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Trustees' Annual Report for the period							
	Period start date				Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
From	6	04	2024	To	05	04	2025

## Reference and administration details

Charity name	Grace Notes Scotland	
Other names charity is known by		
Registered charity number	SC040434	
Charity's principal address	90/2 Whitehouse Loan	
	Edinburgh	Postcode EH9 1BD

## 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		Chairperson		Board
2		Secretary		Board
3		Treasure		Board
4		Trustee		Board
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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
	Resigned on 05/04/2025
	Elected secretary on 05/04/2025
	Elected Trustee on 05/04/2025

## Structure, governance and management

Type of governing document

Constitution

Trustee recruitment and appointment

The Trustee recruitment and appointment based on the clauses of 14 to 42 of the Constitution of Grace Notes Scotland. In summary the Trustees shall be entitled, by way of a resolution passed by a majority vote at an AGM of the Trustees, to appoint any individual as a Trustee. The number of Trustees shall not be less than 3 nor more than 7.

## Objectives and activities

**Charitable purposes**

Grace Notes Scotland is dedicated to handing on Scottish traditions to new generations.

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

The advancement of arts, heritage, and culture, of the indigenous folklore of Scotland through the promotion of Scottish and Gaelic music, dance, performance and writing and for the preservation, conservation, and appreciation of Scottish culture, all for the benefit and enjoyment of the public in Scotland and elsewhere. Visit GNS website for a summary of the charity projects <[gracenotesScotland.org](http://gracenotesScotland.org)>

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See attached 2024-2025 GNS Trustees Report

**Financial review**

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

We are now updating GNS website and in general the outreach is done through social media (Facebook) and Mailchimp as it is evident that many potential participants on our activities rely on these online resources. Our present reserves are sufficient to cover general expenses of GNS.

**Details of any deficit**

No deficit was recorded

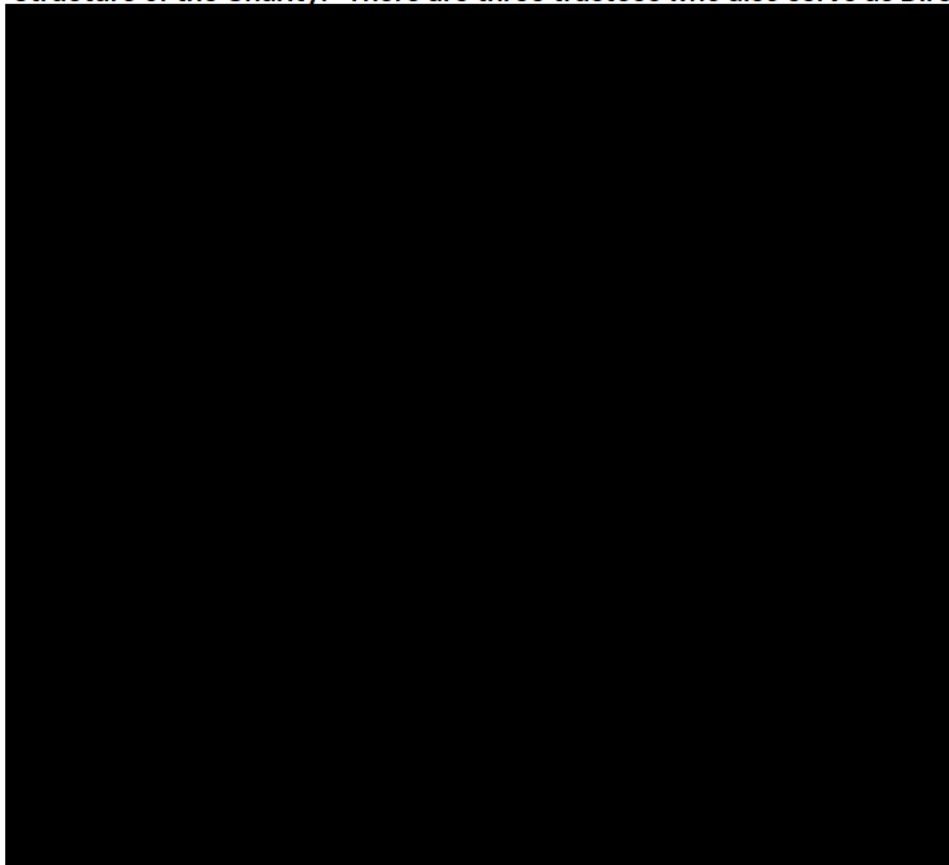
**Donated facilities and services (if any)**

No facilities or services were donated during the period.

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**Other optional information**

**Structure of the Charity: There are three trustees who also serve as Directors:**



## Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

Full name(s)

Position (e.g.  
Chair)

Chairperson (artistic Director)

Trustee

Date

August 27, 2025 27/08/2025

**Scottish Charity number SC040434**

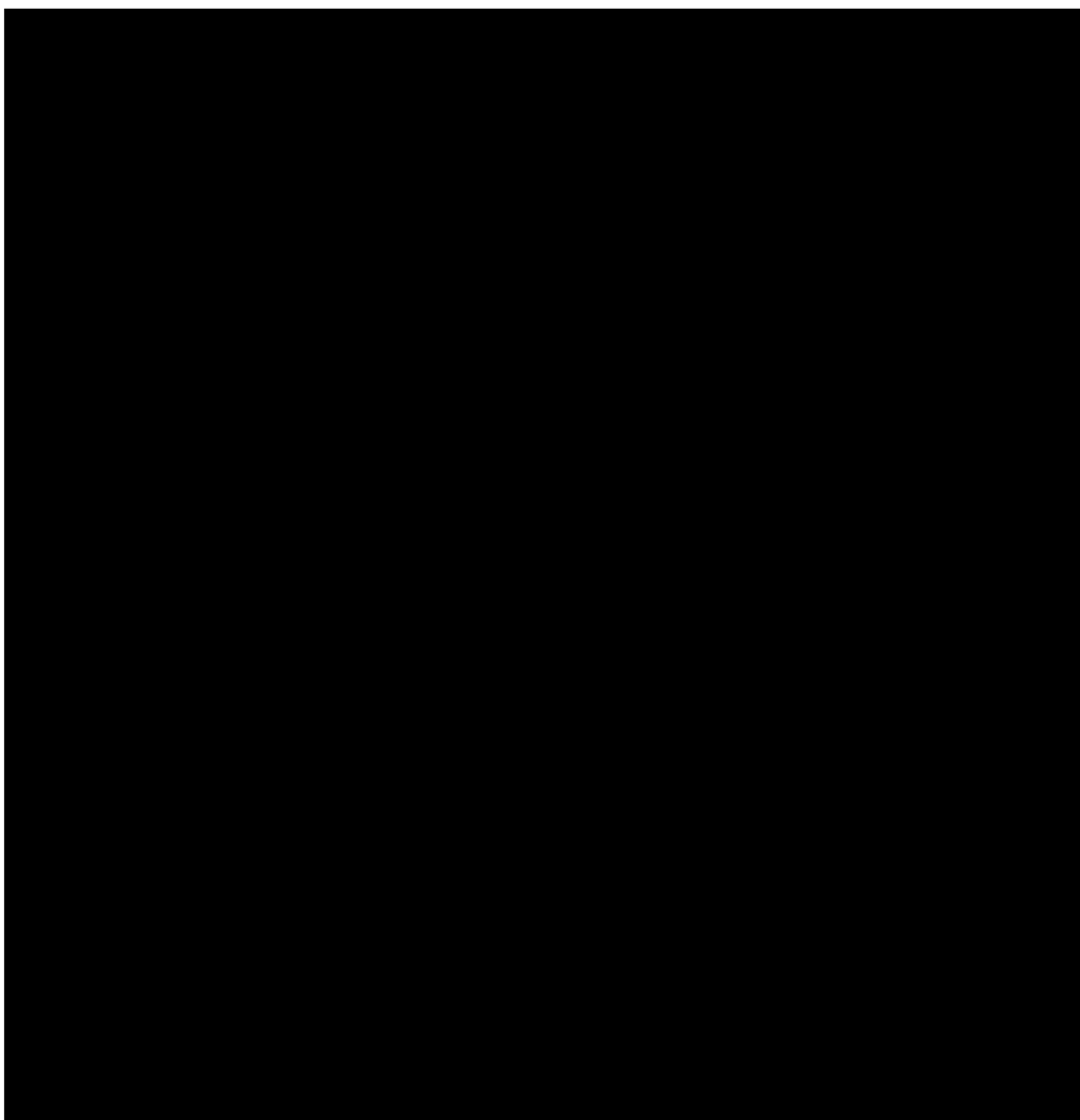
April 06, 2024– April 05, 2025

Chairperson's report

Grace Notes Scotland was granted charitable status, (Scottish Charity number SC040434) on April 27, 2009.

The account period was modified to 06 April 2024– 05 April 2025

Structure of the Charity:



Activities and achievements, 06 April 2024 – 05 April 2025

**FUNDING:** Throughout the year, GNS received charitable donations from the Community Interest publishing company, Grace Note Publications, mainly generated from their book sales. Donation from Scotland HUB of the University of Johannes Gutenberg, Mainz – Germany and personal donation from [REDACTED].

Grace Notes Scotland received several enquiries and invitations to share aspect of our previous projects and/ or mentor community groups planning their own projects.

**May 7, 2024:** an illustrated talk in Crieff library displaying the project conducted in Strathern during the pandemic and launching the book produced from it: 'Up the Glen and down the village'

**May 21, 2024:** Muthill, nr. Crieff Community music and songs inviting participation from local people and visitors.

**May 22, 2024:** Kirkcaldy, Fife – A reunion of the participants in the oral history project organised by Grace Notes Scotland, recording retired engineers who built the machinery for coal mines and linoleum making.

**June 4, 2024:** Lagan community: celebrating the music and traditions of the cattle drovers of former times, and the crofting /farming community of today. Music, storytelling and songs.

**June 6, 2024:** Dundee : a benefit concert to raise funds to support a young boy with a rare form of muscular dystrophy: the aim to acquire improved mobility aids to make life easier for him and his mother. (Held in the premises of Dundee football social club). All proceeds from the event donated to the fund.

**June 24, 2024:** Song workshop with the community choir in Comrie (Earnsong)

**August 10–12, 2024:** Weekend of workshops in Music Scots and Gaelic songs, dancing, held in Muthill village Hall and the commercial hotel, Muthill

**September 19–21, 2024:** Isle of Barra: Community project sponsored by local branch of the Gaelic Association and local museum: Display and mentorship on how to run a community project to collect order Tradition and other items relevant to the local way of life. Museum session opens to the entire community and school workshop.

**October 4, 2024:** Illustrated talk for the local history society on GNS former project recording and photographing the bleach works at Luncarty.

**October 8–9, 2024:** Conference weekend on sustainability and biodiversity held in Comrie Croft. Contribution on traditional methods of cultivation and food management as well as a workshop on the songs and stories that maintained community cohesion as well as family life and mental health.

**October 27, 2024:** An illustrated presentation at Birnam Book festival to present illustrations recordings made during the pandemic. The book from our project was featured in the festival programme. Up the Glen: An History of Strathearn.

**November 21, 2024:** In Dunfermline, collaboration with artists and writers. Participation in the project in which we collaborated on the Perthshire folklore collector and writer Hamish Henderson. Film, discussion, and community participation.

**December 1 and 12, 2024:** The Society of Antiquaries of Scotland, invited to share a selection of recordings, photographs and films from Grace Notes Scotland project. Oral History, recording industrial workers of industries that had closed down: Brickwork and brick makers (published on the blog) and talk entitle "The tools of the trade from precision engineers" (now online with an international audience)

**January 25, 2025:** Community Burns supper in Muthill, contributions to the songs and General activities.

**March 5, 2025:** Glasgow Goes Green: a project for students highlighting the importance of sustainability and biodiversity with a presentation on the Folklore and songs of plants. Held Glasgow University and open to the general public.

**April 26, 2025:** Contribution to a benefit concert to raise funds for a community of traditional music and song festival to be held in September 2025 in Kirriemuir.

#### Future plans

We committed to the aims of 'handing on traditions to new generations' and continue to develop outreach through social media (Facebook) and Mailchimp. We continue engagement with students from the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland and care-home residents as recent projects demonstrate the benefit to the (mostly elderly) participants and their carers.





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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
	06	April	2024		05	April	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	580				580	2,240
Legacies					-	
Grants					-	93
Receipts from fundraising activities	3,127				3,127	2,675
Gross trading receipts	613				613	
Income from investments other than land and buildings	-				-	
Rents from land & buildings					-	
Gross receipts from other charitable activities	34				34	
					-	
<b>A1 Sub total</b>	<b>4,354</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4,354</b>	<b>5,008</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>4,354</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4,354</b>	<b>5,008</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>						
Expenses for fundraising activities	1,272				1,272	4,248
Gross trading payments	305				305	
Investment management costs	-				-	
Payments relating directly to charitable activities	2,585				2,585	3,609
Grants and donations					-	
Governance costs:					-	
Audit / independent examination					-	
Preparation of annual accounts					-	
Legal costs					-	
Other	180				180	
					-	
<b>A3 Sub total</b>	<b>4,342</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4,342</b>	<b>7,857</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>4,342</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4,342</b>	<b>7,857</b>
<b>Net receipts / (payments)</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>(2,849)</b>
<b>A5 Transfers to / (from) funds</b>						
					-	
<b>Surplus / (deficit) for year</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>(2,849)</b>

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## 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	5,649				5,649	6,507
	Surplus / (deficit) shown on receipts and payments account	12				12	(2,849)
						-	
						-	
	Cash and bank balances at end of year (Agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	5,661	-	-	-	5,661	3,658

	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 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				

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

Date of approval

28.08.2025

## Section C Notes to the Accounts

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

Unrestricted funds represent funds which can be used for any event or expense that the trustees see fit. Restricted funds are used for specific charitable activities as described in the GNS constitution (website, leaflets, posters, education, etc.) for the advancement of arts, heritage, and culture, of the indigenous folklore of Scotland through the promotion of Scottish and Gaelic.

### C2 Grants

Type of activity or project supported	Individual / institution	Number of grants made	£
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)	
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### C3b Trustee remuneration - details

Authority under which paid	£
NONE	

### C4a Trustee expenses

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

	Number of trustees	£
NONE		

### 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 £
Donation Grace Note Publications	-	-	-	-		533
Donation Grace Note Publications for book sales	613				613	362
Reimbursementt from utility account	580				580	500
DONATION	-				-	295
other donations	34				34	643
events Earnings	265				265	2,676
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,492</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,492</b>	<b>5,009</b>
	reference	-	-	-	reference	reference

## 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>
	-	-	-	reference

## 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 £
Sales of books from Grace Note Publications	-				-	895
Bank account Interest	-				-	
Sales of books from other projects	-				-	
Scotland HUB - support by the University JGU - Germany	2,862				2,862	
					-	
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,862</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,862</b>	<b>895</b>
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## 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 £
Publicity	-					43
Stationery/proofs books	71				71	75
Transcriptions of Interviews	-				-	-
Internet/website support	503				503	2,728
Utilities/ Insurance	949				949	881
Other Operating expenses	305				305	2,410
Volunteers expenses	-				-	85
Event expenses	2,410				2,410	1,635
Equipment to use on oral history projected	-				-	-
Administration expenses	105				105	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,343</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4,343</b>	<b>7,857</b>

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Report to the trustees/members of		Independent examiner's report on the accounts <span style="float: right;">v2</span>					
		Charity name <b>GRACE NOTES SCOTLAND</b>					
Registered charity number		SC040434					
On the accounts of the charity for the period		Period start date			Period end date		
		Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year
		06	APRIL	2024	to	05	APRIL 2025
Set out on pages		(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)					
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		<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"> <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> <p>have not been met, or</p> <p>2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper</p>					
Signed:		[Redacted Signature Area]					
Name:							
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):							
Address:							

\*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.