

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.

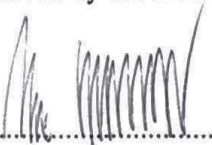
Review of Activities and Achievements

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


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Trustee

24/4/26
.....
Date

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

	2025	2024
	£	£
Receipts		
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>
Payments		
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>
(Deficit)/Surplus for the year	<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

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

Bank & Cash Balances

Bank Current account	5,769
Bank Deposit account	10,807
	<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

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Trustee

24/4/26
.....
Date

APPENDIX 3



Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Report to the trustees/members of	Charity name SCOUT HALL PLAYGROUP (WESTHILL)						
Registered charity number	SC 018585						
On the accounts of the charity for the period	Period start date				Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year	to	Day	Month	Year
	01	08	2024		31	07	2025
Set out on pages	(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:

Name:

J. Cruickshank
JOANNA CRUICKSHANK

Date:

22/04/26

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

INSTITUTE OF CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS OF SCOTLAND

Address:

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*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.