

**THIS IS ISLAY (SCIO)  
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES  
AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
For year period ended 31 May 2024  
Charity No SC049646**

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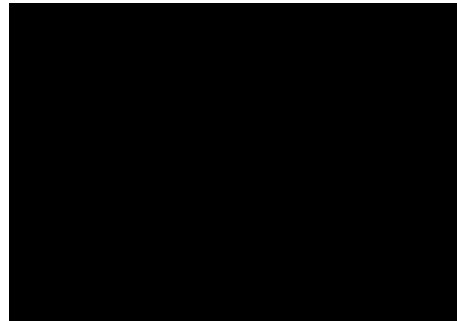
**TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT**

The Trustees present their report and un-audited financial statements for the period ended 31 May 2024.

**Reference & Administrative Information**

CHARITY NAME:	This Is Islay SCIO
CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER:	SC049646
CHARITY ADDRESS:	This Is Islay SCIO 12 Burnside Bruichladdich Isle of Islay PA49 7UR

TRUSTEES:



BANKERS:	The Co-operative Bank PO Box 101 1 Balloon Street Manchester M60 4EP
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**Structure, Governance and Management**

This Is Islay SCIO was incorporated on 26 September 2019. It is governed and managed by Trustees. It is a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation with a written constitution. New Trustees can be nominated by existing Trustees and members of the public. These would generally be appointed at the AGM but may be appointed at any time. New Trustees will be talked through the organisation's ethos and Trustee training will be provided by current committee and assisted by TSI resources.

**Role of Volunteers.**

Committee members carry out all required administration on a voluntary basis and in the future will use any surplus funds for their charitable purposes.

**Organisation's Principal Objectives and Activities**

The organisation's purposes are to advance citizenship, community involvement, education and training by:

- providing resources and facilities to research, produce and broadcast podcast material, relevant to and concerning the communities of, the islands of Islay and Jura.

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- to identify and support suitable training in the production and broadcast of podcast material.
- to encourage and support collaboration with other organisations to ensure as wide a participation by the local community in the production and broadcast of these podcasts.

### **Achievements and Performance**

During this period, the main objectives for This Is Islay were to:

- become operational in developing podcast content for multiple episodes, establish a community presence and continue developing partnerships with community groups.
- further develop the relationship with Islay High School and students to make use of the school's recording studio and technical facilities.
- Further build on our relationship with MYCOS which focuses on Youth and Communities Outreach Services and supporting activities.

We released several podcast episodes during this reporting period ending May 31, 2024, focusing on in-person interviews complemented through use of Zoom where appropriate. Our podcasts continue to feature community individuals, organisations, activities and events, hosted by This Is Islay team members together with special guest hosts, including contributions from Islay High School students.

All episodes are available through major podcasting platforms, including Spotify, Amazon Podcasts, Apple Podcasts, as well as on our website at <https://www.thisisislay.co.uk>.

Podcasts were promoted through word of mouth, articles published in The Illeach local newspaper, and through social media promotions. We also attended local community events such as fairs in Port Ellen, Bowmore and on Jura. A focus of fundraising activities was to support our selection as a local charity for the Coop Local Community Fund. During the 12 months ending in October 2023, local Coop shoppers had the opportunity to support This Is Islay through their Coop membership. We also joined with Coop staff and the other local causes to promote This Is Islay together with the benefits of Coop membership.

### **Appointment of Trustees and Officers**

We held our AGM in January 2024. From the existing Trustees, [REDACTED] resigned and was subsequently re-elected. At this meeting, Officers were re-elected, as follows:

[REDACTED]

New Trustees were appointed as follows:

[REDACTED]

Additional Trustees:

[REDACTED]

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**Main Objectives for Next Year**

The main objectives for the coming year are to establish a broader presence in the Islay and Jura community and develop routine podcasting operations and supporting activities, including:

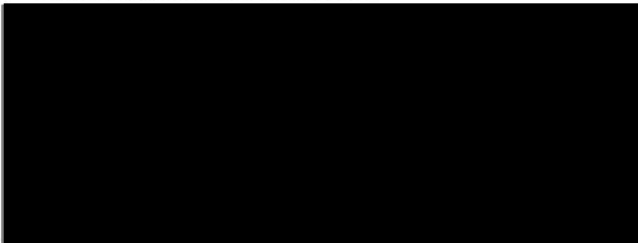
- Development of our core group and additional casual and regular volunteers,
- Development of training programmes for our volunteers
- Adoption of a more rigorous planning calendar and standard processes for regular podcast production
- Developing and adopting a marketing strategy, utilizing social media, advertising and other channels
- Supporting ramp-up and routine expenses through development and adoption of a monetisation strategy which may include the following: outside funding applications, sponsorships, paid advertising, subscriptions and crowdfunding.

**Financial Review**

During this reporting period This Is Islay SCIO reports an operating surplus of £5,540.98. At the end of this reporting period, This Is Islay SCIO reports a bank balance of £7,697.44, none of which consist of restricted funds. The selection of This Is Islay as a Coop Local Community Fund local cause in October 2022 was the main fundraising activity during the twelve-month period ending in October 2023, resulting in a contribution of £6,957.23 received from the Coop in November 2023. Our expenses for the reporting period total £1,416.25.

The Trustees continue to consider review options for a broader range of fundraising through episode sponsorship and other programmes.

On behalf of the Trustees



Date 24-2-2025

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## FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### Receipt & Payment Accounts for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> May 2024

	2024	2023
Balance at bank Brought forward		
	£ 2,156.46	£ 3,847.29
<b>Receipts/ Income for the year</b>		
Bank Interest	£ -	
Subscriptions	£ -	
Grants	£ -	
Donations	£ -	£ 18.75
Income from Fundraising	£ 6,957.23	
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>£ 6,957.23</b>	<b>£ 18.75</b>
<b>Payments/ Expenses for the year</b>		
Donation	£ 200.00	£ -
Equipment	£ 300.72	£ 390.60
Marketing, Promotion, Website/Email	£ 118.68	£ 176.85
PRS Licence		
Insurance	£ 494.38	£ 495.71
Administration, Accounts & IT. AGM	£ 280.87	£ 646.42
Travel	£ 21.60	
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>£ 1,416.25</b>	<b>£ 1,709.58</b>
Surplus/ (DEFICIT) for the year	£ 5,540.98	-£ 1,690.83
<b>Overall Surplus / Deficit for Year</b>	<b>£ 5,540.98</b>	<b>-£ 1,690.83</b>
<b>UNPRESENTED at year end</b>	NONE	NONE
<b>Items IN Kind</b>	NONE	NONE
<b>Statement of Balances</b>		
<b>As at 31 May 2024</b>	<b><u>2024</u></b>	
	Total Funds	
<b>Cash Funds</b>		
Opening Bank Balance	£ 2,156.46	
Surplus / Deficit for Year	£ 5,540.98	
Closing Bank Balance	<b>£ 7,697.44</b>	£ 2,156.46
<b>Restricted Funds</b>		
Restricted Funds Held	NONE	
PETTY CASH Held	NONE	
<b>Balance available for 2024</b>	<b>£ 7,697.44</b>	
<b>(Recent Bank Balance 27 January 2025</b>		<b>£ 6,618.75 )</b>

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**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT**

I report on the financial accounts of the charity "*This Is Islay*" for the year ended **31<sup>st</sup> May 2024** which are set out on in the accompanying Trustees' Report.

**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 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 Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. 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.

There are no other matters to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn, in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

