

Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association

Northern Ireland · Charity number 101765

Details

Status	Received
Registered	2015-08-25
Register	View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register

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Activities

Purposes: I. To promote and preserve for the public benefit the culture and heritage of local people, in particular of those whom reside in the Glenelly, Slievekirk, Newbuildings and Waterside area of Strabane and Derry District Council areas (hereinafter called “the area of benefit”). II. To facilitate the examination, exploration and appreciation by all of Ulster – Scottish history, heritage and culture in an open and positive manner, to mutual understanding between people of different traditions without distinction of sex, age, race, colour, nationality, ethnic origin, or political, religious or other opinion, the object of which is to improve the quality of life of the said inhabitants. III. To provide a local educational resource for Ulster Scots Culture and Heritage for the public benefit.

What the charity does: The advancement of education, The advancement of citizenship or community development, The advancement of the arts, culture, heritage or science

How the charity works: Arts, Community development, Cultural, Economic development, Education/training, Heritage/historical, Rural development

Who the charity helps: General public, Language community, Voluntary and community sector, Youth (14-25 year olds)

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£175,330	£162,379	£0	3

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Ivan Henderson		
Mr Dean Mccarter		
Mr Tim Brown		
Mrs Emma Brown		
Mrs Jill Smallwoods		
Norman Allen		
Stephen Kelly		

Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association

Northern Ireland - Charity number 101765

Accounts

**Bready & District Ulster Scots Development
Association**

Company Limited by Guarantee

Unaudited Financial Statements

31 March 2025

KEITH McELHINNEY & CO

Chartered Accountants
42A Clooney Terrace
Waterside
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Financial Statements

Year ended 31 March 2025

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Trustees' Annual Report (Incorporating the Director's Report)

Year ended 31 March 2025

The trustees, who are also the directors for the purposes of company law, present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Reference and administrative details

Registered charity name	Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association
Charity registration number	101765
Company registration number	NI046528
Principal office and registered office	231 Victoria Road Bready Strabane Co. Tyrone BT82 0EB

The trustees

Mr N Allen
Mr. IA Henderson
Mr SR Kelly
Emma Brown
Tim Brown
Dean McCarter
Jill Smallwoods

Independent examiner	Keith McElhinney Chartered Accountant 42A Clooney Terrace Waterside Londonderry BT47 6AP
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Structure, governance and management

The Charity is managed by an Executive Committee which consists of all the appointed trustees, and the selection of any new Trustees is dealt with by that Committee.

The Charity was incorporated on 16 May 2003, and is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association dated at that time.

Objectives and activities

The purposes of the Charity can be summarised as follows;

" To facilitate the examination, exploration and appreciation by all of Ulster Scottish history, heritage and culture

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Trustees' Annual Report (Incorporating the Director's Report) *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2025

Objectives and activities *(continued)*

" To promote Culture confidence and civic pride, bolster morale of the community and harness the abilities of local people

" To promote and preserve the culture and heritage of local people, and assist in social and economic well being through local development programmes

" To encourage the establishment, maintenance and development of other community associations within the area of benefit, providing support, information and advice in furtherance of this objective

Main Activities to further the Charity`s purposes for the public benefit

Bready and District Ulster Scots own and manage the Sollus Centre which provides a space and support for connected groups which brings 300 people from the community into the centre weekly. We deliver outreach tuition programs in Ulster Scots Music and Highland dance to over 500 children in various schools and community groups in the North West, as well as programs for good relations departments in local councils, promoting Ulster Scots Culture. We offer guidance on funding opportunities, governance, event planning and training needs as well as assisting member groups to access funding from a range of sources. Deliverance of talks and workshops to a wide range of audiences including local history groups and community organisations, as well as local heritage tours in the local area. Present interactive history, language and music workshops in schools. Produce educational material on a range of relevant topics as well as maintain an informative and current website and social media presence Provide, manage and resource local historical artifacts and databases that are used to assist visitors to research their heritage and links with the area.

Achievements and performance

This year has been marked by momentum and development, with Ulster Scots culture gaining greater visibility across the North West and beyond. Our workshops and school tuition projects continue to thrive, with participation levels exceeding expectations, and volunteers, particularly younger members taking on leadership roles that strengthen long term resilience and future proofing. Demand for our artists is rising, user groups are growing with the support of our purpose built facilities, and the overall quality of our programmes is setting a higher standard year on year. Guided by our strategy, we are focused on structuring the Ulster Scots revival by broadening participation, expanding community programmes, promoting heritage with stakeholders, dovetailing local groups, and securing the funding and infrastructure needed to sustain and grow our work. Collaboration with several other groups and organisations has benefited Bready Ulster Scots greatly, fostering stronger partnerships, widening our reach, and enhancing the impact of our cultural programmes.

Financial review

The Charity had a surplus for the year to 31 March 2025 of £12,951 (2024: deficit £10,888), and at 31 March 2025 had net assets of £445,270 (2024: £432,319). As at 31 March 2025 the Charity had no funds in material deficit

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Trustees' Annual Report (Incorporating the Director's Report) *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2025

Small company provisions

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies entitled to the small companies exemption.

The trustees' annual report was approved on 10 December 2025 and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Stephen Kelly', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Mr SR Kelly
Trustee

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association

Year ended 31 March 2025

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association ('the charity') for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 (the '2008 Act') and the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act'). You are satisfied that the accounts of the company are not required by charity or company law to be audited and have chosen instead to have an independent examination.

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements as carried out under section 65 of the 2008 Act. In carrying out my examination I have followed the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the 2008 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with my examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
3. the financial statements do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2025

I confirm that there are no other matters to which your attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Keith McElhinney
Chartered Accountant
Independent Examiner

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Waterside
Londonderry
BT47 6AP

10 December 2025

Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association

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Statement of Financial Activities (including income and expenditure account)

Year ended 31 March 2025

		Unrestricted funds	2025 Restricted funds	Total funds	2024 Total funds
	Note	£	£	£	£
Income and endowments					
Donations and legacies	5	71,414	50,728	122,143	70,679
Charitable activities	6	53,187	–	53,187	64,275
Total income		<u>124,601</u>	<u>50,728</u>	<u>175,330</u>	<u>134,954</u>
Expenditure					
Expenditure on charitable activities	7,8	114,039	48,339	162,379	145,842
Total expenditure		<u>114,039</u>	<u>48,339</u>	<u>162,379</u>	<u>145,842</u>
Net income/(expenditure) and net movement in funds					
		<u>10,562</u>	<u>2,389</u>	<u>12,951</u>	<u>(10,888)</u>
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		435,501	(3,182)	432,319	443,207
Total funds carried forward		<u>446,063</u>	<u>(793)</u>	<u>445,270</u>	<u>432,319</u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 9 to 17 form part of these financial statements.

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Statement of Financial Position

31 March 2025

	Note	2025 £	2024 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible fixed assets	13	565,056	557,885
Current assets			
Debtors	14	6,779	15,754
Cash at bank and in hand		73,023	26,884
		<u>79,802</u>	<u>42,638</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	15	<u>14,782</u>	<u>1,224</u>
Net current assets		<u>65,020</u>	<u>41,414</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		630,076	599,299
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	16	<u>184,806</u>	<u>166,980</u>
Net assets		<u>445,270</u>	<u>432,319</u>
Funds of the charity			
Restricted funds		(793)	(3,182)
Unrestricted funds		<u>446,063</u>	<u>435,501</u>
Total charity funds	19	<u>445,270</u>	<u>432,319</u>

For the year ending 31 March 2025 the charity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476;
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

The statement of financial position
continues on the following page.

The notes on pages 9 to 17 form part of these financial statements.

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Statement of Financial Position *(continued)*

31 March 2025

These financial statements were approved by the board of trustees and authorised for issue on 10 December 2025, and are signed on behalf of the board by:



Mr SR Kelly
Trustee

The notes on pages 9 to 17 form part of these financial statements.

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Notes to the Financial Statements

Year ended 31 March 2025

1. General information

The charity is a public benefit entity and a private company limited by guarantee, registered in Northern Ireland and a registered charity in Northern Ireland. The address of the registered office is 231 Victoria Road, Bready, Strabane, Co. Tyrone, BT82 0EB.

2. Statement of compliance

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland', the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and the Companies Act 2006.

3. Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, as modified by the revaluation of certain financial assets and liabilities and investment properties measured at fair value through income or expenditure.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the entity.

Going concern

There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

Disclosure exemptions

No cash flow statement has been presented for the company.

Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported. These estimates and judgements are continually reviewed and are based on experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees to further any of the charity's purposes.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the trustees for particular future project or commitment.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure declared by the donor or through the terms of an appeal, and fall into one of two sub-classes: restricted income funds or endowment funds.

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Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2025

3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when entitlement has passed to the charity; it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the charity and the amount can be reliably measured. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- income from donations or grants is recognised when there is evidence of entitlement to the gift, receipt is probable and its amount can be measured reliably.
- legacy income is recognised when receipt is probable and entitlement is established.
- income from donated goods is measured at the fair value of the goods unless this is impractical to measure reliably, in which case the value is derived from the cost to the donor or the estimated resale value. Donated facilities and services are recognised in the accounts when received if the value can be reliably measured. No amounts are included for the contribution of general volunteers.
- income from contracts for the supply of services is recognised with the delivery of the contracted service. This is classified as unrestricted funds unless there is a contractual requirement for it to be spent on a particular purpose and returned if unspent, in which case it may be regarded as restricted.

Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is classified under headings of the statement of financial activities to which it relates:

- expenditure on raising funds includes the costs of all fundraising activities, events, non-charitable trading activities, and the sale of donated goods.
- expenditure on charitable activities includes all costs incurred by a charity in undertaking activities that further its charitable aims for the benefit of its beneficiaries, including those support costs and costs relating to the governance of the charity apportioned to charitable activities.
- other expenditure includes all expenditure that is neither related to raising funds for the charity nor part of its expenditure on charitable activities.

All costs are allocated to expenditure categories reflecting the use of the resource. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs are apportioned between the activities they contribute to on a reasonable, justifiable and consistent basis.

Tangible assets

Tangible assets are initially recorded at cost, and subsequently stated at cost less any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses. Any tangible assets carried at revalued amounts are recorded at the fair value at the date of revaluation less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

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Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2025

3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Tangible assets *(continued)*

An increase in the carrying amount of an asset as a result of a revaluation, is recognised in other recognised gains and losses, unless it reverses a charge for impairment that has previously been recognised as expenditure within the statement of financial activities. A decrease in the carrying amount of an asset as a result of revaluation, is recognised in other recognised gains and losses, except to which it offsets any previous revaluation gain, in which case the loss is shown within other recognised gains and losses on the statement of financial activities.

Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost or valuation of an asset, less its residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

Freehold property	-	2% straight line
Fixtures and fittings	-	10% straight line

Impairment of fixed assets

A review for indicators of impairment is carried out at each reporting date, with the recoverable amount being estimated where such indicators exist. Where the carrying value exceeds the recoverable amount, the asset is impaired accordingly. Prior impairments are also reviewed for possible reversal at each reporting date.

For the purposes of impairment testing, when it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, an estimate is made of the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs. The cash-generating unit is the smallest identifiable group of assets that includes the asset and generates cash inflows that largely independent of the cash inflows from other assets or groups of assets.

For impairment testing of goodwill, the goodwill acquired in a business combination is, from the acquisition date, allocated to each of the cash-generating units that are expected to benefit from the synergies of the combination, irrespective of whether other assets or liabilities of the charity are assigned to those units.

Government grants

Government grants are recognised at the fair value of the asset received or receivable. Grants are not recognised until there is reasonable assurance that the charity will comply with the conditions attaching to them and the grants will be received.

Where the grant does not impose specified future performance-related conditions on the recipient, it is recognised in income when the grant proceeds are received or receivable. Where the grant does impose specified future performance-related conditions on the recipient, it is recognised in income only when the performance-related conditions have been met. Where grants received are prior to satisfying the revenue recognition criteria, they are recognised as a liability.

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Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

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3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Financial instruments

A financial asset or a financial liability is recognised only when the charity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at the amount receivable or payable including any related transaction costs.

Current assets and current liabilities are subsequently measured at the cash or other consideration expected to be paid or received and not discounted.

Debt instruments are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

Where investments in shares are publicly traded or their fair value can otherwise be measured reliably, the investment is subsequently measured at fair value with changes in fair value recognised in income and expenditure. All other such investments are subsequently measured at cost less impairment.

Other financial instruments, including derivatives, are initially recognised at fair value, unless payment for an asset is deferred beyond normal business terms or financed at a rate of interest that is not a market rate, in which case the asset is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument.

Other financial instruments are subsequently measured at fair value, with any changes recognised in the statement of financial activities, with the exception of hedging instruments in a designated hedging relationship.

Financial assets that are measured at cost or amortised cost are reviewed for objective evidence of impairment at the end of each reporting date. If there is objective evidence of impairment, an impairment loss is recognised under the appropriate heading in the statement of financial activities in which the initial gain was recognised.

For all equity instruments regardless of significance, and other financial assets that are individually significant, these are assessed individually for impairment. Other financial assets are either assessed individually or grouped on the basis of similar credit risk characteristics.

Any reversals of impairment are recognised immediately, to the extent that the reversal does not result in a carrying amount of the financial asset that exceeds what the carrying amount would have been had the impairment not previously been recognised.

4. Limited by guarantee

Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association is a company limited by guarantee (restricted to £1 per full member) and not having a share capital and is registered as a charity

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Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2025

5. Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2025 £
Donations			
Donations	160	–	160
Grants			
Department for Education	–	–	–
Derry City & Strabane DC Grants	17,649	–	17,649
Ulster Scots Agency Grants	28,558	28,002	56,561
Department for Communities	18,560	6,598	25,158
Rapid Grant	4,150	–	4,150
Exam Fees Grant	1,737	–	1,737
Peace Plus	600	–	600
Halifax	–	3,000	3,000
Capital grant release	–	13,128	13,128
	<u>71,414</u>	<u>50,728</u>	<u>122,143</u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £
Donations			
Donations	700	–	700
Grants			
Department for Education	–	15,690	15,690
Derry City & Strabane DC Grants	17,596	–	17,596
Ulster Scots Agency Grants	8,460	–	8,460
Department for Communities	–	14,646	14,646
Rapid Grant	–	1,150	1,150
Exam Fees Grant	–	–	–
Peace Plus	–	–	–
Halifax	–	–	–
Capital grant release	–	12,437	12,437
	<u>26,756</u>	<u>43,923</u>	<u>70,679</u>

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6. Charitable activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2025 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £
Performances & Activities	23,668	23,668	36,833	36,833
Sale of goods/services made or provided by the beneficiaries of the charity	17,330	17,330	14,796	14,796
Rent receivable	12,189	12,189	12,646	12,646
	<u>53,187</u>	<u>53,187</u>	<u>64,275</u>	<u>64,275</u>

7. Expenditure on charitable activities by fund type

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2025 £
Charitable Activity	110,606	48,339	158,945
Support costs	3,433	–	3,434
	<u>114,039</u>	<u>48,339</u>	<u>162,379</u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £
Charitable Activity	98,517	43,902	142,419
Support costs	3,423	–	3,423
	<u>101,940</u>	<u>43,902</u>	<u>145,842</u>

8. Expenditure on charitable activities by activity type

	Activities undertaken directly	Support costs	Total funds 2025 £	Total fund 2024 £
Charitable Activity	<u>158,945</u>	<u>3,434</u>	<u>162,379</u>	<u>145,842</u>

9. Net income/(expenditure)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2025 £	2024 £
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	<u>24,759</u>	<u>23,594</u>

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10. Independent examination fees

	2025	2024
	£	£
Fees payable to the independent examiner for: Independent examination of the financial statements	<u>1,294</u>	<u>1,020</u>

11. Staff costs

The total staff costs and employee benefits for the reporting period are analysed as follows:

	2025	2024
	£	£
Wages and salaries	<u>26,294</u>	<u>18,904</u>

The average head count of employees during the year was 5 (2024: 5). The average number of full-time equivalent employees during the year is analysed as follows:

	2025	2024
	No.	No.
Number of staff - admin	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>

No employee received employee benefits of more than £60,000 during the year (2024: Nil).

12. Trustee remuneration and expenses

no remuneration or other benefits from employment with the charity or a related entity were received by the trustees

13. Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold property £	Fixtures and fittings £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 April 2024	640,219	126,094	766,313
Additions	<u>25,349</u>	<u>6,581</u>	<u>31,930</u>
At 31 March 2025	<u>665,568</u>	<u>132,675</u>	<u>798,243</u>
Depreciation			
At 1 April 2024	158,132	50,296	208,428
Charge for the year	<u>12,787</u>	<u>11,972</u>	<u>24,759</u>
At 31 March 2025	<u>170,919</u>	<u>62,268</u>	<u>233,187</u>
Carrying amount			
At 31 March 2025	<u>494,649</u>	<u>70,407</u>	<u>565,056</u>
At 31 March 2024	<u>482,087</u>	<u>75,798</u>	<u>557,885</u>

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Year ended 31 March 2025

14. Debtors

	2025	2024
	£	£
Trade debtors	1,730	6,712
Other debtors	5,049	9,042
	<u>6,779</u>	<u>15,754</u>

15. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2025	2024
	£	£
Trade creditors	11,689	–
Accruals and deferred income	1,384	1,224
Social security and other taxes	1,709	–
	<u>14,782</u>	<u>1,224</u>

16. Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year

	2025	2024
	£	£
Accruals and deferred income	184,806	166,980

17. Deferred income

	2025	2024
	£	£
At 1 April 2024	166,979	93,182
Amount released to income	(13,128)	(12,436)
Amount deferred in year	30,955	86,234
At 31 March 2025	<u>184,806</u>	<u>166,980</u>

18. Government grants

The amounts recognised in the financial statements for government grants are as follows:

	2025	2024
	£	£
Recognised in creditors:		
Deferred government grants due after more than one year	184,806	166,980
Recognised in income from donations and legacies:		
Government grants income	<u>13,128</u>	<u>12,437</u>

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Year ended 31 March 2025

19. Analysis of charitable funds

Unrestricted funds

	At 1 April 2024	Income	Expenditure	At 31 March 2025
	£	£	£	£
General funds	<u>435,501</u>	<u>124,601</u>	<u>(114,039)</u>	<u>446,063</u>

	At 1 April 2023	Income	Expenditure	At 31 March 2024
	£	£	£	£
General funds	<u>446,410</u>	<u>91,031</u>	<u>(101,940)</u>	<u>435,501</u>

Restricted funds

	At 1 April 2024	Income	Expenditure	At 31 March 2025
	£	£	£	£
Restricted Funds	<u>(3,182)</u>	<u>50,728</u>	<u>(48,339)</u>	<u>(793)</u>

	At 1 April 2023	Income	Expenditure	At 31 March 2024
	£	£	£	£
Restricted Funds	<u>(3,203)</u>	<u>43,923</u>	<u>(43,902)</u>	<u>(3,182)</u>

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Management Information

Year ended 31 March 2025

The following pages do not form part of the financial statements.

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities

Year ended 31 March 2025

	2025 £	2024 £
Income and endowments		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	160	700
Department for Education	–	15,690
Derry City & Strabane DC Grants	17,649	17,596
Ulster Scots Agency Grants	56,561	8,460
Department for Communities	25,158	14,646
Rapid Grant	4,150	1,150
Exam Fees Grant	1,737	–
Peace Plus	600	–
Halifax	3,000	–
Capital grant release	13,128	12,437
	<u>122,143</u>	<u>70,679</u>
Charitable activities		
Performances & Activities	23,668	36,833
Sale of goods/services made or provided by the beneficiaries of the charity	17,330	14,796
Rent receivable	12,189	12,646
	<u>53,187</u>	<u>64,275</u>
Total income	<u>175,330</u>	<u>134,954</u>

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2025

	2025 £	2024 £
Expenditure		
Expenditure on charitable activities		
Purchases	14,151	10,144
Wages and salaries	26,294	18,904
Rates and water	595	370
Light and heat	6,591	6,619
Repairs and maintenance	3,511	5,474
Insurance	2,539	1,959
Legal and professional fees	1,660	1,572
Telephone	1,301	1,134
Other office costs	1,167	1,147
Depreciation	24,759	23,594
Bank charges	607	704
Printing, postage & stationery	3,099	2,948
Advertising	518	–
Travel costs	539	642
Direct charitable activity - Programme Costs	72,376	69,828
Direct charitable activity - Catering	405	803
Caretaker	2,267	–
	<u>162,379</u>	<u>145,842</u>
Total expenditure	<u>162,379</u>	<u>145,842</u>
Net income/(expenditure)	<u>12,951</u>	<u>(10,888)</u>

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Notes to the Detailed Statement of Financial Activities

Year ended 31 March 2025

	2025 £	2024 £
Expenditure on charitable activities		
Charitable Activity		
<i>Activities undertaken directly</i>		
Direct charitable activity 1 - purchases	14,151	10,144
Direct charitable activity - wages/salaries	26,294	18,904
Direct charitable activity - rates & water	595	370
Direct charitable activity - light & heat	6,591	6,619
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Direct charitable activity - Advertising	518	-
Direct charitable activity - Travel costs	539	642
Direct charitable activity - Programme Costs	72,376	69,828
Direct charitable activity - Catering	405	803
Caretaker	2,267	-
	<u>158,945</u>	<u>142,419</u>
<i>Support costs</i>		
Support charitable activity - legal and professional fees	1,660	1,572
Support charitable activity - General expenses	1,167	1,147
Support charitable activity - Bank charges	607	704
	<u>3,434</u>	<u>3,423</u>
	<u>162,379</u>	<u>145,842</u>

Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association

Northern Ireland - Charity number 101765

Accounts

**Bready & District Ulster Scots Development
Association**

Company Limited by Guarantee

Unaudited Financial Statements

31 March 2024

KEITH McELHINNEY & CO

Chartered Accountants
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Trustees' Annual Report (Incorporating the Director's Report)

Year ended 31 March 2024

The trustees, who are also the directors for the purposes of company law, present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Reference and administrative details

Registered charity name	Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association
Charity registration number	101765
Company registration number	NI046528
Principal office and registered office	231 Victoria Road Bready Strabane Co. Tyrone BT82 0EB

The trustees

Mr N Allen
Mr. IA Henderson
Mr SR Kelly
Mr K McFarland
Rhonda Shannon

Independent examiner	Keith McElhinney Chartered Accountant 42A Clooney Terrace Waterside Londonderry BT47 6AP
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Structure, governance and management

The Charity is managed by an Executive Committee which consists of all the appointed trustees, and the selection of any new Trustees is dealt with by that Committee.

The Charity was incorporated on 16 May 2003, and is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association dated at that time.

Objectives and activities

The purposes of the Charity can be summarised as follows;

" To facilitate the examination, exploration and appreciation by all of Ulster Scottish history, heritage and culture

" To promote Culture confidence and civic pride, bolster morale of the community and harness the abilities of local people

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Trustees' Annual Report (Incorporating the Director's Report) *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2024

Objectives and activities *(continued)*

" To promote and preserve the culture and heritage of local people, and assist in social and economic well being through local development programmes

" To encourage the establishment, maintenance and development of other community associations within the area of benefit, providing support, information and advice in furtherance of this objective

Main Activities to further the Charity's purposes for the public benefit

Bready and District Ulster Scots own and manage the Sollus Centre which provides a space and support for connected groups which brings 300 people from the community into the centre weekly. We deliver outreach tuition programs in Ulster Scots Music and Highland dance to over 500 children in various schools and community groups in the North West, as well as programs for good relations departments in local councils, promoting Ulster Scots Culture. We offer guidance on funding opportunities, governance, event planning and training needs as well as assisting member groups to access funding from a range of sources. Deliverance of talks and workshops to a wide range of audiences including local history groups and community organisations, as well as local heritage tours in the local area. Present interactive history, language and music workshops in schools. Produce educational material on a range of relevant topics as well as maintain an informative and current website and social media presence Provide, manage and resource local historical artifacts and databases that are used to assist visitors to research their heritage and links with the area.

Achievements and performance

The continued focus of our group remains the development and promotion of Ulster Scots culture throughout the North West, regional and in some cases international. We continue to successfully deliver history, language, and cultural workshops both in our centre and through our outreach activities. Our Highland Dance, Piping & Bb Flute Tuition Project has resumed in schools and numbers continue to exceed the predicted targets. We are fortunate to have retained and added to the many dedicated volunteers who are now busier than ever with an increase in activities / events with younger personnel taking up more responsible roles. The centre is thriving with rehearsals and with an increased demand from other groups for our artistes to perform which has made it the busiest it has been since its foundation.

Overall, user groups numbers are up with some of this down to our recently installed audio/video equipment, enabling us to host hybrid meetings in the main hall-one of the very few facilities in the Council area capable of this. We continue to fundraise to maintain our current activities and contribute to sustainability, and with the support of all user groups, we are meeting our commitment's.

Financial review

The Charity incurred a deficit for the year to 31 March 2024 of £10,888 (2023: deficit £8,754), and at 31 March 2024 had net assets of £432,319 (2023: £443,207). As at 31 March 2024 the Charity had no funds in material deficit

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Trustees' Annual Report (Incorporating the Director's Report) *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2024

Small company provisions

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies entitled to the small companies exemption.

The trustees' annual report was approved on 9 December 2024 and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:

A handwritten signature in red ink, appearing to read 'Stephen Kelly', is written over a horizontal line.

Mr SR Kelly
Trustee

Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association

Year ended 31 March 2024

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association ('the charity') for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 (the '2008 Act') and the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act'). You are satisfied that the accounts of the company are not required by charity or company law to be audited and have chosen instead to have an independent examination.

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements as carried out under section 65 of the 2008 Act. In carrying out my examination I have followed the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the 2008 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with my examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
3. the financial statements do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2024

I confirm that there are no other matters to which your attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Keith McElhinney
Chartered Accountant
Independent Examiner

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9 December 2024

Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association

Company Limited by Guarantee

Statement of Financial Activities (including income and expenditure account)

Year ended 31 March 2024

			2024		2023
	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £	Total funds £
Income and endowments					
Donations and legacies	5	26,756	43,923	70,679	168,975
Charitable activities	6	64,275	—	64,275	44,043
Total income		<u>91,031</u>	<u>43,923</u>	<u>134,954</u>	<u>213,018</u>
Expenditure					
Expenditure on charitable activities	7,8	<u>101,940</u>	<u>43,902</u>	<u>145,842</u>	<u>221,772</u>
Total expenditure		<u>101,940</u>	<u>43,902</u>	<u>145,842</u>	<u>221,772</u>
Net expenditure and net movement in funds					
		<u>(10,909)</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>(10,888)</u>	<u>(8,754)</u>
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		446,410	(3,203)	443,207	451,961
Total funds carried forward		<u>435,501</u>	<u>(3,182)</u>	<u>432,319</u>	<u>443,207</u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.
All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 9 to 17 form part of these financial statements.

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Statement of Financial Position

31 March 2024

	Note	2024 £	2023 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible fixed assets	13	557,885	489,208
Current assets			
Debtors	14	15,754	87,711
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>26,884</u>	<u>6,717</u>
		42,638	94,428
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	15	<u>1,224</u>	<u>47,247</u>
Net current assets		<u>41,414</u>	<u>47,181</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		599,299	536,389
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	16	<u>166,980</u>	<u>93,182</u>
Net assets		<u>432,319</u>	<u>443,207</u>
Funds of the charity			
Restricted funds		(3,182)	(3,203)
Unrestricted funds		<u>435,501</u>	<u>446,410</u>
Total charity funds	19	<u>432,319</u>	<u>443,207</u>

For the year ending 31 March 2024 the charity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476;
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

The statement of financial position
continues on the following page.

The notes on pages 9 to 17 form part of these financial statements.

Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association

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Statement of Financial Position *(continued)*

31 March 2024

These financial statements were approved by the board of trustees and authorised for issue on 9 December 2024, and are signed on behalf of the board by:



Mr SR Kelly
Trustee

The notes on pages 9 to 17 form part of these financial statements.

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Notes to the Financial Statements

Year ended 31 March 2024

1. General information

The charity is a public benefit entity and a private company limited by guarantee, registered in Northern Ireland and a registered charity in Northern Ireland. The address of the registered office is 231 Victoria Road, Bready, Strabane, Co. Tyrone, BT82 0EB.

2. Statement of compliance

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland', the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and the Companies Act 2006.

3. Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, as modified by the revaluation of certain financial assets and liabilities and investment properties measured at fair value through income or expenditure.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the entity.

Going concern

There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

Disclosure exemptions

No cash flow statement has been presented for the company.

Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported. These estimates and judgements are continually reviewed and are based on experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees to further any of the charity's purposes.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the trustees for particular future project or commitment.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure declared by the donor or through the terms of an appeal, and fall into one of two sub-classes: restricted income funds or endowment funds.

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Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2024

3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when entitlement has passed to the charity; it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the charity and the amount can be reliably measured. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- income from donations or grants is recognised when there is evidence of entitlement to the gift, receipt is probable and its amount can be measured reliably.
- legacy income is recognised when receipt is probable and entitlement is established.
- income from donated goods is measured at the fair value of the goods unless this is impractical to measure reliably, in which case the value is derived from the cost to the donor or the estimated resale value. Donated facilities and services are recognised in the accounts when received if the value can be reliably measured. No amounts are included for the contribution of general volunteers.
- income from contracts for the supply of services is recognised with the delivery of the contracted service. This is classified as unrestricted funds unless there is a contractual requirement for it to be spent on a particular purpose and returned if unspent, in which case it may be regarded as restricted.

Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is classified under headings of the statement of financial activities to which it relates:

- expenditure on raising funds includes the costs of all fundraising activities, events, non-charitable trading activities, and the sale of donated goods.
- expenditure on charitable activities includes all costs incurred by a charity in undertaking activities that further its charitable aims for the benefit of its beneficiaries, including those support costs and costs relating to the governance of the charity apportioned to charitable activities.
- other expenditure includes all expenditure that is neither related to raising funds for the charity nor part of its expenditure on charitable activities.

All costs are allocated to expenditure categories reflecting the use of the resource. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs are apportioned between the activities they contribute to on a reasonable, justifiable and consistent basis.

Tangible assets

Tangible assets are initially recorded at cost, and subsequently stated at cost less any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses. Any tangible assets carried at revalued amounts are recorded at the fair value at the date of revaluation less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

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Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2024

3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Tangible assets *(continued)*

An increase in the carrying amount of an asset as a result of a revaluation, is recognised in other recognised gains and losses, unless it reverses a charge for impairment that has previously been recognised as expenditure within the statement of financial activities. A decrease in the carrying amount of an asset as a result of revaluation, is recognised in other recognised gains and losses, except to which it offsets any previous revaluation gain, in which case the loss is shown within other recognised gains and losses on the statement of financial activities.

Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost or valuation of an asset, less its residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

Freehold property	-	2% straight line
Fixtures and fittings	-	10% straight line

Impairment of fixed assets

A review for indicators of impairment is carried out at each reporting date, with the recoverable amount being estimated where such indicators exist. Where the carrying value exceeds the recoverable amount, the asset is impaired accordingly. Prior impairments are also reviewed for possible reversal at each reporting date.

For the purposes of impairment testing, when it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, an estimate is made of the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs. The cash-generating unit is the smallest identifiable group of assets that includes the asset and generates cash inflows that largely independent of the cash inflows from other assets or groups of assets.

For impairment testing of goodwill, the goodwill acquired in a business combination is, from the acquisition date, allocated to each of the cash-generating units that are expected to benefit from the synergies of the combination, irrespective of whether other assets or liabilities of the charity are assigned to those units.

Government grants

Government grants are recognised at the fair value of the asset received or receivable. Grants are not recognised until there is reasonable assurance that the charity will comply with the conditions attaching to them and the grants will be received.

Where the grant does not impose specified future performance-related conditions on the recipient, it is recognised in income when the grant proceeds are received or receivable. Where the grant does impose specified future performance-related conditions on the recipient, it is recognised in income only when the performance-related conditions have been met. Where grants received are prior to satisfying the revenue recognition criteria, they are recognised as a liability.

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Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2024

3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Financial instruments

A financial asset or a financial liability is recognised only when the charity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at the amount receivable or payable including any related transaction costs.

Current assets and current liabilities are subsequently measured at the cash or other consideration expected to be paid or received and not discounted.

Debt instruments are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

Where investments in shares are publicly traded or their fair value can otherwise be measured reliably, the investment is subsequently measured at fair value with changes in fair value recognised in income and expenditure. All other such investments are subsequently measured at cost less impairment.

Other financial instruments, including derivatives, are initially recognised at fair value, unless payment for an asset is deferred beyond normal business terms or financed at a rate of interest that is not a market rate, in which case the asset is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument.

Other financial instruments are subsequently measured at fair value, with any changes recognised in the statement of financial activities, with the exception of hedging instruments in a designated hedging relationship.

Financial assets that are measured at cost or amortised cost are reviewed for objective evidence of impairment at the end of each reporting date. If there is objective evidence of impairment, an impairment loss is recognised under the appropriate heading in the statement of financial activities in which the initial gain was recognised.

For all equity instruments regardless of significance, and other financial assets that are individually significant, these are assessed individually for impairment. Other financial assets are either assessed individually or grouped on the basis of similar credit risk characteristics.

Any reversals of impairment are recognised immediately, to the extent that the reversal does not result in a carrying amount of the financial asset that exceeds what the carrying amount would have been had the impairment not previously been recognised.

4. Limited by guarantee

Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association is a company limited by guarantee (restricted to £1 per full member) and not having a share capital and is registered as a charity

Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association

Company Limited by Guarantee

Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2024

5. Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £
Donations			
Donations	700	–	700
Grants			
Department for Education	–	15,690	15,690
Lottery Fund	–	–	–
Derry City & Strabane DC Grants	17,596	–	17,596
Ulster Scots Agency Grants	8,460	–	8,460
Community Foundation	–	–	–
Department for Communities	–	14,646	14,646
Rapid Grant	–	1,150	1,150
Capital grant release	–	12,437	12,437
	<u>26,756</u>	<u>43,923</u>	<u>70,679</u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Donations			
Donations	–	–	–
Grants			
Department for Education	–	88,500	88,500
Lottery Fund	–	7,390	7,390
Derry City & Strabane DC Grants	21,081	30,760	51,841
Ulster Scots Agency Grants	9,250	–	9,250
Community Foundation	–	1,380	1,380
Department for Communities	–	–	–
Rapid Grant	–	–	–
Capital grant release	–	10,614	10,614
	<u>30,331</u>	<u>138,644</u>	<u>168,975</u>

6. Charitable activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Performances & Activities	36,833	36,833	17,390	17,390
Sale of goods/services made or provided by the beneficiaries of the charity	14,796	14,796	10,300	10,300
Rent receivable	12,646	12,646	16,353	16,353
	<u>64,275</u>	<u>64,275</u>	<u>44,043</u>	<u>44,043</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2024

7. Expenditure on charitable activities by fund type

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £
Charitable Activity	98,517	43,902	142,419
Support costs	<u>3,423</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>3,423</u>
	<u>101,940</u>	<u>43,902</u>	<u>145,842</u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Charitable Activity	71,837	143,608	215,446
Support costs	<u>6,046</u>	<u>281</u>	<u>6,326</u>
	<u>77,883</u>	<u>143,889</u>	<u>221,772</u>

8. Expenditure on charitable activities by activity type

	Activities undertaken directly £	Support costs £	Total funds 2024 £	Total fund 2023 £
Charitable Activity	<u>142,419</u>	<u>3,423</u>	<u>145,842</u>	<u>221,772</u>

9. Net expenditure

Net expenditure is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2024 £	2023 £
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	<u>23,594</u>	<u>21,468</u>

10. Independent examination fees

	2024 £	2023 £
Fees payable to the independent examiner for: Independent examination of the financial statements	<u>1,020</u>	<u>1,020</u>

11. Staff costs

The total staff costs and employee benefits for the reporting period are analysed as follows:

	2024 £	2023 £
Wages and salaries	<u>18,904</u>	<u>93,322</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2024

11. Staff costs *(continued)*

The average head count of employees during the year was 5 (2023: 6). The average number of full-time equivalent employees during the year is analysed as follows:

	2024	2023
	No.	No.
Number of staff - admin	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>

No employee received employee benefits of more than £60,000 during the year (2023: Nil).

12. Trustee remuneration and expenses

no remuneration or other benefits from employment with the charity or a related entity were received by the trustees

13. Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold property £	Fixtures and fittings £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 April 2023	555,219	118,823	674,042
Additions	<u>85,000</u>	<u>7,271</u>	<u>92,271</u>
At 31 March 2024	<u>640,219</u>	<u>126,094</u>	<u>766,313</u>
Depreciation			
At 1 April 2023	145,852	38,982	184,834
Charge for the year	<u>12,280</u>	<u>11,314</u>	<u>23,594</u>
At 31 March 2024	<u>158,132</u>	<u>50,296</u>	<u>208,428</u>
Carrying amount			
At 31 March 2024	<u>482,087</u>	<u>75,798</u>	<u>557,885</u>
At 31 March 2023	<u>409,367</u>	<u>79,841</u>	<u>489,208</u>

14. Debtors

	2024	2023
	£	£
Trade debtors	6,712	14,143
Other debtors	<u>9,042</u>	<u>73,568</u>
	<u>15,754</u>	<u>87,711</u>

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Year ended 31 March 2024

15. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2024	2023
	£	£
Bank loans and overdrafts	–	1,081
Trade creditors	–	29,951
Accruals and deferred income	1,224	1,092
Social security and other taxes	–	123
Other creditors	–	15,000
	<u>1,224</u>	<u>47,247</u>

16. Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year

	2024	2023
	£	£
Accruals and deferred income	<u>166,980</u>	<u>93,182</u>

17. Deferred income

	2024	2023
	£	£
At 1 April 2023	93,182	29,694
Amount released to income	(12,436)	(25,593)
Amount deferred in year	<u>86,234</u>	<u>89,081</u>
At 31 March 2024	<u>166,980</u>	<u>93,182</u>

18. Government grants

The amounts recognised in the financial statements for government grants are as follows:

	2024	2023
	£	£
Recognised in creditors:		
Deferred government grants due after more than one year	<u>166,980</u>	<u>93,182</u>
Recognised in income from donations and legacies:		
Government grants income	<u>12,437</u>	<u>10,614</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2024

19. Analysis of charitable funds

Unrestricted funds

	At 1 April 2023	Income £	Expenditure £	At 31 March 2024 £
General funds	<u>446,410</u>	<u>91,031</u>	<u>(101,940)</u>	<u>435,501</u>

	At 1 April 2022	Income £	Expenditure £	At 31 March 2023 £
General funds	<u>449,919</u>	<u>74,374</u>	<u>(77,883)</u>	<u>446,410</u>

Restricted funds

	At 1 April 2023	Income £	Expenditure £	At 31 March 2024 £
Restricted Funds	<u>(3,203)</u>	<u>43,923</u>	<u>(43,902)</u>	<u>(3,182)</u>

	At 1 April 2022	Income £	Expenditure £	At 31 March 2023 £
Restricted Funds	<u>2,042</u>	<u>138,644</u>	<u>(143,889)</u>	<u>(3,203)</u>

Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association

Company Limited by Guarantee

Management Information

Year ended 31 March 2024

The following pages do not form part of the financial statements.

Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association

Company Limited by Guarantee

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities

Year ended 31 March 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
Income and endowments		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	700	–
Department for Education	15,690	88,500
Lottery Fund	–	7,390
Derry City & Strabane DC Grants	17,596	51,841
Ulster Scots Agency Grants	8,460	9,250
Community Foundation	–	1,380
Department for Communities	14,646	–
Rapid Grant	1,150	–
Capital grant release	12,437	10,614
	<u>70,679</u>	<u>168,975</u>
Charitable activities		
Performances & Activities	36,833	17,390
Sale of goods/services made or provided by the beneficiaries of the charity	14,796	10,300
Rent receivable	12,646	16,353
	<u>64,275</u>	<u>44,043</u>
Total income	<u>134,954</u>	<u>213,018</u>
Expenditure		
Expenditure on charitable activities		
Purchases	10,144	7,972
Wages and salaries	18,904	93,322
Rates and water	370	158
Light and heat	6,619	5,076
Repairs and maintenance	5,474	32,442
Insurance	1,959	1,678
Legal and professional fees	1,572	4,519
Telephone	1,134	1,629
Other office costs	1,147	1,220
Depreciation	23,594	21,468
Bank charges	704	587
Printing, postage & stationery	2,948	2,338
Travel costs	642	3,667
Direct charitable activity - Programme Costs	69,828	44,876
Direct charitable activity - Catering	803	820
	<u>145,842</u>	<u>221,772</u>
Total expenditure	<u>145,842</u>	<u>221,772</u>

Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association

Company Limited by Guarantee

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2024

	2024	2023
	£	£
Net expenditure	<u>(10,888)</u>	<u>(8,754)</u>

Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association

Company Limited by Guarantee

Notes to the Detailed Statement of Financial Activities

Year ended 31 March 2024

	2024	2023
	£	£
Expenditure on charitable activities		
Charitable Activity		
Activities undertaken directly		
Direct charitable activity 1 - purchases	10,144	7,972
Direct charitable activity - wages/salaries	18,904	93,322
Direct charitable activity - rates & water	370	158
Direct charitable activity - light & heat	6,619	5,076
Direct charitable activity - repairs & maintenance	5,474	32,442
Direct charitable activity - insurance	1,959	1,678
Direct charitable activity - telephone	1,134	1,629
Direct charitable activity - depreciation	23,594	21,468
Direct charitable activity - Printing, postage & stationery	2,948	2,338
Direct charitable activity - Travel costs	642	3,667
Direct charitable activity - Programme Costs	69,828	44,876
Direct charitable activity - Catering	803	820
	<u>142,419</u>	<u>215,446</u>
Support costs		
Support charitable activity - legal and professional fees	1,572	4,519
Support charitable activity - General expenses	1,147	1,220
Support charitable activity - Bank charges	704	587
	<u>3,423</u>	<u>6,326</u>
	<u>145,842</u>	<u>221,772</u>

Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association

Northern Ireland - Charity number 101765

Annual report

Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association

Company Limited by Guarantee

Trustees' Annual Report (Incorporating the Director's Report)

Year ended 31 March 2024

The trustees, who are also the directors for the purposes of company law, present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Reference and administrative details

Registered charity name	Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association
Charity registration number	101765
Company registration number	NI046528
Principal office and registered office	231 Victoria Road Bready Strabane Co. Tyrone BT82 0EB

The trustees

Mr N Allen
Mr. IA Henderson
Mr SR Kelly
Mr K McFarland
Rhonda Shannon

Independent examiner	Keith McElhinney Chartered Accountant 42A Clooney Terrace Waterside Londonderry BT47 6AP
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Structure, governance and management

The Charity is managed by an Executive Committee which consists of all the appointed trustees, and the selection of any new Trustees is dealt with by that Committee.

The Charity was incorporated on 16 May 2003, and is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association dated at that time.

Objectives and activities

The purposes of the Charity can be summarised as follows;

" To facilitate the examination, exploration and appreciation by all of Ulster Scottish history, heritage and culture

" To promote Culture confidence and civic pride, bolster morale of the community and harness the abilities of local people

Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association

Company Limited by Guarantee

Trustees' Annual Report (Incorporating the Director's Report) *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2024

Objectives and activities *(continued)*

" To promote and preserve the culture and heritage of local people, and assist in social and economic well being through local development programmes

" To encourage the establishment, maintenance and development of other community associations within the area of benefit, providing support, information and advice in furtherance of this objective

Main Activities to further the Charity's purposes for the public benefit

Bready and District Ulster Scots own and manage the Sollus Centre which provides a space and support for connected groups which brings 300 people from the community into the centre weekly. We deliver outreach tuition programs in Ulster Scots Music and Highland dance to over 500 children in various schools and community groups in the North West, as well as programs for good relations departments in local councils, promoting Ulster Scots Culture. We offer guidance on funding opportunities, governance, event planning and training needs as well as assisting member groups to access funding from a range of sources. Deliverance of talks and workshops to a wide range of audiences including local history groups and community organisations, as well as local heritage tours in the local area. Present interactive history, language and music workshops in schools. Produce educational material on a range of relevant topics as well as maintain an informative and current website and social media presence Provide, manage and resource local historical artifacts and databases that are used to assist visitors to research their heritage and links with the area.

Achievements and performance

The continued focus of our group remains the development and promotion of Ulster Scots culture throughout the North West, regional and in some cases international. We continue to successfully deliver history, language, and cultural workshops both in our centre and through our outreach activities. Our Highland Dance, Piping & Bb Flute Tuition Project has resumed in schools and numbers continue to exceed the predicted targets. We are fortunate to have retained and added to the many dedicated volunteers who are now busier than ever with an increase in activities / events with younger personnel taking up more responsible roles. The centre is thriving with rehearsals and with an increased demand from other groups for our artistes to perform which has made it the busiest it has been since its foundation.

Overall, user groups numbers are up with some of this down to our recently installed audio/video equipment, enabling us to host hybrid meetings in the main hall-one of the very few facilities in the Council area capable of this. We continue to fundraise to maintain our current activities and contribute to sustainability, and with the support of all user groups, we are meeting our commitment's.

Financial review

The Charity incurred a deficit for the year to 31 March 2024 of £10,888 (2023: deficit £8,754), and at 31 March 2024 had net assets of £432,319 (2023: £443,207). As at 31 March 2024 the Charity had no funds in material deficit

Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association

Company Limited by Guarantee

Trustees' Annual Report (Incorporating the Director's Report) *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2024

Small company provisions

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies entitled to the small companies exemption.

The trustees' annual report was approved on 9 December 2024 and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:



Mr SR Kelly
Trustee

Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association

Northern Ireland - Charity number 101765

Annual return

Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association

Company Limited by Guarantee

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association

Year ended 31 March 2024

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association ('the charity') for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 (the '2008 Act') and the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act'). You are satisfied that the accounts of the company are not required by charity or company law to be audited and have chosen instead to have an independent examination.

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements as carried out under section 65 of the 2008 Act. In carrying out my examination I have followed the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the 2008 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with my examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
3. the financial statements do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association

Company Limited by Guarantee

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2024

I confirm that there are no other matters to which your attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Keith McElhinney
Chartered Accountant
Independent Examiner

42A Clooney Terrace
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9 December 2024

Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association

Northern Ireland - Charity number 101765

Accounts

COMPANY REGISTRATION NUMBER: NI046528
CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER: 101765

**Bready & District Ulster Scots Development
Association**

Company Limited by Guarantee

Unaudited Financial Statements

31 March 2023

KEITH McELHINNEY & CO

Chartered Accountants
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Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association

Company Limited by Guarantee

Financial Statements

Year ended 31 March 2023

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Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association

Company Limited by Guarantee

Trustees' Annual Report (Incorporating the Director's Report)

Year ended 31 March 2023

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Reference and administrative details

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Charity registration number 101765

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Principal office and registered office 231 Victoria Road
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The trustees

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Mr. IA Henderson
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Mr K McFarland
Rhonda Shannon

Independent examiner Keith McElhinney Chartered Accountant
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Structure, governance and management

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Objectives and activities

The purposes of the Charity can be summarised as follows;

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Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association

Company Limited by Guarantee

Trustees' Annual Report (Incorporating the Director's Report) *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2023

Objectives and activities *(continued)*

" To promote and preserve the culture and heritage of local people, and assist in social and economic well being through local development programmes

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Main Activities to further the Charity's purposes for the public benefit

Bready and District Ulster Scots own and manage the Sollus Centre which provides a space and support for connected groups which brings 300 people from the community into the centre weekly. We deliver outreach tuition programs in Ulster Scots Music and Highland dance to over 500 children in various schools and community groups in the North West, as well as programs for good relations departments in local councils, promoting Ulster Scots Culture. We offer guidance on funding opportunities, governance, event planning and training needs as well as assisting member groups to access funding from a range of sources. Deliverance of talks and workshops to a wide range of audiences including local history groups and community organisations, as well as local heritage tours in the local area. Present interactive history, language and music workshops in schools. Produce educational material on a range of relevant topics as well as maintain an informative and current website and social media presence Provide, manage and resource local historical artifacts and databases that are used to assist visitors to research their heritage and links with the area.

Achievements and performance

The main focus of the group continues the development of Ulster Scots throughout the North West, as normality returns we have delivered history, language cultural workshops in the hall and with our outreach activities these workshops have been delivered across the region. With our Dance and piping project back teaching in schools, meaning we were able to exceed our target of approx 800 receiving dance and musical tuition.

We have been lucky that our many volunteers have remained and are now busy with an increase in numbers in those young people attending our dance classes in the hall, and with increased number of showcase events and invitations from other groups for the dancers to entertain has seen the hall back to its busiest with rehearsals since before Covid.

Happily, the use of our hall during the day is increasing, despite many groups/ organisations still using online meetings, we have been able to this due to the use of our new audio/video equipment to host hybrid meetings in the main hall one of the very few in the Council area. We continue to fundraise to maintain the activities we are delivering at the moment, and with the support of all the user groups we continue to meet the challenge.

Financial review

The Charity incurred a deficit for the year to 31 March 2023 of £8,754 (2022: deficit £905), and at 31 March 2023 had net assets of £443,207 (2022: £451,961). As at 31 March 2023 the Charity had no funds in material deficit

Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association

Company Limited by Guarantee

Trustees' Annual Report (Incorporating the Director's Report) *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2023

Small company provisions

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies entitled to the small companies exemption.

The trustees' annual report was approved on 12 December 2023 and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:



Mr K McFarland
Trustee

Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association

Company Limited by Guarantee

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association

Year ended 31 March 2023

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association ('the charity') for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 (the '2008 Act') and the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act'). You are satisfied that the accounts of the company are not required by charity or company law to be audited and have chosen instead to have an independent examination.

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements as carried out under section 65 of the 2008 Act. In carrying out my examination I have followed the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the 2008 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with my examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
3. the financial statements do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association

Company Limited by Guarantee

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2023

I confirm that there are no other matters to which your attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Keith McElhinney
Chartered Accountant
Independent Examiner

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12 December 2023

Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association

Company Limited by Guarantee

Statement of Financial Activities (including income and expenditure account)

Year ended 31 March 2023

		Unrestricted funds	2023 Restricted funds	Total funds	2022 Total funds
	Note	£	£	£	£
Income and endowments					
Donations and legacies	5	30,331	138,644	168,975	137,905
Charitable activities	6	44,043	–	44,043	46,627
Total income		<u>74,374</u>	<u>138,644</u>	<u>213,018</u>	<u>184,532</u>
Expenditure					
Expenditure on charitable activities	7,8	<u>77,883</u>	<u>143,889</u>	<u>221,772</u>	<u>185,437</u>
Total expenditure		<u>77,883</u>	<u>143,889</u>	<u>221,772</u>	<u>185,437</u>
Net expenditure and net movement in funds		<u>(3,509)</u>	<u>(5,245)</u>	<u>(8,754)</u>	<u>(905)</u>
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		449,919	2,042	451,961	452,866
Total funds carried forward		<u>446,410</u>	<u>(3,203)</u>	<u>443,207</u>	<u>451,961</u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 9 to 17 form part of these financial statements.

Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association

Company Limited by Guarantee

Statement of Financial Position

31 March 2023

	Note	2023 £	2022 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible fixed assets	13	489,208	469,398
Current assets			
Debtors	14	87,711	41,641
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>6,717</u>	<u>32,478</u>
		94,428	74,119
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	15	<u>47,247</u>	<u>24,006</u>
Net current assets		<u>47,181</u>	<u>50,113</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		536,389	519,511
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	16	<u>93,182</u>	<u>67,550</u>
Net assets		<u>443,207</u>	<u>451,961</u>
Funds of the charity			
Restricted funds		(3,203)	2,042
Unrestricted funds		<u>446,410</u>	<u>449,919</u>
Total charity funds	19	<u>443,207</u>	<u>451,961</u>

For the year ending 31 March 2023 the charity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476;
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

The statement of financial position
continues on the following page.

The notes on pages 9 to 17 form part of these financial statements.

Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association

Company Limited by Guarantee

Statement of Financial Position *(continued)*

31 March 2023

These financial statements were approved by the board of trustees and authorised for issue on 12 December 2023, and are signed on behalf of the board by:



Mr K McFarland
Trustee

The notes on pages 9 to 17 form part of these financial statements.

Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association

Company Limited by Guarantee

Notes to the Financial Statements

Year ended 31 March 2023

1. General information

The charity is a public benefit entity and a private company limited by guarantee, registered in Northern Ireland and a registered charity in Northern Ireland. The address of the registered office is 231 Victoria Road, Bready, Strabane, Co. Tyrone, BT82 0EB.

2. Statement of compliance

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland', the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and the Companies Act 2006.

3. Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, as modified by the revaluation of certain financial assets and liabilities and investment properties measured at fair value through income or expenditure.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the entity.

Going concern

There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

Disclosure exemptions

No cash flow statement has been presented for the company.

Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported. These estimates and judgements are continually reviewed and are based on experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees to further any of the charity's purposes.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the trustees for particular future project or commitment.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure declared by the donor or through the terms of an appeal, and fall into one of two sub-classes: restricted income funds or endowment funds.

Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association

Company Limited by Guarantee

Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2023

3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when entitlement has passed to the charity; it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the charity and the amount can be reliably measured. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- income from donations or grants is recognised when there is evidence of entitlement to the gift, receipt is probable and its amount can be measured reliably.
- legacy income is recognised when receipt is probable and entitlement is established.
- income from donated goods is measured at the fair value of the goods unless this is impractical to measure reliably, in which case the value is derived from the cost to the donor or the estimated resale value. Donated facilities and services are recognised in the accounts when received if the value can be reliably measured. No amounts are included for the contribution of general volunteers.
- income from contracts for the supply of services is recognised with the delivery of the contracted service. This is classified as unrestricted funds unless there is a contractual requirement for it to be spent on a particular purpose and returned if unspent, in which case it may be regarded as restricted.

Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is classified under headings of the statement of financial activities to which it relates:

- expenditure on raising funds includes the costs of all fundraising activities, events, non-charitable trading activities, and the sale of donated goods.
- expenditure on charitable activities includes all costs incurred by a charity in undertaking activities that further its charitable aims for the benefit of its beneficiaries, including those support costs and costs relating to the governance of the charity apportioned to charitable activities.
- other expenditure includes all expenditure that is neither related to raising funds for the charity nor part of its expenditure on charitable activities.

All costs are allocated to expenditure categories reflecting the use of the resource. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs are apportioned between the activities they contribute to on a reasonable, justifiable and consistent basis.

Tangible assets

Tangible assets are initially recorded at cost, and subsequently stated at cost less any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses. Any tangible assets carried at revalued amounts are recorded at the fair value at the date of revaluation less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association

Company Limited by Guarantee

Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2023

3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Tangible assets *(continued)*

An increase in the carrying amount of an asset as a result of a revaluation, is recognised in other recognised gains and losses, unless it reverses a charge for impairment that has previously been recognised as expenditure within the statement of financial activities. A decrease in the carrying amount of an asset as a result of revaluation, is recognised in other recognised gains and losses, except to which it offsets any previous revaluation gain, in which case the loss is shown within other recognised gains and losses on the statement of financial activities.

Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost or valuation of an asset, less its residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

Freehold property	-	2% straight line
Fixtures and fittings	-	10% straight line

Impairment of fixed assets

A review for indicators of impairment is carried out at each reporting date, with the recoverable amount being estimated where such indicators exist. Where the carrying value exceeds the recoverable amount, the asset is impaired accordingly. Prior impairments are also reviewed for possible reversal at each reporting date.

For the purposes of impairment testing, when it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, an estimate is made of the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs. The cash-generating unit is the smallest identifiable group of assets that includes the asset and generates cash inflows that largely independent of the cash inflows from other assets or groups of assets.

For impairment testing of goodwill, the goodwill acquired in a business combination is, from the acquisition date, allocated to each of the cash-generating units that are expected to benefit from the synergies of the combination, irrespective of whether other assets or liabilities of the charity are assigned to those units.

Government grants

Government grants are recognised at the fair value of the asset received or receivable. Grants are not recognised until there is reasonable assurance that the charity will comply with the conditions attaching to them and the grants will be received.

Where the grant does not impose specified future performance-related conditions on the recipient, it is recognised in income when the grant proceeds are received or receivable. Where the grant does impose specified future performance-related conditions on the recipient, it is recognised in income only when the performance-related conditions have been met. Where grants received are prior to satisfying the revenue recognition criteria, they are recognised as a liability.

Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association

Company Limited by Guarantee

Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2023

3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Financial instruments

A financial asset or a financial liability is recognised only when the charity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at the amount receivable or payable including any related transaction costs.

Current assets and current liabilities are subsequently measured at the cash or other consideration expected to be paid or received and not discounted.

Debt instruments are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

Where investments in shares are publicly traded or their fair value can otherwise be measured reliably, the investment is subsequently measured at fair value with changes in fair value recognised in income and expenditure. All other such investments are subsequently measured at cost less impairment.

Other financial instruments, including derivatives, are initially recognised at fair value, unless payment for an asset is deferred beyond normal business terms or financed at a rate of interest that is not a market rate, in which case the asset is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument.

Other financial instruments are subsequently measured at fair value, with any changes recognised in the statement of financial activities, with the exception of hedging instruments in a designated hedging relationship.

Financial assets that are measured at cost or amortised cost are reviewed for objective evidence of impairment at the end of each reporting date. If there is objective evidence of impairment, an impairment loss is recognised under the appropriate heading in the statement of financial activities in which the initial gain was recognised.

For all equity instruments regardless of significance, and other financial assets that are individually significant, these are assessed individually for impairment. Other financial assets are either assessed individually or grouped on the basis of similar credit risk characteristics.

Any reversals of impairment are recognised immediately, to the extent that the reversal does not result in a carrying amount of the financial asset that exceeds what the carrying amount would have been had the impairment not previously been recognised.

4. Limited by guarantee

Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association is a company limited by guarantee (restricted to £1 per full member) and not having a share capital and is registered as a charity

Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association

Company Limited by Guarantee

Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2023

5. Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Grants			
Department for Education	–	88,500	88,500
Lottery Fund	–	7,390	7,390
Derry City & Strabane DC Grants	21,081	30,760	51,841
Ulster Scots Agency Grants	9,250	–	9,250
Community Foundation	–	1,380	1,380
Capital grant release	–	10,614	10,614
	<u>30,331</u>	<u>138,644</u>	<u>168,975</u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Grants			
Department for Education	–	88,362	88,362
Lottery Fund	–	10,153	10,153
Derry City & Strabane DC Grants	17,876	9,535	27,411
Ulster Scots Agency Grants	4,990	–	4,990
Community Foundation	–	–	–
Capital grant release	–	6,989	6,989
	<u>22,866</u>	<u>115,039</u>	<u>137,905</u>

6. Charitable activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Performances & Activities	17,390	–	17,390
Sale of goods/services made or provided by the beneficiaries of the charity	10,300	–	10,300
Rent receivable	16,353	–	16,353
	<u>44,043</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>44,043</u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Performances & Activities	29,118	112	29,230
Sale of goods/services made or provided by the beneficiaries of the charity	4,532	–	4,532
Rent receivable	12,865	–	12,865
	<u>46,515</u>	<u>112</u>	<u>46,627</u>

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7. Expenditure on charitable activities by fund type

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Charitable Activity	71,837	143,608	215,446
Support costs	<u>6,046</u>	<u>281</u>	<u>6,326</u>
	<u>77,883</u>	<u>143,889</u>	<u>221,772</u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Charitable Activity	68,612	113,073	181,685
Support costs	<u>3,472</u>	<u>280</u>	<u>3,752</u>
	<u>72,084</u>	<u>113,353</u>	<u>185,437</u>

8. Expenditure on charitable activities by activity type

	Activities undertaken directly £	Support costs £	Total funds 2023 £	Total fund 2022 £
Charitable Activity	<u>215,446</u>	<u>6,326</u>	<u>221,772</u>	<u>185,437</u>

9. Net expenditure

Net expenditure is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2023 £	2022 £
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	<u>21,468</u>	<u>17,341</u>

10. Independent examination fees

	2023 £	2022 £
Fees payable to the independent examiner for: Independent examination of the financial statements	<u>1,020</u>	<u>1,020</u>

11. Staff costs

The total staff costs and employee benefits for the reporting period are analysed as follows:

	2023 £	2022 £
Wages and salaries	<u>93,322</u>	<u>95,351</u>

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11. Staff costs *(continued)*

The average head count of employees during the year was 6 (2022: 5). The average number of full-time equivalent employees during the year is analysed as follows:

	2023	2022
	No.	No.
Number of staff - admin	<u>6</u>	<u>5</u>

No employee received employee benefits of more than £60,000 during the year (2022: Nil).

12. Trustee remuneration and expenses

no remuneration or other benefits from employment with the charity or a related entity were received by the trustees

13. Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold property £	Fixtures and fittings £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 April 2022	555,219	77,545	632,764
Additions	–	41,278	41,278
At 31 March 2023	<u>555,219</u>	<u>118,823</u>	<u>674,042</u>
Depreciation			
At 1 April 2022	135,348	28,018	163,366
Charge for the year	10,504	10,964	21,468
At 31 March 2023	<u>145,852</u>	<u>38,982</u>	<u>184,834</u>
Carrying amount			
At 31 March 2023	<u>409,367</u>	<u>79,841</u>	<u>489,208</u>
At 31 March 2022	<u>419,871</u>	<u>49,527</u>	<u>469,398</u>

14. Debtors

	2023	2022
	£	£
Trade debtors	14,143	9,039
Other debtors	73,568	32,602
	<u>87,711</u>	<u>41,641</u>

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15. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2023	2022
	£	£
Bank loans and overdrafts	1,081	4,420
Trade creditors	29,951	14,979
Accruals and deferred income	1,092	2,106
Social security and other taxes	123	2,501
Other creditors	15,000	—
	<u>47,247</u>	<u>24,006</u>

16. Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year

	2023	2022
	£	£
Accruals and deferred income	<u>93,182</u>	<u>67,550</u>

17. Deferred income

	2023	2022
	£	£
At 1 April 2022	29,694	29,694
Amount released to income	(25,593)	(14,980)
Amount deferred in year	<u>89,081</u>	<u>52,836</u>
At 31 March 2023	<u>93,182</u>	<u>67,550</u>

18. Government grants

The amounts recognised in the financial statements for government grants are as follows:

	2023	2022
	£	£
Recognised in creditors:		
Deferred government grants due after more than one year	<u>93,182</u>	<u>67,550</u>
Recognised in income from donations and legacies:		
Government grants income	<u>10,614</u>	<u>6,989</u>

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19. Analysis of charitable funds

Unrestricted funds

	At 1 April 2022	Income £	Expenditure £	At 31 March 2023 £
General funds	<u>449,919</u>	<u>74,374</u>	<u>(77,883)</u>	<u>446,410</u>

	At 1 April 2021	Income £	Expenditure £	At 31 March 2022 £
General funds	<u>452,622</u>	<u>69,381</u>	<u>(72,084)</u>	<u>449,919</u>

Restricted funds

	At 1 April 2022	Income £	Expenditure £	At 31 March 2023 £
Restricted Funds	<u>2,042</u>	<u>138,644</u>	<u>(143,889)</u>	<u>(3,203)</u>

	At 1 April 2021	Income £	Expenditure £	At 31 March 2022 £
Restricted Funds	<u>244</u>	<u>115,151</u>	<u>(113,353)</u>	<u>2,042</u>

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Management Information

Year ended 31 March 2023

The following pages do not form part of the financial statements.

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities

Year ended 31 March 2023

	2023	2022
	£	£
Income and endowments		
Donations and legacies		
Department for Education	88,500	88,362
Lottery Fund	7,390	10,153
Derry City & Strabane DC Grants	51,841	27,411
Ulster Scots Agency Grants	9,250	4,990
Community Foundation	1,380	—
Capital grant release	10,614	6,989
	<u>168,975</u>	<u>137,905</u>
Charitable activities		
Performances & Activities	17,390	29,230
Sale of goods/services made or provided by the beneficiaries of the charity	10,300	4,532
Rent receivable	16,353	12,865
	<u>44,043</u>	<u>46,627</u>
Total income	<u>213,018</u>	<u>184,532</u>
Expenditure		
Expenditure on charitable activities		
Purchases	7,972	3,619
Wages and salaries	93,322	95,351
Rates and water	158	159
Light and heat	5,076	4,684
Repairs and maintenance	32,442	4,028
Insurance	1,678	2,201
Legal and professional fees	4,519	2,084
Telephone	1,629	908
Other office costs	1,220	870
Depreciation	21,468	17,341
Bank charges	587	798
Printing, postage & stationery	2,338	2,628
Travel costs	3,667	3,377
Direct charitable activity - Programme Costs	44,876	46,974
Direct charitable activity - Catering	820	415
	<u>221,772</u>	<u>185,437</u>
Total expenditure	<u>221,772</u>	<u>185,437</u>

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2023

	2023 £	2022 £
Net expenditure	<u>(8,754)</u>	<u>(905)</u>

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Notes to the Detailed Statement of Financial Activities

Year ended 31 March 2023

	2023	2022
	£	£
Expenditure on charitable activities		
Charitable Activity		
<i>Activities undertaken directly</i>		
Direct charitable activity 1 - purchases	7,972	3,619
Direct charitable activity - wages/salaries	93,322	95,351
Direct charitable activity - rates & water	158	159
Direct charitable activity - light & heat	5,076	4,684
Direct charitable activity - repairs & maintenance	32,442	4,028
Direct charitable activity - insurance	1,678	2,201
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	<u>215,446</u>	<u>181,685</u>
<i>Support costs</i>		
Support charitable activity - legal and professional fees	4,519	2,084
Support charitable activity - General expenses	1,220	870
Support charitable activity - Bank charges	587	798
	<u>6,326</u>	<u>3,752</u>
	<u>221,772</u>	<u>185,437</u>
Expenditure on charitable activities		

Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association

Northern Ireland - Charity number 101765

Annual report

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Company Limited by Guarantee

Trustees' Annual Report (Incorporating the Director's Report)

Year ended 31 March 2023

The trustees, who are also the directors for the purposes of company law, present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Reference and administrative details

Registered charity name	Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association
Charity registration number	101765
Company registration number	NI046528
Principal office and registered office	231 Victoria Road Bready Strabane Co. Tyrone BT82 0EB

The trustees

Mr N Allen
Mr. IA Henderson
Mr SR Kelly
Mr K McFarland
Rhonda Shannon

Independent examiner	Keith McElhinney Chartered Accountant 42A Clooney Terrace Waterside Londonderry BT47 6AP
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Structure, governance and management

The Charity is managed by an Executive Committee which consists of all the appointed trustees, and the selection of any new Trustees is dealt with by that Committee.

The Charity was incorporated on 16 May 2003, and is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association dated at that time.

Objectives and activities

The purposes of the Charity can be summarised as follows;

" To facilitate the examination, exploration and appreciation by all of Ulster Scottish history, heritage and culture

" To promote Culture confidence and civic pride, bolster morale of the community and harness the abilities of local people

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Trustees' Annual Report (Incorporating the Director's Report) *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2023

Objectives and activities *(continued)*

" To promote and preserve the culture and heritage of local people, and assist in social and economic well being through local development programmes

" To encourage the establishment, maintenance and development of other community associations within the area of benefit, providing support, information and advice in furtherance of this objective

Main Activities to further the Charity`s purposes for the public benefit

Bready and District Ulster Scots own and manage the Sollus Centre which provides a space and support for connected groups which brings 300 people from the community into the centre weekly. We deliver outreach tuition programs in Ulster Scots Music and Highland dance to over 500 children in various schools and community groups in the North West, as well as programs for good relations departments in local councils, promoting Ulster Scots Culture. We offer guidance on funding opportunities, governance, event planning and training needs as well as assisting member groups to access funding from a range of sources. Deliverance of talks and workshops to a wide range of audiences including local history groups and community organisations, as well as local heritage tours in the local area. Present interactive history, language and music workshops in schools. Produce educational material on a range of relevant topics as well as maintain an informative and current website and social media presence Provide, manage and resource local historical artifacts and databases that are used to assist visitors to research their heritage and links with the area.

Achievements and performance

The main focus of the group continues the development of Ulster Scots throughout the North West, as normality returns we have delivered history, language cultural workshops in the hall and with our outreach activities these workshops have been delivered across the region. With our Dance and piping project back teaching in schools, meaning we were able to exceed our target of approx 800 receiving dance and musical tuition.

We have been lucky that our many volunteers have remained and are now busy with an increase in numbers in those young people attending our dance classes in the hall, and with increased number of showcase events and invitations from other groups for the dancers to entertain has seen the hall back to its busiest with rehearsals since before Covid.

Happily, the use of our hall during the day is increasing, despite many groups/ organisations still using online meetings, we have been able to this due to the use of our new audio/video equipment to host hybrid meetings in the main hall one of the very few in the Council area. We continue to fundraise to maintain the activities we are delivering at the moment, and with the support of all the user groups we continue to meet the challenge.

Financial review

The Charity incurred a deficit for the year to 31 March 2023 of £8,754 (2022: deficit £905), and at 31 March 2023 had net assets of £443,207 (2022: £451,961). As at 31 March 2023 the Charity had no funds in material deficit

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Trustees' Annual Report (Incorporating the Director's Report) *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2023

Small company provisions

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies entitled to the small companies exemption.

The trustees' annual report was approved on 12 December 2023 and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:



Mr K McFarland
Trustee

Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association

Northern Ireland - Charity number 101765

Annual return

Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association

Company Limited by Guarantee

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association

Year ended 31 March 2023

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association ('the charity') for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 (the '2008 Act') and the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act'). You are satisfied that the accounts of the company are not required by charity or company law to be audited and have chosen instead to have an independent examination.

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements as carried out under section 65 of the 2008 Act. In carrying out my examination I have followed the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the 2008 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with my examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
3. the financial statements do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Bready & District Ulster Scots Development Association *(continued)*

Year ended 31 March 2023

I confirm that there are no other matters to which your attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Keith McElhinney
Chartered Accountant
Independent Examiner

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12 December 2023