

Restore Community Projects

Scotland · Charity number SC042841

Details

Status	Not Submitted
Legal form	SCIO (Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation)
Registered	2012-01-04
Register	View on the OSCR register

Contact

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Activities

Activities: 'It makes grants, donations, loans, gifts or pensions to individuals','It carries out activities or services itself'

Purposes: 'the prevention or relief of poverty','the advancement of citizenship or community development','the advancement of environmental protection or improvement','the relief of those in need by reason of age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage'

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

Objectives: 4.1 To relieve poverty by providing free or low cost recycled furniture to those in need by means of homelessness or income based deprivation 4.2 To relieve those in need by reason of financial hardship by furnishing their homes with recycled furniture and refurbished electrical goods, enabling them to sustain their tenancies. 4.3 To advance environmental protection by reducing landfill waste and preserving resources by reusing disposed-off furniture and textiles and other such landfill waste not exclusive to households 4.4 To advance community development and citizenship by offering volunteer opportunities and training, providing services, projects and initiatives, also in partnership with other organisations, which combat loneliness and isolation, or lead to community cohesion. 4.5 To relieve those in need by reason of age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage by providing food bank facilities and associated training, Guidance, help and support to address the conditions the lead to financial hardship and food poverty. (Also including relief given by the provision of accommodation or care)

Geography

- **Main operating location:** Dumfries And Galloway
- **Geographical spread:** Wider, but within one local authority area

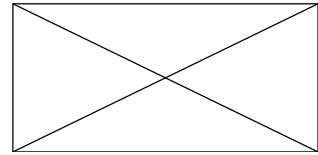
Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2023-03-31	£0	£0	-	0
2022-03-31	£22,016	£33,037	-	0
2021-03-31	£54,046	£44,305	-	1

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Accounts



Restore Community Projects SCIO

Trustees' Annual Report and Accounts: For the period 01 April 2021 to 31 March 2022

Restore Community Projects operates within Dumfries and Galloway in the South of Scotland . It is incorporated as a SCIO.

The charity has income below £250,000 and as such is eligible to prepare its accounts on a Receipts and Payments Basis. The governing document does not require the charity to prepare fully accrued accounts and neither does it require an audit.

It was incorporated as a SCIO in January 2012

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Annual Report and Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 March 2022

Trustees' Annual Report

For the year ended 31 March 2022

The trustees have pleasure in presenting their report together with the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2022

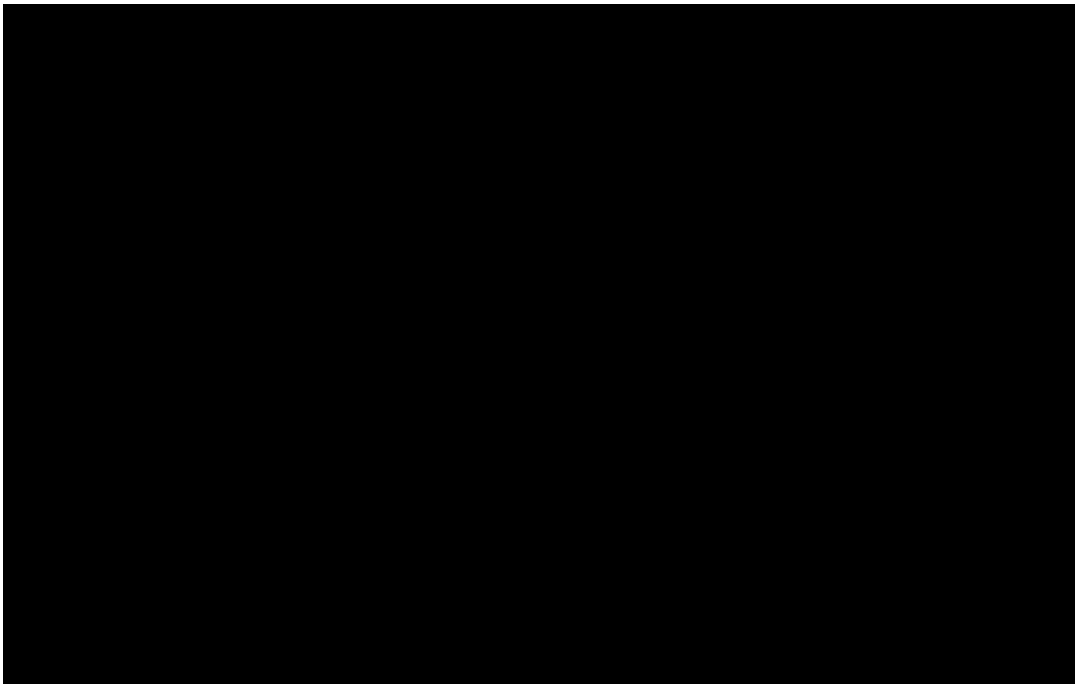
Reference and Administrative Information

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Structure, Governance and Management

Constitution

The Charity is a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (a SCIO). It was registered in January 2012. The charity was previously known as Nithsdale furniture Project, a single tier Scio.

The charity's name was changed to Restore community Projects in April 2018 and its constitution changed to reflect our wider initiatives; our governance changed to that of a Tier 2 Scio and as such it is the membership of the organisation that appoint trustees and have all decision making powers

Appointment of trustees

The management committee, which normally meets last Wednesday of each alternative month, are the charity's trustees. Membership of the management committee is open to all Users of our services.

Trustees are elected at the annual general meeting which is held in December. There must be a minimum of four and a maximum of eight trustees.

Objectives and Activities

3 The organisation is established for charitable purposes only, and in particular, the objects are:

3.1 To relieve poverty by providing free or low cost recycled furniture to those in need by means of homelessness or income based deprivation

3.2 To relieve those in need by reason of financial hardship by furnishing their homes with recycled furniture and refurbished electrical goods, enabling them to sustain their tenancies.

3.3 To advance environmental protection by reducing landfill waste and preserving resources by reusing disposed-off furniture and textiles and other such landfill waste not exclusive to households

3.4 To advance community development and citizenship by offering volunteer opportunities and training

Charitable purposes

(f) - The advancement of citizenship or community development (including rural or urban regeneration and the promotion of civic responsibility, volunteering, the voluntary sector or the effectiveness or efficiency of charities)

(m) - The advancement of environmental protection or improvement.

(n) -The relief of those in need by reason of age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage (including relief given by the provision of accommodation or care).
Activities

Achievements and Performance

We decided to close our main shop in the town centre as we felt that the covid period had thrown up too many unexpected circumstances like non returning volunteers, lack of capital to invest in sales and a massive downturn in customers. We are encouraged to see that other agencies are adequately providing household goods at affordable prices.

We have partnered with Alive Radio, a fellow Scio, which have now applied and been provisionally granted community asset transfer of Shirley Rd premises. We are progressing on our intention to operate a men's shed and build on our social housing aspirations.

Financial review

Our main source of funding was surplus income and Covid funding from the council and HMRC for part wages.

 will no longer remain a paid Employee for the new financial year: 2022-23

Except for Government covid funding, our income is seriously down last year: This has given us the opportunity to reflect and restructure our charity and has opened up opportunities to partner with other organisation.

Assets: We no longer have any meaningful assets due to the disposal of our large shop premises

Reserves policy

The trustees' policy is to retain 2 months worth of normal running costs, previously (£1200) in order to meet commitments and to cover any unexpected expenditure.

The trustees believe that this is still in an acceptable range but will continue to monitor the position.

Plans for future period

The trustees decided that there is more than enough furniture projects better resourced and supported to provide furniture to those that have crises needs, therefore we have discontinued furniture and household goods.

After giving consideration to our constitution, and in particular: Clause 4.5

To relieve those in need by reason of age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage by providing food bank facilities and associated training, guidance, help and support to address the conditions the lead to financial hardship and food poverty. (Also including relief given by the provision of accommodation or care)

We have partnered with a local landlord to manage several properties

In order to provide support and accommodation: we are acutely aware of the dire shortage of student accommodation, particularly of students from overseas. We hope to be able to expand to those that seek accommodation after coming out of a homelessness situation or are classed as vulnerable.

Due to the vulnerability of many of our clients we believe we are best suited to offer advice on tenancy issues (SALtrained staff) to those that seek accommodation and those already in accommodation.

The above statement continues to be true and that a partnership has been entered into provide accommodation. We hope that we will be able to generate a revenue in the coming year for management services. We are actively seeking to become a social enterprise that provides accommodation by working in partnership with local authorities and private sector landlords, universities, colleges and NHS.

APPENDIX 1

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)		
Full name(s)		
Position (e.g. Chair)	Trustee	
Date	16/01/ 2023	

Statement of Balances as at 31 March 2022

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
Opening cash at bank and in hand	11165		11165	1424
Surplus/deficit for year	9722		9722	9741
Closing cash at bank and in hand	1443		1443	11165
Bank and cash balances				
Bank deposit account	1443		1443	11165
Other assets				
It Equipment (tills)	200		200	400
Stock	0		0	1000
Total			200	1400
Liabilities				
Independent verifier	60		60	60
Wages	0		0	13500

Statement of Receipts and Payments or the year ended 31 March 2022

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Year Ended 31/03/2022	Period 31/03 2021
Receipts				
Grants	7000	14400	21400	41700
Bank interest	16		16	18
Receipts from charitable activities				
Sales	600		600	12328
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Total Receipts	7616	14400	22016	54046
Payments				
Cost of charitable Activities	32977		32977	44245
Governance costs	60		60	60
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Total payments	33037		33037	44305
Surplus/Deficit for the year	(9722)		(9722)	9741
Transfer between funds				
Surplus/Deficit for year	(9722)		(9722)	9741

Notes to the accounts - for the year ended 31 March 2022

1 Basis of accounting

These accounts have been prepared on the Receipts and Payments basis in accordance with the Charities & Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended)

2 Nature and purpose of funds

Unrestricted funds are those that may be used at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the objects of the charity. The trustees maintain a single unrestricted fund for the day-to-day running of the project. Restricted funds may only be used for specific purposes. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for specific purposes. During the year the charity received Grants of 4,500 for loss of income and to pay towards the cost of flood prevention.

3 Related party transactions

The projects insurance policy includes employee liability Insurance for all its volunteers and trustees. No other remuneration was paid to the trustees or any connected persons during the year (2022:Nil)

4 Donations

	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>	<u>Restricted Funds</u>	<u>Total 2022</u>	<u>Total 2021</u>
	0	0	0	0

5 Grants received

	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>	<u>Restricted Funds</u>	<u>Total 2022</u>	<u>Total 2021</u>
Dumfries and Galloway Covid payments	7000		7000	37000
HMRC JRS Payments		14400	14400	4700
	<u>7000</u>	<u>14400</u>	<u>21400</u>	<u>41700</u>

6 Cost of charitable activities

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
Wages and national Insurance	19580		19580	28200
Premises	5400		5400	9004
Utils	2850		2850	1608
Vehicle costs	994		994	1642
Admin office supplies	423		423	1700
Stock	-		-	1000
Liability insurance	340		340	340
HMRC	2495		2495	441
Building Maintenance	835	-	835	0
Governance	60		60	60
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	32977		32977	45827
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7 Governance costs

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
Independent examiner's fee	60	-	60	60

8 Transfers between funds