

# Scout Hall Playgroup ( Westhill )

Scotland · Charity number SC018585

## Details

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| Known as   | The Scout Hall Playgroup                  |
| Status     | Active                                    |
| Legal form | Unincorporated association                |
| Registered | 1991-11-07                                |
| Register   | <a href="#">View on the OSCR register</a> |

## Contact

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**Address** c/o 6 Mains View  
Westhill  
Aberdeenshire  
AB32 6NZ

## Activities

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**Activities:** 'It carries out activities or services itself'

**Purposes:** 'the advancement of education'

**What the charity does:** The aim of this group is to provide Early Learning and Childcare opportunities for children in the local community. This is mainly achieved through the provision of carefully planned play experiences, delivered in a nurturing, inclusive environment whilst following Scottish Government documents such as the Prebirth to Three guidance and Curriculum for Excellence.

**Beneficiaries:** 'Children or young people'

**Objectives:** Objects 2. The aim of the group is to advance the education and social development of pre-school children with the emphasis on the play experience, so that they take a constructive place in the community and also to advance the education of their parents and other appropriate persons. In furtherance of the above aims the group shall seek: (a) to provide safe and satisfying group play and learning (b) to encourage other charitable activities through which the parents may support the development of children.

## Geography

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- **Main operating location:** Aberdeenshire
- **Geographical spread:** A specific local point, community or neighbourhood

## Finances

| Period end | Income  | Expenditure | Assets | Employees |
|------------|---------|-------------|--------|-----------|
| 2025-07-31 | £87,150 | £88,159     | -      | 6         |
| 2024-07-31 | £73,141 | £66,653     | -      | 7         |
| 2023-07-31 | £56,664 | £62,108     | -      | 7         |
| 2022-07-31 | £49,459 | £62,554     | -      | 8         |
| 2021-07-31 | £52,484 | £56,124     | -      | 8         |

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# Accounts

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**Scout Hall Playgroup (Westhill)**

**Report and Accounts  
for the year ended  
31 July 2025**

**Scottish Charity Number: SCO18585**

## **The Scout Hall Playgroup (Westhill)**

### **Trustees' Report for the year ended 31st July 2025**

#### **Charitable Objectives**

The aim of this group is to provide Early Learning and Childcare opportunities for children in the local community. The service builds on the valuable learning that takes place in and around the home helping develop skills that the children will rely on in later life. This is mainly achieved through the provision of carefully planned play experiences, delivered in a nurturing, inclusive environment whilst following Scottish Government documents such as the Prebirth to Three guidance and Curriculum for Excellence. The group seeks to encourage charitable activities through which the parents can support the development of their children.

The group provides accommodation and equipment, employs play practitioners to lead the activities, pays for resources, fixes and collects fees and liaises with other bodies as required. The Trustees and Playgroup Manager are directly concerned with the employment and appraisal of all staff. In essence the group undertakes any activity necessary or desirable to enable the group to achieve its objectives.

The group has continued its membership of the Early Years Scotland, accepted its aims and paid appropriate subscription, and arranged all relevant and necessary insurances through this membership.

#### **Trustees**

The Trustees comprise members of the parent group and are appointed annually at the AGM. They are governed by the charity's constitution.

The trustees during the year were:

Mike Williamson (Chairperson)  
Linsey Sutherland (Treasurer)  
Leigh Baxter (Secretary)  
Emma Dougary  
Cat Allan  
Rachel Dunn  
Kate Stephen  
Rachel Urquhart  
Elisha Baxter

All Trustees named above were appointed or re-appointed at the AGM in September 2024 and resigned at the AGM in September 2025.

The trustees at the date of this report are:

Mike Williamson (Chairperson)  
Rachel Dunn (Treasurer)  
Kate Stephen (Secretary)  
Rachel Urquhart  
Elisha Lutton  
Heather Penny  
Lisa McCulloch  
Abi Bremner

All Trustees named above were appointed or re-appointed at the AGM in September 2025

**Principal Address**

The Scout Hall Playgroup (Westhill)  
c/o Holly Boardman  
6 Mains View  
Westhill  
AB32 6NZ

**Financial Position**

The financial position as at 31st July 2025 is as set out in the accounts, which have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis.

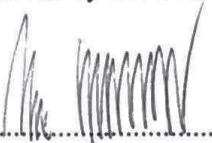
**Review of Activities and Achievements**

Fundraising continues to be challenging but the playgroup raised £12,122 (2024: £18,245) from a variety of fundraising activities (net of expenses) including donations of £5,840 (2024: £4,100). There were a number of successful activities throughout the year including a raffle £1,230 (2024:nil), Halloween party and activities £910 (2024:£2,253), Sponsored circuits £872 (2024:nil) and Christmas raffle and activities £1,071 (2024:303). A parent again kindly chose the playgroup to receive her sponsorship for taking part in the Kilt Walk and raised £1,111 (2024: £2,013).

The Redundancy Reserve account (deposit bank account) with interest applied now stands at £10,807 (2024: £10,670).

As at 31st July 2025 the Charity's reserves stand at £16,576 (2024: £17,583), retaining sufficient funds to allow the Playgroup to continue to operate at current subscription levels and allow for planned staff cost increases.

Approved by the Board of Trustees and signed on their behalf by

  
.....  
Trustee

24/4/26  
.....  
Date

**Scout Hall Playgroup (Westhill)**  
**Registered Charity SCO18585**  
**Statement of Receipts and Payments**  
**For the period to 31st July 2025**

|                                       | <b>2025</b>           | <b>2024</b>         |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
|                                       | £                     | £                   |
| <b>Receipts</b>                       |                       |                     |
| Fees/Snacks                           | 30,612                | 19,924              |
| Council Funding                       | 44,279                | 34,819              |
| Fund Raising (net of expenses)        | 12,122                | 18,245              |
| Interest Received                     | 137                   | 153                 |
|                                       | <u>87,150</u>         | <u>73,141</u>       |
| <b>Payments</b>                       |                       |                     |
| Wages                                 | 60,787                | 48,884              |
| Rent                                  | 14,951                | 11,051              |
| Equipment                             | 3,834                 | 3,905               |
| Snacks                                | 5,955                 | 1,253               |
| Subscription                          | 454                   | 397                 |
| Misc                                  | 2,178                 | 1,163               |
|                                       | <u>88,159</u>         | <u>66,653</u>       |
| <b>(Deficit)/Surplus for the year</b> | <u><u>(1,007)</u></u> | <u><u>6,488</u></u> |

**Scout Hall Playgroup (Westhill)**  
**Registered Charity SCO18585**  
**Statement of Balances**  
**As at 31st July 2025**

|   | <b>2025</b>          |
|---|----------------------|
|   | £                    |
| <b>Funds reconciliation</b>                 |                      |
| Cash at Bank & In Hand - 31/7/24            | 17,584               |
| Deficit for the year                        | (1,007)              |
| <b>Cash at Bank &amp; In Hand - 31/7/25</b> | <u><u>16,576</u></u> |

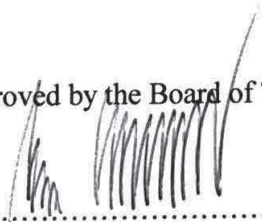
**Bank & Cash Balances**

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|----------------------|----------------------|
| Bank Current account | 5,769                |
| Bank Deposit account | <u>10,807</u>        |
|                      | <u><u>16,576</u></u> |

**Reserves**

All of the Charity's funds are held as unrestricted.

Approved by the Board of Trustees and signed on its behalf by

  
.....  
Trustee

24/4/26  
.....  
Date

APPENDIX 3



**Independent examiner's report on the accounts** v2

|  |   |       |      |    |                        |       |      |
|--|---|-------|------|----|------------------------|-------|------|
| <b>Report to the trustees/members of</b>             | Charity name<br>SCOUT HALL PLAYGROUP (WESTHILL)             |       |      |    |                        |       |      |
| <b>Registered charity number</b>                     | SC 018585   |       |      |    |                        |       |      |
| <b>On the accounts of the charity for the period</b> | <b>Period start date</b>                                    |       |      | to | <b>Period end date</b> |       |      |
|  | Day   | Month | Year |    | Day                    | Month | Year |
|  | 01  | 08    | 2024 |    | 31                     | 07    | 2025 |
| <b>Set out on pages</b>                              | (remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets) |       |      |    |                        |       |      |

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) 2005 Act and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. The charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (d) of the Accounts Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under section 44(1) (c) of the Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of independent examiner's statement**

My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeks explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently, I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

**Independent examiner's statement**

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention [other than that disclosed on the attached page\*]

- which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 44(1) (a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations, and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations

have not been met, or

- to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: *J. Cruickshank*  
Name: JOANNA CRUICKSHANK

Date: 22/04/26

**Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):**

INSTITUTE OF CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS OF SCOTLAND

**Address:**

CORRYVRECKAN  
DUNECHT  
WESTHILL  
AB32 7BR

\*Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply. If the words do apply, set out those matters which have come to your attention on the following page.

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# Accounts

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**Scout Hall Playgroup (Westhill)**

**Report and Accounts  
for the year ended  
31 July 2024**

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### Trustees' Report for the year ended 31st July 2024

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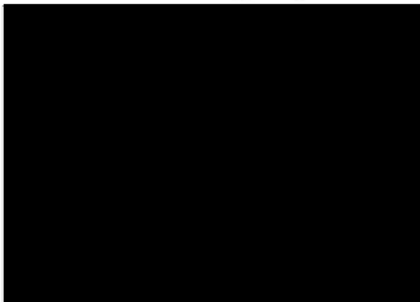
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#### Trustees

The Trustees comprise members of the parent group and are appointed annually at the AGM. They are governed by the charity's constitution.

The trustees during the year were:



All Trustees named above were appointed or re-appointed at the AGM in September 2023 and resigned at the AGM in September 2024.

The trustees at the date of this report are:



All Trustees named above were appointed or re-appointed at the AGM in September 2024 or on January 2025 at a committee meeting.

**Principal Address**

The Scout Hall Playgroup (Westhill)  
c/o Holly Boardman  
11 Morven Crescent  
Westhill  
AB32 6WA

**Financial Position**

The financial position as at 31st July 2024 is as set out in the accounts, which have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis.

**Review of Activities and Achievements**

Fundraising continues to be challenging but the playgroup raised £18,245 (2023: £4,319) from a variety of fundraising activities (net of expenses) including donations of £4,100 (2023: £230). There were a number of successful activities throughout the year including a Golf day £3,515 (2023:nil), Halloween party and activities £2,253 (2023:£8), Race night £1,390 (2023:nil) and Easter party and activities £1,200 (2023:nil). A parent again kindly chose the playgroup to receive her sponsorship for taking part in the Kilt Walk and raised £2,013 (2023: £620).

The Redundancy Reserve account (deposit bank account) with interest applied now stands at £10,670 (2023: £10,517).

As at 31st July 2024 the Charity's reserves stand at £17,583 (2023: £11,095), retaining sufficient funds to allow the Playgroup to continue to operate at current subscription levels and allow for planned staff cost increases.

Approved by the Board of Trustees and signed on their behalf by



Trustee

29<sup>th</sup> April 25

Date

Scout Hall Playgroup (Westhill)  
Registered Charity SCO18585  
Statement of Receipts and Payments  
For the period to 31st July 2024

|                                       | 2024                | 2023                  |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
|                                       | £                   | £                     |
| <b>Receipts</b>                       |                     |                       |
| Fees/Snacks                           | 19,924              | 11,640                |
| Council Funding                       | 34,819              | 40,625                |
| Fund Raising (net of expenses)        | 18,245              | 4,319                 |
| Interest Received                     | 153                 | 80                    |
|                                       | <u>73,141</u>       | <u>56,664</u>         |
| <b>Payments</b>                       |                     |                       |
| Wages                                 | 48,884              | 46,298                |
| Rent                                  | 11,051              | 11,124                |
| Equipment                             | 3,905               | 2,125                 |
| Snacks                                | 1,253               | 1,140                 |
| Subscription                          | 397                 | 352                   |
| Misc                                  | 1,163               | 1,069                 |
|                                       | <u>66,653</u>       | <u>62,108</u>         |
| <b>Surplus/(Deficit) for the year</b> | <u><u>6,488</u></u> | <u><u>(5,444)</u></u> |

Scout Hall Playgroup (Westhill)  
Registered Charity SCO18585  
Statement of Balances  
As at 31st July 2024

|   | 2024          |
|---|---------------|
|   | £             |
| <b>Funds reconciliation</b>                 |               |
| Cash at Bank & In Hand - 31/7/23            | 11,095        |
| Surplus for the year                        | 6,488         |
| <b>Cash at Bank &amp; In Hand - 31/7/24</b> | <u>17,583</u> |
| <br>  |               |
| <b>Bank &amp; Cash Balances</b>             |               |
| Bank Current account                        | 6,913         |
| Bank Deposit account                        | <u>10,670</u> |
|   | <u>17,583</u> |

**Reserves**

All of the Charity's funds are held as unrestricted.

Approved by the Board of Trustees and signed on its behalf by



Trustee

29<sup>th</sup> April 25.  
Date

**Independent examiner's report on the accounts** v2

**Report to the trustees/members of** Charity name SCOUT HALL PLAYGROUP (WESTHILL)

**Registered charity number** SC SC018585

**On the accounts of the charity for the period**

| Period start date |           |             | to | Period end date |           |             |
|-------------------|-----------|-------------|----|-----------------|-----------|-------------|
| Day               | Month     | Year        |    | Day             | Month     | Year        |
| <u>01</u>         | <u>08</u> | <u>2023</u> |    | <u>31</u>       | <u>07</u> | <u>2024</u> |

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 have not been met, or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

**Signed:**  **Date:** 28/04/2025

**Name:** 

**Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):**

**Address:** 

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