

Staxigoe Hall

Chairperson's Annual Report November 2025

(Period covered April 2024 – March 2025)

Thank you to the current Trustees, members and our community for their commitment and support over the past year. I must thank [REDACTED] our Health and Safety Adviser for his commitment to the refurbishment programme as we wouldn't be sitting in this warm, comfortable Hall otherwise.

2024/25 was the time for getting all the work done – the internal and external insulation, re-harling in white chips which give a more modern look to the building. The new Air Source heating has meant that for once in its lifetime, the Hall is warm. We no longer use the electric meters so it's much easier for all hires, meetings and get togethers. New fire doors and windows also made a difference. We even managed to purchase new tables and chairs on trolleys. Remember the Hall is well over 100 years old!

We are indebted to the Justice Team for their work commitment to prep and decorate the Hall from January 2025 which again gives a more modern look. We were able to run a few classes during this time as they didn't finish until the end of March.

The Hall gradually reopened in January 2025 with the start of Sinclair's Bay Trust's Social Spaces each Thursday from January through to March.

We held a First Aid Training session back in January and a few committee members attended and passed.

[REDACTED] restarted her long standing Keep Fit classes back in January this year. She's still keeping her ladies on their toes each week with lively music and routines.

Sinclair's Bay Trust, Sinclair's Bay Community Council, Wick Development Trust and Caithness Voluntary Group resumed their regular meetings and continue to do so. We also had a few birthday parties and the Pulteney Bowling Club Competition.

I'm going to say the same again as I said last year ... we still need to have new members and Trustees with ideas and willing to take on specific roles and responsibilities. We work together as a great team, but the Hall could be used more – what more can we do? We have a fabulous Hall so let's use it to the full!

Thank you to all involved.

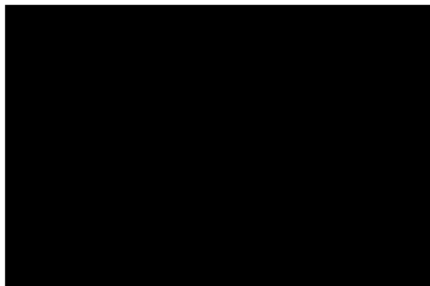
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Chairperson

Staxigoe Hall

27th November 2025

STAXIGOE HALL COMMITTEE (CHARITY NUMBER SC012353)

Receipts & Payments Account for year ended 31 March 2025			
		2025	
		£	£
Income			
Fundraising			1000.00
Sale of Heaters/cups/chairs			125.00
Hire of Hall			740.00
Grants			127,154.81
	TOTAL		<u>129,019.81</u>
Expenditure			
REFURBISHMENT OF HALL		167,518.02	
UTILITIES		1432.69	
INSURANCE/LICENSES		1029.17	
DEPOSITS RETURNED		160.00	
INCIDENTALS		322.11	
	TOTAL	<u>170,461.99</u>	
DEFICIT for year		41442.18	
Statement of balances			
Opening cash at bank		49021.54	
DEFICIT for the year		41,442.18	
Closing cash at bank		<u>7579.36</u>	



..... Trustee

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..... 27th Oct. 2025 Date



Report to the trustees/members of

Registered charity number

On the accounts of the charity for the period

Set out on pages

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

Basis of independent examiner's statement

Independent examiner's statement

Signed**:

Name:

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

Address:

Independent examiner's report on the accounts							v2
Charity name							STAXIGOE HALL COMMITTEE
Registered charity number							SC012353
Period start date				Period end date			
Day	Month	Year	to	Day	Month	Year	
31	MARCH	2024		31	MARCH	2025	
Set out on pages						(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)	

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 (as amended). 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.

My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations. 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 view given by the accounts.

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.~~

Date: 8.10.25

RETIRED HEAD TEACHER

*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.

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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

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