



Charity Number SC 032860

Accounts, Trustees' & Independent Examiner's Reports

For the year 1/1/2024 to 31/12/2024



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Chairman's Report 2024

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Aims and Objects of Sons of Thunder:

It has been pointed out by OSCR that the original governing document of Sons of Thunder hadn't been reviewed since inception, 25th January 2002! OSCR in its analysis of our most recent annual report suggested we update and revise our Governing Document, particularly to make it more relevant to what we do! At the 31st October 2024 meeting of trustees it was agreed that the original aims etc. were a bit too narrow and didn't properly represent what we as a charity are trying to achieve. The revised text is as follows:

"The object of Sons of Thunder shall be to promote where possible the word of God and the love of Jesus Christ through performance of music and to raise money for, and raise awareness of, HIV/AIDS orphans in the area of the CCAP Hospital, Ekwendeni, Malawi.

In order to achieve these objects the association aims to produce, distribute and /or sell recordings of songs, perform live concerts and participate in other fundraising events that are deemed appropriate."

I think this alteration covers our purposes more clearly.

In 2024 we received some very generous donations which enabled the charity to send another £3,500 to the HIV/AIDS Orphan Care Project in Ekwendeni, Malawi.

Again, we were unable to hold another fundraising 'Kovwirana' concert during 2024 but fortunately we have maintained a significant level of support to Ekwendeni.

Without this generous support Sons of Thunder could not assist many of the poor, disadvantaged and under-privileged in Northern Malawi, one of the poorest nations in the world. We wish to thank all of our donors for their generosity.

On behalf of Sons of Thunder

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Derek Fergus'.

Derek Fergus
Chairman,
Sons of Thunder, 6th July 2026



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**Trustees' Annual Report
for the period 1/1/2024 to 31/12/2024**

Reference & Administration Details

Charity Name: Sons of Thunder
Reg. Charity No: SC 032860
Address: c/o Langside Parish Church
167 Ledard Rd
Langside
Glasgow G41 9QU

Names of the charity trustees on date of approval of Trustees' Annual Report

1	Derek Fergus	Chairman
2	Douglas McCulloch	Treasurer
3	Margaret McCulloch	Secretary
4	David Jolly	
5	Margaret Watson	
6	Colin Fisher	
7	Stewart Moffat	

Structure, governance and management

Type of governing document: Sons of Thunder is a constituted charity recognised by the Inland Revenue for the purposes of *Section 505 Income & Corporation Taxes Act 1988* with effect from 25th January 2002, entitled under Section 1 (7) of the Law Reform (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) Act 1990 to describe itself as a Scottish Charity.

Trustee recruitment and appointment: The Charity is managed by a committee of trustees which meets a minimum of six times per annum. Additional trustees can be appointed by the committee.

Objectives and Activities

Charitable purposes: Throughout 2024 with support from our main donors, Sons of Thunder was able to send £2,000 to Malawi. (In Malawi, even a small amount of money can go a long way)



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Objectives and Activities (continued)

Summary of the main activities in relation to these objectives:

As noted in the Chairman's Report on page 3, the main annual fundraising 'Kovwirana' event was again not held in 2024 however with donations received elsewhere, including a £100 monthly standing order from friends within the Langside Church family, the charity is still supporting the work of the HIV/AIDS Orphan Project in Ekwendeni.

Achievements & Performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the financial period: Raising £4,306.16 in donations and Gift Aid tax re-claimed, and sending another £2,000 to the HIV/AIDS Support & Care Program in Ekwendeni, Malawi in March 2024. (Note that we sent a further £3,000 to the HIV/AIDS Programme at Ekwendeni Hospital in February 2025, in the next financial year)

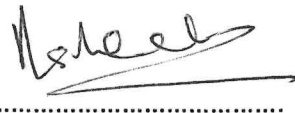
Financial Review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves: The Charity retains a minimal amount of cash reserves

Details of surplus/deficit: The year's activities produced a surplus of £2,306.16.

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above. Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signature(s)		
Full Name(s)	Derek Fergus	Douglas McCulloch
Position	CHAIRMAN	TREASURER
Date	6 th July 2026	6 th July 2026



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**Independent Examiner's Report of Sons of Thunder Finances
Year ended 31st December 2024 - as set out on pages 7, 8 & 9**

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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) of the 2006 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 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, or
- to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

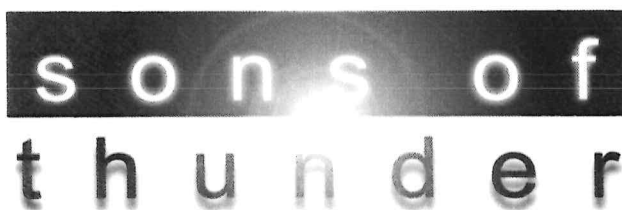
I have examined the books of Sons of Thunder and find the attached report to be a true and accurate summary of their finances:

Signed:

Name: Robert J McPhail

Date: 6th July 2026. Relevant Professional qualification/professional body: ... I.C.A.S...

Address: Flat GC, 21 Milverton Road, Giffnock, Glasgow G46 7JN



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Statement of Receipts & Payments

(See notes on page 8)

Receipts

Payments

<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
<u>Donations Received</u> (note 1)		<u>Outgoing Donations:</u> (note 2)	
£ 3,950.00	£ 2,860.00	£ 2,000.00	£ 3,500.00
<u>Fundraising</u> (note 3)		<u>Expenses:</u> (note 4)	
£ 00.00	£ 0.00	£ 00.00	£ 00.00
<u>Gift Aid Tax Reclaimed</u> (note 5)			
£ 356.16	£ 414.24		

TOTAL INCOME:

TOTAL OUTGOINGS:

<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
<u>£ 4,306.16</u>	<u>£ 3,274.24</u>	<u>£ 2,000.00</u>	<u>£ 3,500.00</u>



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Notes (to Statement of Receipts & Payments)

1. Donations received:	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Clarkston Community Choir	£ 400.00	£ 440.00
Langside Praise Band	£ 2,150.00	£ 1,000.00
Regular Private Donations	£ 1,400.00	£ 1,300.00
Other donations	£ 0.00	£ 120.00
TOTAL:	<u>£ 3,950.00</u>	<u>£ 2,860.00</u>
2. Outgoing Donations:	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Ekwendeni Malawi, HIV/AIDS		
Support & Care -	<u>£ 2,000.00</u>	<u>£ 3,500.00</u>
3. Fundraising	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Kovwirana -	£ 00.00	£ 00.00
Kiltwalk	£ 00.00	£ 00.00
TOTAL:	<u>£ 00.00</u>	<u>£ 00.00</u>
4. Expenses:	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Kovwirana -	£ 00.00	£ 00.00
Insurance Premium -	£ 00.00	£ 00.00
TOTAL:	<u>£ 00.00</u>	<u>£ 00.00</u>
5. Gift Aid Tax Recovered *	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	<u>£ 356.16</u>	<u>£ 414.24</u>

* Gift Aid claims for charitable donations are made annually in the fiscal year to 5th April. There is, at 31st December 2024, approx. £225 of income tax to be recovered from HMRC for donations received between 6th April and 31st December 2024.

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Statement of Balances

At 31st December 2024

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Income	£ 4,306.16	£ 3,274.24
Expenditure	£ <u>2,000.00</u>	£ <u>3,500.00</u>
<u>Surplus/Deficit:</u>	£ <u>2,306.16</u>	£ <u>- 225.76</u>

Bank Balance		
<u>1st January 2024</u>	£ 638.19	£ 863.95
Bank Balance		
<u>31st December 2024</u>	£ <u>2,944.35</u>	£ <u>638.19</u>
<u>Surplus/Deficit:</u>	£ <u>2,306.16</u>	£ <u>- 225.76</u>
