

BARR COMMUNITY SCIO (SC049703)
TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS
FOR PERIOD TO 30th NOVEMBER 2025

1.) LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATION ARRANGEMENTS

BARR COMMUNITY SCIO, c/o the Secretary, 1a Glenginnet Road, Barr, KA269TU

Charitable purposes

- The advancement of **citizenship or community development** (including rural or urban regeneration, and the promotion of civic responsibility, volunteering, the voluntary sector or the effectiveness or efficiency of charities).
- The advancement of the **arts, heritage, culture, or science**.
- The provision of **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.

Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects

Barr Community SCIO exists to benefit people who live or work within the geographical boundaries of the former Barr Parish Council area and/ or within the geographical boundaries of the Barr Community Council area (the “Community”), to protect the Barr Community Hall as an asset at the heart of the rural community, and to establish a viable and sustainable community facility for all ages and abilities in the Community.

In pursuance of these aims, the SCIO is taking steps to acquire ownership the Barr Community Hall and Grounds from South Ayrshire Council through a Community Asset Transfer. Following acquisition, the property will be refurbished and redeveloped to create a modern and multi-purpose Community Hub serving present and future Barr residents (the Community) and the wider public. This, and other complimentary activities undertaken by the SCIO, align with its charitable purposes.

Elected Trustees:

1. Neil Gillon (2nd year, 2nd term) – re-elected 2024, Chair
2. Doreen Sherry (2nd year, 2nd term) – re-elected 2024, Treasurer
3. Isobel Ringrose (2nd year, 2nd term) – re-elected 2024
4. Graham Brady (2nd year, 1st term) – elected 2024
5. Robert (Bob) Muir (2nd year, 1st term) – elected 2024, Vice-chair
6. David Irvine (1st year, 2nd term) – re-elected 2025
7. Edward (Ed) Connon (1st year, 2nd term) - re-elected 2025, Secretary

Appointed Trustees:

1. Phil Lunt (Barr Community Shop & Café Ltd) – re-elected 2025, will retire at 2026 AGM
2 vacancies

Co-opted Trustees:

2 vacancies

No Trustees received any remuneration in the reporting period.

Activities and Achievements during the period

Our Community Asset Transfer (CAT) request for Barr Village Hall was approved by South Ayrshire Council (SAC) in September 2024. SAC then applied to the Lord Advocate for approval to amend a public trust created in 1932 when Barr Parish Council initially acquired the hall and grounds to hold "...for the benefit of the inhabitants of the Parish of Barr".

When the lengthy process of amending the public trust has been completed by the local authority, our solicitors will be instructed to submit our formal purchase offer and tenders will be invited for the design development work to enable the selection and appointment of a works contractor to redevelop the building to create a modern and multi-purpose Community Hub.

A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between the SCIO and the Directors of Barr Community Shop and Café Ltd (BCSC) will enable the shop business to lease space in the Community Hub. When completed, a draft MoU will be presented to members of both organisations for approval.

Our Development Officer has secured funding for several of the SCIO's Associate Groups. Perhaps most notably has been the funding obtained for the Monday Club lunches. Monday Club volunteers offer regular hot meals and company to all members of our community. Our Green Spaces, Barr Trials, Barr Dog Trials, and Barrometer (newsletter) teams have also been active during the year.

The annual Barr Village Gala was held in June. The event was organised by the Barr Community Association. SCIO volunteers provided support for the event, helping to set up stalls and run games and other activities.

In August, the SCIO organised a social outing to the Dunure Festival of the Sea. Transport to and from the event for 16 Barr residents was funded by donations using a minibus hired from a local transport charity (SACT).

Our annual Girvan to Barr 'Core Path' Walk took place in September. The event attracted around 50 walkers and was led by Adventure Carrick (ACE) with funding obtained by the SCIO. A lunch was laid on in the village hall by SCIO volunteers followed by a fundraising social event which was open to whole community.

Our AGM at the end of April was attended by 25 members and 8 trustees (3 members also submitted apologies and submitted proxies). All attending were encouraged to step forward and take the opportunity to help shape Barr's future for the benefit of whole community.

2.) FINANCIAL REPORT

During the year, the Barr Community SCIO had an income of £40,427 and the costs incurred were £39,340 leaving £1,087 which was added to the Reserve Account. The trustees have agreed that £1,000 should be set aside as unrestricted reserves to cover the SCIO's estimated minimum annual operating costs. Due to the nature of the funding received, many of the SCIO's funds are restricted for particular purposes.

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf.



Neil Gillon, Trustee 10th July 2026

RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR YEAR TO 30th NOVEMBER 2025

Enter charity name below		Enter SC No. below					
Barr Community SCIO		SC049703					
 Receipts and payments accounts							
For the period from	Period start date			to	Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
	01	12	2024		30	11	2025

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	200				200	305
Legacies					-	
Grants	500	37,882			38,382	28,334
Receipts from fundraising activities	1,337	509			1,846	
Gross trading receipts					-	
Income from investments other than land and buildings					-	
Rents from land & buildings					-	
Gross receipts from other charitable activities					-	
					-	
A1 Sub total	2,037	38,391	-	-	40,427	28,639
A2 Receipts from asset & investment sales						
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets					-	
Proceeds from sale of investments					-	
A2 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	2,037	38,391	-	-	40,427	28,639
A3 Payments						
Expenses for fundraising activities	517				517	
Gross trading payments					-	
Investment management costs					-	
Payments relating directly to charitable activities	647	38,124			38,771	11,684
Grants and donations					-	
Governance costs:					-	
Audit / independent examination					-	60
Preparation of annual accounts					-	
Legal costs					-	
Other	52				52	40
					-	
A3 Sub total	1,216	38,124	-	-	39,340	11,784
A4 Payments relating to asset and investment movements						
Purchases of fixed assets					-	
Purchase of investments					-	
A4 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	1,216	38,124	-	-	39,340	11,784
Net receipts / (payments)	820	266	-	-	1,087	16,855
A5 Transfers to / (from) funds					-	
Surplus / (deficit) for year	820	266	-	-	1,087	16,855

STATEMENT OF BALANCES AS AT 30th NOVEMBER 2025

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
<u>Bank and cash in hand</u>		
Opening balances	25,678	8,823
Surplus / (deficit) for year - Unrestricted	821	46
Surplus / (deficit) for year - Restricted	266	16,809
Closing balances	<u>26,765</u>	<u>25,678</u>

Reserves

Initial Cash Fund	25,678	8,823
Reserves Balance - Unrestricted	1,640	819
Reserves Balance - Restricted	25,125	24,859
Closing Balances	<u>26,765</u>	<u>25,678</u>

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf.



Chair of trustees, Barr Community SCIO

10th July 2026

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REVIEW

Independent examiner's report on the accounts							
Report to the trustees/members of	Charity name Barr Community SCIO						
Registered charity number	SC 049703						
On the accounts of the charity for the period	Period start date				Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year	to	Day	Month	Year
	01	12	2024		30	11	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 - 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 - to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.						
Signed:				Date:	8th July 2026		
Name:	Dee Laver						
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):	N/A						
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