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Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator

Trustees' Annual Report for the period							
Period start date				Period end date			
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
From	01	07	2024	To	30	06	2025

Reference and administration details

Charity name	5 th Livingston Company, The Boys' Brigade
Other names charity is known by	
Registered charity number	SC037775
Charity's principal address	c/o 125 Bankton Park West, Murieston, Livingston
	Postcode EH549BS

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	Stuart Dalgleish			
2	Boyd Glenn			
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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

Structure, governance and management

Type of governing document

Constitutional form

Trustee recruitment and appointment

Objectives and activities

Charitable purposes

The Charity's objects are;
 The advancement of Christ's Kingdom among Boys and the promotion of habits of Obedience, Reverence, Discipline, Self-Respect and all that tends towards a true Christian Manliness (the 'Objects')
 And all such other charitable and lawful activities as may be approved by the Trustees.

Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects

Provision of a safe environment and high-quality teaching structure to all members of the Company. The Boys' Brigade award structure to be operated and monitored in accordance with Brigade regulations. The awards and opportunities to be accessible to all members of the Company. Main activities include Christian Teaching, music, sports, drill and expedition training and participation. The Company fund raises for and supports nominated charitable projects as well as for its own operation.

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Achievements and performance

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

Continued closure of our normal meeting place (undergoing major repairs) remained a restricting factor on maintaining all of our normal activities.

Work on Queens Awards (the highest award within The Boys' Brigade) maintained two candidates for 2024/2025 session.

8 Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Awards completed.

2 Duke of Edinburgh Silver Awards completed with 8 in progress

7 Duke of Edinburgh Gold Awards in progress

Summer Camp (1 week) for 11-18 year olds carried out in July 2024 with a home canvass camp for Boys and Staff.

Bagpipe and Drum tutoring continued exceptional progress through the session. Links with Edinburgh Leith and District Pipe Band continue.

Additional Company Friday night meetings continued, aimed at health and exercise amongst 11-18 year olds.

3 young (18-26) staff members continuing roles at Battalion Level within the Brigade.

Several members of the Company supported into higher awards and training as well as a continued focus on ensuring an inclusive approach for all members.

Overall focus on outdoor activities and Staff training continues to expand outdoor Kayak activities, Cycling and expedition all undertaken during the session.

New Company award and badge scheme successfully implemented and continues to operate well.

Our long awaited return to Oloolua, Kenya and Project Stedfast took place in October 2024,

The abbreviated highlights of our trip include:

Service of Celebration at Oloolua Parish Church complete with our very own Pipes and Drums, a Parade and dedication of the newly constructed Brigade Hall. (All in 30 degrees of sunshine).

Upgrading of the solar power system for the Disabled Unit

Upgrading of the kitchen with new cooker, fridge and freezer.

Construction of wheelchair friendly pathways around the school with around 350 slabs laid with drainage to cope with the rainy seasons. Retaining blockwork and 3 lorry loads of hardcore and gravel shovelled by hand to create an access to the new Brigade Hall.

February 2025 saw our return to The Lanthorn Community Centre and first events included a joint Parade with Band through Dedridge to the official opening of The Lanthorn along with our first Presentation of Awards in The Lanthorn since 2019.

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The Company will endeavour to maintain an annual reserve of £1500.00 which in the event of difficulty would ensure the continuance of the Company in a proper and legal manner with full insurances for a period of twelve months to allow for fundraising activities.

Details of any deficit

Donated facilities and services (if any)

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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)	Stuart Dalglish <i>Stuart Dalglish</i>	
Full name(s)	Stuart Dalglish	
Position (e.g. Chair)	Chair	
Date	27/02/2025	