

The Scottish Council on Archives

Scotland · Charity number SC044553

Details

Status	Active
Legal form	SCIO (Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation)
Registered	2013-12-30
Register	View on the OSCR register

Contact

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Website	www.scottisharchives.org.uk

Activities

Activities: 'It carries out activities or services itself'

Purposes: 'the advancement of education', 'the advancement of citizenship or community development'

What the charity does: The Scottish Council on Archives (SCA) is an advocacy and development body for Scotland's archives and records sector, working in partnership with official repositories in local authorities, universities and businesses as well as a wide range of voluntary community groups. Our vision is that Scotland's documented memory is valued, understood, and shared with everyone. We build national and international partnerships, deliver strategic advice and research, and develop projects spanning stakeholder engagement, education, and quality improvement. SCA is passionate about promoting and enabling the widest possible access to physical and digital archives and records. Through our advocacy work we explore and encourage greater understanding of the potential for archives to enhance cultural, social, economic, and personal wellbeing. Our programmes include: events, workshops, conferences, publications, online resources, and community engagement.

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

Objectives: 1. to promote and support the effectiveness and efficiency of archive and records management services across Scotland through a range of advocacy, marketing, co-ordination and development activities in relation to the creation, preservation and archiving of Scotland's information, culture and heritage. 2. to advance the creation, preservation and archiving of information, culture and heritage. 3. to provide and advance education, training, understanding and responsible awareness of the creation, preservation and archiving in schools, within communities and amongst professionals. 4. to encourage greater access to and use of archives by the public by means of the acquisition, conservation, promotion and exhibition of archives and records. 5. to research and assess the social and economic impact of archives and records management

services and to use and promote the results of such research and assessment. and 6. to work in partnership and through networks in achieving these Charitable Purposes and in encouraging participation both professional and voluntary in relation to them.

Geography

- **Main operating location:** City of Edinburgh
- **Geographical spread:** Scotland and other parts of the UK

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2026-03-31	£24,451	£259,210	-	6
2025-03-31	£251,587	£259,115	-	5
2024-03-31	£264,545	£259,883	-	3
2023-03-31	£283,519	£253,916	-	5
2022-03-31	£198,005	£191,056	-	5
2021-03-31	£180,670	£223,063	-	4