

APPENDIX 1



Trustees' Annual Report for the period							
	Period start date				Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
From	1	10	2024	To	30	9	2025

Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator

Reference and administration details

Charity name	Peebles Bowling Club (SCIO)
Other names charity is known by	Peebles BC
Registered charity number	SC052098
Charity's principal address	Walkershaugh Peebles
	Postcode EH45 8AU

Names of the charity trustees on date of approval of Trustees' Annual Report

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Archibald Miller \Milloy	Secretary		
2	Isabel Sterricks	Treasurer		
3	Colin Thomson	Chairman (President)		
4	Mark Smith	Past Chairman (President)		
5	Robbie Knox	Vice President		
6	Andy Borthwick	Match Secretary		
7	Sandra Lindsay	Match Secretary		
8	Dougie Swan	Green Keeper		
9	Jason Brown	Club Convenor		
10	Chris Renwick	Press Officer		
11	Stuart Macdonald	Safeguarding Officer		
12	Hilary Clarke			
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Reference and administration details

Names of all other charity trustees during the period, if any, (for example, those who resigned part way through the financial period)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
Steven Watts	1/10/24 – 3/2/25

Structure, governance and management

Type of governing document	Constitution and Appendices <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Bylaws and Rules 2. Disciplinary Policy and Procedures 3. Data Protection Policy 4. Equality Policy 5. Conflict of Interest Policy 6. Reserves Policy 7. Child Protection and Code of Practice
Trustee recruitment and appointment	Annual election and appointment at Club AGM

Objectives and activities

Charitable purposes	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Advancement of Public participation in the Sport of Bowling. 2. The organisation of recreational activities with the object of improving the conditions of life for all members.
Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provision and maintenance of the bowling green at Walkershaugh, Peebles. • The provision of opportunities for all ages to play bowls e.g. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Entries in Border Leagues both ladies and gents ○ Entries in the Peeblesshire Bowling Association Leagues ○ Organisation of internal club competitions e.g. 2 bowl, triples, rinks, mixed, handicap ○ Organisation of 'open' competitions e.g. singles, pairs, triples, rinks, mixed. ○ Organisation of internal fun games e.g. Wapenshaw, Hat Nights, Ladies' Day ○ Organisation of community opportunities to sample bowling e.g. Traders' Day, Disability Scotland Days, Local Schools Groups, • The maintenance of clubhouse facilities including kitchen, lounge and bar. • The organisation of social gatherings e.g. Dart and Dom Nights; • Making facilities available to other voluntary organisations and clubs.

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the financial period

Executive Summary

In 2025, Peebles Bowling Club (PBC) successfully fulfilled its charitable purposes by achieving record participation levels across various demographics and completing significant **capital expenditure** projects to improve facility accessibility.(See below) The club continues to foster an inclusive environment through dedicated disability programming and diverse competitive opportunities for all age groups.

1. Advancement of Public Participation in Sport

The club saw a marked increase in engagement and competitive involvement throughout the 2025 season.

- **Community Engagement & Participation:** Favourable weather conditions contributed to record attendance at weekly events.
 - The Monday Morning Wapenshaw and Friday Night Hat Night consistently drew between 20 and 35 participants per session.
 - Total unique participation for the season included just under 60 individual players for the Wapenshaw and over 60 for the Hat Nights.
- **Inclusiveness & Disability Integration:** A primary focus remains the integration of all community members into the sport.
 - The PBC Disability Group maintained their active Friday morning sessions, fostering camaraderie and enthusiasm for the game.
 - While a dedicated tournament was postponed due to weather, it has been prioritized for the 2026 calendar to ensure continued **disability integration**.
- **Competitive Representation:** The club supports public participation through organized league play and representative honors.
 - Members competed across six different leagues, including Gents, Ladies, and Seniors.
 - Notable successes included the Senior Border Ladies team being crowned Champions in their inaugural year in the league.

2. Improving Conditions of Life through Recreational Activities

PBC has prioritized **community development** by modernising its infrastructure to ensure the club remains a welcoming and functional space for its members and the wider public.

- **Capital Expenditure & Infrastructure:** The season opened with the completion of new changing rooms and toilet facilities.
 - This project provided essential, fully accessible disabled toilet facilities, directly improving the conditions of life for members with mobility challenges.
 - Ongoing maintenance and further improvements to the Green and Greenkeepers' sheds are scheduled for the winter months to maintain high-quality recreational standards.
- **Social Cohesion:** The club serves as a hub for social interaction, particularly through its "Fun Day" activities and invitational competitions that bring players from other regions (e.g., Motherwell, Lockerbie, and Melrose) to Peebles.
- **Volunteerism:** The club's operations are sustained by a robust network of volunteers and committee members who contribute their time and skills to maintain the club's success.

Future Outlook

As the club approaches its 200th anniversary in 2029, the Trustees remain committed to **community development** and the expansion of facilities, including the consideration of a "Phase 2" project to further enhance the clubhouse. The 2026 season will focus on building upon the record participation of 2025 and delivering the rescheduled disability tournament.

**Opening of
New Extension
(April 2025)**



Funding Sponsors

Sportscotland Facilities Fund

(Awarding funding from The National Lottery)

Scottish Borders Council, Placed Based Investment Fund.

(The Place Based Investment Fund is provided by the Scottish Government and administered on its behalf by the Scottish Borders Council)

Garfield Weston Foundation

(Established in 1958, the Garfield Weston Foundation is a family-founded grant-maker that gives money to support a wide variety of charities across the UK. The Foundation's funding comes from an endowment of shares in the Weston family business – a successful model that still exists today. The Weston family have a consistent aim. The more successful the family businesses, the more money the Foundation can donate.

Each year the Foundation gives away its income and donations have continued to grow. Since it was established it has donated over £1.5 billion, of which over half has been given away in the past ten years. In the most recent financial year the Foundation gave away over £100 million to just under 1,800 charities across the UK)

Peebles Common Good Fund

(The Peebles Common Good Fund is set up for the benefit of the inhabitants of Peebles.)

Scottish Borders Council, Tweeddale Neighbourhood Support Fund

(The Neighbourhood Support Fund helps voluntary and community groups with their community-based projects.)

Clubsport Borders (Tweeddale)

(Dedicated to increasing the number of participants in sport in the Borders and inspiring everyone to improve their lives through physical activity and sport)

Social Investment Scotland

(SIS [Social Investment Scotland], a social enterprise and charity offering loan funding and business support for social enterprises, charities and community groups.)

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The club maintains a reserve fund with a target balance of at least six months' worth of operating expenses incurred in the close season, October – March (Currently £7,000)

The reserve fund is used to cover unexpected costs, such as emergency repairs or unexpected declines in revenue, and to ensure the stability and long-term viability of the club.

The club contributed annually an amount sufficient to maintain target balance.

Details of any deficit

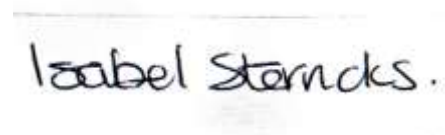
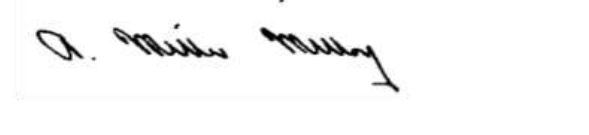
Donated facilities and services (if any)

Other optional information

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Isabel Sterricks	Archibald Miller Milloy
Position (e.g. Chair)	Treasurer	Secretary
Date	2 nd April 2026	2 nd April 2026