

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	01	03	2023	To	28	02	2024

Reference and administration details

Charity name	Oldmeldrum Green Growing Space
Other names charity is known by	
Registered charity number	SC051326
Charity's principal address	

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)
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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	Constitution
Trustee recruitment and appointment	The current Trustees volunteered for consideration as a Trustee at the charity's first AGM and were appointed at that meeting.

Objectives and activities

Charitable purposes

1. To advance environmental protection or improvement by encouraging a variety of people to use the allotments for cultivation of flowers, fruit, herbs and vegetables and by helping to raise awareness of issues such as food waste, reducing food miles, benefits associated with ‘growing-your-own’, increasing composting, encouraging pollinators, increasing biodiversity and issues surrounding the protection of the environment;
2. To provide 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 primarily intended by providing affordable allotment and/or cooperative growing spaces and opportunities for people to keep physically, mentally and socially active;
3. To encourage the advancement of citizenship or community development by organising and encouraging participation in events and local workshops;
4. To promote collaborative working with local community groups/organisations and local schools; and
5. To foster good relations with residential neighbours and local statutory and non-statutory bodies

**Summary of the main activities
in relation to these objects**

Acquisition of land to be used for the allotments.

Design and layout of site.

Approval of Planning Permission for the site.

Fundraising for groundwork and security fencing to allow site to be opened.

Achievements and performance

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

In the beginning of 2023 groundwork began on site preparing the land for plots and the road was formed from the main road down and through the site.

Awarded £5000 grant from Aberdeen Voluntary Association

In April 23 a group from the committee visited a resident of Aberdeenshire that had built the Polycrub tunnels we hoped to erect on site, at their home. Gained valuable insight into the building of the structure and how they have used the space for growing produce.

Members of the committee also visited several allotments around Aberdeen city and shire to gain knowledge and ideas to bring back to our own project.

In May of 23 a group of volunteers took time to trim and clear the wooded area and embankment attached to the site. Learning about the different types of trees we had.

In June 23 we formed hugelkultur beds to grow pumpkins on an area of unused land.

July 23 saw the exterior security fencing going up and the first fruits setting on the pumpkin patch.

In August 23 the plots were set out and the first members were shown round the site and allowed access to start clearing their plots of stones.

Sheds for each plot had been ordered and the foundations were prepared and slabbed.

Sept saw the first sheds delivered to site.

SGM called where new Trustees and Committee were appointed after several members left the committee.

And October we harvested our pumpkins with great success! And plotters as we were now known continued to design and prepare their respective plots for the following season to start growing.

Awarded £1783.28 through Co-op community funding supported by locals choosing OGGS as their chosen group for donations.

November brought wet weather and a delivery of water butts to each plot to collect rainwater before winter.

Jan 24 the ground for the communal use polycrub growing tunnels was prepared and a group of volunteer members and village members made a start on building them over Feb 23.

Feb 24 the first AGM with members present was held.

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Trustees have agreed to keep an amount in reserve to cover expenditure

Details of any deficit

none

Donated facilities and services (if any)

Charity members and local village members have donated time on site.

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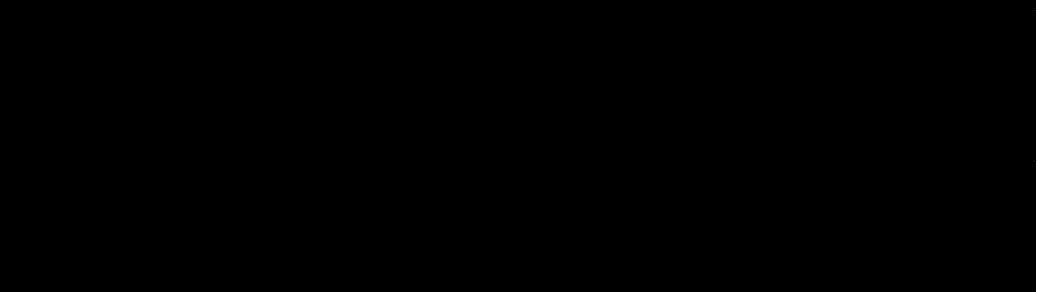
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Other optional information

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
<i>OSCR will accept digital or typed signatures</i>		
Full name(s)		
Position (e.g. Chair)	Trustee/Treasurer	Trustee/ Chairperson
Date	28/04/2025	08/05/2025

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(INCLUDING RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT)
FOR YEAR TO 29 FEBRUARY 2024

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		Restricted Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023
	Notes	£	£	£	£
<u>RECEIPTS</u>					
Grants	1	47,850	1,783	49,633	53,850
Donations		-	30	30	1
Fundraising		-	13	13	
Receipts from Charitable Activities			372	372	-
Total Incoming Resources		47,850	2,198	50,048	53,851
<u>PAYMENTS</u>					
Donations		-	-	-	-
Resources Expended for Charitable Activities		95,369	238	95,606	2,212
Governance Costs - Independent Examination		-	-	-	
Total Resources Expended		95,369	238	95,606	2,212
Net Incoming / (Outgoing) resources for Year		(47,519)	1,961	(45,559)	51,639
Total Funds at 1 March 2023		51,413	225	51,639	-
Total Funds at 29 February 2024		3,894	2,186	6,080	51,639

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses in the year.
The above receipts and payments are split between restricted and unrestricted funds.

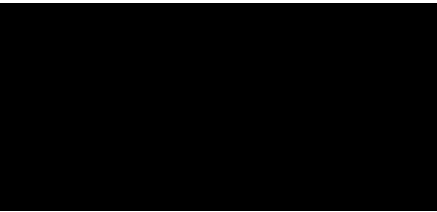
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STATEMENT OF BALANCES
AS AT 29 FEBRUARY 2024

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	Restricted Funds £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
Cash and Bank Balances at 1 March 2023	51,413	225	51,639	-
Surplus/(deficit) for the year	(47,519)	1,961	(45,559)	51,639
Cash and Bank Balances at 29 February 2024	3,894	2,186	6,080	51,639

	£
<i>Balance At Bank</i>	6080.04
<i>Cash in Hand</i>	102.82
	6,182.86

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 15/05/2025
and were signed on its behalf by:



Trustee/Treasurer

OLDMELDRUM GREEN GROWING SPACE SCIO
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR PERIOD TO 28 FEBRUARY 2024

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Nature & Purpose of Funds

Funds are raised mainly through payment of fees and grant funding. Grant funding may be restricted and is used in accordance with the funder's criteria.

Trustee Remuneration & Expenses

No remuneration was paid during the period to any charity trustee or person connected to a trustee in this period.

Direct reimbursement of purchases on behalf of the organisation were paid to 3 trustees on submission of receipts. These payments amounted to £137.59.

Notes

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1 Grants

Inspiring Scotland	42,849.58	(restricted)
CMHWF	5,000.00	(restricted)
Co-op	1,783.28	(unrestricted)

Independent examiner's report

Report to the Trustees of **Oldmeldrum Green Growing Space** Registered charity number **SC051326** on the accounts of the charity for the period **1 March 2023 to 29 February 2024** set out on pages 8-10.

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 8 of the 2006 Accounts Regulationshave 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.

Signed:



Date: 19 May 2025

Name:

Designation:



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