

APPENDIX 1

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period							
Period start date				Period end date			
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
From	1	June	2025	To	31	May	2026

Reference and administration details

Charity name
Other names charity is known by
Registered charity number
Charity's principal address

River Cree Hatchery & Habitat Trust SCIO

SC050137

Auchenleck Lodge

Newton Stewart

Postcode DG8 7AA

Names of the charity trustees on date of approval of Trustees' Annual Report

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Alan James Howatson	Chairman		
2	Terence Flanagan	Secretary		
3	James Hayes	Treasurer		
4	Robin Emerson			
5	Philip Nice			
6	Karen Hyslop			
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Reference and administration details

Names of all other charity trustees during the period, if any, (for example, those who resigned part way through the financial period)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Structure, governance and management

type of governing document

The charity is administered in accordance with a constitution adopted on its incorporation

Trustee recruitment and appointment

Charity trustees are appointed in accordance with the provisions of the constitution.

Objectives and activities

Charitable purposes

- (a) The advancement of education
- (b) The advancement of environmental protection and improvement
- (c) The advancement of culture and science
- (d) The advancement of community development including rural regeneration and the promotion of volunteering
- (e) The organisation of recreational activities available to members of the public at large with the object of improving the conditions of life for the persons for whom the activities are primarily intended

All in relation to fish flora and fauna in Dumfries & Galloway and South Ayrshire but with particular regard to salmon sea trout brown trout and rainbow trout within the River Cree catchment.

Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects

During the year the charity received grants of £4,000 from the Garfield Weston Foundation and £5,000 from The Robertson Trust. We also received donations of £7,500 from River Cree District Salmon Fishery Board and £2,400 from Newton Stewart and District Angling Association.

With a view to funding a planned extension to the hatchery building we applied for and were awarded an inaugural "Orri Award" by North Atlantic Salmon Fund UK. The award was in the sum of £10,000 (actually received after the financial year end) but conditional on our raising at least £10,000 through our own crowdfunding appeal. The crowdfunding appeal actually raised the sum of £13,400.

The above grants, donations and crowdfunding, together with other donations and fundraising efforts produced total funds of £46,278 for use in our charitable activities.

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Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the financial period

In preparation for the hatchery extension we took an assignment of the lease of the hatchery from Newton Stewart and District Angling Association and successfully applied for planning permission for the extension.

River Cree District Salmon Fishery Board again requested us to manage its salmon stocking programme. Some of the 193,000 salmon fry from the 2024-2025 programme had been stocked out prior to the end of May 2025 and the remaining fry were stocked into various nursery burns of the Cree catchment from June to October 2025. This included some 20,600 fin-clipped salmon fry stocked as autumn fry into the upper Penkiln Burn and into the Cree.

In the autumn salmon broodstock was captured; some 200,000 eggs were stripped, fertilised and grown on as fry in the hatchery, with a view to stocking as requested.

Electro-fishing surveys were carried out on various burns within the Cree catchment, both to monitor wild fish stocks and also fish stocked from the hatchery.

Invertebrate monitoring surveys continued at six sites within the Cree catchment at monthly intervals from April to September, with the results uploaded to the "Buglife" national database. All sites again revealed healthy invertebrate populations.

We were once again able to offer work experience placements for students from the local secondary school.

Our forestry project in co-operation with Forestry and Land Scotland continued. Previous plantings on the banks of burns in the upper Minnoch catchment were reviewed, planting tubes removed where necessary and additional trees planted to replace any that had died. Some 700 downy birch were planted.

Measures were taken to control Japanese knotweed and Himalayan balsam along the banks of the Cree.

Our primary education programme continued, with five local primary schools participating. In November some 65 P5 pupils from the schools visited the hatchery to learn about the life cycle of the Atlantic Salmon. They also witnessed eggs being stripped from adult hen salmon, being fertilised with milt from cock salmon and the fertilised eggs being laid out into trays in the hatchery. At a second visit to the hatchery they saw the fry that had developed from the eggs they had seen stripped and fertilised from adult salmon in their visit in the autumn. Each pupil was given a bucket of salmon fry which they stocked into one of the local burns. They then witnessed a "kick-testing" demonstration, collecting invertebrates from the burn. The pupils were able to handle the insects and identify the various types living in the burns.

In the summer term of school year 202-25 the previous cohort of primary pupils enjoyed a session on a local trout loch where they were given the opportunity try their hand at angling.

Our activities were carried out using a number of volunteers. In the course of the year some forty volunteers assisted the work of the trust.

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

We aim at all times to have cash at bank sufficient to cover normal running expenses for the following three months.

Details of any deficit

None

Donated facilities and services (if any)

None

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Other optional information

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

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Full name(s)	Terence Flanagan	
Position (e.g. Chair)	Secretary	
Date	30 th September 2026	

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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date			to	Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
	01	June	2025		31	May	2026

Section A Statement of receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Expendable endowment funds to nearest £	Permanent endowment funds to nearest £	Total funds current period to nearest £	Total funds last period to nearest £
A1 Receipts						
Donations	32,275				32,275	19,517
Legacies					-	
Grants	9,000				9,000	10,000
Receipts from fundraising activities	5,003				5,003	4,574
Gross trading receipts					-	
Income from investments other than land and buildings					-	
Rents from land & buildings					-	
Gross receipts from other charitable activities					-	
					-	
A1 Sub total	46,278	-	-	-	46,278	34,091
A2 Receipts from asset & investment sales						
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets					-	
Proceeds from sale of investments					-	
A2 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	46,278	-	-	-	46,278	34,091
A3 Payments						
Expenses for fundraising activities	862				862	854
Gross trading payments					-	
Investment management costs	27,292				27,292	25,461
Payments relating directly to charitable activities	8,256				8,256	8,235
Grants and donations					-	
Governance costs:					-	
Audit / independent examination					-	
Preparation of annual accounts					-	
Legal costs					-	
Other					-	
					-	
A3 Sub total	36,410	-	-	-	36,410	34,550
A4 Payments relating to asset and investment movements						
Purchases of fixed assets	8,251				8,251	1,902
Purchase of investments	-				-	-
A4 Sub total	8,251	-	-	-	8,251	1,902
Total payments	44,661	-	-	-	44,661	36,452
Net receipts / (payments)	1,617	-	-	-	1,617	(2,361)
A5 Transfers to / (from) funds						
					-	-
Surplus / (deficit) for year	1,617	-	-	-	1,617	(2,361)

Section B Statement of balances

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Expendable endowment funds to nearest £	Permanent endowment funds to nearest £	Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cash and bank balances at start of year	16,956				16,956	19,317
	Surplus / (deficit) shown on receipts and payments account	1,617				1,617	(2,361)
						-	-
						-	-
	Cash and bank balances at end of year	18,573	-	-	-	18,573	16,956
	(Agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))						

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Market valuation to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
B2 Investments				
		Total	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (if available) to nearest £	Current value (if available) to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
B3 Other assets					
		Total	-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
B4 Liabilities				
		Total	-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (estimate) to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
B5 Contingent liabilities				
		Total	-	-

Signed by one or two trustees
on behalf of all the trustees

Signature

Print Name

Date of
approval

Alan J Howatson
James

ALAN JAMES HOWATSON
JAMES JAMES.

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If no remuneration was paid during the period to any charity trustee or person connected to a trustee cross this box (otherwise complete section 3b)	x
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Authority under which paid	£

If no expenses were paid to any charity trustee during the period then cross this box (otherwise complete section 4b)	x
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	Number of trustees	£

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Additional analysis (1)**Analysis of receipts and payments****1 Donations**

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Expendable endowment funds to nearest £	Permanent endowment funds to nearest £	Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
Newton Stewart Angling Association	2,400				2,400	2,400
Cree River District Salmon Fishery Board	7,500				7,500	9,127
Donations	22,375				22,375	7,990
	-				-	-
Total	32,275	-	-	-	32,275	19,517

2 Grants

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
Garfield Trust	4,000		4,000	-
Hollywood Trust	-		-	5,000
Robertson Trust	5,000		5,000	5,000
	-		-	-
Total	9,000	-	9,000	10,000

3 Gross receipts from other charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Expendable endowment funds to nearest £	Permanent endowment funds to nearest £	Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
Raffles	2,947				2,947	2,896
Calendar Sales	2,056				2,056	1,678
Total	5,003	-	-	-	5,003	4,574

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4 Payments relating directly to charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Expendable endowment funds to nearest £	Permanent endowment funds to nearest £	Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
Employee Wages and Pension	27,292				27,292	25,461
Repairs and Maintenance	1,005				1,005	1,880
Insurance	1,515				1,515	1,400
Vehicle Upkeep and Fuel	4,562				4,562	3,744
Stationery	30				30	260
Feeding	352				352	-
Miscellaneous	552				552	541
Power	240				240	240
Training Costs	-				-	170
Calendar Printing	842				842	834
Lottery Licence	20				20	20
Total	36,410	-	-	-	36,410	34,550

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Additional analysis (2)

5 Breakdown of unrestricted funds

	Unrestricted fund 1 - enter name of fund below	Unrestricted fund 2 - enter name of fund below	Unrestricted fund 3 - enter name of fund below	Unrestricted fund 4 - enter name of fund below	Total unrestricted funds	Total unrestricted funds last period
Receipts						
Donations	32,275				32,275	19,517
Legacies						-
Grants	9,000				9,000	10,000
Receipts from fundraising activities	5,003				5,003	4,574
Gross trading receipts						
Rents from land & buildings						
Gross receipts from other charitable activities						
Sub total	46,278	-	-	-	46,278	34,091
Receipts from asset & investment sales						
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets					-	
Proceeds from sale of investments					-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	46,278	-	-	-	46,278	34,091
Payments						
Expenses for fundraising activities	862				862	854
Gross trading payments	35,548				35,548	33,696
Investment management costs						
Payments relating directly to charitable activities						
Grants and donations						
Governance costs:						
Audit / independent examination						
Preparation of annual accounts						
Legal costs						
Sub total	36,410	-	-	-	36,410	34,550
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Transfers to / (from) funds						
Surplus / (deficit) for year	1,617	-	-	-	1,617	(2,361)

Nature and purpose of funds

All funds are held for the general purposes of the charity

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Additional analysis (3)**6 Breakdown of restricted funds**

	Restricted fund 1 - enter name of fund below	Restricted fund 2 - enter name of fund below	Restricted fund 3 - enter name of fund below	Restricted fund 4 - enter name of fund below	Total restricted funds	Total restricted funds last period
Receipts						
Donations					-	
Legacies					-	
Grants					-	
Receipts from fundraising activities					-	
Gross trading receipts					-	
Income from investments other than land and buildings					-	
Rents from land & buildings					-	
Gross receipts from other charitable activities					-	
Sub total						
Receipts from asset & investment sales						
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets					-	
Proceeds from sale of investments					-	
Sub total						
Total receipts						
Payments						
Expenses for fundraising activities					-	
Gross trading payments					-	
Investment management costs					-	
Payments relating directly to charitable activities					-	
Grants and donations					-	
Governance costs:					-	
Audit / independent examination					-	
Preparation of annual accounts					-	
Legal costs					-	
Sub total						
Payments relating to asset and investment movements						
Purchases of fixed assets					-	
Purchase of investments					-	
Sub total						
Total payments						
Net receipts / (payments)						
Transfers to / (from) funds						
Surplus / (deficit) for year						

Nature and purpose of funds

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Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Report to the
trustees/members of

The River Cree Hatchery and Habitat Trust SCIO

Registered charity
number

SC050137

On the accounts of the
charity for the period

Period start date				Period end date		
Day	Month	Year	to	Day	Month	Year
01	June	2025		31	May	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

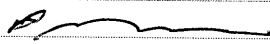
1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 44(1) (a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations, and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations

have not been met

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 Milwain

Date:

30/9/26

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

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