

Trustees' Annual Report for the period							
	Period start date				Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
From	31	03	2024	To	31	03	2025

Reference and administration details

Charity name	Books for Kids SCIO
Other names charity is known by	
Registered charity number	SC052333
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)
1			
2			
3			
4			
5			
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8			

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)

	Dates acted if not for whole year

Structure, governance and management

Type of governing document

Books for Kids is a Single Tier Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (SCIO), Books for Kids reports to the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR) and has legal and reporting requirements to meet, including, but not limited to, obligations under the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act (2005). An annual return must be sent to OSCR each year including a set of signed accounts that meet legal and regulatory requirements. Books for kids has a single tier SCIO constitution which governs how the organisation is run.

Trustee recruitment and appointment

Three charity trustees have remained in post throughout the last year. Two trustees resigned at the first AGM as per regulations contained within the charity's governing document. One trustee was reinstated following the next board meeting. Trustees were provided with information in the form of the Books for Kids board handbook. Appointment was contingent on agreement with trustee role description and PVG disclosure updates.

Objectives and activities

Charitable purposes

The organisation's purpose is to improve early literacy for children and young people in Edinburgh and The Lothians and therefore positively impact children and young peoples educational and life outcomes by providing quality second hand children and young peoples books and improving accessibility to good quality reading materials.

Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects

Provide schools, food banks and hospital waiting rooms with a wide variety of age appropriate books to increase reading opportunities for children.

Provide community wee libraries to community organisations and schools on request.

Collection of donations of good condition used children's books to provide the stock of books for all of the locations above.

Aim to increase sustainability by reusing good condition children's books and reclaimed materials where ever possible in the building of the libraries.

Aim to fundraise and work with local groups and businesses to provide funds for the costs of building and maintaining the outdoor wee libraries, special projects and for ongoing administrative costs of the group.

Achievements and performance

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

Since the charity was set up in February 2023 we have collected, sorted, quality controlled and redistributed 43,352 books to children and young people in the Lothians. In the last year we have also been requested to expand our into Lanarkshire which we have been able to do in the last 6 months. The books that we have redistributed have gone to schools, hospital waiting rooms and community and youth work organisations. We have also constructed and installed 14 wee libraries and stocked them with books.

We are a supporting charity of the NHS Lothian charity.

We have taken part in the Youth Philanthropy Initiative in the last calendar year and been chosen as a charity partner for George Watsons College, Edinburgh for the next 3 years. This is an agreement by the school to fundraise for the charity and we have already worked with S6 pupils in their school rugby team who ran a book sort for us.

We have entered into an agreement to work in partnership with BigHearts charity to run book sorting events for their groups of corporate volunteers.

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

At the period end the charity held reserves of £1,045. The charity holds a reserve necessary to cover public liability insurance in the coming year.

Details of any deficit

The charity made a small surplus in the period.

Donated facilities and services (if any)

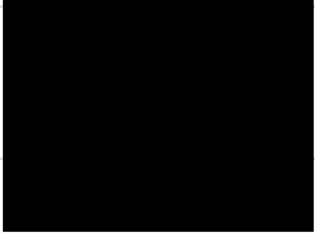
As contained within the charity accounts, a total of £292 was spent in the last accounting period for expenses necessary for the charity to meet its charitable purposes. Trustees and volunteers did not receive any financial remuneration. Costs included public liability insurance and payment for registered office address.

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)	Treasurer	
Date	21/10/25	

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Receipts and payments accounts						
For the period from						
	Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year
	31	03	2024	31	03	2025

Section A Statement of receipts and payments

	Unrestricted to nearest £	Restricted to nearest £	Expendable to nearest £	Permanent to nearest £	Total funds to nearest £	Total funds last to nearest £
A1 Receipts						
Donations	1337				1,337	
Legacies					-	
Grants					-	
Receipts from fundraising activities					-	
Gross trading receipts					-	
Income from investments other than					-	
Rents from land & buildings					-	
Gross receipts from other charitable					-	
					-	
A1 Sub total	1,337	-	-	-	1,337	-
A2 Receipts from asset &						
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets					-	
Proceeds from sale of investments					-	
A2 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	1,337	-	-	-	1,337	-
A3 Payments						
Expenses for fundraising activities					-	
Gross trading payments					-	
Investment management costs					-	
Payments relating directly to charitable activities	292				292	
Grants and donations					-	
Governance costs:					-	
Audit / independent examination					-	
Preparation of annual accounts					-	
Legal costs					-	
Other					-	
					-	
A3 Sub total	292	-	-	-	292	-
A4 Payments relating to asset and						
Purchases of fixed assets					-	
Purchase of investments					-	
A4 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	292	-	-	-	292	-
Net receipts / (payments)	1,045	-	-	-	1,045	-
A5 Transfers to / (from) funds					-	
Surplus / (deficit) for year	1,045	-	-	-	1,045	-

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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	1,337				1,337	
	Surplus / (deficit) shown on receipts and payments account	1,045				1,045	
						-	
						-	
	Cash and bank balances at end of year	1,045	-	-	-	1,045	-
	(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 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

			31/05/2025

Section C Notes to the Accounts

C1 Nature and purpose of funds *(may be stated on analysis of funds worksheets)*

All funds held by the charity are unrestricted for the charitable purposes overall. There are no restricted funds.

C2 Grants

Type of activity or project supported	Individual / institution	Number of grants made	£
Total			-

C3a Trustee remuneration

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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C3b Trustee remuneration - details

Authority under which paid	£

C4a Trustee expenses

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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C4b Trustee expenses - details

	Number of trustees	£

C5 Transactions with trustees and connected persons

Nature of relationship	Nature of transaction	Transaction	Balance

C6 Other information

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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 £
					-	
					-	
					-	
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-
	reference	-	-	-	reference	-

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 £
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-

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 £
Insurance	232				232	
Advertising and Promotion					-	
Printing and Stationery					-	
Other expenses	60				60	
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
Total	292	-	-	-	292	-
	reference error	-	-	-	reference error	-

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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					-	
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	-	-	-	-		-
					cross ref error	
Receipts from asset & investment sales						
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets					-	
Proceeds from sale of investments					-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	-	-	-	-	-	-
					cross ref error	
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	-	-	-	-	-	-
					cross ref error	
Payments relating to asset and investment movements						
Purchases of fixed assets					-	
Purchase of investments					-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
					-	
Total payments	-	-	-	-	-	-
					cross ref error	
Net receipts / (payments)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers to / (from) funds						
					-	
Surplus / (deficit) for year	-	-	-	-	-	-
					cross ref error	

Nature and purpose of funds

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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						
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						

APPENDIX 3



		Independent examiner's report on the accounts						v2
Report to the trustees/members of		Charity name Books for Kids SCIO						
Registered charity number		SC052333						
On the accounts of the charity for the period		Period start date				Period end date		
		Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
		31	03	2024	to	31	03	2025
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 (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.						
Basis of 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 [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.						
Signed**:								10/11/2025
Name:								
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):								
Address:								

*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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APPENDIX 3

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