

Burra History Group

Scotland · Charity number SC029943

Details

Status	Active
Legal form	SCIO (Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation)
Registered	2000-03-16
Register	View on the OSCR register

Contact

Address	Gardens Hamnavoe Burra Shetland ZE2 9LB
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Activities

Activities: 'It carries out activities or services itself'

Purposes: 'the advancement of the arts, heritage, culture or science'

What the charity does: Preserve and maintain Easthouse Crofthouse. Organise exhibitions, displays and talks on local history, heritage and culture. Collect photos, writing, stories and record folklore from the district. Encourage community involvement and work along with other local groups. Fundraise to ensure funds are available to pursue charitable aims.

Beneficiaries: 'No specific group, or for the benefit of the community'

Objectives: The organisation's purposes are: The advancement, research, preservation and promotion of local history, heritage & culture.

Geography

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

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£3,482	£5,857	-	0
2024-03-31	£4,605	£5,677	-	0
2023-03-31	£5,425	£5,465	-	0
2022-03-31	£6,773	£5,613	-	0
2021-03-31	£14,387	£4,235	-	0

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Accounts

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OSCR

Scottish Charity Regulator

Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator

Trustees' Annual Report for the period							
Period start date				Period end date			
From	Day	Month	Year	To	Day	Month	Year
	1	4	2024		31	3	2025

Reference and administration details

Charity name	Burra History Group
Other names charity is known by	
Registered charity number	SC029943
Charity's principal address	Bayview Bridge End Burra Shetland
	Postcode ZE2 9LE

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

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1		Chair		
2		Treasurer		
3		Secretary		
4		Vice Chair		
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7				
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Reference and 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

Structure, governance and management

Type of governing document

Burra History Group formed as a Charitable Company, registered Company No. SC205121, in March 2000.

On application to OSCR, the group converted to a SCIO which was incorporated on 15 March 2017.

The group is governed by a constitution.

Trustee recruitment and appointment

Trustees are appointed from members of the organisation at the AGM in line with the Constitution. Office Bearers are appointed annually from the Trustees.

The maximum number of Trustees is 9, the minimum is 3.

Objectives and activities

Charitable purposes

The advancement, research, preservation and promotion of local history, heritage and culture.

Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects

- Preserve and maintain Easthouse
- Organise exhibitions, displays and talks on local history, heritage and culture
- Collect photos, writing, stories and record folklore from the district.
- Encourage community involvement, including use of Easthouse by groups/schools.
- Fundraise to ensure funds available to pursue charitable aims.

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Achievements and performance

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

We produced a calendar for 2025.

An exhibition on wool and knitwear was held in Bridge End Hall during Wool Week which attracts visitors from all over the world.

We teamed up with Burra Youth Café in their activities and put on photo displays in Burra Public Hall, and are planning to hold an exhibition in the Hall in November.

We continued to work towards improvements to Easthouse and we are grateful to Malcolmson Architects who helped us in so many ways. We are thankful to the people of Burra and beyond who continue to support us in everything we do.

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The Trustees of Burra History Group will examine the requirements for reserves in the light of the main risks to the organisation. However, the Trustees recognise reserves may only be achieved by building on operating surpluses.

Details of any deficit

Deficit is due to ongoing upgrade of Easthouse.

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)
OSCR will accept digital or typed signatures

Full name(s)

Position (e.g. Chair)

Treasurer

Date

3/12/25

		Independent examiner's report on the accounts					v2
Report to the trustees/members of		Burra History Group					
Registered charity number		SCO29943					
On the accounts of the charity for the period		Period start date		to	Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
	01	April	2024		31	March	2025
Set out on pages		7-10					

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 (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.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

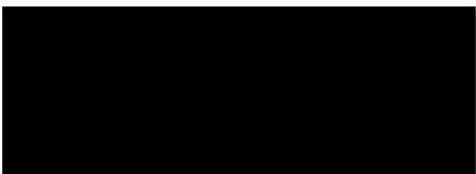
My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures 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.

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*]

1. 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
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:

31/12/25

Name:

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

Independent Examiner

Address:

Voluntary Action Shetland
Market House
14 Market Street
Lerwick ZE1 0JP

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**

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Receipts and payments accounts						
For the period from	This financial year			to	From the year	
	2023	2024	2024		2023	2024
	01	April	2024		31	March

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	1,027				1,027	985
Legacies					-	-
Grants		14,175			14,175	2,000
Receipts from fundraising activities	2,455				2,455	1,570
Gross trading receipts					-	-
Income from investments other than land and buildings					-	-
Rents from land & buildings					-	-
Gross receipts from other charitable activities					-	50
A1 Sub total	3,482	14,175	-	-	17,657	4,605
A2 Receipts from asset & investment sales						
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets					-	
Proceeds from sale of investments					-	
A2 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	3,482	14,175	-	-	17,657	4,605
A3 Payments						
Expenses for fundraising activities	950				950	964
Gross trading payments					-	-
Investment management costs					-	-
Payments relating directly to charitable activities	4,784				4,784	4,603
Grants and donations		19,480			19,480	-
Governance costs:					-	-
Audit / independent examination	123				123	80
Preparation of annual accounts					-	30
Legal costs					-	-
Other					-	-
A3 Sub total	5,857	19,480	-	-	25,337	5,677
A4 Payments relating to asset and investment movements						
Purchases of fixed assets					-	
Purchase of investments					-	
A4 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	5,857	19,480	-	-	25,337	5,677
Net receipts / (payments)	(2,375)	(5,305)	-	-	(7,680)	(1,072)
A5 Transfers to / (from) funds					-	
Surplus / (deficit) for year	(2,375)	(5,305)	-	-	(7,680)	(1,072)

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	11,286	2,000			13,286	14,357
	Surplus / (deficit) shown on receipts and payments account	(2,375)	(5,305)			(7,680)	(1,072)
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	Cash and bank balances at end of year (Agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	8,911	(3,305)	-	-	5,606	13,286

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

B3 Other assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (if available) to nearest £	Current value (if available) to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
	Easthouse				154,962
		Total			154,962

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

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

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

	Signature*	Print Name	Date of approval
	[Redacted Signature]		03 December 2025

Section C Notes to the Accounts

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

General Fund - used to fund all charitable activities for the group. Restricted Fund - Shetland Amenity Trust and local Community Council - to be used for ongoing running costs. Restricted funds also received from the Shetland Islands Council towards new roof.

C2 Grants

Type of activity or project supported	Individual / institution	Number of grants made	£
New roof	SIC	1	10,204
Total			10,204

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 (£)

C6 Other information

Additional analysis (1)

Analysis of receipts and payments

1 Donations

	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 £
Donations	1,027				1,027	961
Amazon Smile	-				-	24
	-				-	
	-				-	
Total	1,027	-	-	-	1,027	985
	reference	-	-	-	reference	-

2 Grants

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
Shetland Amenity Trust	-	3,301	3,301	1,500
Community Council	-	670	670	500
Shetland Islands Council	-	10,204	10,204	
	-		-	
Total	-	14,175	14,175	2,000

3 Gross receipts from other charitable activities

	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 £
Hire of Easthouse	-				-	50
Total	-	-	-	-	-	50

4 Payments relating directly to charitable activities

	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 £
Electric	852				852	1,249
Insurance	3,615				3,615	2,855
BT	197				197	189
Equipment	-				-	310
Venue Hire	120				120	
Total	4,784	-	-	-	4,784	4,603