

**THIS IS ISLAY (SCIO)
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
For year period ended 31 May 2025
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 2025.

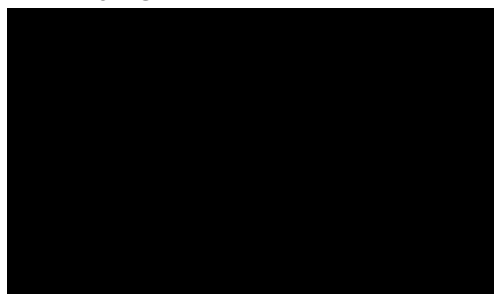
Reference & Administrative Information

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

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. Any surplus funds will be used 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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- Identifying and supporting suitable training in the production and broadcast of podcast material,
- Encouraging and supporting collaborations to ensure a broad participation by the local community in the production and broadcast of these podcasts.

Achievements and Performance

We met our main objectives during this period, by:

- Moving onto a fixed podcast calendar for releases, initiating a multi-episode investigation into housing issues, and increasing our community presence
- Further developing our relationship with Islay High School and Islay primary schools to collaborate on episodes and to make use of the high school's recording studio and technical facilities

In addition, we migrated to a new WordPress-based website for easier updates and back-catalogue searching. We have added a transcription tool to allow more efficient production, and we continue an ongoing review of other technology tools which will improve workflows. We also expanded our recording capabilities through purchasing multiple (RØDE Wireless Pro) units for flexible recording.

We released several podcast episodes during this reporting period and spent considerable in planning future episodes, including interviews for future episodes and preparation of a multi-episode series on the issue of housing on Islay, for release in late 2025. Our podcasts continue to celebrate the people, places and connections which shape our community.

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

Podcasts were promoted through word of mouth, articles published in The Ilead local newspaper, social media promotions, and presence at various local community events. Fundraising activities were limited during this period, and operating expenses relied on existing funds, including the prior donation raised through the Coop Local Community Fund.

Appointment of Trustees and Officers

We held our AGM in February 2025. From the existing Trustees, [REDACTED] resigned and was subsequently re-elected. At the AGM, [REDACTED] was nominated and elected as Treasurer to replace [REDACTED] who stepped down, and [REDACTED] was nominated and elected as Secretary.

Remaining Trustees were re-elected as listed on page 2.

Main Objectives for Next Year

The main objectives for the coming year are to continue at a faster pace, establish a broader community presence, and develop routine podcasting operations and supporting activities, including:

- Development of our core group and additional casual and regular volunteers,
- Strengthen collaborations with the high school, primary schools and other groups,
- Maintain a regular calendar for planning and episode release,
- Strengthen our routine podcast production processes, using new tech tools where possible,

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- Strengthen promotion, focusing on social media, our refreshed website, advertising and other channels,

Financial Review

Accounts have been prepared on a going concern basis. There are no significant uncertainties regarding future continuing operations. Because of the major donation from the Coop Local Community Fund in the prior year, little fundraising took place during this period. Our expenses for the reporting period total £1,780.08, resulting in an operating loss of the same amount. Major expenses were liability insurance and new equipment. This Is Islay SCIO reports a closing bank balance of £5,917.36 (no restricted funds) at the end of this reporting period.

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

On behalf of the Trustees

Signed

Date 21-01-2026

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Receipt & Payment Accounts for the year ending 31st May 2025

	2025		2024	
Balance at bank Brought forward	£	7,697.44	£	2,156.46
Receipts/ Income for the year				
Bank Interest	£	-		
Subscriptions	£	-		
Grants	£	-		
Donations	£	-		
Income from Fundraising	£	-	£	6,957.23
TOTALS	£	-	£	6,957.23
Payments/ Expenses for the year				
Donation	£	-	£	200.00
Equipment	£	910.48	£	300.72
Marketing, Promotion, Website/Email	£	167.35	£	118.68
Insurance	£	497.05	£	494.38
Administration, Accounts & IT. AGM	£	205.20	£	280.87
Travel	£	-	£	21.60
TOTALS	£	1,780.08	£	1,416.25
Surplus/ (DEFICIT) for the year	£	(1,780.08)	£	(1,690.83)
Overall Surplus / Deficit for Year	£	(1,780.08)	£	(1,690.83)
UNPRESENTED at year end	NONE		NONE	
Items IN Kind	NONE		NONE	

Statement of Balances

As at 31 May 2025

2025
Total Funds

Cash Funds

Opening Bank Balance	£	7,697.44		
Surplus / Deficit for Year	£	(1,780.08)		
Closing Bank Balance	£	5,917.36	£	7,697.44

Restricted Funds

Restricted Funds Held	NONE
PETTY CASH Held	NONE

Balance available for 2025	£	5,917.36
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(Recent Bank Balance 11 December 2025	£	5,326.03
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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

I report on the financial accounts of the charity "*This Is Islay*" for the year ended **31st May 2025** 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,

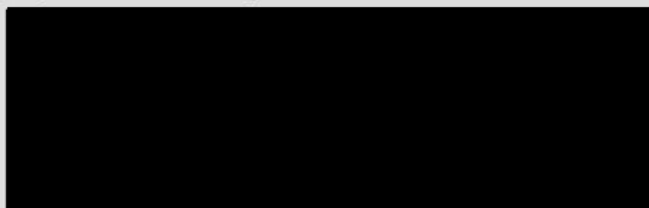
which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- *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.

Name:



Signed:

Date:

23 January 2026

Address:

