

Markinch Town Hall Management Committee

Chairperson's Report – AGM – Year Ended 31 March 2025

A very warm welcome to you all and thank you for coming along this evening to our Annual General Meeting. Our management committee hold regular meetings throughout the year to assist in maintaining and supporting the use of this Town Hall and I am delighted to share with you our aims and achievements since our previous meeting last year. We have focused on making some major improvements both inside and outside the property to keep the hall up to a high standard for both the community and hall users.

Our outside front windows have been upgraded and refurbished and will shortly be painting the front entrance door now that the better weather has arrived. The lower walls in the main hall were given a further coat of paint as this area receives the most damage. Our chairs and tables have been extremely well used over the years but between wear and tear and comments on the weight of the chairs, were in need of an upgrade. This was a large expense and replacement of the chairs, tables and new storage trolleys cost us around £23,000. Both the above inside and outside expenses were partially funded by a successful application for a Recovery Fund Grant where we received £20,000. Our hall users have been appreciative of these improvements and we regularly receive positive feedback for both the look of the hall and the facilities available. Whilst our old tables and chairs had been well used, we have managed to support a number of local groups and other halls by both donating and selling on all of these to continue being used.

Following Fife Council's report last year that the load bearing bar in the main hall was to be replaced, there have been a number of meetings, discussions and quotes for this replacement. Whilst this was mainly used by MAOS in the past, a number of recent lets have requested lighting etc. so it was agreed that the committee would contribute to the cost of replacing this and agreed a £5,000 contribution towards the total cost of around £11,200.00. MAOS themselves managed to secure a £5,000 grant to assist with this and their other electrical upgrades and successfully held their annual show "Anything Goes" in March this year.

With Gas and Electrical costs being our main outgoing, we have now had a "Hive" system installed so that we can more efficiently manage the heating in the hall. It would be hoped that over the year we will see a reduction in our Gas costs and hopefully we can make progress with our lighting to reduce electricity costs also.

The committee agreed to upgrade our small Christmas tree and hall decorations so a much larger tree was purchased for the stage with other decorations and this was well received by hall users.

We are delighted that the hall has continued to be extremely popular for varies types of lets including celebrity names like Karen Dunbar, Jane McCarry and we even have Taylor Swift later in the year, well almost. We have held numerous concerts, shows, parties and are holding a wedding and reception later in the year. Everything we have achieved over the past year has only been possible due to the commitment and drive of our committee, committee members and support from local Councillor to keep the hall as a community and beyond venue in Markinch. I would like to thank the committee for their contribution and hard work and know that I can rely on you all for your continued support for the year ahead.

Thank you all for coming along this evening.

8/5/25.

Scottish Charity Number SC022571

Statement of Receipts and Payments for the year ended 31 March 2025

<u>Receipts</u>	2025	2024
Hall lets	£17,723	£15,609
Grants	£24,494	<u>£ 4,363</u>
Asset sales	<u>£ 1,220</u>	<u>£ 0</u>
	£43,437	£19,972

Payments

Electricity	£ 5,229	£ 4,505
Gas	£ 4,948	£ 4,842
Property costs	£32,055	£ 1,677
Rates	£ 1,200	£ 0
Cleaning/hygiene/waste	£ 4,836	£ 5,452
Stationery	£ 53	£ 14
Accounting/secretarial	£ 150	£ 169
Miscellaneous	<u>£ 61</u>	<u>£ 0</u>
	£48,532	£16,659

Surplus / [Deficit]	[£ 5,095]	£ 3,313
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Statement of Balances

Bank balance at 31 March 2024	£46,430
Petty cash on hand 31 March 2024	£ 135
Bank balance and cash at 31 March 2024	£46,565

Deficit	£ 5,095
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Bank balance at 31 March 2024	£41,375
Petty cash on hand 31 March 2024	£ 95
Bank balance and cash at 31 March 2024	£41,470

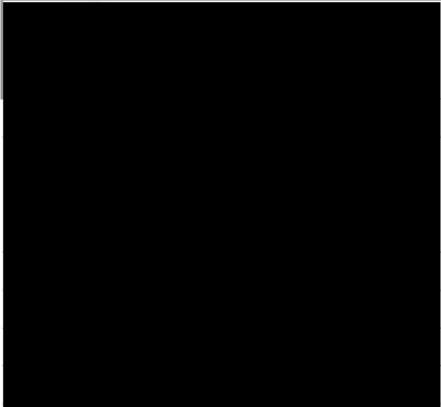
For Markinch Town Hall Management Committee, 9 April 2025

Independent Examiner's Report

Accounting records examined and found to be correct

Independent Examiner, 11 April 2025

Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator

	Independent examiner's report on the accounts						
Report to the trustees/members of	Charity name Markinch Town Hall Management Committee						
Registered charity no.	SC022571						
On the accounts of the charity for the period	Period start date				Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
	01	April	2024	to	31	March	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 1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 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 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:	11 April 2025	
Name:							
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):							
Address:							

*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.

Disclosure section

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material problems.

Give here brief details of
any items that the
examiner wishes to
disclose

No issues raised