Gartmore Heritage Society

Trustees' Annual Report for the period							
	Period start date				*Period end date*		
	Day	*Month*	*Year*		*Day*	*Month*	*Year*
	01	***10***	***2025***		***30***	***09***	***2026***

Reference and administration details

Charity name	**Gartmore Heritage Society**	
Other names charity is known by		
Registered charity number	**SC032725**	
Charity's principal address	**Black Bull Inn**	
	Main Street	
	Gartmore	
	Stirling	**Postcode FK8 3RW**

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	Mr Paul Wilson	Chair		
3	Anita Wilson	Treasurer		
5	Janey Fleming	Secretary		

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

Structure, governance and management

Type of governing document	The charity is controlled by its governing document, its Articles of Association. It is a two-tier structure SCIO and as such the trustees are elected by the membership of the Trust at the AGM.
Trustee recruitment and appointment	Up to three trustees are elected by the membership at the AGM.

Objectives and activities

Charitable purposes	• The Objects of the society are to advance the education of the general public, and in particular the local community, about the heritage of the village of Gartmore and furtherance thereof:- • Carry such research as is necessary • To collect all data available by the means of maps, documents, photographs, statistical documents, written and spoken word and other such material as may become available; • Create and maintain a database to allow for the production of educational information which shall be made publicly available. • Purchase services and equipment for the fulfilment of the above object: and • Operate without distinction of political orientation, religion, race, gender or other opinions.
Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects	• Research - desk and in-field • Academic interactions with Research fellows / Archives / Publishing / Universities. • Support to the community led Charterhouse Project (Perth) - seeking the tomb of James I of Scotland. • Historical Dissemination • Public Talks (6 per year) • Fund Raising Events • Education • National and International Genealogy enquiries • Public lectures

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the financial period	The Society continues with a membership of over 230. 2025 was the village tercentenary Year, which, in the 25/26 season, featured two significant local research ('desktop' and 'in the field') projects. The local community joined SARG (Scottish Arrtefact Recovery Group - detectorists) seeking the lost Gartloaning battle site (circa 1489) - ongoing. The second, a major archival research project at the National Registers of Scotland, The National Library of Scotland, etc. is investigating Cattle Droving - an industry central to Gartmore's economic history. The results to be published in late 2026/27. International outreach and communication continues via our social channels which benefits the cultural profile of both Gartmore and Scotland. Our collection of images has further expanded, viewed in our heritage centre in our community owned Black Bull Inn. Historical materials, are still being donated, bolstering community sense of place and ownership. Our WWII research programme, via documents at The National Archive, has has come to the attention of Edinburgh University and the University of North Carolina at Charlotte and we are assisting in a joint research programme.

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves	The Trustees aim to ring fence £1K of funds to match-fund future projects and funding applications. This reserve will also be required to cashflow the timely payment of visiting contributors. Longer term, the Trustees' policy is to retain sufficient funds to ensure the longer-term viability of the Gartmore Heritage Society as an effective community asset.
Details of any deficit	None.
Donated facilities and services (if any)	None.

Other optional information

Risk Management
All Trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error. We confirm that appropriate policies have been developed, appropriate reviews have been held and actions arising tracked.

Trustee's Remuneration and Expenses
No Trustee has received any expenses during the year.

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)	Mr. Paul Wilson	
Position (e.g. Chair)	Chairman	
Date	30/9/2026	