

Lothians Raynet SCIO

Scotland · Charity number SC045546

Details

Known as	Lothians RAYNET
Status	Active
Legal form	SCIO (Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation)
Registered	2015-04-10
Register	View on the OSCR register

Contact

Address	54 Cobblecrook Gardens Alva FK12 5BL
Website	www.lothians-raynet.org.uk

Activities

Activities: 'It carries out activities or services itself'

Purposes: 'the saving of lives', 'any other purpose that may reasonably be regarded as analogous to any of the preceding purposes'

What the charity does: Provide emergency radio communications to assist UK statutory & voluntary emergency services, public utilities and local and national government in times of need

Beneficiaries: 'No specific group, or for the benefit of the community', 'Other charities or voluntary bodies'

Objectives: To assist the UK statutory and voluntary emergency and rescue services. public utilities. and the local and national government with emergency radio communications in times of need. To promote training to further the development of member's radio communication skills and abilities. To protect human life and property by providing radio safety communications for outdoor sporting events. The organisation is a not for profit organisation with all funds being used to further the purposes of the organisation in developing a coherent service to the community.

Geography

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

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-09-30	£1,667	£1,243	-	0
2024-09-30	£1,671	£1,920	-	0
2023-09-30	£1,062	£1,719	-	0
2022-09-30	£430	£1,405	-	0
2021-09-30	£934	£1,478	-	0
2020-09-30	£320	£818	-	0

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REPORT & FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 30th SEPTEMBER 2025

Scottish Incorporated Charity No. - SC045546

Lothians RAYNET SCIO – Trustees' Annual Report

Period: 1 October 2024 to 30 September 2025

Reference Information:

Charity Name: Lothians RAYNET SCIO

Charity Number: SC045546

Administrative information:

Address for day-to-day correspondence:

54 Coblecrook Gardens, Alva, Clackmannanshire. FK12 5BL

Current Trustees:

Donald Park Chair and Controller

Kevin Sterrick Treasurer

Charlie Duncan Secretary

Tim Fox

Tim Davidson

Malcolm Gibson

Hugh Steele

Structure, Governance and Management:

Constitution:

The Charity is a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation. It is governed by its constitution which was accepted by members on 12th January 2015. Lothians RAYNET SCIO was granted charitable status by OSCR on 10th April 2015.

Appointment of Trustees:

Trustees are elected at the Annual General Meeting which is normally held around October. Under the constitution there must be no less than three and no more than seven elected trustees.

Management:

The trustees are responsible for the strategic direction and governance of Lothians RAYNET SCIO. There are no paid employees.

The trustees are aware of their responsibilities for Health and Safety. All members of Lothians RAYNET SCIO have insurance under the group insurance provided by RAYNET-UK.

The management committee are the charity's trustees, plus elected members. Membership of the management committee is open to all members of the group. The management committee is responsible for the day to day running of the group.

One member has resigned and 2 prospective members have submitted application paperwork.

Objectives and Activities:

Charitable Purpose:

The principal purpose of Lothians RAYNET SCIO is to assist the UK statutory and voluntary emergency and rescue service, public utilities, and the local and national government with emergency radio communications in times of need.

Additionally, to promote training and development of members radio communication skills and abilities, and to protect human life and property by providing radio safety communication for outdoor events.

Activities:

The activities of Lothians RAYNET SCIO are concerned with raising skills and expertise levels within the group so that members are competent to perform their volunteer role with safety and professionalism.

Achievements and Performance:

Lothians RAYNET SCIO has Mutual Aid Memoranda of Understanding with Lothian 4X4 Response and have supported this organisation during the period in The City of Edinburgh, West, Mid and East Lothian, Falkirk, Stirling, Clacks, and the Scottish Borders. Lothians RAYNET SCIO is also party to national Memoranda of Understanding with the Maritime and Coastguard Agency, and the British Red Cross Society.

Lothians RAYNET SCIO has negotiated a Memoranda of Understanding with East Lothian Council in the past year for mutual support and exercising and radio communications.

Lothians RAYNET SCIO has participated in exercises and events involving User Services. During the period many members of the group benefited from, mostly on-line, training, including emergency radio communications, operating control, planning, and risk assessment.

Activities continue to be quite severely curtailed by the after effects of Covid-19 resulting in fewer events being undertaken in the past year than the previous one. The Group supported a SERC event, Kirkton Manor. The Edinburgh Riding of the Marches was also supported.

Financial review:

An important source of funding is through donations from members, User Services or outside organisations. These donations are in recognition and acknowledgement of the provision of radio communications support.

Receipts for the period on the unrestricted fund were £1,667. Payments for the period on the unrestricted fund were £1,243. The closing balance as of 30 September 2025 was £5,190.

There are no restricted funds.

There were costs involved with the activities of the Group, mostly to support the DMR (Digital Mobile Radio) activities and other communication activities. There is also a cost for the storage, maintenance, and insurance of the caravan which is used as a mobile control centre. Insurance cover was continued for the year. The caravan has been disposed of resulting in the removal of storage costs in the coming year.

Reserves Policy:

The trustee's policy is to maintain, wherever possible, reserves of no less than £3,000. This reserve is to allow replacement of any critical radio equipment which fails, and to cover running costs if Lothians RAYNET SCIO is mobilised.

Plans for Future Periods:

The trustees intend to continue the development and training associated with DMR. Additionally emergency response exercises will be organised across the geographic area that Lothians RAYNET SCIO support. It is hoped that in the coming year that Lothians RAYNET SCIO will be able to support more events.

Exercises to include our remote members will continue to be planned using Google Meet, and similar technology.

Approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Donald Park

Donald Park
Chair, Lothians RAYNET SCIO

Lothians Raynet SCIO
Receipts & Payments Account For Year Ended 30 September 2025

2024

Receipts

Memberships	442.00	270
Donations	1225.00	1401

1667.00 1671

Payments

Payments for Charitable Activities

Sim Top Up	20.00	40
Website Costs	84.00	58
Caravan Storage	380.00	370
Insurance	396.25	651
Equipment	-	119
Equipment Replacements	-	79
Internet Instalation Charges	-	120
Postage	-	32
Meeting Room	-	24
Subscriptions	317.25	342
Text Message Top Up	45.60	85

1243.10 1920

Surplus (Deficit) for Year

423.90 (249)

Unrestricted General Fund

Balance at 30 September 2024	4766.32	5015
Surplus (Deficit) for Year	423.90	(249)

Balance at 30 September 2025

5190.22 4766

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Statement of Balances as at 30th September 2025

		2024
Bank Balances		
Bank of Scotland Current Account	5190	4766
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	5190	4766
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Unrestricted Fund	(Note 1b)	5190
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Other Fixed Assets Held		
Per Management Committee Valuation		
Fixed Assets		
Lithium Batteries	240	300
DMR Repeater & Duplexer	480	600
Caravan	320	400
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	1040	1300
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These accounts have been approved by the Trustees on 13/10/25
and signed on their behalf by:

Chair: Donald Park
Donald Park

Treasurer: Kevin Sterrick
Kevin Sterrick

Lothians Raynet SCIO
Notes On Accounts for Year Ended 30 September 2025

1. Accounting Policies

a. Basis of Accounting

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. The preparation of the accounts on a cash basis continues to be applied in the current year.

b. Funds

Unrestricted General Fund

The general fund comprises those funds which the Management Committee are free to use in accordance with the charity's objectives.

2. Management Committee Remuneration & Expenses

Management Committee Members are not remunerated and no committee members (0 – 2024) received reimbursement of expenses during the period.

No contracts for services have been entered into with any of the management committee.

Lothians Raynet SCIO

Independent Examiners Report to the Committee

I report on the accounts of the charity for the period ended 30 September 2025

Respective Responsibility of Management Committee & Examiner

The charity management committee 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. The charity trustees consider 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) of the Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner Statement

My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. 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 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 which would be required in an audit and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by these accounts.

Independent Examiners Statement

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention.

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, and
 - * to prepare accounts which record the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulationshave 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.

Robert Mckeand

Robert Mckeand
2 The Steadings Swinside
Townhead Farm
Jedburgh
TD8 6ND

Dated 11/10/25.

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Current Trustees:



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Financial review:

An important source of funding is through donations from members, User Services or outside organisations. These donations are in recognition and acknowledgement of the provision of radio communications support.

Receipts for the period on the unrestricted fund were £1,671. Payments for the period on the unrestricted fund were £1,920. The closing balance as of 30 September 2024 was £4,766.32.

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Approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:





Lothians RAYNET SCIO

Enter charity name below

Enter SC No. below

SC045546

Receipts and payments accounts							
For the period from	Period start date			to	Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
	01	10	2023		30	09	2024

Section A Statement of receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Expendable endowment funds to nearest £	Permanent endowment funds to nearest £	Total funds current period to nearest £	Total funds last period to nearest £
A1 Receipts						
Donations	1,671	-	-	-	1,671	564
Legacies	-	-	-	-	-	-
Grants	-	-	-	-	-	498
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	-	-	-	-	-	-
A1 Sub total	1,671	-	-	-	1,671	1,062
A2 Receipts from asset & investment sales						
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets	-	-	-	-	-	-
Proceeds from sale of investments	-	-	-	-	-	-
A2 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	1,671	-	-	-	1,671	1,062
A3 Payments						
Expenses for fundraising activities	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gross trading payments	-	-	-	-	-	-
Investment management costs	-	-	-	-	-	-
Payments relating directly to charitable activities	1,920	-	-	-	1,920	1,719
Grants and donations	-	-	-	-	-	-
Governance costs:	-	-	-	-	-	-
Audit / independent examination	-	-	-	-	-	-
Preparation of annual accounts	-	-	-	-	-	-
Legal costs	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-	-	-	-
A3 Sub total	1,920	-	-	-	1,920	1,719
A4 Payments relating to asset and investment movements						
Purchases of fixed assets	-	-	-	-	-	-
Purchase of investments	-	-	-	-	-	492
A4 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	492
Total payments	1,920	-	-	-	1,920	2,211
Net receipts / (payments)	(249)	-	-	-	(249)	(1,149)
A5 Transfers to / (from) funds						
	-	-	-	-	-	-
Surplus / (deficit) for year	(249)	-	-	-	(249)	(1,149)

Section C Notes to the Accounts

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

To assist UK statutory and voluntary emergency and rescue services etc with emergency radio communications.

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)

X

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)

X

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

Additional analysis (2)

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5 Breakdown of unrestricted funds

	Unrestricted fund 1 - enter name of fund below General	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
Receipts						
Donations						
Legacies	1,671	-			1,671	564
Grants	-				-	
Receipts from fundraising activities						
Gross trading receipts						498
buildings						
Rents from land & buildings						
Gross receipts from other charitable activities						
Sub total	1,671	-	-	-	1,671	1,062
Receipts from asset & investment sales						
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets						
Proceeds from sale of investments						
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	1,671	-	-	-	1,671	1,062
Payments						
Expenses for fundraising activities						
Gross trading payments						
Investment management costs						
Payments relating directly to charitable activities						
Grants and donations	1,920	-			1,920	1,719
Governance costs:						
Audit / independent examination						
Preparation of annual accounts						
Legal costs						
Sub total	1,920	-	-	-	1,920	1,719
Payments relating to asset and investment movements						
Purchases of fixed assets						492
Purchase of investments						492
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	984
Total payments	1,920	-	-	-	1,920	2,211
Net receipts / (payments)	(249)	-	-	-	(249)	(1,149)
Transfers to / (from) funds						
Surplus / (deficit) for year	(249)	-	-	-	(249)	(1,149)
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
Receipts						
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					-	
Sub total					-	
Receipts from asset & investment sales						
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets					-	
Proceeds from sale of investments					-	
Sub total					-	
Total receipts					-	
Payments						
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					-	
Sub total					-	
Payments relating to asset and investment movements						
Purchases of fixed assets					-	
Purchase of investments					-	
Sub total					-	
Total payments					-	
Net receipts / (payments)					-	
Transfers to / (from) funds					-	
Surplus / (deficit) for year					-	

Nature and purpose of funds

APPENDIX 3



Report to the trustees/members of

Registered charity number
On the accounts of the charity for the period

Set out on pages

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

Basis of independent examiner's statement

Independent examiner's statement

Signed:

Name:

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):

Address:

Independent examiner's report on the accounts							v2
Charity name LOTHIANS RAYNET							
Registered charity number SC045546							
Period start date				Period end date			
Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year	
01	OCTOBER	2023	to	30	SEPTEMBER	2024	
Set out on pages 1 to 6					(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)		

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.

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.

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention

- 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, and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations
 have not been met, or
- to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:	Date:	28 October 2024
Name:		
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):		
Address:		