PAISLEY HERITAGE SCIO

Trustees' Annual Report and Accounts

For the first accounting period ending 30 June 2026

Period: 10th December 2024 – 30 June 2026

Scottish Charity Number: [SC053848]

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Paisley Heritage SCIO confirms that gross income is below £250,000 and that neither its constitution, trustees nor any funder requires fully accrued accounts. Because these are the first accounts, there is no prior Paisley Heritage accounting period to compare against; the independent examiner/accounting adviser confirms the preferred presentation.

1. Trustees' Annual Report

Charity name	Paisley Heritage SCIO
Scottish Charity Number	SC053848]
Principal office	Unit 15, Anchor Mill, 7 Thread Street, Paisley, PA1 1JR
Accounting period	10th December 2024 to 30th June 2026

Trustees

Trustee	Role	Dates / notes
Dr Elizabeth McLellan Gardiner	Chair	10th December to present day
Richard Vasie	Treasurer 10th	10th December to present day
Gavin Divers	Secretary	10th December to June 2026
Robert Law	Trustee	10th December to present day
Gayle Pollock	Trustee	10th December to present day

Structure, Governance and Management

Paisley Heritage SCIO began operations on 10 December 2024. The organisation is constituted as a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (SCIO) and operates in accordance with its constitution.

The purpose of Paisley Heritage SCIO is to engage the public with the remarkable heritage of Paisley and the wider Renfrewshire area — its buildings, people, industries, stories and communities — and to ensure that this heritage can contribute to the future as well as preserving and celebrating the past. The organisation seeks to achieve this by identifying, connecting, interpreting, sharing and celebrating the area's heritage and by creating opportunities for people to participate actively in discovering and recording it.

Paisley Heritage brings together individuals with experience and knowledge across culture, heritage, history, community engagement, media and entrepreneurship. This range of experience supports the development of an accessible and varied programme of heritage activities.

Membership and trustee recruitment are promoted through the organisation's networks, social media, public events and activities, including heritage talks, walks and oral-history gathering. Trustees were appointed at the inaugural Annual General Meeting. The constitution provides the framework for future appointment and reappointment of trustees and for filling vacancies arising through resignation or other changes in membership.

Activities and Achievements

The first accounting period was principally a period of establishment and development. During these first 18 months, Paisley Heritage SCIO established its organisational structures, developed partnerships, began delivering public heritage activity and created new ways for people to discover and contribute to Paisley's heritage.

A major achievement was the development and launch of **Paisley Heritage Radio on 1 September 2025**. The station was developed with the expertise of Peter Whitaker, who brought 17 years of broadcasting experience gained in Canada.

Paisley Heritage Radio was created as an accessible platform through which the stories, memories and heritage of Paisley and Renfrewshire could be recorded and shared. A particular objective has been to seek out and interview former workers and members of the wider community, capturing first-hand accounts of working life, community life and people's experiences of Paisley and Renfrewshire.

Programmes and interviews are streamed online through **Paisley Heritage Radio**, creating a growing digital resource of local voices and stories. The organisation has also produced programmes for other broadcasters, including Quality Radio, extending the reach of local heritage material beyond Paisley Heritage's own platform.

Alongside the development of the radio station, Paisley Heritage organised a programme of public heritage talks hosted in collaboration with the **University of the West of Scotland**. Subjects included the Dummy Railway, Paisley's Rocketeers, the Renfrewshire Witch Hunt, Paisley's mills and the history of local transport. These events provided opportunities for people to learn about different aspects of the area's history and to share their own knowledge and memories.

The organisation also began developing relationships with other broadcasters and heritage organisations. Members visited radio stations in Dumbarton and Largs as part of a scoping and learning exercise, exploring how other community broadcasters operate and how local stories can be collected and shared across neighbouring areas.

Partnership and Community Development

Partnership working has been central to Paisley Heritage's development. During the period, relationships were established or strengthened with organisations including the University of the West of Scotland, Creative Renfrewshire and Paisley People's Archive.

These relationships have helped Paisley Heritage identify where its activities can complement existing heritage provision rather than duplicate it. In particular, collaboration with organisations already holding collections and knowledge about Paisley's past is helping the SCIO develop its future work in oral history and digital heritage.

The organisation has also continued to build relationships with individuals, community groups, heritage organisations and other stakeholders across Paisley and Renfrewshire. Public talks, broadcasting and heritage activity have provided important opportunities both to engage audiences and to identify people with stories, knowledge and memories that might otherwise remain unrecorded.

Public Benefit

The trustees believe that Paisley Heritage SCIO provided public benefit during its first accounting period by creating accessible opportunities for people to discover, participate in and contribute to the heritage of Paisley and Renfrewshire.

The development of Paisley Heritage Radio has been particularly important because it enables heritage to be shared beyond conventional heritage settings. Oral testimony and conversation allow people whose experiences may never appear in formal archives or published histories to become part of the historical record.

The public programme of talks similarly created opportunities for local people to explore aspects of Paisley's history, meet others interested in local heritage and contribute their own knowledge and memories.

Together, these activities began to establish Paisley Heritage as a participatory heritage organisation: not simply presenting history to people, but encouraging local people to help identify, record, interpret and share the heritage of their own communities.

Organisational Development and Future Plans

An important part of the first accounting period involved laying the foundations for the future development and sustainability of Paisley Heritage SCIO.

The trustees developed project proposals and prepared funding applications, including proposals to The National Lottery Heritage Fund and The National Lottery Community Fund. These proposals will be developed further during the next accounting period.

A particular priority will be the development of oral-history activity recording the memories of people associated with Paisley and Renfrewshire's industrial and community heritage. This will build upon the interviewing and broadcasting experience already developed through Paisley Heritage Radio and will be undertaken in collaboration with relevant heritage and community partners.

The organisation will also continue to develop its programme of talks, heritage activities, broadcasting and partnership working, while strengthening volunteer involvement and creating further opportunities for members of the public to contribute their own stories and knowledge.

Having spent its first accounting period establishing the organisation, building relationships and demonstrating what can be achieved, Paisley Heritage SCIO enters its next period with a stronger foundation from which to develop a sustainable programme of public heritage activity.

Financial Review

During its first accounting period, Paisley Heritage SCIO operated within the resources available to it while developing the organisational infrastructure and partnerships required for future growth.

Full details of income, expenditure, restricted and unrestricted funds and the balance held at 30 June 2026 are provided in the accompanying Statement of Receipts and Payments and Statement of Balances.

Reserves policy: The trustees endeavour to ensure the organisation reserves a minimum of three months running costs to ensure robust management and resilience

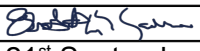
There were no significant donations received during the accounting period

Plans for the next period

During the next accounting period the trustees plan to build on the foundations built and develop both a base and the Paisley Heritage Radio reputation and volunteer database.

Trustee approval

Approved by the charity trustees and signed on their behalf:

Name	Elizabeth McLellan Gardiner
Position	Chair
Signature	
Date approved	21st September 2026

2. Statement of Receipts and Payments

For the period [registration date] December 2024 to 30 June 2026

Receipts

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total £
Grants and awards	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Donations	£2,821.13	£0.00	£2,821.13
Fundraising income	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Heritage activities / events	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Broadcasting / media / other charitable activity	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Bank interest	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Other receipts	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS	£2,821.13	£0.00	£2,821.13

Payments

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total £
Heritage project and activity costs	£ —	£ —	£ —
Equipment and digital / recording costs	£ —	£ —	£ —
Premises / venue costs	£ —	£ —	£ —
Professional and freelance fees	£ —	£ —	£ —
Volunteer expenses and training	£ —	£ —	£ —
Insurance	£ —	£ —	£ —
Publicity, printing and communications	£ —	£ —	£ —
Governance, administration and accountancy	£2,784.36	£ —	£2,784.36
	£ —	£ —	£ —
	£ —	£ —	£ —
TOTAL PAYMENTS	£2,784.36	£ —	£2,784.36

Movement in funds

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total £
Surplus / (deficit) for the period	£36.77	£ —	£36.77
Transfers between funds	£ —	£ —	£ —
Opening cash and bank balances	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Closing cash and bank balances	£36.77	£ —	£36.77

3. Statement of Balances at 30 June 2026

Cash and bank balances

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total £
Bank account(s)	£36.77	£ —	£36.77
Cash in hand (if any)	£ —	£ —	£ —
TOTAL CASH AND BANK BALANCES	£36.77	£ —	£36.77

Other assets

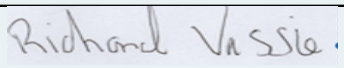
Asset / description	Estimated value / note
Computer equipment (3 second hand computers)	£300.00
Table and chairs	£200.00

Liabilities

Liability / commitment	Amount / note
[Amount owed	£0.00

Approval of statement of balances

The statement of balances was approved by the charity trustees on [date] and signed on their behalf by:

Name	Richard Vassie
Signature 	
Date	29/09/26

4. Notes to the Accounts

1. Basis of accounting

These accounts are prepared on the receipts-and-payments basis in accordance with the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006, as amended, subject to confirmation that this basis is appropriate for Paisley Heritage SCIO.

2. Nature and purpose of funds

Fund	Type	Purpose / restriction
Go Fund Me	Unrestricted	N.A.
Peter Whitaker	Unrestricted	N.A.

3. Trustee remuneration and connected persons

No Trustee was remunerated during the accounting period

4. Trustee expenses

No trustee was reimbursed for expenses during the accounting period

5. Grants paid by the charity

N.A.

6. Other relevant disclosures

No other material transactions with related parties, donated facilities/services if not covered in the Trustees' Annual Report, significant assets, commitments or other information need to understand the accounts.

5. Independent Examiner's Report

IMPORTANT: This page is a placeholder showing the board where the external scrutiny report will sit. The independent examiner should use the current OSCR form/wording appropriate to the charity and should complete and sign the report independently.

Independent examiner	Alan Wardrop
Address	116 Stewarton Drive, Cambuslang, Glasgow, G72 8DJ
Professional qualification (if applicable)	Dip PFS, ACIBS
Date	30/09/26

Report

I, Alan Wardrop, confirm that this report represents an accurate record of the activities of Paisley Heritage SCIO

Signed 

Date 30/09/2026

Alan Wardrop

Paisley Heritage SCIO
Financial Activities
January 2025 - June 2026

		Total		Paid Out	Balance
Paid In					
(donations)		£172.02	purchase of publica	£36.46	£135.56
Interest		£0.00	mobile phone	£100.00	£35.56
Funding			software	£32.60	£2.96
Donations		£100.00			£102.96
			Online app	£18.99	£83.97
Go fund me	Sept 27 2025	£820.36			£904.33
	Sep 29	£4.69			£909.02
			Taylor consulting	£42.32	£866.70
			Google play	£18.99	£847.71
Go fund me	Sep 30	£120.37			£968.08
Go fund me	Oct 01	£19.17			£987.25
Go fund me	01 Oct	£4.69			£991.94
Go fund me	Oct 02	£13.34			£1,005.28
Go fund me	**03 0ct**	**£149.53**			£1,154.81
Go fund me	03 Oct	£16.28			£1,171.09
Go fund me	06 Oct	£4.69			£1,175.78
Go fund me	08 Oct	£57.84			£1,233.62
Go fund me			Abbeymill Rent	£137.25	£1,096.37
Go fund me	**10 Oct**	**£23.97**			£1,120.34
Go fund me	13 Oct	£9.59			£1,129.93
Go fund me	14 Oct	£9.59			£1,139.52
Go fund me	15 Oct	£9.38			£1,148.90
Go fund me	15 Oct		Daisy software	£75.31	£1,073.59
Go fund me	16 Oct	£14.28			£1,087.87
Go fund me	**20 Oct**		Google Apps	£18.99	£1,068.88
Go fund me	**28 Oct**	**£9.59**			£1,078.47
Go fund me	**29 Oct**		Peter Whitaker (eq	£94.00	£984.47
Go fund me	29 Oct		Peter Whitaker (eq	£750.00	£234.47
Go fund me	29 Oct		Peter Whitaker (eq	£51.98	£182.49
Go fund me	29 Oct		Peter Whitaker (eq	£95.00	£87.49
Go fund me	30 Oct	£9.59			£97.08
Whitaker	03 Nov	£29.17			£126.25
Go Fund Me	05 Nov	£4.69			£130.94
Go Fund me	13 Nov	£96.85			£227.79
	17 Nov		Daisy Internet	£19.15	£208.64
Go Fund me	20 Nov	£96.85			£305.49
	27 Nov		Goole Play	£18.99	£286.50
	17 Dec		Daisy Internet	£25.80	£260.70
	04 Dec		Abbeymill Rent	£137.25	£123.45
	29. Dec		Google Play	£18.99	£104.46
WHitaker	**05 Jan 2026**	**£137.85**			£242.31
	06 Jan		Abbey mill Rent	£137.25	£105.06
	15 Jan		Daisey Internet	£48.23	£56.83
Whitaker	30 Jan	£137.85			£194.68
	04 Feb		Abbeymill Rent	£137.25	£57.43
	09 Feb		Google Play Apps	£7.49	£49.94
	16 Feb		Google Play Apps	£7.49	£42.45
	16 Feb		Daisy Internet	£39.29	£3.16
	28 Feb				£3.16
Whitaker	**03 March**	**£137.25**			£140.41
	04 March		Abbey Mill Rent	£137.25	£3.16
Whitaker	16 March	£30.00			£33.16
	26 March		Daisey Internet	£20.40	£12.76
Peter Whitaker	03 April	£137.25			£150.01
	04 April		Abbeymill Rent	£137.25	£12.76
Peter WHitaker	16 April	£30.00			£42.76
17 pril				£24.00	£18.76
	26 April		Daisy Internet	£19.80	-£1.04
Peter Whitaker	1 May	£234.40			£233.36
	15 May		Daisy Internet	£29.53	£203.83
	15 May		British Gas	£97.23	£106.60
	27 May		British Gas	£90.65	£15.95
	15 June		Daisy	£29.53	-£13.58
Peter Whtaker	11June	£180.00			£166.42
	15 June		British Gas	£39.00	£127.42
	15 June		British Gas	£90.65	**£36.77**
		£2,821.13		**£2,784.36**	£36.77