

**REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: SC052947**

**THE ARCHES ARTS & CREATIVE HUB (SCIO)  
ANNUAL REPORT & FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30TH NOVEMBER 2024**

**THE ARCHES ARTS & CREATIVE HUB (SCIO)**  
**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES**  
**FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30TH NOVEMBER 2024**

The trustees present their report together with the financial statements for the period ended 30th November 2024.

**INTRODUCTION**

The Arches Arts & Creative Hub was registered as a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (SCIO) on 15th November 2023.

**CHARITABLE PURPOSES**

The charity's purposes are as follows:

- a) To promote the interests of the Arts in general, and social intercourse amongst its Members. The Arts includes, but is not limited to, music, drama, art, crafts, dance, film.
- b) To provide a platform for artistes, creative individuals and groups, to showcase their talents and contribute to the cultural enrichment, particularly among the residents of Hawick, and the wider community. Our centre will offer a range of programmes and events that will cater for people of all ages and backgrounds. Our goal is to create a vibrant and inclusive space that fosters creativity, learning, and community engagement.
- c) To provide, in the interests of social welfare, facilities for recreation and other leisure time occupation available to the public at large within Hawick and the surrounding area of the Scottish Borders, with a view to improving their conditions of life.

**ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS**

In order to promote the above charitable purposes the board has been seeking a suitable building in Hawick to serve as an Arts hub for the community. This has proved to be a difficult task. Premises were identified, owned by the local authority but no longer in use and therefore a potential candidate for a community asset transfer. The future of the premises has been subject to a lengthy consultation process between Scottish Borders Council and the Scottish Government, and the position was still unclear at the end of the financial period. The board is actively considering alternatives and is also engaging with the community to seek the views of potential user groups and the general public.

The project has recently been voted as the top project in the Hawick Town Plan, which qualifies us for funding towards a feasibility study on The Arches and other potential sites, and with a potential of receiving funding from The Borderlands Funding source.

The official Community Asset Transfer form is currently a work in progress and will be submitted by the 11th August 2025.

The board have also been given the go ahead from SBC/AtkinsRealis, to approach various architectural suppliers to request interest on a feasibility study, with a budget up to £15,000.

**FINANCIAL REVIEW**

The charity had no transactions in the period from incorporation on 15th November 2023 to the end of the financial period on 30th November 2024. The charity had no assets or liabilities at 30th November 2024.

**STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

**Governing document**

The rules governing the charity are set out in its Constitution. The charity is a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (SCIO).

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**Recruitment and appointment of trustees**

At each annual general meeting the members may elect any member to be a charity trustee. The board may at any time appoint any member subject to maximum numbers of trustee restrictions in the constitution to be a charity trustee. The board may co-opt any non-member to be a trustee on the basis that they have specialist experience or skills which could be of assistance to the board. The maximum number of trustees is seven. At each AGM, all of the serving charity trustees shall retire from office but shall be eligible for re-election.

**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

**Registered Charity number**  
SC052947

**Principal address**  
Back Raw Hoose  
7 Drumlanrig Square  
Hawick  
TD9 0AS

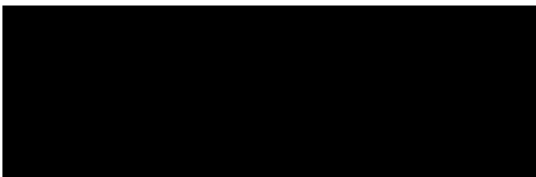
**Trustees**



**STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES**

The trustees must prepare financial statements which give sufficient detail to enable an appreciation of the transactions of the charity during the financial year. The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended). They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 14th July 2025 and signed on its behalf by:



## INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF

### THE ARCHES ARTS & CREATIVE HUB (SCIO)

I report on the Accounts of the charity for the period ended 30th November 2024 which are set out on pages 4 and 5.

#### **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 (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.

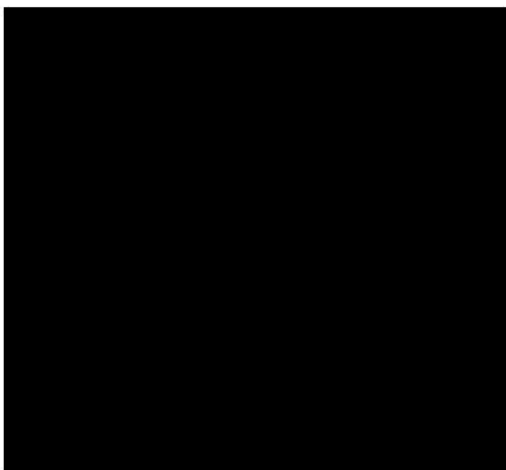
#### **Basis of independent examiner's statement**

My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the 2006 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

1. which give 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 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.



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**RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT**

**For the period ended 30th November 2024**

**2024**

Receipts	£	-
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	£	<u>-</u>
Payments	£	-
<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	£	<u>-</u>
<b>NET RECEIPTS/(PAYMENTS) FOR THE PERIOD</b>	£	<u><u>-</u></u>

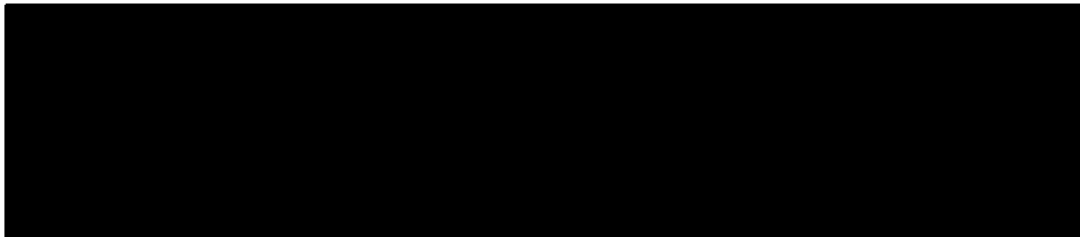
**STATEMENT OF BALANCES**

**As at 30th November 2024**

**2024**

<b>Funds</b>	
Net Receipts/(Payments) for the year	£ <u>-</u>
<b>Balance at 30th November 2024</b>	£ <u><u>-</u></u>
<b>Represented By:-</b>	
<b>Balance at Bank of Scotland, Hawick</b>	
Treasurers Account	£ <u><u>-</u></u>

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf on 14th July 2025



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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**For the period ended 30th November 2024**

**1. Basis of Accounting**

These accounts have been prepared on the Receipts and Payments basis in accordance with the Charities & Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended).

**2. Related Party Transactions**

No trustee or connected person received remuneration or expenses during the period.