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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	10	2024	To	30	09	2025

Reference and administration details

Charity name	Lochcarron Village Hall Association SCIO
Other names charity is known by	
Registered charity number	SC033838
Charity's principal address	Lochcarron Village Hall
	Main Street
	Lochcarron
	Postcode IV54 8YB

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	Claire Mackenzie	Chair		
2	Rebecca Evans	Treasurer		
3	Lisa Petrie	Vice Chair		
4	Jim Goodman			
5	Hazel Boswell	Secretary		
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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 Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (a SCIO). It was registered in its current legal form on 31 October, 2017. The charity was previously a company limited by guarantee but changed its legal form to a SCIO. The assets of the company were transferred to the SCIO on 31 October, 2017. It has a single tier structure and as such the trustees are the members of the charity.

Trustee recruitment and appointment

The management committee, which normally meets quarterly are the charity's trustees. Membership of the management committee is open to all members of the community. Trustees are comprised of the management committee.

Objectives and activities

Charitable purposes

To promote the benefit of the inhabitants of Lochcarron and its environs without distinction of sex, sexuality, political, religious or other opinions by associating the local statutory authorities, voluntary organisations and inhabitants in a common effort to advance education and to provide facilities, or assist in the provision of facilities, in the interest of social welfare for recreation and other leisure time occupation so that the condition of life may be improved.

Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects

The Hall provides a venue for a variety of community activities. There are 4 letting rooms and 5 storage areas. There is the main hall with stage. Downstairs dressing room for performances and small lets (vet. political surgeries, etc.), upstairs medium sized hall and small meeting room. Activities include concerts, plays, various sports, meetings, presentations and parties.

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Achievements and performance

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

The Hall is busy every weeknight but less frequently on the weekend. It is less busy during the day weekdays, but busy during the day at weekends (sales of work, sports, events, parties).

The Hall is used as a gym by the local primary school and for any other activities that they require a large reception area such as their annual panto and end of term assembly.

Within this financial period, the Hall received funding from The Lochcarron Highland Games. Funds were also received from the family of the late Mr Macpherson who was an avid supporter of the hall, and the family encouraged people to donate to the hall as part of his legacy. The committee also undertook regular fundraising activities throughout the year.

We endeavour to provide for the needs of the community. There are timing conflicts as some groups tend to plan their events and then book the Hall as opposed to checking availability first; however, this is getting better as the hall becomes busier and we are looking to move our booking online in the coming months which will create better visibility for everyone. During the current period, the hall has been an essential facility for the monthly market days, hosting local producers and traders. In Sept 25, the hall was the main host site for Tartan Week Lochcarron – the inaugural event of this annual community festival. We continue to host local sports clubs (inc basketball, kids football, short tennis and badminton); yoga, circuit training, Zumba classes, mothers and toddlers groups, drama clubs, music events and ceilidhs.

The association strive to keep the Hall as a well-maintained structure, with the current focus on the roof repairs which are now under way. The association devotes a lot of their time to fundraising events, to cover the ongoing costs of repairs and maintenance as required.

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The Hall endeavours to maintain a balance of at least £5,000 to cover unexpected repairs. The Hall is owned by Highland Council, however they take no interest in it and no longer even have a liaison officer. We understand that it is the association's responsibility to carry out any remedial works as part of the lease of the building from the Highland Council

Details of any deficit

N/A

Donated facilities and services (if any)

A combination of extensive fundraising and local donations from the community have helped us raise funds to help with extensive remedial maintenance works on the building to keep the hall open for the community.

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Other optional information

The Lochcarron Village Hall Association strive to continue to serve our community to the best of our ability.

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	<i>Claire Mackenzie</i>	<i>Rebecca Evans</i>
Full name(s)	Claire Mackenzie	Rebecca Evans
Position (e.g. Chair)	Chair	Treasurer
Date	18/11/2025	18/11/2025

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