Room Hire		20.00	90.00
Stationery			53.15
Web Site			44.46
Total Expenditure		20.00	10,699.29
Surplus/Deficit for year		405.00	3,515.31
Balance as at	01-Sep-25	15,782.27	12,266.96
Balance as at	31-Aug-26	16,187.27	15,782.27
Represented by	Balance at bank	16,187.27	15,782.27
	Cash		nil
		16,187.27	15,782.27

Signed John Slater

John Slater (Treasurer)
27 October 2026

Examiner's Statement
In the course of my examination no matter has come to my attention:
1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe in any material respect the requirements to keep accounting records and the preparation of the accounts 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 H. Jayne Hemingway

Jayne Hemingway BSC (Hons) ACMA

28th October 2026

AYTON HERITAGE CASH BOOK 2025/6

DATE	ID	TYPE		RECEIPTS	PAYMENTS	BALANCE
		B/Fwd				15,782.27
12-Sep-25	Mackay TA2 8HJ	Donations		100.00		15,882.27
18-Sep-25	ACHA - Hall Hire	Room Hire	chq 056		5.00	15,877.27
24-Nov-25	Bill Black	Donations		10.00		15,887.27
12-Dec-25	Mackay TA2 8HJ	Donations		100.00		15,987.27
~~18-Mar-26~~	~~ACHA - Hall Hire~~	~~Room Hire~~	~~chq 057~~			15,987.27
02-Mar-26	Sandy Mole	Donations		5.00		15,992.27
12-Mar-26	Mackay TA2 8HJ	Donations		100.00		16,092.27
30-Mar-26	ACHA - Hall Hire	Room Hire	chq 058		15.00	16,077.27
01-Apr-26	A Robertson	Donations		10.00		16,087.27
12-Jun-26	Mackay TA2 8HJ	Donations		100.00		16,187.27
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