

## Applecross Community Hall

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| Receipts and payments accounts |                   |          |      |    |                 |         |      |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|----------|------|----|-----------------|---------|------|
| For the period from            | Period start date |          |      | to | Period end date |         |      |
|                                | Day               | Month    | Year |    | Day             | Month   | Year |
|                                | 01                | February | 2023 |    | 31              | January | 2024 |

## Section A Statement of receipts and payments

|   | Unrestricted funds<br>to nearest £ | Restricted funds<br>to nearest £ | Expendable endowment funds<br>to nearest £ | Permanent endowment funds<br>to nearest £ | Total funds current period<br>to nearest £ | Total funds last period<br>to nearest £ |
|---|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|---|--|---|
| <b>A1 Receipts</b>  |                                    |                                  |  |   |  |   |
| Donations   | 3,020                              |                                  |  |   | 3,020                                      | 4,610                                   |
| Legacies  |                                    |                                  |  |   | -  |   |
| Grants  | 5,812                              | 24,900                           |  |   | 30,712                                     | 19,790                                  |
| Receipts from fundraising activities                          | 4,992                              |                                  |  |   | 4,992                                      | 6,554                                   |
| Gross trading receipts  | 15,773                             |                                  |  |   | 15,773                                     | 13,113                                  |
| Income from investments other than land and buildings         |                                    |                                  |  |   | -  |   |
| Rents from land & buildings                                   |                                    |                                  |  |   | -  |   |
| Gross receipts from other charitable activities               | 5,160                              |                                  |  |   | 5,160                                      | 2,081                                   |
|   |                                    |                                  |  |   | -  |   |
| <b>A1 Sub total</b>   | <b>34,756.36</b>                   | <b>24,900</b>                    | <b>-</b>                                   | <b>-</b>                                  | <b>59,656</b>                              | <b>46,148</b>                           |
| <b>A2 Receipts from asset &amp; investment sales</b>          |                                    |                                  |  |   |  |   |
| Proceeds from sale of fixed assets                            |                                    |                                  |  |   | -  |   |
| Proceeds from sale of investments                             |                                    |                                  |  |   | -  |   |
| <b>A2 Sub total</b>   | <b>-</b>                           | <b>-</b>                         | <b>-</b>                                   | <b>-</b>                                  | <b>-</b>                                   | <b>-</b>                                |
| <b>Total receipts</b>   | <b>34,756</b>                      | <b>24,900</b>                    | <b>-</b>                                   | <b>-</b>                                  | <b>59,656</b>                              | <b>46,148</b>                           |
| <b>A3 Payments</b>  |                                    |                                  |  |   |  |   |
| Expenses for fundraising activities                           | 4,472                              |                                  |  |   | 4,472                                      | 1,002                                   |
| Gross trading payments  | 19,934                             | 3,000                            |  |   | 22,934                                     | 29,484                                  |
| Investment management costs                                   |                                    |                                  |  |   | -  |   |
| Payments relating directly to charitable activities           | 5,916                              | 5,281                            |  |   | 11,198                                     | 5,515                                   |
| Grants and donations  |                                    |                                  |  |   | -  |   |
| Governance costs:   |                                    |                                  |  |   | -  |   |
| Audit / independent examination                               |                                    |                                  |  |   | -  | 85                                      |
| Preparation of annual accounts                                | 625                                |                                  |  |   | 625  |   |
| Legal costs   |                                    |                                  |  |   | -  |   |
| Other   |                                    |                                  |  |   | -  |   |
|   |                                    |                                  |  |   | -  |   |
| <b>A3 Sub total</b>   | <b>30,946.56</b>                   | <b>8,281</b>                     | <b>-</b>                                   | <b>-</b>                                  | <b>39,228</b>                              | <b>36,086</b>                           |
| <b>A4 Payments relating to asset and investment movements</b> |                                    |                                  |  |   |  |   |
| Purchases of fixed assets                                     |                                    |                                  |  |   | -  |   |
| Purchase of investments                                       |                                    |                                  |  |   | -  |   |
| <b>A4 Sub total</b>   | <b>-</b>                           | <b>-</b>                         | <b>-</b>                                   | <b>-</b>                                  | <b>-</b>                                   | <b>-</b>                                |
| <b>Total payments</b>   | <b>30,947</b>                      | <b>8,281</b>                     | <b>-</b>                                   | <b>-</b>                                  | <b>39,228</b>                              | <b>36,086</b>                           |
| <b>Net receipts / (payments)</b>                              | <b>3,810</b>                       | <b>16,619</b>                    | <b>-</b>                                   | <b>-</b>                                  | <b>20,428</b>                              | <b>10,062</b>                           |
| <b>A5 Transfers to / (from) funds</b>                         |                                    |                                  |  |   |  |   |
|   |                                    |                                  |  |   | -  |   |
| <b>Surplus / (deficit) for year</b>                           | <b>3,809.80</b>                    | <b>16,619</b>                    | <b>-</b>                                   | <b>-</b>                                  | <b>20,428.48</b>                           | <b>10,062</b>                           |

## Section B Statement of Assets and Liabilities

| Categories    | Details   | Unrestricted funds<br>to nearest £ | Restricted funds<br>to nearest £ | Expendable<br>endowment funds<br>to nearest £ | Permanent<br>endowment funds<br>to nearest £ | Total current<br>period<br>to nearest £ | Total last period<br>to nearest £ |
|---------------|---|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|--|---|-----------------------------------|
| B1 Cash funds | Cash and bank balances at start of year   | 13,450                             |                                  |   |  | 13,450                                  | 4,400                             |
|               | Surplus / (deficit) shown on receipts and payments account                                      | 3,810                              | 16,619                           |   |  | 20,428                                  | 9,051                             |
|               |   |                                    |                                  |   |  | -                                       | -                                 |
|               |   |                                    |                                  |   |  | -                                       | -                                 |
|               | Cash and bank balances at end of year<br>(Agree balances with receipts and payments account(s)) | 3,809.80                           | 16,619                           | -   | -  | 20,428                                  | 13,451                            |

| Categories     | Details | Fund to which asset belongs | Market valuation<br>to nearest £ | Last year<br>to nearest £ |
|----------------|---------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| B2 Investments |         |                             |                                  |                           |
|                |         |                             |                                  |                           |
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|                |         | Total                       | -                                | -                         |

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

| Categories     | Details | Fund to which liability relates | Amount due<br>to nearest £ | Last year<br>to nearest £ |
|----------------|---------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| B4 Liabilities |         |                                 |                            |                           |
|                |         |                                 |                            |                           |
|                |         |                                 |                            |                           |
|                |         |                                 |                            |                           |
|                |         | Total                           | -                          | -                         |

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

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

Date of approval

11.12.25



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## Additional analysis (1)

## Analysis of receipts and payments

## 1 Donations

|                  | Unrestricted funds<br>to nearest £ | Restricted funds<br>to nearest £ | Expendable<br>endowment funds<br>to nearest £ | Permanent<br>endowment funds<br>to nearest £ | Total current<br>period<br>to nearest £ | Total last period<br>to nearest £ |
|------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|--|---|-----------------------------------|
| Gael Force Group | 500                                |                                  |   |  | 500                                     | 25                                |
| Applecross Trust | 2,500                              |                                  |   |  | 2,500                                   | 1,870                             |
| Coermos          | 20                                 |                                  |   |  | 20                                      | 4,610                             |
| <b>Total</b>     | <b>3,020</b>                       | <b>-</b>                         | <b>-</b>                                      | <b>-</b>                                     | <b>3,020</b>                            | <b>6,505</b>                      |
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## 2 Grants

|                           | Unrestricted funds<br>to nearest £ | Restricted funds<br>to nearest £ | Total current<br>period<br>to nearest £ | Total last period<br>to nearest £ |
|---------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|-----------------------------------|
| Child mental health grant |                                    | 9,900                            | 9,900                                   | 2,870                             |
| Adult mental health grant |                                    | 10,000                           | 10,000                                  | 10,000                            |
| North Highland Initiative |                                    | 3,000                            | 3,000                                   | 1,000                             |
| Highland Council          | 2,000                              |                                  | 2,000                                   | 4,900                             |
| The touring network       | 330                                |                                  | 330                                     | 1,020                             |
| Age Scotland              |                                    | 2,000                            | 2,000                                   |                                   |
| Kishorn Port              | 2,500                              |                                  | 2,500                                   |                                   |
| Regional Screen           | 482                                |                                  | 482                                     |                                   |
| Albyn Society             | 500                                |                                  | 500                                     |                                   |
| <b>Total</b>              | <b>5,812</b>                       | <b>24,900</b>                    | <b>30,712.00</b>                        | <b>19,790</b>                     |
|                           | -                                  | -                                | -                                       | -                                 |

## 3 Gross receipts from other charitable activities

|              | Unrestricted funds<br>to nearest £ | Restricted funds<br>to nearest £ | Expendable<br>endowment funds<br>to nearest £ | Permanent<br>endowment funds<br>to nearest £ | Total current<br>period<br>to nearest £ | Total last period<br>to nearest £ |
|--------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|--|---|-----------------------------------|
| Hall Rental  | 5,160                              |                                  |   |  | 5,160                                   | 2,081                             |
|              |                                    |                                  |   |  | -                                       |                                   |
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|              |                                    |                                  |   |  | -                                       |                                   |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>5,160</b>                       | <b>-</b>                         | <b>-</b>                                      | <b>-</b>                                     | <b>5,160</b>                            | <b>2,081</b>                      |
|              | -                                  | -                                | -   | -  | -                                       | -                                 |

## 4 Payments relating directly to charitable activities

|              | Unrestricted funds<br>to nearest £ | Restricted funds<br>to nearest £ | Expendable<br>endowment funds<br>to nearest £ | Permanent<br>endowment funds<br>to nearest £ | Total current<br>period<br>to nearest £ | Total last period<br>to nearest £ |
|--------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|--|---|-----------------------------------|
|              | 5,916                              | 3,281                            |   |  | 9,198                                   | 5,515                             |
|              |                                    |                                  |   |  | -                                       |                                   |
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|              |                                    |                                  |   |  | -                                       |                                   |
|              |                                    |                                  |   |  | -                                       |                                   |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>5,916</b>                       | <b>3,281</b>                     | <b>-</b>                                      | <b>-</b>                                     | <b>9,198</b>                            | <b>5,515</b>                      |
|              | -                                  | reference error                  | -   | -  | reference error                         | -                                 |

## Section C Notes to the Accounts

### C1 Nature and purpose of funds

(may be stated on analysis of funds worksheets)

Child mental health grant  
Adult mental health grant  
North Highland Initiative  
Highland Council  
The Touring Network  
Age Scotland  
Kishorn Port  
Regional Screen

## C2 Grants

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### 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)

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### C3b Trustee remuneration - details

Authority under which paid

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### C4a Trustee expenses

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

#### C4b Trustee expenses - details

| Number of trustees | £ |
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### C5 Transactions with trustees and connected persons

### Nature of relationship

### Nature of transaction

Transaction amount (£)

Balance  
outstanding at  
period end (£)

| Nature of relationship | Nature of transaction | Accounting entry |  |
|------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|--|
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### C6 Other Information

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## Additional analysis (2)

## 5 Breakdown of unrestricted funds

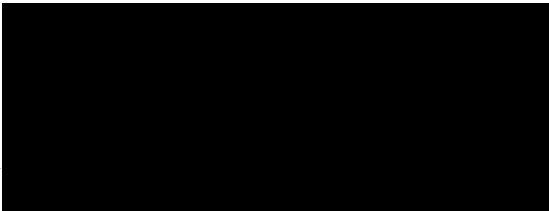
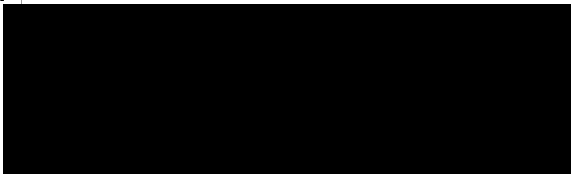
|  | Unrestricted fund<br>1 - enter name of<br>fund below | Unrestricted fund<br>2 - enter name of<br>fund below | Unrestricted fund<br>3 - enter name of<br>fund below | Unrestricted fund<br>4 - enter name of<br>fund below | Total unrestricted<br>funds | Total unrestricted<br>funds last period |
|--|--|--|--|--|-----------------------------|---|
| <b>Receipts</b>  |  |  |  |  |                             |   |
| Donations  | 3,020  |  |  |  | 3,020                       | 4,610                                   |
| Legacies   |  |  |  |  | -                           |   |
| Grants   | 5,812  |  |  |  | 5,812                       | 19,790                                  |
| Receipts from fundraising activities                       | 4,982  |  |  |  | 4,982                       | 6,554                                   |
| Gross trading receipts                                     | 15,773   |  |  |  | 15,773                      | 13,113                                  |
| Income from investments other than land and buildings      |  |  |  |  | -                           |   |
| Rents from land & buildings                                |  |  |  |  | -                           |   |
| Gross receipts from other charitable activities            | 5,160  |  |  |  | 5,160                       | 2,681                                   |
| <b>Sub total</b>   | <b>34,756</b>  | -  | -  | -  | <b>34,756</b>               | <b>46,148</b>                           |
| <b>Receipts from asset &amp; investment sales</b>          |  |  |  |  |                             |   |
| Proceeds from sale of fixed assets                         |  |  |  |  | -                           |   |
| Proceeds from sale of investments                          |  |  |  |  | -                           |   |
| <b>Sub total</b>   | <b>-</b>   | -  | -  | -  | <b>-</b>                    | <b>-</b>                                |
| <b>Total receipts</b>                                      | <b>34,756</b>  | -  | -  | -  | <b>34,756</b>               | <b>46,148</b>                           |
| <b>Payments</b>  |  |  |  |  |                             |   |
| Expenses for fundraising activities                        | 4,472  |  |  |  | 4,472                       | 1,002                                   |
| Gross trading payments                                     | 19,934   |  |  |  | 19,934                      | 29,484                                  |
| Investment management costs                                |  |  |  |  | -                           |   |
| Payments relating directly to charitable activities        | 5,916  |  |  |  | 5,916                       | 6,526                                   |
| Grants and donations                                       |  |  |  |  | -                           |   |
| Governance costs:  |  |  |  |  | -                           |   |
| Audit / independent examination                            | 625  |  |  |  | 625                         | 85                                      |
| Preparation of annual accounts                             |  |  |  |  | -                           |   |
| Legal costs  |  |  |  |  | -                           |   |
| <b>Sub total</b>   | <b>30,947</b>  | -  | -  | -  | <b>30,947</b>               | <b>37,097</b>                           |
| <b>Payments relating to asset and investment movements</b> |  |  |  |  |                             |   |
| Purchases of fixed assets                                  |  |  |  |  | -                           |   |
| Purchase of investments                                    |  |  |  |  | -                           |   |
| <b>Sub total</b>   | <b>-</b>   | -  | -  | -  | <b>-</b>                    | <b>-</b>                                |
| <b>Total payments</b>                                      | <b>30,947</b>  | -  | -  | -  | <b>30,947</b>               | <b>37,097</b>                           |
| <b>Net receipts / (payments)</b>                           | <b>3,810</b>   | -  | -  | -  | <b>3,810</b>                | <b>9,051</b>                            |
| <b>Transfers to / (from) funds</b>                         |  |  |  |  | -                           |   |
| <b>Surplus / (deficit) for year</b>                        | <b>3,810</b>   | -  | -  | -  | <b>3,810</b>                | <b>9,051</b>                            |

## Nature and purpose of funds

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| <b>Report to the trustees/members of</b><br><br><b>Registered charity number</b><br><br><b>On the accounts of the charity for the period</b><br><br><b>Set out on pages</b> | <b>Independent examiner's report on the accounts</b>   |       |           |   |                 |       |      |
|   | <b>Applecross Community Hall</b>   |       |           |   |                 |       |      |
|   | <b>SC027220</b>  |       |           |   |                 |       |      |
|   | Period start date  |       |           |   | Period end date |       |      |
|   | Day  | Month | Year      |   | Day             | Month | Year |
| 01  | 02   | 2023  | <b>to</b> | 31  | 01              | 2024  |      |
| <b>Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner</b><br><br><b>Basis of independent examiner's statement</b>   | <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 (as amended). 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 2006 Accounts Regulations. 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 view given by the accounts.</p> |       |           |   |                 |       |      |
|   | <p><b>Independent examiner's statement</b></p> <p>In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention</p> <p>1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>to keep accounting records in accordance with section 44(1) (a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations, and</li> <li>to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations</li> </ul>   |       |           |   |                 |       |      |
| <b>Signed:</b><br><br><b>Name:</b><br><br><b>Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):</b><br><br><b>Address</b>   |   |       |           | <b>Date:</b>  | 30 / Jul / 2025 |       |      |
|   |  |       |           |   |                 |       |      |
|   |  |       |           | Chartered Management Accountant   |                 |       |      |
|   |  |       |           |  |                 |       |      |

## APPENDIX 3

### 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**

The current accounts satisfy the requirements set out in the regulations.

To assist in your annual accounts production, we make a free excel based template available on our website, this would ensure any and all additional information is completed. If you are interested you can access the spreadsheet from [www.cfo.scot](http://www.cfo.scot).



# APPLECROSS COMMUNITY HALL

## TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

**For the Year Ended January 2024**

**Charity Name:** Applecross Community Hall

**Report Date:** 26/02/24

**Reporting Period:** 1 February 2023 - 31 January 2024

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## CHARITY DETAILS

**Charity Name:** Applecross Community Hall

**Charity Number:** SCO27220

**Principal Address:**

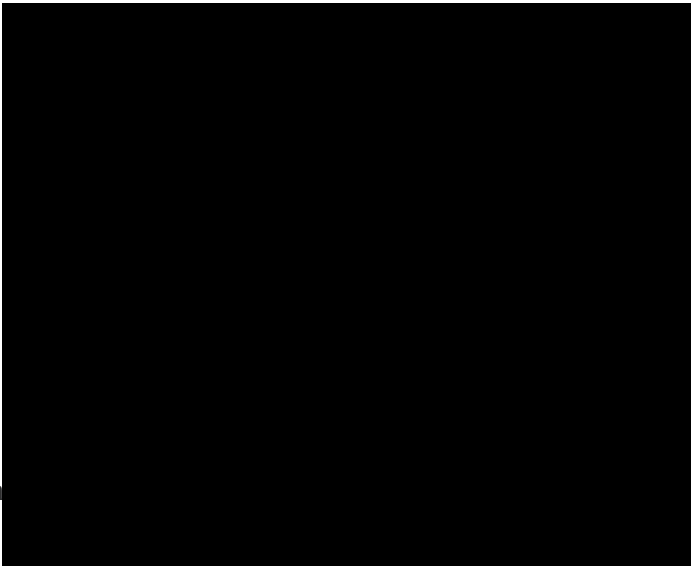
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**Governing Document:** Deed of Trust

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## TRUSTEES

The Volunteers who served on the Hall Committee during the year were:



Chairman of the Hall Committee.

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## STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

### Legal Structure

The charity is currently an unincorporated association working towards conversion to a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (SCIO). During the reporting period, the trustees began the

process of converting to a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (SCIO), with SCIO status approved and asset transfer proceedings underway.

## **Governance**

The charity is governed by a Committee of volunteers who meet regularly to oversee the management and operation of Applecross Community Hall. All Committee members give their time voluntarily.

## **Recruitment and Training of Trustees**

Committee members are elected annually at the AGM. New trustees are welcomed to join throughout the year to support the charity's work in maintaining and developing community facilities.

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# **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

## **Charitable Purposes**

The charity exists to provide community facilities and activities for the benefit of the residents of Applecross and surrounding areas, promoting community cohesion and wellbeing.

## **Main Activities**

During 2023-2024, the hall served as a central hub for community activities including:

- Cultural and entertainment events (traditional music, blues, African music, theatre)
- Community gatherings (ceilidh dances, Burns Supper, Christmas events)
- Educational activities (historical society talks, storytelling, astronomy experiences)
- Regular community services (monthly producers markets, lunch club, cinema screenings)
- Health and wellbeing initiatives
- Children's activities and workshops

## **Public Benefit**

All activities are designed to benefit the local community and visitors to the area. The charity introduced a "Pay as you can afford" option for all events to ensure accessibility regardless of financial circumstances. The Sharing Table initiative embodies the charity's commitment to community support.

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# **ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE**

## **Major Achievements 2023-2024**

### **Licensing and Compliance**

- Obtained indoor and outdoor Public Entertainment License in July 2023 (valid until July 2026)
- Maintained all required safety certifications and annual inspections
- Updated bar premises license holder and ensured staff qualifications

## **Facility Improvements**

- Installed bin storage solution to address recurring weather-related issues
- Improved storage facilities with new shelving systems
- Completed boiler room roof repairs
- Transformed small lounge with grant funding and volunteer efforts
- Purchased assisted hearing system for both main hall and small lounge

## **Community Programming**

- Delivered diverse cultural programming including music, theatre, and educational events
- Launched Applecross Cinema Club with 21 members
- Established monthly Producers Markets and Strupags
- Continued lunch club services with business support
- Introduced innovative "Sharing Table" community resource

## **Mental Health and Wellbeing Initiatives**

- Secured two significant mental health grants providing multi-year funding
- Children's Mental Health Grant supporting various youth activities including Waverley trip, Scouts group, drama workshops, and puppet performances
- Adult Mental Health Grant supporting ongoing community wellbeing activities

## **Partnerships and Support**

The charity benefits from strong local business partnerships, particularly with Applecross Inn and Walled Garden for catering and prizes, and ongoing support from Applecross Campsite. Significant donations were received from Kishorn Ports Ltd, Gael Force, and Applecross Trust.

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# **FINANCIAL REVIEW**

## **Financial Position**

The charity's financial position has been strengthened through successful grant applications and community fundraising. Christian Burgin deserves particular recognition for resolving outstanding financial record-keeping issues and ensuring OSCR compliance.

## **Reserves Position**

### **Mental Health Grant Funding Status (as of AGM date 26/02/24):**

- Children's Mental Health Grant: £6325.32 remaining (no spending deadline)
- Adult Mental Health Grant: £6390 remaining (to be spent by July 2025)

## **Grant Funding Received**

- Highland Council
- Scottish Government
- Highland Third Sector Interface
- North Highland Initiative
- Age Concern (lunch club support)

- Film Hub Scotland (cinema club support)
- Albyn Housing
- Community Regeneration Fund
- Mental Health Grants (Children's and Adult)

## **Fundraising Activities**

The charity conducted various fundraising activities throughout the year, including raffles supported by local businesses and community members.

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# **PLANS FOR THE FUTURE**

## **Strategic Priorities 2024-2025**

1. **Community Engagement:** Conduct comprehensive community consultation to expand hall usage and better serve local needs
2. **Sustainability:** Explore options for improving energy efficiency of the facility
3. **Governance:** Complete transition to SCIO status with solicitor assistance for asset transfer if necessary
4. **Programming:** Continue and expand mental health and wellbeing initiatives using secured grant funding

## **Ongoing Commitments**

- Maintain diverse cultural and community programming
  - Support local businesses through continued partnerships
  - Ensure facility remains accessible to all community members
  - Develop sustainable funding model for long-term operations
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# **RISK MANAGEMENT**

The trustees have identified and regularly review risks to the charity including:

- Health and safety compliance (addressed through regular inspections and maintenance)
  - Financial sustainability (addressed through diversified funding and grant applications)
  - Volunteer recruitment and retention (ongoing priority)
  - Facility maintenance and improvement needs
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# **TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES**

The trustees are responsible for preparing this annual report and ensuring it provides a true and fair view of the charity's activities during the reporting period. The trustees confirm that they have complied with their duty to have due regard to public benefit guidance published by OSCR.

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# ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

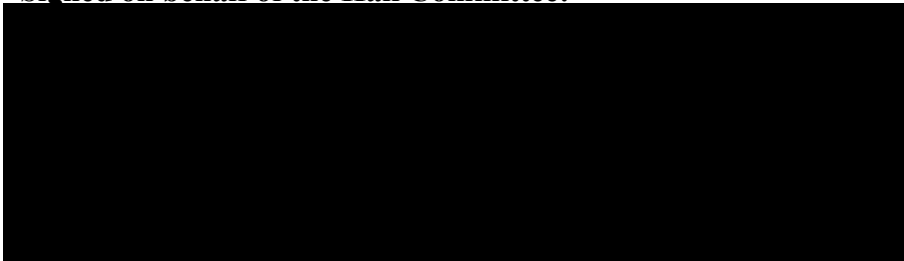
The trustees wish to express sincere gratitude to:

- All Committee volunteers who have contributed their time and effort
- Community members who have supported events and activities
- Local businesses including Applecross Inn and Walled Garden for their ongoing support
- All funding bodies and donors who have enabled the charity's work
- Professional service providers including Donald Mackenzie, George Graham, Sean Kilbride, Deborah Carr and Dave Abraham

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**Date:** 26/2/24

**Signed on behalf of the Hall Committee:**



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*Applecross Community Hall continues to serve as a vital community resource, bringing people together through cultural, educational, and social activities while supporting the wellbeing of residents and visitors to this unique Highland community.*



New Curtains funded by Albvn



Shelving & bin store funded by North Highland Initiative Grant

Childrens puppet show funded by Skye, Localsh, West Ross Cares Mental Health Grant

