

Randalstown Ulster Scots Cultural Society

Northern Ireland · Charity number 108868

Details

Known as RUSCS

Status Received

Registered 2022-07-25

Register [View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register](#)

Contact

Address 14 Portglenone Road
Randalstown
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Activities

Purposes: The purposes of the charity are to provide and maintain the hall for the use of the inhabitants in the area and its environs to advance culture, education and provide facilities in the interest of social welfare for recreational and leisure time activities with the object of improving the conditions of life for said inhabitants.

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: Community development

Who the charity helps: Adult training, Carers, Children (5-13 year olds), Ex-offenders and prisoners, General public, Learning disabilities, Men, Mental health, Older people, Parents, Preschool (0-5 year olds), Voluntary and community sector, Volunteers, Women, Youth (14-25 year olds)

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2026-03-31	£31,423	£37,893	£0	0

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Jack Richardson		
John Scott		
Miss Ian Bruce		
Miss Wendy Curry		
Mr Joshua Mcquillan		
Mr Sheldon Murray		
Philip Adair		
Robert Smyth		
Roy Mcneilly		
Sam Bell		
Wendy Kerr		
William Mccaughey		

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Accounts

Randalstown Ulster Scots Cultural Society

Statement of Accounts 2025/26

Balance @ 31 March 2025

£6,470.31

Income:

Narrative	Amount (£)
ANBC – Facilities and Activities	£10000.00
ANBC – Festival	£10000.00
ANBC – Seniors Dinner	£500.00
ANBC – Ulster Scots Grant	£200.00
ANBC – VE Day Grant	£500.00
NIHE – Festival	£4999.00
Black Santa	£1000.00
CLEAR PHA Grant	£691.00
Ulster Scots Agency	£2543.25
Keeping Fit Keeping Healthy	£990.00

Total Income

£31,423.25

Expenditure:

Narrative	Amount (£)
The National Lottery Fund – Awards for All	£5990.36
ANBC – Facilities and Activities	£10000.00
ANBC – Festival	£10000.00
ANBC – Seniors Dinner	£500.00
ANBC – Ulster Scots Grant	£200.00
ANBC – VE Day Grant	£500.00
NIHE – Festival	£4999.00
Black Santa	£1000.00
CLEAR PHA Grant	£691.00
Ulster Scots Agency	£2543.25
Cleaning	£1383.45
Bank Fees	£86.50

Total Expenditure

£37,893.56

Balance @ 31 March 2027

£0.00

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

There are no assets or liabilities in relation to Randalstown Ulster Scots Cultural Society.

Treasurer: W. Connolly

Date: 16-04-2026

Asst. Treasurer: G. Long

Date: 16-04-2026

Auditor: AM McNeilly

Date: 16-04-2026

Print Name: AMANDA MCNEILLY

Position: Taylorstown Ulster Scots Association

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Accounts

Randalstown Ulster Scots Cultural Group

Statement of Accounts 2024/25

Balance @ 31 March 2024

£6.40

Income:

Narrative	Amount (£)
The National Lottery Fund – Awards for All	£20000.00
ANBC – Facilities and Activities	£10000.00
ANBC – Festival	£10000.00
ANBC – Seniors Dinner	£500.00
ANBC – Equipment Grant	£5000.00
NIHE – Festival	£4999.00
NIHE – Legacy Programme	£4000.00
Black Santa	£2000.00
CLEAR PHA Grant	£2764.00
ANBC Highland Dancers	£75.00
Ulster Scots Agency	£1350.00
Keeping Fit Keeping Healthy	£986.00
Over 50's Seniors	£2612.00
Highland Dance	£1500.00

Total Income

£65,786.00

Expenditure:

Narrative	Amount (£)
The National Lottery Fund – Awards for All	£14009.64
ANBC – Facilities and Activities	£10000.00
ANBC – Festival	£10000.00
ANBC – Seniors Dinner	£500.00
ANBC – Equipment Grant	£5000.00
NIHE – Festival	£4999.00
NIHE – Legacy Programme	£4000.00
Black Santa	£2000.00
CLEAR PHA Grant	£2764.00
Ulster Scots Agency	£2112.55
Cleaning	£3850.00
Bank Fees	£80.50

Total Expenditure

£59,315.69

Balance @ 31 March 2026

£6,470.31

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

There are no assets or liabilities in relation to Randalstown Ulster Scots Cultural Society.

Treasurer: W. Connolly

Date: 02-04-2025

Asst. Treasurer: G. Kelly

Date: 02-04-2025

Auditor: AMcNeilly

Date: 02-04-2025

Print Name: AMANDA MCNEILLY

Position: Taylorstown Ulster Scots Association

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Annual report

Annual Report 2024-25

Randalstown Ulster Scots Cultural Society is recognised as an innovative volunteer led community organisation that provides a welcoming environment and programme for all of the local community. On average 10 programmes per week take place including free musical tuition classes on a variety of instruments, physical activity, highland dance and seniors club to name but a few. Many additional activities take place throughout the year including building the capacity of the local community, raising money for local worthwhile charities and taking a community approach to reducing social isolation.

We are thrilled that our volunteers' achievements have been recognised by receiving the Kings Award for Voluntary Service. Randalstown Ulster Scots Cultural Society provides almost 13,000 hours in volunteering per year. None of the activities would be possible without our volunteers. Looking forward to this year we will be hosting events to celebrate VE Day as well as host our annual children's summer schemes and community festivals.

A flavour of some of the activities we have provided during the past year include the following-

- 1 x Burns Night Dinner
- 24 x Senior Citizens Events/Programmes
- 18 x Men's Tea, Talk and Walk Sessions
- 18 x Womens Wellness Sessions
- 2 x Youth Ulster Scots Summer Schools
- 1 x Cultural Festival
- 23 x Highland Dance Classes
- 1 x Highland Dance Exams
- 4 x breakfast mornings
- 30 x exercise classes
- 4 x concert events

We provide low or no cost events which meet the needs of the 30.26% economically inactive within the area. 1 in 5 in the area have a prescription for a mood or anxiety disorder. Therefore our focus on mental health is paramount to addressing this.

Randalstown Ulster Scots Cultural Society brings added value to Community Development work in the area by

- engaging with ethnic minorities and other minority communities to engage with activities in the community hub
- providing programmes to those with disabilities a safe and accessible environment

Through participation to underpin good community development and ensure maximum community impact, the participants have experienced

- A reduction in social isolation and bring the local community together
- Increased awareness of current community issues
- Increased capacity through education and awareness raising
- Good relations through an open and accessible event to all
- Networking and partnership with community sector and public sector organisations
- Strengthened community participation through interactive activities
- Inter-generational working
- Be able to openly address health and wellbeing taboo subjects to include suicide and mental health

Randalstown Ulster Scots Cultural Society

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Annual return

Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of Randalstown Ulster Scots Cultural Society. I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 March 2025.

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008. It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Commission under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report I have examined your charity accounts as required under section 65 of the Charities Act and my examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act.

My examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also included consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as charity trustees concerning any such matters.

My role is to state whether any material matters have come to my attention giving me cause to believe:

1. That accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 63 of the Charities Act
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records
3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act
4. That there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

CCNI **108868** – I have completed my examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters (1) to (4) listed above and, in connection with following the Directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.

Name: AMANDA MCNEILLY

Treasurer Taylorstown Ulster Scots Association



Date: 02-04-2025

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Accounts

Randalstown Ulster Scots Cultural Group

Statement of Accounts 2023/24

Balance @ 31 March 2023

£11,107.68

Income:

Narrative	Amount (£)
Community Foundation	£2000.00
ANBC – Facilities and Activities	£10000.00
ANBC – Festival	£10000.00
ANBC – Kings Coronation	£999.99
ANBC – Seniors Dinner	£500.00
ANBC - Event	£300.00
ANBC – Warm Spaces	£1000.00
Black Santa	£1500.00
SCAA Training	£2245.34

Total Income

£28,545.33

Expenditure:

Narrative	Amount (£)
Community Foundation	£2000.00
ANBC - Facilities and Activities	£10000.00
ANBC – Festival	£10000.00
ANBC – Kings Coronation	£999.99
ANBC – Seniors Dinner	£499.50
ANBC – Warm Spaces	£1000.00
Awards for All	£10000.00
Additional Community Activities	£1236.67
Cleaning	£3850.00
Bank Fees	£60.45

Total Expenditure

£39,646.61

Balance @ 31 March 2024

£6.40

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

There are no assets or liabilities in relation to Randalstown Ulster Scots Cultural Society.

Treasurer: W. Curry

Date: 22/04/2024

Asst. Treasurer: J. [Signature]

Date: 22/04/24

Auditor: A. McNeilly

Date: 22/04/2024

Print Name: Amanda McNeilly

Position: Randalstown Ulster Scot Assoc.

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Annual report

Annual Report 2023-24

Randalstown Ulster Scots Cultural Society provides community and social programming for the local Randalstown area and beyond through the Randalstown Memorial Orange Hall.

Randalstown Ulster Scots Cultural Society operate a programming timetable that ensures the hall is used most evenings and weekends by the resident 8 groups and also for birthday parties, and community social events.

Within the year of April 2023 to March 2024 we have hosted weekly circuits class, weekly dance classes, capacity building workshops to include committee skills, first aid, public speaking, child protection, finance and governance training, mental health and suicide prevention, internet safety, events management, events marshalling, PR/Media Training and risk assessment.

A flavour of some of the activities we have provided include the following-

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35 x Senior Citizens Events/Programmes

2 x Youth Ulster Scots Summer Schools

1 x Cultural Festival

1 x Kings Coronation

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- Inter-generational working

- Be able to openly address health and wellbeing taboo subjects to include suicide and mental health

- High quality premises at an affordable price

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Annual return

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters (1) to (4) listed above and, in connection with following the Directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.

Name: *A McJelly*

Relevant professional qualification or body: *—*

Address: *c/o 31 Tegalstown Hill, Bage, Ticebridge*

Date: *22/04/2024*