

Charity registration number SC012271

SMITHTON & CULLODEN FREE CHURCH
ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

SMITHTON & CULLODEN FREE CHURCH

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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Senior management

Charity number

SC012271

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TRUSTEE REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2024.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005, the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" and the Charities SORP "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: 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)".

Objectives and activities

Beliefs and objectives

The congregation holds the Bible, in its entirety, to be inspired Word of God, and therefore the only rule of teaching and conduct. The congregation also accepts without equivocation the Westminster Confession of Faith as its subordinate standard.

The principal objectives of the Free Church of Scotland and of this congregation are the public worship of God, the spreading of the gospel of Jesus Christ, the exercise of pastoral care and the provision of practical compassion for those in need.

Public benefit

The trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

Achievements and performance

Significant activities and achievements against objectives

Principal Activities

The principal activities of the congregation in the current and future years are the holding of public worship on the Lord's Day, meeting for prayer and Bible Study, Sunday School, Youth Clubs, Mother and Toddler Group, Lunch Club, Pop In, evangelism in the local area and Home Bible Studies.

The main source of income is donations from the members of the congregation and these are used to maintain and operate the Smithton & Culloden Free Church.

Financial review

Results for the year

The congregation's unrestricted funds had a deficit of £2,816 before transfers (2023: deficit of £35,187) and had unrestricted funds amounting to £1,899,599 (2023: £1,992,150) at the year end. The congregation had an overall surplus for the year of £145,902 (2023: deficit of £82,844). Restricted funds at the year end amounted to £268,739 (2023: £30,286) and total funds of £2,168,338 (2023: £2,022,436).

Statement on Risk

The Deacons' Court keeps under review the major risks to which the Church is exposed and has established procedures to mitigate any risks identified. This includes health and safety and the protection of children and vulnerable adults.

Reserves policy

The Deacons' Court manages a mixture of unrestricted and restricted reserves. Restricted reserves are those funds received for specific purposes or where the donor has placed restrictions on their use. All other reserves are unrestricted and these may be expended on any of the Church's objectives.

The trustees' policy has been to hold sufficient unrestricted funds to enable the charity to fund any foreseen deficits out of past reserves, whilst still meeting the ongoing commitment to maintain the fabric of the Church and other recurring expenditure.

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TRUSTEE REPORT (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

Structure, governance and management

Smithton & Culloden Free Church is established by Constitution. It is a registered Scottish Charity (No. SC012271).

The Smithton & Culloden congregation forms part of the Free Church of Scotland which came into existence as a consequence of the Disruption of 1843. The Congregation started in June 1978 as a result of an initiative of the Free Presbytery of Inverness to reach the growing communities of Smithton, Culloden, Balloch, Westhill, Cradlehall and the surrounding area.

The congregation is authorised by the church to have a minister paid from the central funds of the Church.

The titles to the congregation's heritable property (the churches, halls and manses) are held under the Free Church of Scotland Model Trust Deed.

The property and financial affairs of the congregation are managed by the Deacons' Court, which is elected by members of the congregation, under the supervision of the Kirk Session.

The Free Church of Scotland is listed in the Charities (Designated Religious Bodies) (Scotland) Order 1994 and is therefore designated to the purposes of Section 65 of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005.

The trustees who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:



Recruitment and appointment of trustees

Deacons' Court members are appointed by the Kirk Session subsequent to a congregational election. There is no formal induction programme in place for new office holders, but training is given to ensure that Trustees and Deacons' Court members are familiar with the Church's values, aims and responsibilities as officers of the charity. The members of the Deacons' Court are the trustees of the charity.

Trustees and members of the Deacons' Court

The Congregational Trustees who served during the year were [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. Congregational Trustees are elected as required in order that property belonging to the congregation may be held in the names of these elected trustees. Their duties are to hold properties in trust and sign necessary documents connected with ownership or sale when duly authorised.

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TRUSTEE REPORT (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

Statement of trustee responsibilities

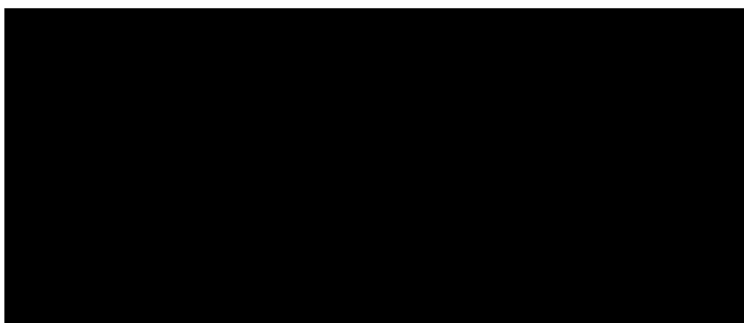
The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustee Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in Scotland requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that year.

In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping sufficient accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005, the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF SMITHTON & CULLODEN FREE CHURCH

Qualified opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Smithton & Culloeden Free Church (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 December 2024 which comprise the statement of financial activities, the balance sheet, the statement of cash flows and notes to the financial statements, including significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 *The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland* (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, except for the possible effects of the matter described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion section of our report, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 31 December 2024 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and regulation 8 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006.

Basis for qualified opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements* section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and the provisions available for small entities, in the circumstances set out in note 23 to the financial statements, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our qualified opinion.

The charity had limited information available with regard to its payroll, which resulted in us not being able to fully confirm that the amounts recorded through the financial statements and calculations and deductions from its employees and paid over to HMRC were correct. There were no alternative procedures available to us to ensure these amounts are materially correct.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustee use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The trustees are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

TO THE TRUSTEES OF SMITHTON & CULLODEN FREE CHURCH

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In respect solely of the limitation on our work relating to historic bank accounts and certain payroll information described above:

- we have not obtained all the information and explanations that we considered necessary for the purpose of our audit; and
- we were unable to determine whether proper accounting records had been kept.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the information given in the financial statements is inconsistent in any material respect with the trustee report; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records.

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the statement of trustee responsibilities, the trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

We have been appointed as auditor under section 44(1)(c) of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and report in accordance with the Act and relevant regulations made or having effect thereunder.

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud, is detailed below.

Identifying and assessing risks related to irregularities:

We assessed the susceptibility of the company's financial statements to material misstatement and how fraud might occur, including through discussions with the directors, discussions within our audit team planning meeting, updating our record of internal controls and ensuring these controls operated as intended. We evaluated possible incentives and opportunities for fraudulent manipulation of the financial statements. We identified laws and regulations that are of significance in the context of the company by discussions with directors and updating our understanding of the sector in which the company operates.

Laws and regulations of direct significance in the context of the company include The Companies Act 2006, and UK Tax legislation.

Audit response to risks identified:

We considered the extent of compliance with these laws and regulations as part of our audit procedures on the related financial statement items including a review of financial statement disclosures. We reviewed the company's records of breaches of laws and regulations, minutes of meetings and correspondence with relevant authorities to identify potential material misstatements arising. We discussed the company's policies and procedures for compliance with laws and regulations with members of management responsible for compliance.

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TO THE TRUSTEES OF SMITHTON & CULLODEN FREE CHURCH

During the planning meeting with the audit team, the Responsible Individual (RI) drew attention to the key areas which might involve non-compliance with laws and regulations or fraud. We enquired of management whether they were aware of any instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations or knowledge of any actual, suspected or alleged fraud. We addressed the risk of fraud through management override of controls by testing the appropriateness of journal entries and identifying any significant transactions that were unusual or outside the normal course of business. We assessed whether judgements made in making accounting estimates gave rise to a possible indication of management bias. At the completion stage of the audit, the RI's review included ensuring that the team had approached their work with appropriate professional scepticism and thus the capacity to identify non-compliance with laws and regulations and fraud.

There are inherent limitations in the audit procedures described above and the further removed non-compliance with laws and regulations is from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, the less likely we would become aware of it. Also, the risk of not detecting a material misstatement due to fraud is higher than the risk of not detecting one resulting from error, as fraud may involve deliberate concealment by, for example, forgery or intentional misrepresentations, or through collusion.

A further description of our responsibilities is available on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: <https://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

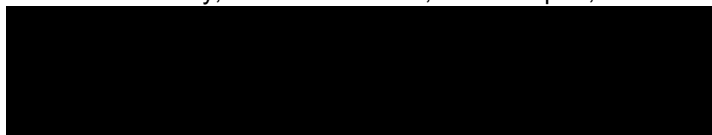
Other matters

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the charity has prepared financial statements in accordance with "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: 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)" (as amended) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has now been withdrawn.

This has been done in order for the financial statements to provide a true and fair view in accordance with current Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with Regulation 10 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity's trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's trustees as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



For and on behalf of MacKenzie Kerr Limited, Statutory Auditor
Chartered Accountants
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4 April 2025

MacKenzie Kerr Limited is eligible for appointment as auditor of the charity by virtue of its eligibility for appointment as auditor of a company under section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006.

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

		Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total 2023 £
	Notes						
Income from:							
Donations and legacies	2	285,158	482,457	767,615	266,837	203,190	470,027
Charitable activities	3	51,425	1,074	52,499	70,942	2,612	73,554
Investments	4	2,276	3,713	5,989	8	872	880
Total income		<u>338,859</u>	<u>487,244</u>	<u>826,103</u>	<u>337,787</u>	<u>206,674</u>	<u>544,461</u>
Expenditure on:							
Charitable activities	5	341,675	338,526	680,201	364,411	254,331	618,742
Other expenditure	10	-	-	-	8,563	-	8,563
Total expenditure		<u>341,675</u>	<u>338,526</u>	<u>680,201</u>	<u>372,974</u>	<u>254,331</u>	<u>627,305</u>
Net income/(expenditure)		(2,816)	148,718	145,902	(35,187)	(47,657)	(82,844)
Transfers between funds		(89,735)	89,735	-	15,017	(15,017)	-
Net movement in funds	7	(92,551)	238,453	145,902	(20,170)	(62,674)	(82,844)
Reconciliation of funds:							
Fund balances at 1 January 2024		1,992,150	30,286	2,022,436	2,012,320	92,960	2,105,280
Fund balances at 31 December 2024		<u>1,899,599</u>	<u>268,739</u>	<u>2,168,338</u>	<u>1,992,150</u>	<u>30,286</u>	<u>2,022,436</u>

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

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Notes	2024		2023	
		£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	12		1,867,382		1,911,870
Current assets					
Debtors	13	96,001		13,486	
Cash at bank and in hand		256,707		127,224	
		352,708		140,710	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	14	(51,752)		(30,144)	
Net current assets			300,956		110,566
Total assets less current liabilities			2,168,338		2,022,436
The funds of the charity					
Restricted income funds	16		268,739		30,286
Unrestricted funds	17		1,899,599		1,992,150
			2,168,338		2,022,436

The financial statements were approved by the trustees on 3 April 2025



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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Notes	2024 £	£	2023 £	£
Cash flows from operating activities					
Cash generated from/(absorbed by) operations	21		124,339		(36,007)
Investing activities					
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		(845)		(1,599)	
Investment income received		5,989		880	
Net cash generated from/(used in) investing activities			5,144		(719)
Net cash generated from financing activities			-		-
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents			129,483		(36,726)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year			127,224		163,950
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year			256,707		127,224

SMITHTON & CULLODEN FREE CHURCH

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

Smithton & Cullogen Free Church is a charity registered in Scotland. The registered office is Murray Road, Smithton, Inverness, IV2 7YU.

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's constitution, the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005, the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended), FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" ("FRS 102") and the Charities SORP "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: 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)" (effective 1 January 2019). The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors or grantors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Endowment funds are subject to specific conditions by donors that the capital must be maintained by the charity.

1.4 Income

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

1 Accounting policies (Continued)

1.5 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement, and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges are allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

1.6 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Freehold land and buildings	2% per annum straight line
Plant and equipment	15% per annum straight line
Fixtures and fittings	25% per annum straight line
Computers	20% per annum straight line

The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in the statement of financial activities.

1.7 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

1.8 Financial instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the charity's balance sheet when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

1 Accounting policies (Continued)

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

1.9 Employee benefits

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the charity is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

1.10 Retirement benefits

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

2 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total 2023 £
Donations and gifts	232,522	425,311	657,833	204,447	97,145	301,592
Grants	-	-	-	10,000	-	10,000
Income tax recoveries	46,713	54,886	101,599	40,441	34,269	74,710
Other income	5,923	1,880	7,803	11,539	5,917	17,456
Other donations	-	380	380	410	65,759	66,169
Special appeals	-	-	-	-	100	100
	<u>285,158</u>	<u>482,457</u>	<u>767,615</u>	<u>266,837</u>	<u>203,190</u>	<u>470,027</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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3 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total 2023 £
Smithton and Culloden						
Magazine sales	503	-	503	507	-	507
Youth activities	-	840	840	863	-	863
Book stall sales	980	234	1,214	536	530	1,066
Rental income	49,942	-	49,942	69,036	2,082	71,118
	<u>51,425</u>	<u>1,074</u>	<u>52,499</u>	<u>70,942</u>	<u>2,612</u>	<u>73,554</u>

4 Income from investments

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total 2023 £
Interest receivable	<u>2,276</u>	<u>3,713</u>	<u>5,989</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>872</u>	<u>880</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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5 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Smithton and Culloden 2024 £	Tornagrain 2024 £	Total 2024 £	Smithton and Culloden 2023 £	Tornagrain 2023 £	Total 2023 £
Direct costs						
Staff costs	168,610	-	168,610	181,986	-	181,986
Depreciation and impairment	45,332	-	45,332	45,604	-	45,604
Head Office remittances	159,906	-	159,906	134,833	-	134,833
Presbytery dues	5,936	-	5,936	4,558	-	4,558
Minister's expenses	11,665	-	11,665	12,277	-	12,277
Assistant minister's expenses	2,481	-	2,481	5,767	-	5,767
Family worker's expenses	2,529	-	2,529	637	-	637
Employee travel and expenses	3,487	-	3,487	1,822	-	1,822
Outreach	68,027	-	68,027	43,704	-	43,704
Youth activities	6,172	-	6,172	8,181	-	8,181
School events	548	-	548	-	-	-
Donations and gifts	16,083	-	16,083	22,820	-	22,820
Communion expenses and pulpit supply	4,187	-	4,187	2,886	-	2,886
Rent	-	20,841	20,841	-	20,743	20,743
Provisions	6,233	-	6,233	2,999	-	2,999
Professional fees	3,343	-	3,343	2,726	-	2,726
Publications, presentations and materials	6,662	-	6,662	7,839	-	7,839
	<u>511,201</u>	<u>20,841</u>	<u>532,042</u>	<u>478,639</u>	<u>20,743</u>	<u>499,382</u>
Share of support and governance costs (see note 6)						
Support	84,003	48,702	132,705	109,041	69	109,110
Governance	13,954	1,500	15,454	10,250	-	10,250
	<u>609,158</u>	<u>71,043</u>	<u>680,201</u>	<u>597,930</u>	<u>20,812</u>	<u>618,742</u>
Analysis by fund						
Unrestricted funds	341,675	-	341,675	364,411	-	364,411
Restricted funds	267,483	71,043	338,526	233,519	20,812	254,331
	<u>609,158</u>	<u>71,043</u>	<u>680,201</u>	<u>597,930</u>	<u>20,812</u>	<u>618,742</u>

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6 Support costs allocated to activities

	2024 £	2023 £
Heat and light	31,240	46,407
Rates and insurance	22,486	15,585
Repairs and maintenance	52,043	22,585
Post, stationery and advertising	7,728	6,698
Training	499	375
Computer software	6,473	5,665
Communications	990	1,998
Bank charges	470	1,061
Bank interest	2,898	2,299
Other support costs	7,878	6,437
Governance costs	15,454	10,250
	<u>148,159</u>	<u>119,360</u>
Analysed between:		
Smithton and Culloden	97,957	119,291
Tornagrain	50,202	69
	<u>148,159</u>	<u>119,360</u>

7 Net movement in funds

	2024 £	2023 £
The net movement in funds is stated after charging/(crediting):		
Fees payable for the audit of the charity's financial statements	13,160	12,600
Depreciation of owned tangible fixed assets	45,332	45,604
Loss on disposal of tangible fixed assets	-	8,563
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8 Trustees

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the year.

During the year 4 trustees received reimbursement for out of pocket expenses of £2,477.

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9 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2024 Number	2023 Number
General office	10	10

Employment costs

	2024 £	2023 £
Wages and salaries	151,946	166,232
Social security costs	8,150	7,401
Other pension costs	8,514	8,353
	168,610	181,986

There were no employees whose annual remuneration was more than £60,000.

Remuneration of key management personnel

The remuneration of key management personnel was as follows:

The key management personnel consist of the Chair of the Deacon's Court, the Treasurer and the Gift Aid Coordinator. Their aggregate emoluments during the year was £13,488 (2023 - £11,816).

10 Other expenditure

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £
Net loss on disposal of tangible fixed assets	-	8,563

11 Taxation

The charity is exempt from taxation on its activities because all its income is applied for charitable purposes.

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12 Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold land and buildings £	Plant and equipment £	Fixtures and fittings £	Computers £	Total £
Cost					
At 1 January 2024	2,328,609	92,500	88,474	14,332	2,523,915
Additions	-	415	430	-	845
At 31 December 2024	2,328,609	92,915	88,904	14,332	2,524,760
Depreciation and impairment					
At 1 January 2024	442,856	82,869	73,802	12,519	612,046
Depreciation charged in the year	36,450	1,861	6,414	607	45,332
At 31 December 2024	479,306	84,730	80,216	13,126	657,378
Carrying amount					
At 31 December 2024	1,849,303	8,185	8,688	1,206	1,867,382
At 31 December 2023	1,885,753	9,632	14,672	1,813	1,911,870

Included in freehold property is £506,100 of land which is not depreciated.

13 Debtors

	2024 £	2023 £
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Other debtors	96,001	13,486

14 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2024 £	2023 £
Other creditors	51,752	30,144

15 Retirement benefit schemes

	2024 £	2023 £
Defined contribution schemes		
Charge to profit or loss in respect of defined contribution schemes	8,514	8,353

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme for all qualifying employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the charity in an independently administered fund.

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16 Restricted funds

The restricted funds of the charity comprise the unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used.

	At 1 January 2024	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	At 31 December 2024
	£	£	£	£	£
Development fund	(41,487)	88,926	(120,162)	72,723	-
Building and maintenance fund	9,591	14,714	(24,635)	330	-
Sunday school fund	32	165	(349)	173	21
Fun time Toddlers	1,982	758	(617)	-	2,123
Missions committee	6,808	44,813	(46,828)	6,000	10,793
Missions other	344	3,000	(1,136)	-	2,208
Lunch club	9	-	-	-	9
Community Pop in	800	150	(441)	-	509
Compassion in crisis	6,346	27,845	(11,411)	-	22,780
Special appeals	(100)	2,393	(2,126)	-	167
Tornagrain	45,961	302,366	(127,494)	8,885	229,718
Youth fellowship	-	1,739	(3,110)	1,624	253
Breakfast club	-	375	(217)	-	158
	<u>30,286</u>	<u>487,244</u>	<u>(338,526)</u>	<u>89,735</u>	<u>268,739</u>
Previous year:	At 1 January 2023	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	At 31 December 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Development fund	41,900	86,655	(157,748)	(12,294)	(41,487)
Building and maintenance fund	20,379	25,805	13,452	(50,045)	9,591
Sunday school fund	638	1	(3,035)	2,428	32
Fun time Toddlers	1,487	579	(84)	-	1,982
Missions committee	957	29,139	(32,474)	9,186	6,808
Missions other	-	13	(2,446)	2,777	344
Lunch club	4,553	34	-	(4,578)	9
Pop in	1,034	50	(284)	-	800
Compassion in crisis	7,514	6,280	(7,629)	181	6,346
Special appeals	351	-	-	(451)	(100)
Tornagrain	14,147	58,118	(64,083)	37,779	45,961
	<u>92,960</u>	<u>206,674</u>	<u>(254,331)</u>	<u>(15,017)</u>	<u>30,286</u>

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16 Restricted funds (Continued)

Development Fund:

Restricted for the of payment of staff payroll and other staff costs.

Building and Maintenance Funds:

Restricted the purchase, rent and upkeep of Church buildings.

Tornagrain Funds:

Restricted for Tornagrain Community Church

Missions Funds:

These funds have been given for the support of missionary work and controlled by the Missions Committee.

Other Restricted Funds:

Other restricted funds are created for special appeals.

Transfers between funds:

During the year transfers from general funds have been received by several restricted funds in order to meet the expense related to those funds.

17 Unrestricted funds

The unrestricted funds of the charity comprise the unexpended balances of donations and grants which are not subject to specific conditions by donors and grantors as to how they may be used. These include designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes.

	At 1 January 2024	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	At 31 December 2024
	£	£	£	£	£
Designated assets	1,920,245	-	(45,332)	(7,531)	1,867,382
General funds	71,905	338,859	(296,343)	(82,204)	32,217
	<u>1,992,150</u>	<u>338,859</u>	<u>(341,675)</u>	<u>(89,735)</u>	<u>1,899,599</u>

Previous year:	At 1 January 2023	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	At 31 December 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
General funds	47,883	337,787	(327,182)	13,417	71,905
Designated assets	1,964,437	-	(45,792)	1,600	1,920,245
	<u>2,012,320</u>	<u>337,787</u>	<u>(372,974)</u>	<u>15,017</u>	<u>1,992,150</u>

General Funds:

These are the free reserves of the charity, available for use as the charity sees fit.

Designated Asset Funds:

This fund has been set up to represent the charity's use of tangible fixed assets.

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17 Unrestricted funds (Continued)

Transfers between funds:

During the year transfers from general funds have been made to several restricted funds in order to meet the expense related to those funds.

18 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £
At 31 December 2024:			
Tangible assets	1,867,382	-	1,867,382
Current assets/(liabilities)	32,217	268,739	300,956
	<u>1,899,599</u>	<u>268,739</u>	<u>2,168,338</u>
	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total 2023 £
At 31 December 2023:			
Tangible assets	1,911,870	-	1,911,870
Current assets/(liabilities)	80,280	30,286	110,566
	<u>1,992,150</u>	<u>30,286</u>	<u>2,022,436</u>

19 Events after the reporting date

Over the last few years Smithton and Culloden Free Church of Scotland has been raising funds and putting structures in place to plant a new church, Tornagrain Community Church. Since the year end Tornagrain Community Church has been established as a church in its own right and a significant proportion of the funds raised and assets acquired for this new church have been transferred across to the new church. This will have a significant impact on the balance sheet of Smithton and Culloden Free Church as it held funds of £213,722 for Tornagrain Community Church at the year end.

20 Related party transactions

During the year 4 trustees received reimbursement for out of pocket expenses of £2,477.
The Trustees, as a Board, collectively made donations to the charity of £46,270.

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21	Cash generated from/(absorbed by) operations	2024 £	2023 £
	Surplus/(deficit) for the year	145,902	(82,844)
	Adjustments for:		
	Investment income recognised in statement of financial activities	(5,989)	(880)
	(Gain)/loss on disposal of tangible fixed assets	-	8,563
	Depreciation and impairment of tangible fixed assets	45,333	45,604
	Movements in working capital:		
	(Increase)/decrease in debtors	(82,515)	3,518
	Increase/(decrease) in creditors	21,608	(9,968)
	Cash generated from/(absorbed by) operations	<u>124,339</u>	<u>(36,007)</u>

22 Analysis of changes in net funds

The charity had no material debt during the year.

23 Non-audit services provided by auditor

In common with many business of our size and nature, we use our auditor to assist with the preparation of the financial statements.