



The Romanian Community Centre in Edinburgh

Trustees' Annual Report

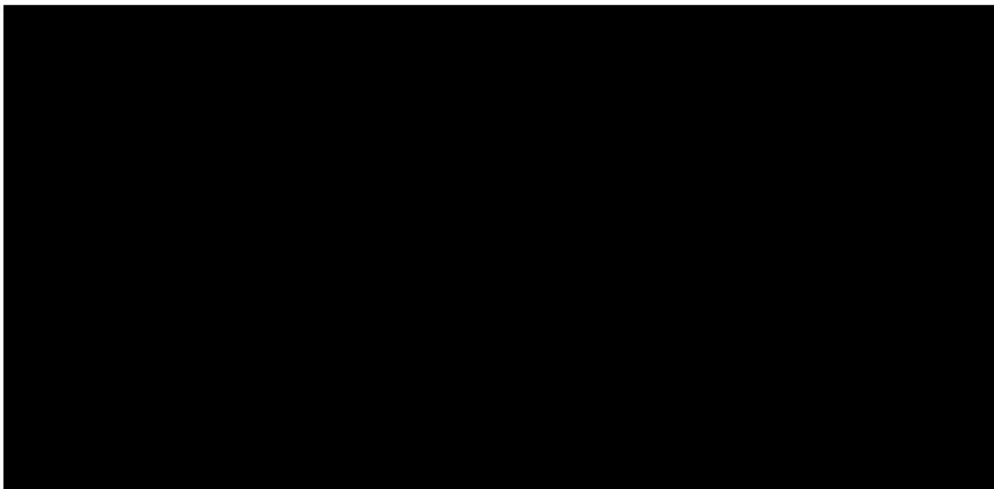
**Period From 1st of November 2023 to
31st of October 2024**



Charity contact information

The Romanian Community Centre in Edinburgh

Scottish Charity Number: SC048786



Charity Trustees



Objectives and activities

To provide the means for the Romanians in Edinburgh and the surrounding area to practice their culture and religion including worship, ministry, philanthropic activities, community service, educational activities and the organising of religious pilgrimage

To promote the integration of Romanian community of Edinburgh in the social and civil life of Scotland (including the promotion of civic responsibility and community development).

To promote the Romanian arts and culture by providing support for conferences, exhibitions, performances, workshops and publications.

To provide care and relief for those members of community in need by reason of age, ill health, disability, financial hardship or another disadvantage.

Promoting the provision of information and support for Romanian community in Edinburgh.

Structure, governance and management

Status Award Letter for the Romanian Community Centre in Edinburgh,
25/10/2018, OSCR Ref: RS/STA/18-0582

The Constitution of the Romanian Community Centre in Edinburgh

Trustee recruitment and appointment

No new trustees were recruited.

Achievements and performance

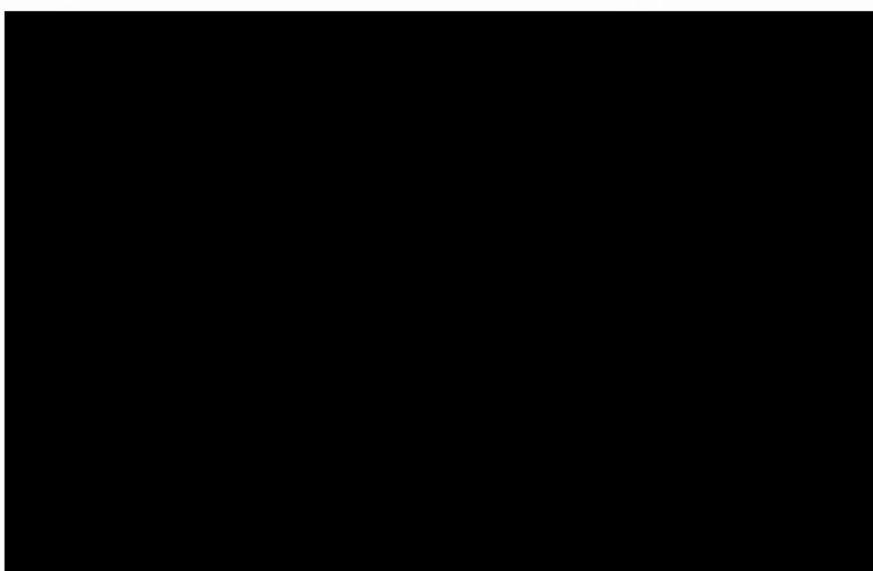
The year 2024 was a symbolic one for our community, as we celebrated the 10th anniversary of the establishment of the Romanian Orthodox Church in Edinburgh and the Romanian Community Centre.

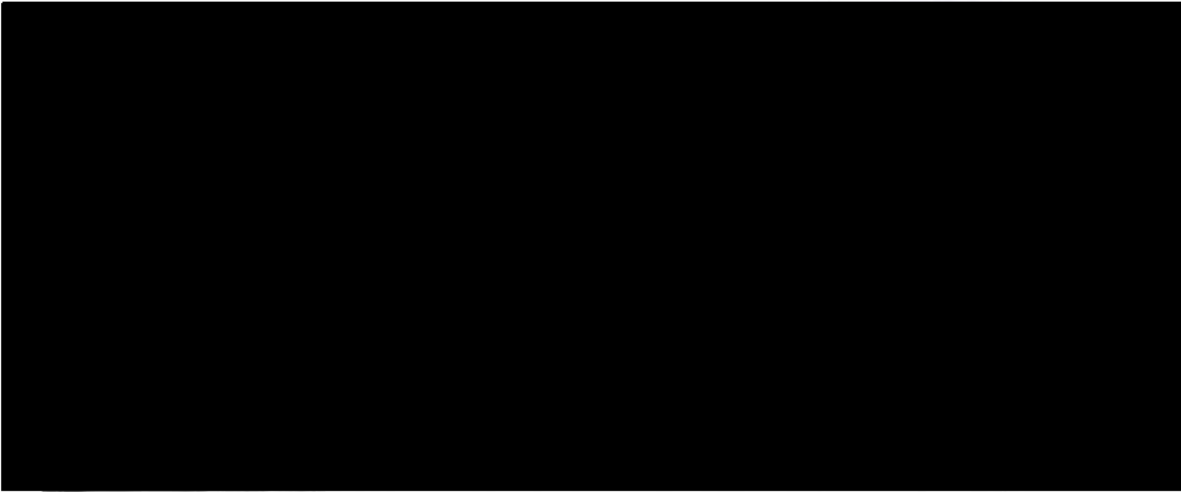


During the 2023–2024 financial year, our Charity continued to fulfil the objectives and activities for which it was established.

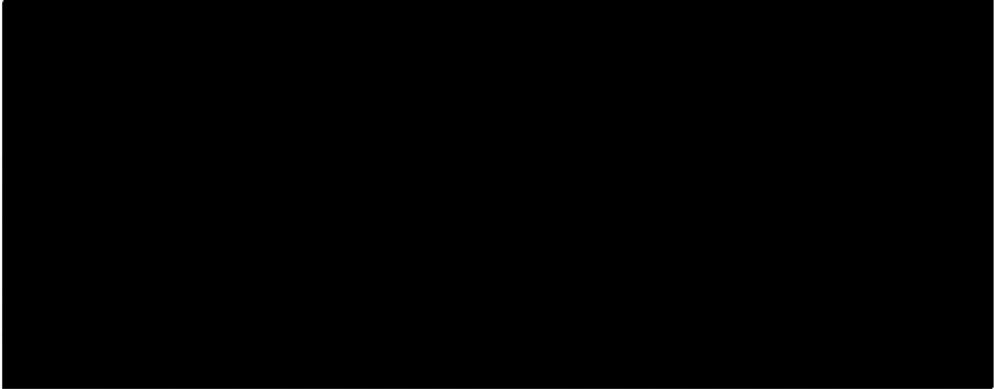
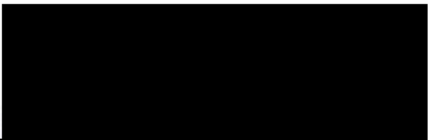
To provide the means for Romanians in Edinburgh and the surrounding area to practise their culture and religion.

Romanian Church services were held both in Edinburgh ([REDACTED]) serving Romanians from Edinburgh, West Lothian, East Lothian, Stirling, the Scottish Borders, and Dumfries and Galloway, and in Anstruther [REDACTED] for those living in Fife and Perth.





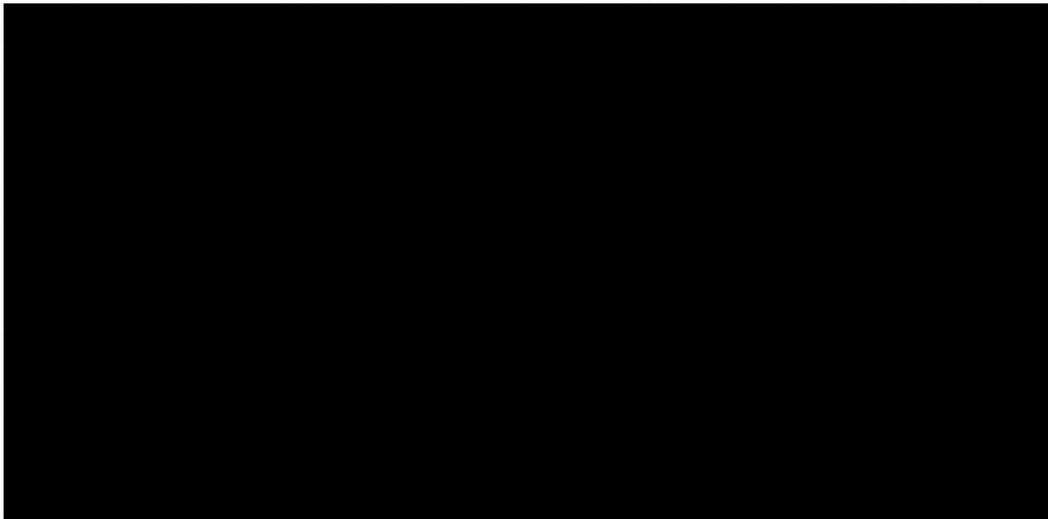
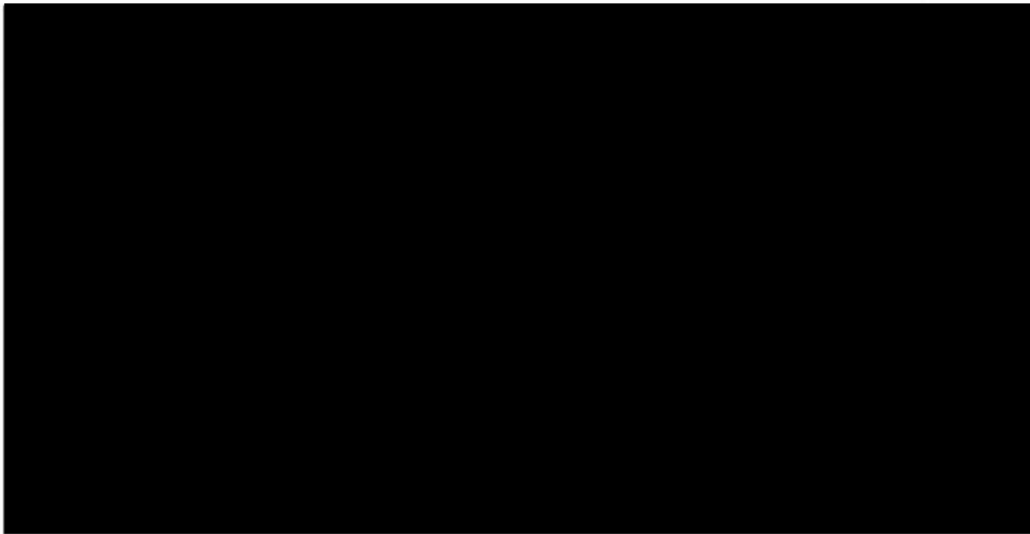
In all the areas mentioned above, traditional pastoral visits took place in most of the homes of Romanian faithful. In accordance with the traditions of the Romanian Orthodox Church, each home is visited at the beginning of the calendar year, as well as on occasions such as the birth of a child, confession, social counselling, and other religious services.



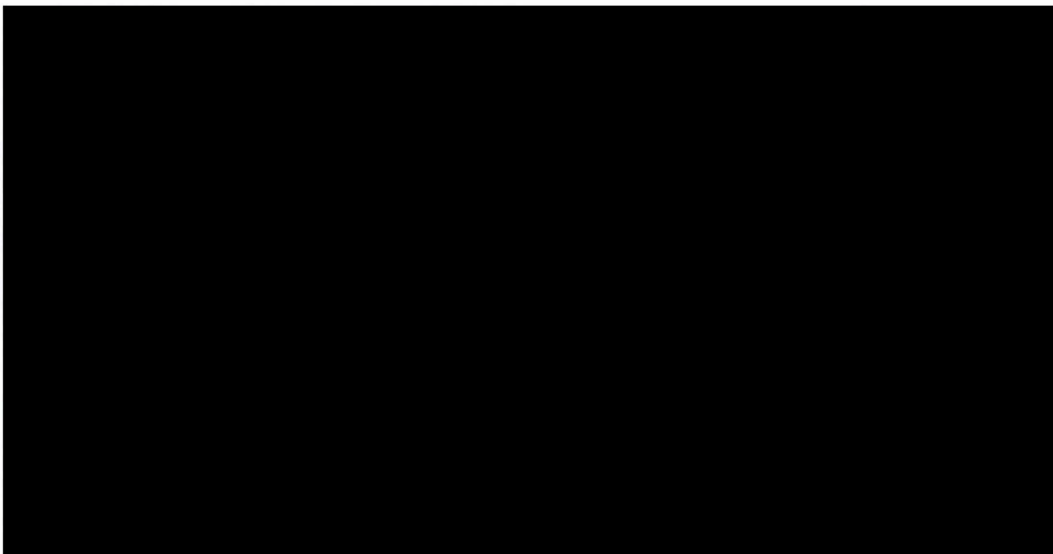
The Foundation's **philanthropic activities** included supporting families in need through the distribution of food, provision of financial aid, and public appeals for humanitarian efforts (such as the "Help a Mother" campaign or the repatriation of deceased persons).

Among the cultural activities organised by our Foundation, we highlight:

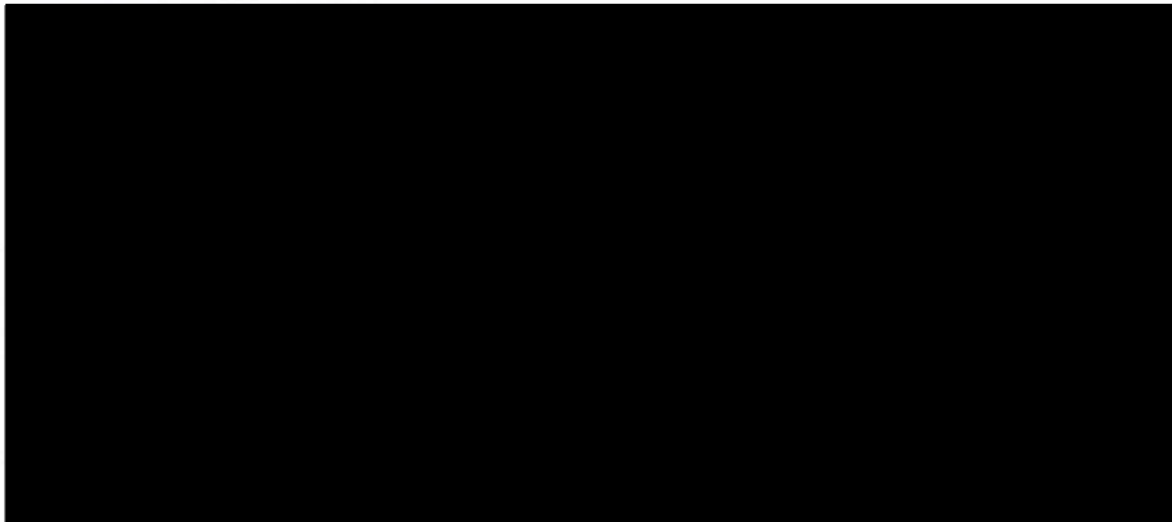
1. The **Christmas Concert** in collaboration with The Clyde Opera Orchestra Glasgow and the Consulate General of Romania (16 December 2024);



2. The **Wood Icon Painting Workshop** and the **Traditional Weaving Workshop**, which were held regularly throughout the year at our Church premises.

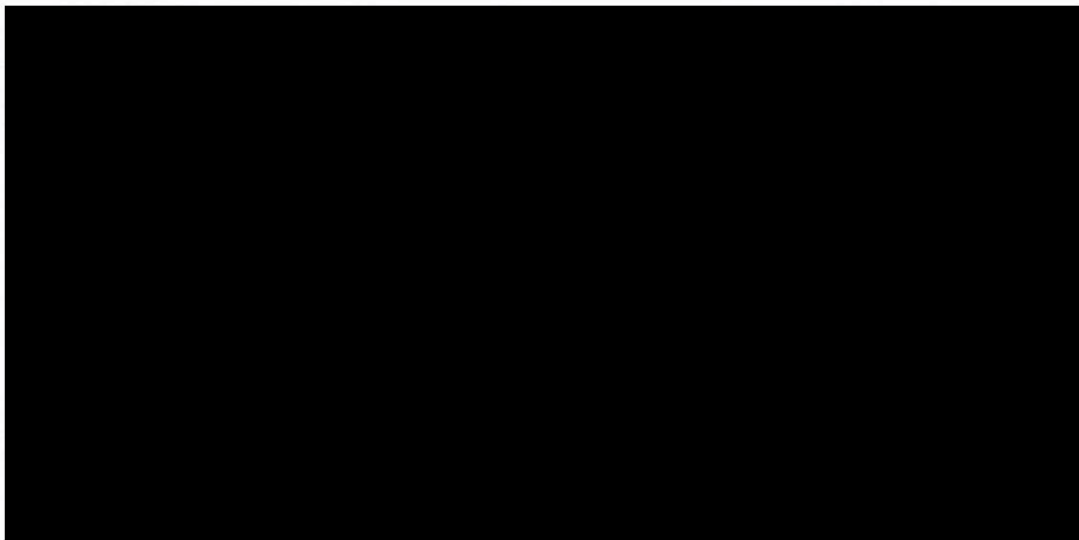


The **Romanian Sunday School** holds an important place within our community. Classes are organised at the Church every Sunday, divided by age groups from 5 to 18 years old. Pupils of the School also participated in educational visits around Edinburgh, including exclusive events such as the Private Visit to the Surgeons' Hall Museum (13 February 2024).



Throughout the year, the Church community also organised two cultural and ecumenical pilgrimages:

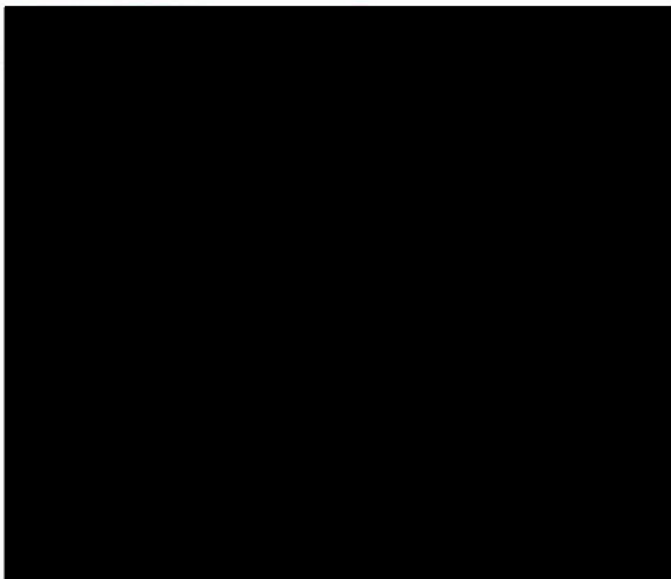
- **Pilgrimage to the Holy Island of Lindisfarne** (31 August 2024)
- **Pilgrimage to St Triduana's Chapel of Restalrig** (5 October 2024)



Another key objective of our Foundation is:

To promote the integration of the Romanian community into the social and civic life of Scotland (including the promotion of civic responsibility and community development). Promoting the provision of information and support for Romanian community in Edinburgh.

Among the most noteworthy activities was the course **“Workers’ Rights, Modern Slavery and Labour Exploitation”** (6 modules), organised at our Church premises in collaboration with the Skills Education Group and the UK Government.



Financial review

Statement of the charity's policy on reserves

- No fixed assets.
- All of Charity's unrestricted funds are available as reserves to meet the future expenditures and costs (rent, insurance, equipment, ongoing activities etc.) and as a contingency against unforeseen costs. See Appendix 2, Receipts and payments accounts.

Details of any deficit

There is no deficit

Donated facilities and services

We have organised events for which our Church have asked for no fees.

Future plans

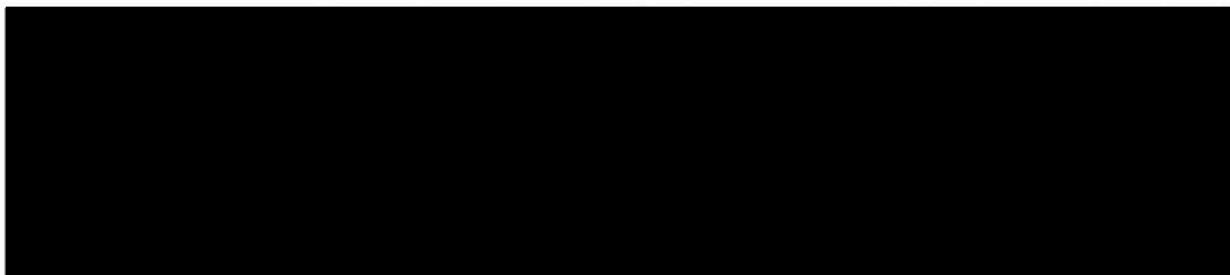
According to the Constitution of Charity.

Additional information

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Declaration

Signed on behalf of the charity trustees:



Designation

Trustee /

Date

31 / 07 / 2025

The Romanian Orthodox Church in Edinburgh

SC048786

Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date			to	Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
	01	11	2023		31	10	2024

Section A Statement of receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Expendable endowment funds	Permanent endowment funds	Total funds current period	Total funds last period
	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
A1 Receipts						
Donations	18,553	5,905			24,458	16,593
Legacies					-	
Grants	-				-	9,764
Receipts from fundraising activities	1,315				1,315	992
Interest Received	709				709	359
Gross trading receipts					-	
Income from investments other than land and buildings					-	
Gift Aid	3,015				3,015	
Rents from land & buildings					-	
Gross receipts from other charitable activities					-	
					-	
A1 Sub total	23,592	5,905	-	-	29,497	27,708
A2 Receipts from asset & investment sales						
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets					-	
Proceeds from sale of investments					-	
A2 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	23,592	5,905	-	-	29,497	27,708
A3 Payments						
Expenses for fundraising activities					-	
Gross trading payments	2,908				2,908	2,072
Investment management costs					-	
Payments relating directly to charitable activities	13,563	933			14,496	27,102
Grants and donations					-	
Staff Training	515				515	
Governance costs:					-	
Audit / independent examination					-	
Preparation of annual accounts	956				956	956
Legal costs					-	
Other					-	
					-	
A3 Sub total	17,942	933	-	-	18,875	30,130
A4 Payments relating to asset and investment movements						
Purchases of fixed assets					-	
Purchase of investments					-	
A4 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	17,942	933	-	-	18,875	30,130
Net receipts / (payments)	5,650	4,972	-	-	10,622	(2,422)
A5 Transfers to / (from) funds						
					-	
Surplus / (deficit) for year	5,650	4,972	-	-	10,622	(2,422)

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees		Date of approval
		31/07/23

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 £
Donations (Standing Order and Bank Transfer)	22,883	5,905			28,788	27,708
					-	
					-	
					-	
Total	22,883	5,905	-	-	28,788	27,708

2 Grants

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Total	-	-	-	-

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 £
Interest Received	709				709	359
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
Total	709	-	-	-	709	359

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 £
Annual Lunch	900				900	1,122
Travel Costs	4,400				4,400	5,281
Items for Church Worship	2,908				2,908	2,072
Rent	7,408				7,408	6,310
Accountancy Fees	956				956	956
Web Hosting	101				101	85
Travels	109				109	
Charitable Donations	600				600	
Bank Charges	45				45	101
Restricted expenses		933			933	14,146
Miscellaneous						57
Staff Training	515				515	
					-	
Total	17,942	933	-	-	18,875	30,130

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
	Bank of Scotland Current Account					
Receipts						
Donations	18,553				18,553	10,081
Legacies					-	
Grants					-	
Gift Aid	3,015				3,015	
Receipts from fundraising activities	1,315				1,315	992
Interest Received	709				709	359
Gross trading receipts					-	
buildings					-	
Rents from land & buildings					-	
Gross receipts from other charitable activities					-	
Sub total	23,592	-	-	-	23,592	11,432
Receipts from asset & investment sales						
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets					-	
Proceeds from sale of investments					-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	23,592	-	-	-	23,592	11,432
Payments						
Expenses for fundraising activities					-	
Gross trading payments	2,908				2,908	2,072
Investment management costs					-	
Payments relating directly to charitable activities	14,078				14,078	12,956
Grants and donations					-	
Governance costs:					-	
Audit / independent examination					-	
Preparation of annual accounts	956				956	956
Legal costs					-	
					-	
Sub total	17,942	-	-	-	17,942	15,984
Payments relating to asset and investment movements						
Purchases of fixed assets					-	
Purchase of investments					-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	17,942	-	-	-	17,942	15,984
Net receipts / (payments)	5,650	-	-	-	5,650	(4,552)
Transfers to / (from) funds					-	
Surplus / (deficit) for year	5,650	-	-	-	5,650	(4,552)

Nature and purpose of funds

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
	Bank of Scotland Current Account	Bank of Scotland Reserve Account				
Receipts						
Donations		5,905			5,905	6,512
Legacies					-	
Grants					-	9,764
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	-	5,905	-	-	5,905	16,276
Receipts from asset & investment sales						
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets					-	
Proceeds from sale of investments					-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	-	5,905	-	-	5,905	16,276
Payments						
Expenses for fundraising activities					-	
Gross trading payments					-	
Investment management costs					-	
Payments relating directly to charitable activities	-	933			933	14,146
Grants and donations					-	
Governance costs:					-	
Audit / independent examination					-	
Preparation of annual accounts					-	
Legal costs					-	
					-	
					-	
Sub total	-	933	-	-	933	14,146
Payments relating to asset and investment movements						
Purchases of fixed assets					-	
Purchase of investments					-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	-	933	-	-	933	14,146
Net receipts / (payments)	-	4,972	-	-	4,972	2,130
Transfers to / (from) funds					-	
Surplus / (deficit) for year	-	4,972	-	-	4,972	2,130

Nature and purpose of funds

The main purpose of the funds are to buy a property or getting a long term lease which will allow us to develop and perform better the Charity's objectives: to provide Christian Orthodox religious services, cultural and educational events and also to provide care and relief for those members of community in need by reason of age, ill health, disability, financial hardship or another disadvantage

Balance Sheet

The Romanian Orthodox Church in Edinburgh

As at 31 Oct 24

	£	£
Capital Assets		
Net Book Value	0	
Current Assets	64,866	
Bank Account: Business Checking Account	2,043	
Bank Account: Savings Account	62,823	
/ess Current Liabilities		0
Net Current Assets	£64,866	
Total Assets	£64,866	
Owner's Equity		
Retained Profit		64,866
Total Owner's Equity		£64,866



Profit & Loss
The Romanian Orthodox Church in Edinburgh
Accounting Year 2023/24

	Debit	Credit
Turnover		28,788
Candles/ Icons/ Books/ christian products		1,315
Charitable donations Income		18,553
Restricted Donations for Deposit		4,862
Gift Aid		3,015
Restricted -Charitable Donations Iceland		796
Donation Sunday School Restricted Funds		197
Restricted Anniversary		50
add Other Income		709
Interest Received		709
less Cost of Sales	2,908	
Items for Church worship	2,908	
Gross Profit		26,589
less Administration Expenses	15,452	
Annual Lunch	900	
██████████ Travel Costs	4,400	
Restricted Expenses	15	
Expenses Sunday School - Restricted Funds	60	
Restricted Anniversary Expenses	858	
Rent	7,408	
Web Hosting	101	
Auto Expenses	109	
Accountancy Fees	956	
Charitable Donations	600	
Bank/Finance Charges	45	
less Staff Costs	515	
Staff Training	515	

Operating Profit	£10,622
<i>less Drawings</i>	£0
<i>less Profit & Loss journal entries</i>	£0
Retained Profit this period:	£10,622
Retained Profit brought forward:	£54,244
Distributable Reserves / Retained Profit carried forward:	£64,866

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of	The Romanian Orthodox Church In Edinburgh						
	123 High Street, Burntisland, United Kingdom, KY3 9AA						
Registered Charity Nmber	SC048786						
On the Accounts of the charity for the period	Period Start Date				Period End date		
	1	11	2023	to	31	10	2024
Set out on pages	1						

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) (d) 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 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 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 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations have not been met.			
Signed:			Date:	30/7/2025
Name:	Zen Consultants (Scot) Ltd / 			
Relevant Professional qualification/professional body:	ACA/ICAEW			
Address:	85 Glasgow Road, Edinburgh, EH12 8LJ			
Date:	30/07/2025			