

**Murieston Initiative SCIO**  
**Scottish Charity No. SC031680**  
**Annual Report & Financial Statements**  
**For the Year Ended 31 May 2025**

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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	06	2024	To	31	05	2025

Reference and administration details

Charity name	Murieston Initiative SCIO		
Other names charity is known by			
Registered charity number	SC031680		
Charity's principal address	25 Wellview Lane		
	Livingston		
	West Lothian		
	EH54 9HU		Postcode

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	Gordon Connolly	Chair		
2	Janey Cringean	Secretary		
3	Ian Carmichael	Treasurer		
4	Julie McNeil			
5	Boyd Glen			
6	Mark Robbie			
7	Alex McDonald		21/10/2024 - date	
8	Graeme McNaughton		21/10/2024 - date	
9	Jennifer Young		21/10/2024 - date	
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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

The charity is a single-tier Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation governed by its constitution.

### Trustee recruitment and appointment

The board of trustees normally hold monthly meetings. Membership of the board of trustees is open to all residents of Murieston over the age of 18 or by trustee nomination. Trustees are elected at the Annual General Meeting normally held around October. The maximum number of trustees is 12 while the minimum is 4.

## Objectives and activities

### Charitable purposes

To promote the benefit of the populace of Murieston, Livingston, West Lothian and its environs without distinction of political, religious or other opinions by associating the voluntary organisations and inhabitants in a common effort to advance education and to provide or assist in the provision of facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and leisure - time occupation with the object of improving the conditions of life for the said inhabitants.

### Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects

Management of Murieston Village Hall for community recreation and education. Rooms in the hall are rented to local organisations, groups and charities. We aim to ensure the building and grounds are well looked after, providing a safe and welcoming environment for all who use the facility.

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### Achievements and performance

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

As a result of financial pressure within West Lothian Council effort has been made to increase operating income and improve efficiency to allow future financial sustainability. Rental charges have increased, more groups have used the hall, and energy usage has reduced. Operating surplus has increased but more is still needed to meet the future demands of West Lothian Council.

The hall is extensively used for:

- after-school child care
- Rainbows, Brownies, and Guides
- local church worship and events
- parent & toddler group
- art group
- pop-up café
- community cinema

The hall and grounds are used for other social and community events. Individuals and groups hire the hall for celebrations and meetings.

More trustees were recruited at the 2024 AGM to ensure future sustainability and succession of the board.

### Financial review

#### Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The board strives to maintain a positive cash flow in order to maintain a reserve for future commitments.

West Lothian Council is currently reviewing provision of community centres and some of those services may be reduced. If that happens it is hoped that there are sufficient funds to ensure continued use of the facility.

#### Details of any deficit

None

#### Donated facilities and services (if any)

None

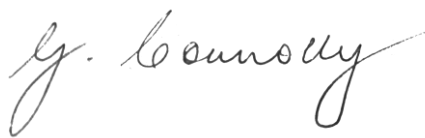

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Other optional information

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity’s trustees

Signature(s) <i>OSCR will accept digital or typed signatures</i>		
Full name(s)	Gordon Connolly	Janey Cringean
Position (e.g. Chair)	Chair	Secretary
Date	16 August 2025	16 August 2025

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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	06	2024		31	05	2025

### Section A Statement of receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Expendable endowment funds	Permanent endowment funds	Total funds current period	Total funds last period
	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>						
Donations	61				61	800
Legacies	-				-	
Grants	-				-	
Receipts from fundraising activities	-				-	
Gross trading receipts	-				-	
Income from investments other than land and buildings	-				-	
Rents from land & buildings	26,058				26,058	12,274
Gross receipts from other charitable activities	2,474				2,474	
					-	
<b>A1 Sub total</b>	<b>28,593</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>28,593</b>	<b>13,074</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>28,593</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>28,593</b>	<b>13,074</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>						
Expenses for fundraising activities	-				-	
Gross trading payments	-				-	
Investment management costs	-				-	
Payments relating directly to charitable activities	17,200				17,200	5,425
Grants and donations	-				-	
Governance costs:	-				-	
Audit / independent examination	150				150	150
Preparation of annual accounts	-				-	300
Legal costs	-				-	
Other	281				281	513
					-	
<b>A3 Sub total</b>	<b>17,631</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>17,631</b>	<b>6,388</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>17,631</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>17,631</b>	<b>6,388</b>
<b>Net receipts / (payments)</b>	<b>10,962</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>10,962</b>	<b>6,686</b>
<b>A5 Transfers to / (from) funds</b>						
					-	
<b>Surplus / (deficit) for year</b>	<b>10,962</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>10,962</b>	<b>6,686</b>

## Section B Statement of balances

Categories	Details	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 £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Cash and bank balances at start of year	61,955	2,000			63,955	57,267
	Surplus / (deficit) shown on receipts and payments account	10,962				10,962	6,686
						-	
						-	
	<b>Cash and bank balances at end of year</b>	<b>72,917</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>74,917</b>	<b>63,953</b>
	(Agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	0	-	-	-	0	-

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

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (if available)	Current value (if available)	Last year
			to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
<b>B3 Other assets</b>	Shed	Restricted	6,000	4,200	4,800
		<b>Total</b>	<b>6,000</b>	<b>4,200</b>	<b>4,800</b>

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

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

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

Signature\*

Print Name

Date of approval

*G. Connolly*  
*Janey Cringean*

Gordon Connolly

16 August 2025

Janey Cringean

16 August 2025

## 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	£
<b>Total</b>			-

**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)	<b>X</b>
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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)	<b>X</b>
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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**

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## 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 £
General	61				61	800
					-	
					-	
					-	
<b>Total</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>800</b>
	-	-	-	-	-	-

#### 2 Grants

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £			Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
<b>Total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>			<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
	-	-			-	-

#### 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 £
Events	2,407				2,407	-
Other	67				67	-
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,474</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,474</b>	<b>-</b>
	-	-	-	-	-	-

#### 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 £
Building maintenance	826				826	947
Cleaning	13,276				13,276	4,478
Other	3,098				3,098	-
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
<b>Total</b>	<b>17,200</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>17,200</b>	<b>5,425</b>
	-	-	-	-	-	-

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**Additional analysis (2)****5 Breakdown of unrestricted funds**

	Unrestricted fund 1 - enter name of fund below	Unrestricted fund 2 - enter name of fund below	Unrestricted fund 3 - enter name of fund below	Unrestricted fund 4 - enter name of fund below	Total unrestricted funds	Total unrestricted funds last period
<b>Receipts</b>						
Donations	61				61	800
Legacies					-	
Grants					-	
Receipts from fundraising activities					-	
Gross trading receipts					-	
Income from investments other than land and buildings					-	
Rents from land & buildings	26,058				26,058	12,274
Gross receipts from other charitable activities	2,474				2,474	
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>28,593</b>	-	-	-	<b>28,593</b>	<b>13,074</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>28,593</b>	-	-	-	<b>28,593</b>	<b>13,074</b>
<b>Payments</b>						
Expenses for fundraising activities					-	
Gross trading payments					-	
Investment management costs					-	
Payments relating directly to charitable activities	17,200				17,200	
Grants and donations					-	
Governance costs:					-	
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Preparation of annual accounts					-	
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<b>Sub total</b>	<b>17,631</b>	-	-	-	<b>17,631</b>	<b>-</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>17,631</b>	-	-	-	<b>17,631</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Net receipts / (payments)</b>	<b>10,962</b>	-	-	-	<b>10,962</b>	<b>13,074</b>
<b>Transfers to / (from) funds</b>					-	
<b>Surplus / (deficit) for year</b>	<b>10,962</b>	-	-	-	<b>10,962</b>	<b>13,074</b>

**Nature and purpose of funds**

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**Additional analysis (3)****6 Breakdown of restricted funds**

	Restricted fund 1 - enter name of fund below	Restricted fund 2 - enter name of fund below	Restricted fund 3 - enter name of fund below	Restricted fund 4 - enter name of fund below	Total restricted funds	Total restricted funds last period
<b>Receipts</b>						
Donations					-	
Legacies					-	
Grants					-	
Receipts from fundraising activities					-	
Gross trading receipts					-	
Income from investments other than land and buildings					-	
Rents from land & buildings					-	
Gross receipts from other charitable activities					-	
<b>Sub total</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>Total receipts</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Payments</b>						
Expenses for fundraising activities					-	
Gross trading payments					-	
Investment management costs					-	
Payments relating directly to charitable activities					-	
Grants and donations					-	
Governance costs:					-	
Audit / independent examination					-	
Preparation of annual accounts					-	
Legal costs					-	
<b>Sub total</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Payments relating to asset and investment movements</b>						
Purchases of fixed assets					-	
Purchase of investments					-	
<b>Sub total</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total payments</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Net receipts / (payments)</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Transfers to / (from) funds</b>					-	
<b>Surplus / (deficit) for year</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Nature and purpose of funds</b>						
Single restricted fund is for maintenance						

# Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Murieston Initiative SCIO

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 May 2025 which are set out on pages 1 to 11.

## 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) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended). The charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (a) to (c) of the 2006 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 disclosed below\*]

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
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 8 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.

Name: Alice Wallace

Relevant Professional qualification/professional body:

Fellow of  
ICAEW  
Institute of chartered  
Accountants in England + Wales

Address: 24 Wellview Lane  
Livingston  
West Lothian EH54 9HU

Date: 21st September 2025

Signature:

Alice Wallace