



Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date				Period end date			
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
From	01	08	2024	To	31	07	2025

Reference and administration details

Charity name

Ladybird Club

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number

SC022751

Charity's principal address

Manse of Creich, Dornoch Road

Bonar Bridge

Sutherland

Postcode IV24 3EB

Names of the charity trustees on date of approval of Trustees' Annual Report

	1. Trustee name	2. Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Lucy Watt	Chair		
2	Hannah Macfarlane	Vice-Chair		
3	Lisa Mackenzie	Secretary		
4	Jan Maclean	Vice - Secretary		
5	Jenny Ross	Treasurer		
6	Jodie Manners	Vice - Treasurer		
7	Susan Rush			
8	Sarah Paterson			
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Reference an administration details

Names of all other charity trustees during the period, if any, (for example, those who resigned part way through the financial period)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
n/a	

Structure, governance and management

Type of governing document

The Ladybird Club is an unincorporated association and the purposes and administration arrangements are set out in our constitution

Trustee recruitment and appointment

The Ladybird Club trustees are appointed or reappointed by the members at our annual general meeting, which is held in June each year.

Objectives and activities

Charitable purposes

To advance the education of pre-school children so that they may take a constructive place in the community, and also the education of their parents and other adults, children and teenagers.

Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects

The club continues to meet weekly during school term time and aims to provide safe and satisfying group play in which parents take part when appropriate; to encourage other charitable activities through which parents may help the children. Each session consists of structured play times and arts and crafts activities. Each session also acts as a social interaction group for parents.

APPENDIX 1

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the financial period

The Ladybird Club committee is pleased to reflect on a year where it felt the club has really cemented its position in the community, with a strong core of regular attendance and a good variety of events and activities taking place for the children.

The playgroup continues to provide a weekly safe space for families to meet and for preschool children to socialise and play together with a range of toys and equipment. As well as free play, we also try to incorporate more focused sessions which feature arts and crafts, baking, sensory and musical elements at key points during the year.

Attendance has been good and relatively consistent, generally attracting more than 10 children from the surrounding area - and beyond - on a weekly basis, and we now follow the school term time calendar to allow some down time during holiday periods. Older siblings continue to be made welcome at the group, to allow as many families as possible to attend. Snack is provided to children attending, and includes a variety of fruit, yogurt and biscuits, with tea and coffee available for adults.

While the majority of sessions take place at Ardgay Hall, we also made the most of the local parks during the summer, meeting at Bonar Bridge Park and Ferrycroft some weeks. We continued to link up with Bonar Bridge Library to hold Book Bug and play sessions throughout the year which have been well attended and were delighted to treat the children to a trip to Grannies Heilan Hame in Embo at the start of July 2025 before breaking for the summer holidays.

Our outgoings totalled **£1182.78** from August 2024 to July 2025 with the main costs being the hire of the hall, fruit for the snack, insurance and the summer outing. In addition to the income from our regular fee, which has remained at £1 per child, we also ran a pop up cafe as part of the local Christmas Craft Fayre which raised over £200 for playgroup funds. We have not applied for any formal funding this year so our income was limited to **£442.50**, leaving our funds totalling **£579.46** as of August 1st, 2025.

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Reserves stand at £1319.74 which is unrestricted. Regular committee meeting's ensures funds are readily available. The Committee consider the reserves held sufficient to allow us to continue activities.

Details of any deficit

There was a deficit of £741 – the committee are comfortable with this and fundraising takes place as and when needed.

Donated facilities and services (if any)

Other optional information

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	<i>Jenny Ross</i>	
Full name(s)	JENNY ROSS	
Position (e.g. Chair)	TREASURER	
Date	23/04/2026	

Independent examiner's report on the accounts							
Report to the trustees/members of Registered charity number On the accounts of the charity for the period Set out on pages	Charity name Ladybird Club						
	SC 022751						
	Period start date				Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
	01	08	24	to	31	07	25
	7-10					(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)	
Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner Basis of independent examiner's statement Independent examiner's statement	<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention [other than that disclosed on the attached page*]</p> <p>1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:</p> <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 <p>have not been met, or</p> <p>2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.</p>						
Signed:	<i>Christine Ross</i>			Date:	23 April 2026		
Name:	CHRISTINE ROSS						
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):							
Address:	c/o Lairg Community Centre						
	Main Street						
	Lairg						
	IV27 4DB						

*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**

Ladybird Club

SC022751



Receipts and payments accounts							
For the period from	Period start date			to	Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
	01	08	2024		31	07	2025

Section A Statement of receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Expendable endowment funds to nearest £	Permanent endowment funds to nearest £	Total funds current period to nearest £	Total funds last period to nearest £
A1 Receipts						
Donations					-	-
Legacies					-	-
Grants					-	1,000
Receipts from fundraising activities	443				443	
Gross trading receipts					-	735
Income from investments other than land and buildings					-	
Rents from land & buildings					-	
Gross receipts from other charitable activities					-	
					-	
A1 Sub total	443	-	-	-	443	1,735
A2 Receipts from asset & investment sales						
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets					-	
Proceeds from sale of investments					-	
A2 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	443	-	-	-	443	1,735
A3 Payments						
Expenses for fundraising activities					-	
Gross trading payments					-	
Investment management costs					-	
Payments relating directly to charitable activities	1,148				1,148	1,089
Grants and donations					-	
Governance costs:					-	
Audit / independent examination	35				35	35
Preparation of annual accounts					-	
Legal costs					-	
Other					-	
					-	
A3 Sub total	1,183	-	-	-	1,183	1,124
A4 Payments relating to asset and investment movements						
Purchases of fixed assets					-	
Purchase of investments					-	
A4 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	1,183	-	-	-	1,183	1,124
Net receipts / (payments)	(741)	-	-	-	(741)	611
A5 Transfers to / (from) funds						
					-	
Surplus / (deficit) for year	(741)	-	-	-	(741)	611

Section B Statement of balances

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Expendable endowment funds to nearest £	Permanent endowment funds to nearest £	Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cash and bank balances at start of year	1,320				1,320	709
	Surplus / (deficit) shown on receipts and payments account	(741)				(741)	611
						-	
						-	
	Cash and bank balances at end of year	580	-	-	-	580	1,320
	(Agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	-	-	-	-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Market valuation to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
B2 Investments				
		Total	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (if available) to nearest £	Current value (if available) to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
B3 Other assets					
		Total	-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
B4 Liabilities				
		Total	-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (estimate) to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
B5 Contingent liabilities				
		Total	-	-

Signed by one or two trustees
on behalf of all the trustees

Signature

Print Name

Date of
approval

Jenny Ross	JENNY ROSS	23 April 2026

Section C Notes to the Accounts

C1 Nature and purpose of funds (may be stated on analysis of funds worksheets)

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C2 Grants

Type of activity or project supported	Individual / institution	Number of grants made	£
n/a			0
Total			-

C3a Trustee remuneration

If no remuneration was paid during the period to any charity trustee or person connected to a trustee cross this box (otherwise complete section 3b)	X
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C3b Trustee remuneration - details

Authority under which paid	£

C4a Trustee expenses

If no expenses were paid to any charity trustee during the period then cross this box (otherwise complete section 4b)	X
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C4b Trustee expenses - details

	Number of trustees	£

C5 Transactions with trustees and connected persons

Nature of relationship	Nature of transaction	Transaction amount (£)	Balance outstanding at period end (£)
n/a			0

C6 Other information

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Analysis of receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Expendable endowment funds to nearest £	Permanent endowment funds to nearest £	Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
Individual Donation					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-

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	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
Ardgay Community Council (Beinn Tharsuinn Fund)			-	500
Creich Community Council (Beinn Tharsuinn Fund)			-	500
			-	
			-	
Total	-	-	-	1,000

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Expendable endowment funds to nearest £	Permanent endowment funds to nearest £	Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
Total	-	-	-	-	-	

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Expendable endowment funds	Permanent endowment funds	Total current period	Total last period
	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
Rent	723				723	680
Committee - Insurance etc	244				244	189
Seasonal Activity	60				60	70
Session Catering	121				121	150
					-	
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					-	
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					-	
Total	1,148	-	-	-	1,148	1,089

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