Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 October 2023

Charity no: SC043714

SCIO no: CS006872

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Reference and Administrative Details for the Year Ended 31 October 2023

The Board of Trustees presents its report and financial statements for the year ended 31st October 2023.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Charity Name

The Tweedsmuir Community Company

SCIO No.

CS006872

Charity Registration No.

SC043714

Operational Address

Board of Trustees

Company Secretary

Independent Examiners

G O Thomson & Co. Chartered Accountants

85 High Street

Biggar ML12 6DL

Bankers

Royal Bank of Scotland

104 High Street

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Report of the Board of Trustees for the Year Ended 31 October 2023

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 October 2023. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (effective 1 January 2015).

OBJECTIVES AND AIMS

Objectives and aims

The objectives for The Tweedsmuir Community Company are to promote for the public benefit rural regeneration, following the principles of sustainable development, where 'sustainable development' means development which meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs, in areas of social and economic deprivation within the community by all or any of the following means:

- a) the advancement of education, training and retraining;
- b) the maintenance, improvement or provision of public amenities for the benefit of the community and encouragement of tourism;
- c) the preservation of buildings or sites of historic or architectural importance; and
- d) the provision or assistance in the provision of recreational facilities for the public at large and/or those who, by reasons of their youth, age, infirmity or disablement, poverty or social economic circumstances, have need for such facilities.

To advance the education of the community about its environment, culture and history.

Aims

We aim to assist the community of Tweedsmuir and the surrounding areas in:

- the advancement of education;
- the advancement of citizenship or community development;
- · the advancement of the arts, heritage, culture or science; and
- the provision of recreational facilities, or the organisation of recreational activities, with the object of improving the conditions of life for the persons for whom the facilities or activities are intended.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Achievements

In the financial year 2022/2023, the Board is pleased to announce the successful completion and launch of the 'Wee Crook' café. This establishment has quickly become a community hub, facilitating gatherings and fundraising events between June and August 2023. The café serves as an essential meeting point for both indoor and outdoor activities. We have also proudly provided local employment opportunities, supplemented by volunteer support ensuring its operational success.

The enhancement of our exterior space was made possible through funding secured from the Scottish Government's Strengthening Communities initiative. Additionally, Community Led Local Development (CLLD) funds were utilised to furnish the interior of 'Wee Crook' café to meet operational standards.

Our outdoor recreational area and community gardens continue to thrive thanks to a dedicated team of volunteers committed to the long-term transformation of these spaces. We have also welcomed visits from local primary schools, facilitating valuable outdoor learning experiences.

Tweedsmuir Community Company remains in close collaboration with Tweedsmuir Community Council to support the publication of the 'Community Action Plan'. This strategic document outlines the community-led goals, activities, and timelines aimed at achieving developmental objectives into the next financial year. A grant of £23k was secured from Scottish and Southern Energy to fund the role of a 'Community Development Manager' for 12 months to steer and action the aims of the 'Community Action plan' with active recruitment for this role underway.

Report of the Board of Trustees for the Year Ended 31 October 2023

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE - continued

Maintaining an emphasis on our outdoor spaces has been paramount for the Board. Current applications seek funding for developing a campsite equipped with log cabins for overnight accommodation and plans are underway to construct a modern bunkhouse capable of housing up to eighteen.

Throughout the year the continuous upkeep, management, maintenance, and ongoing development is maintained by a group of community volunteers.

Performance

The activities have been undertaken or commissioned by the Board Members and by a bank of volunteers from within the community.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The net movement in funds for the year amounted to a deficit of £20,983 (2022 – surplus of £197,762). This reflects a deficit of £24,974 in restricted projects (2022 – surplus of £200,801) and a surplus of £3,991 was the amount attributable to unrestricted reserves which now total £5,186.

Reserves

The company utilised some of its reserves during the year for the development of the Crook Inn plans. It is the intention to build and maintain an adequate reserves policy as plans progress and requirements are determined.

PLANS FOR FUTURE PERIODS

The plans for the future are to work with a funding officer, heritage officer architects, business developers and the community to develop and fund robust proposals for future developments for a sustainable Community Hub with the immediate focus on developing The Crook Inn steading, bunkhouse and camping site. The purpose is to support and sustain the Tweedsmuir/Upper Tweed area, to enhance its social life, culture, opportunities for learning and employment.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing Document

The Tweedsmuir Community Company is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on the 8th October, 2007 and obtained charitable status on 18th January, 2013. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which set out the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association. Under those Articles, the directors of the company are also charity trustees for the purposes of charity law. Under the Memorandum and Articles of Association the members of the Board of Directors are elected at the AGM to serve a period of 3 years, subject to ratification at each AGM. The charitable company converted to a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (SCIO) on 10 May 2024.

Recruitment and Appointment of Directors

The Board of Directors shall consist of a minimum of 5 full members and shall be comprised of Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Treasurer, Secretary and 1 other full governing member of The Tweedsmuir Community Company.

Risk Management

Internal control risks are minimised by the implementation of procedures for authorisation for all transactions.

These procedures are periodically reviewed to ensure that they continue to meet the needs of the charity.

Report of the Board of Trustees for the Year Ended 31 October 2023

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to

- · select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP 2019 (FRS 102);
- · make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charity and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005, the Charity Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2005 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the charity and financial information included on the charity's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

Approved by order of the Board of Trustees on 25 July 2024 and signed on its behalf by:



Report of the Independent Examiner to the Trustees of The Tweedsmuir Community Company

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 October 2023 which are set out on pages six to thirteen.

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) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. The charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1)(a) to (c) 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 the independent examiner's statement

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.

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) 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 8 of the 2006 Accounts regulations;

have not been met; or

to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

G O Thomson & Co Chartered Accountants 13 Hope Street Lanark ML11 7NL

25 July 2024

Consolidated Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 October 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2022 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	1,445	-	1,445	296
Charitable activities: - Grants receivable	3	-	31,883	31,883	282,677
Other trading activities: - Fundraising - Commercial trading operation	4	8,329 18,696	:	8,329 18,696	4,730
Investments: - Interest received		17		17	1
Total		28,487	31,883	60,370	287,704
EXPENDITURE ON					
Cost of raising funds Commercial trading operations	4	15,813	320	16,133	-
Charitable activities Charitable activities Governance costs	5 5	7,683 1,000	56,537	64,220 	88,942
Total		24,496	56,857	81,353	89,942
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		3,991	(24,974)	(20,983)	197,762
Transfers between funds	13				-
Net movement in funds		3,991	(24,974)	(20,983)	197,762
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		1,195	937,357	938,552	740,790
Balances Carried Forward at 31 October 20	123	5,186	912,383	917,569	938,552

Charity Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 October 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM	11000		-		
Donations and legacies	2	4,327	-	4,327	296
Charitable activities: - Grants receivable	3	E	31,563	31,563	282,677
Other trading activities: - Fundraising		8,329	-	8,329	4,730
Investments: - Interest received		17		17	1
Total		12,673	31,563	44,236	287,704
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities Charitable activities Governance costs	5 5	7,683 1,000	56,537	64,220 1,000	88,942 1,000
Total		8,683	56,537	65,220	89,942
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		3,990	(24,974)	(20,984)	197,762
Transfers between funds	13				
Net movement in funds		3,990	(24,974)	(20,984)	197,762
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		1,195	937,357	938,552	740,790
Balances Carried Forward at 31 October 20	23	5,185	912,383	917,568	938,552

Consolidated Balance Sheet 31 October 2023

		Group 2023	Group 2022	Charity 2023	Charity 2022
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets: Tangible assets	10	878,670	*	878,670	893,872
Current assets: Stock		500	-	500	420
Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	11	2,962 40,103		5,845 34,396	4,835 68,891
		43,565	=	40,471	74,146
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	12	(4,666)		(1,843)	(29,466)
Net current assets		38,899		38,898	44,680
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		917,569		917,568	938,552
NET ASSETS		917,569	-	917,568	938,552
FUNDS					
Unrestricted funds Restricted funds	13	5,186 912,383		5,185 912,383	1,195 937,357
		917,569	-	917,568	938,552

The notes on pages 9 to 14 form part of these accounts.

Approved by the trustees on 25 July 2024 and signed on their behalf by:



Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 October 2023

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015)' and Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland' The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The charitable company converted to a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (SCIO) on 10 May 2024.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Land and buildings

- 2% on cost

Equipment and fittings

- 10% reducing balance

Computer equipment

- 33% on cost

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

2. INCOME FROM DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Group 2023	Group 2022 f	Charity 2023 £	Charity 2022 £
Donations	1,445	~ .	1,445	296
Donation received from subsidiary			2,882	
	1,445		4,327	296

All donations received are unrestricted.

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 October 2023

3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

Grants received

States received	Unrestricted 2023	Restricted 2023	Total Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2022 £
Scottish Borders Council Community Fund	-	12,173	12,173	192,631
SSE Clyde Borders Community Fund	-	-	-	26,500
The Scottish Government - Strengthening				
Communities Programme		11,609	11,609	-
National Lottery Heritage Fund	1.6	6,770	6,770	
Hedge Planting Microgrant	. 	500	500	
Fallago Environment Fund	-	-	-	2,210
Paths for All	-	-	-	362
Foundation Scotland		-	-	10,000
Tweedsmuir Community Council	-	211	211	5,160
The Saddlers Company	-	-	-	300
Inspiring Scotland	1	-	-	42,214
Southern Uplands	14	300	300	300
Development Trusts Association Scotland				3,000
		31,563	31,563	282,677

4. INCOME EARNED FROM OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

The wholly owned trading subsidiary Tweedsmuir Trading Group Ltd was incorporated in the United Kingdom (company number SC752685) on 9 December 2022. The company pay all of its profits to the charity under the gift aid scheme. The Tweedsmuir Trading Group Ltd operated the 'Wee Crook' café on a commercial basis and a summary of the trading results are shown below.

The summary financial performance of the subsidiary alone is:

	2023
	£
Turnover	18,696
Cost of sale and administrative expenses	(16,134)
Grant received	320
	2,882
Amount gift aided to charity	(2,882)
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Retained in subsidiary	-
The assets and liabilities of the subsidiary were:	
Current assets	5,708
Current liabilities	5,707
	-
Total net assets	1
Aggregate share capital and reserves	1
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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 October 2023

5. EXPENDITURE ON CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

3.	EAFENDITURE ON CHARITABLE ACTIV	TITES			
		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
		£	£	£	£
	Operating costs	6,447	21,195	27,642	29,912
	Premises costs	984	12,007	12,991	36,429
	General expenses	252	743	995	296
	Depreciation	27	22,592	22,592	22,305
	Governance costs (see note 4)	1,000	-	1,000	_1,000
		8,683	56,537	65,220	89,942
6.	GOVERNANCE COSTS Governance costs consist of:			2023 £	2022 £
	Independent examiner's fee			1,000	1,000
7.	NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE) Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging	g.			
	The meaning (expenditure) is stated after charging	5		2023	2022
				£	£
	Depreciation – owned assets			22,592	22,305

8. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 October 2023 nor for the year ended 31 October 2022.

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 October 2023

9.	COMP	ARATIVES FOR	THE STATEMEN	NT OF FINA	ANCIAL	ACTIVITIES

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COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMEN	I OF FINANC	Unrestricted funds 2022	Restricted funds 2022	Total funds 2022
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			*	~
Donations and legacies		296		296
Grants receivable		4.770	282,677	282,677
Fundraising Interest received		4,730 1		4,730
Bank compensation		-		-
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Total		5,027	282,677	287,704
EXPENDITURE ON				
Charitable activities				
Charitable activities		7,066	81,876	88,942
Governance costs		_1,000		1,000
Total		8,066	81,876	89,942
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(3,699)	200,801	197,762
Transfers between funds				
Net movement in funds		(3,039)	200,801	197,762
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS				
Total funds brought forward		4,234	736,556	740,790
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		1,195	937,357	938,552
TANCIDI E EIVED ACCETO				
TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS	Land and Buildings £	Equipment and Fittings £	Computer Equipment £	Totals
COST:	~	~	~	-
At 1 November 2022	938,984	32,304	1,232	972,520
Revaluation	(10,231)	7.620	338	(10,231) 17,621
Additions	9,654	7,629		17,021
At 31 October 2023	938,407	39,933	1,570	979,910
DEPRECIATION:				
At 1 November 2022	73,435	4,269	944	78,648
Charge for year	18,769	3,566	257	22,592
At 31 October 2023	92,204	7,835	1,201	101,240
NET BOOK VALUE:				
At 31 October 2023	846,203	32,098	369	878,670
At 31 October 2022	865,549	28,035	288	893,872

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 October 2023

11.	DEBTORS				
		Group 2023	Group 2022	Charity 2023	Charity 2022
		£	£	£	£
	Debtors	2,962	-	2,963	-0
	Donation received from subsidiary		-		* 3
		2,962		5,846	-
12.	CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE	WITHIN ONI	E YEAR		
		Group	Group	Charity	Charity
		2023	2022	2023	2022
		£	£	£	£
	Creditors	2 262	-	1	***
	VAT account	2,263	-	189	1.000
	Accrued expenses	2,403		1,653	1,000
		4,666	-	1,843	-
13.	MOVEMENT IN FUNDS				
		Balance at	Net movement	Transfers	Balance at
		01/11/2022 £	in funds	between funds	31/10/2023 £
	Restricted funds				
	Crook Inn fund	937,357	(24,974)	-	912,383
	Unrestricted funds General fund	1,195	3,991		5,186
	TOTAL FUNDS	938,552	(20,983)		917,569
	Net movement in funds, included in the above a	re as follows:			
			Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds
	Restricted funds Crook Inn fund		31,883	(56,857)	(24,974)
	Unrestricted funds General fund		28,487	(24,496)	3,991

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 October 2023

14. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

sits on the panel of Glenkerie Windfarm Community Benefit Fund which is managed by Foundation Scotland who gave a grant of £nil during the year to 31 October 2023 (2022 - £10,000). He is also the chairman of Tweedsmuir Community Council who gave grants totalling £211 in the year (2022 - £5,160).

is the treasurer of Tweedsmuir Village Hall who made a donation of £nil in the year (2022 - £300). The charity also hired Tweedsmuir Village Hall during the year at a cost of £1,287 (2022 - £1,181).

There were no other related party transactions in the current or previous year.

15. PURPOSE OF RESTRICTED FUND

Crook Inn fund This fund is for the management and development of the Crook Inn site.

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 October 2023

	2023 £	2022 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS	~	~
Donations and legacies Donations	1,445	296
Charitable activities Scottish Borders Council Community Fund The Scottish Government – Strengthening Communities Programme National Lottery Heritage Fund Hedge Planting Micro Grant Paths for All Clyde Windfarm (Scotland) Ltd Foundation Scotland Fallago Grant Tweedsmuir Community Council The Saddlers Company	12,173 11,609 6,770 500	192,631 - 362 26,500 10,000 2,210 5,160 300 42,214
Inspiring Scotland Southern Uplands	620	300
Other trading activities Fundraising Commercial trading operation	31,883 8,329 18,696 27,025	3,000 282,677 4,730 4,730
Investments Interest received	17	
Total incoming resources	60,370	287,704
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities Insurance Heat and light General expenses Activity expenses Land and buildings Equipment and fittings Computer equipment Commercial trading operation	3,578 1,710 996 35,344 18,769 3,566 257 16,133	4,498 568 296 61,275 18,780 3,114 411
Support costs Governance costs	80,353	88,942
Accountancy	1,000	1,000
Total resources expended	81,353	89,942
Net income/(expenditure)	(20,983)	197,762

This page does not form part of the statutory financial statements