



TAYSIDE AND FIFE ARCHAEOLOGICAL COMMITTEE

Treasurer's Report for the year 2025

Introduction

Continuing the format that was adopted several years ago on the advice of the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR), the TAFAC balance sheet this year again reflects the Committee's use of a simple 'Payments and Receipts' method of accounting.

Banking

In 2025 the Bank of Scotland introduced a change that saw the TAFAC *Treasurer's Account* changed to a new *Charity Account*. This new account is associated with a range of conditions and charges, but it is the Treasurer's opinion that the low number of transactions undertaken each year by TAFAC will not attract any significant charges. The Treasurer is also happy to report that the Committee now has access to on-line banking, which has already made the administration of the account easier. Further, as a step towards providing the Committee with greater access to the bank account, two other members, Eva Bennett (Membership Secretary) and Derek Hall (Journal Editor), join the treasurer in having full administrative access to the account.

The Annual Conference

The conference was held in Glenrothes where 106 people paid to attend in person and there were a further 56 online. The Committee is once again extremely grateful to Eva Bennett (and others) for organising the conference and to Doug Rocks-McQueen for recording/videoing the talks. The Committee would also like to thank AOC Archaeology Ltd for once again sponsoring the conference.

Book Sales

A total of £165 was banked in 2025 but this includes £85 sales from 2024. The moneys represent the sale of back copies of the TAFAC journal and monographs as well as second-hand books, including those from the estate of the late Oliver O'Grady.

Summary

The Treasurer is happy to report that the bank balance continues to be healthy, but as in previous years, the end of year balance does not reflect a true state of affairs. On the negative side, due to the late arrival of the invoice for the hire of the conference venue and catering, the sum of £1,069.68 was not paid until January and will therefore appear in the 2026 accounts. The figure would have been more but for the £360 deposit paid in September. On a more positive note, TAFAC has still to receive publication grants for volume 31 of our journal (£1650) and a sum of £500 conference sponsorship from AOC Archaeology Ltd. In conclusion, the Treasurer is content that there are no matters that require the urgent attention of the Committee.

Table detailing all TAFAC's previous annual conferences

Year	Venue	Att	Year	Venue	Att	Year	Venue	Att	Year	Venue	Att
1978	Perth	68	1990	Perth	122	2002	St Andrews	139	2014	Dundee	105
1979	Dundee	78	1991	Dundee	85	2003	Dundee	117	2015	Perth	134
1980	St Andrews	67	1992	St Andrews	87	2004	St Andrews	144	2016	Kirkcaldy	101
1981	Perth	67	1993	Perth	145	2005	Dundee	92	2017	Dundee	101
1982	Dundee	62	1994	Kirkcaldy	145	2006	Perth	109	2018	Perth	120
1983	St Andrews	76	1995	Dundee	153	2007	St Andrews	121	2019	Glenrothes	109
1984	Perth	76	1996	St Andrews	176	2008	Dundee	101	2020	On-line	150
1985	Dundee	82	1997	Perth	102	2009	Perth	118	2021	On-line	135
1986	St Andrews	67	1998	Dundee	154	2010	St Andrews	83	2022	Glenrothes*	121
1987	Perth	68	1999	Kirkcaldy	127	2011	Dundee	85	2023	Dundee*	156
1988	Dundee	65	2000	St Andrews	157	2012	Perth	111	2024	Perth*	176
1989	St Andrews	84	2001	Dundee	134	2013	Glenrothes	127	2025	Glenrothes*	162

* Since 2022 the annual conference has been hybrid and the figures above include the total number of tickets sold.

TAFAC 2025 Balance Sheet

Receipts

Conference ticket sales
Publication grants
Conference sponsorship
Conference lunch fees
Book Sales
Corresponding Members fees

Total receipts

2025	2024
£	£
2457.62	2587.62
4743.00	2113.00
500.00	500.00
103.00	120.00
165.00	85.00
20.00	20.00
7988.62	5425.62

Payments

Publication (editing and design/layout)
Conference
Web-hosting Subscription
Bursary payments
Zoom Subscription
Committee Travel Expenses
Newsletter
Secretary's expenses
Miscellaneous expenses

Total payments

2150.00	2530.00
962.30	1592.40
54.59	112.77
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77.94	77.94
45.60	54.40
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142.91	-----
2.50	-----
3435.84	4508.24
4552.78	917.38

Surplus/ (deficit) for year

Statement of balances as of 19 December 2025

	2025	2024
	£	£
Opening balances	5076.84	4159.46
Surplus/ (deficit) for year	4552.78	917.38
Closing balances	9629.62	5076.84
TAFAC has no reserves		
Assets		
Unsold publications	100.00	100.00

All funds are restricted.

John Sherriff (TAFAC Treasurer)
14 January 2026

Approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf

Keith Bevan....., Chairperson Date: 19/02/26.....