

Scottish Trades Excellence

Scotland · Charity number SC046371

Details

Status	Active
Legal form	SCIO (Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation)
Registered	2016-03-01
Register	View on the OSCR register

Contact

Address	Unit 2 Souterhead Road Burnbank Centre Altens Aberdeen AB12 3LF
Website	www.scottishtrades.org

Activities

Activities: 'It carries out activities or services itself'

Purposes: 'the advancement of education', 'the relief of those in need by reason of age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage'

What the charity does: The purpose of Scottish Trades Excellence is to promote, advance and further charitable purposes primarily by operating to encourage and promote (through collaboration primarily with colleges, industry and others) skills, training and opportunities in (heavy) engineering, manufacturing, fabrication and related trades for young people, long term unemployed individuals, job seekers and others who can be helped (primarily but not exclusively in Dundee and Angus) to ensure these individuals do not miss out on the skills, training, opportunities and enjoyment that vocational skills, training and opportunities can bring to them and so that society does not miss out the development of these crucial skills for current and future generations.

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

Objectives: 6.1 The SCIO will promote, advance and further charitable purposes primarily by operating to encourage and promote (through collaboration primarily with colleges, industry and others) skills, training and opportunities in (heavy) engineering, manufacturing, fabrication and related trades for young people, long term unemployed individuals, job seekers and others who can be helped (primarily but not exclusively in Dundee and Angus) to ensure these individuals do not miss out on the skills, training, opportunities and enjoyment that vocational skills, training and opportunities can bring to them and so that society does not miss out the development of these crucial skills for current and future generations 6.2 For the purposes of the

2005 Act, the following charitable purposes are (i) particularly relevant and (ii) are the charitable purposes identified as applicable from section 7 of the 2005 Act:- 6.2.1 the advancement of education. and 6.2.2 the relief of those in need by reason of age, financial hardship or other disadvantage

Geography

- **Main operating location:** Aberdeenshire
- **Geographical spread:** More than one local authority area in Scotland

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£18,763	£21,113	-	0
2024-03-31	£24,050	£21,317	-	0
2023-03-31	£17,249	£21,130	-	0
2022-03-31	£22,566	£38,935	-	0
2021-03-31	£22,989	£2,340	-	0

Accounts

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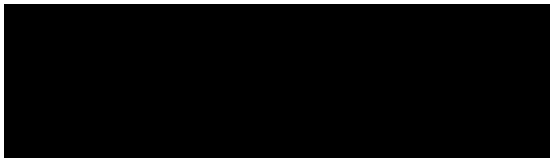
Trustees' Annual Report

Period 01 April 2024 to 31 March 2025

Charity contact information

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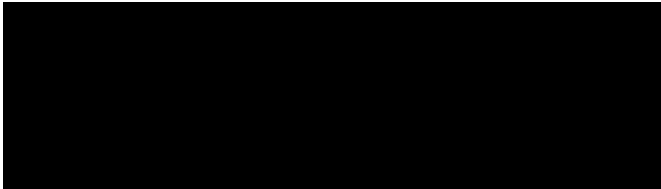
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Altens, Aberdeen
AB12 3LF



Website: scottishtrades.org

Charity Trustees

Name all your charity trustees for the period, and the date they left if they were not in post for the whole year.

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Objectives and activities

The purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document.

The purpose of Scottish Trades Excellence is to promote, advance and further charitable purposes primarily by operating to encourage and promote (through collaboration primarily with colleges, industry and others) skills, training and opportunities in (heavy) engineering, manufacturing, fabrication and related trades for young people, long term unemployed individuals, job seekers and others who can be helped (primarily but not exclusively in Dundee and Angus) to ensure these individuals do not miss out on the skills, training, opportunities and enjoyment that vocational skills, training and opportunities can bring to them and so that society does not miss out the development of these crucial skills for current and future generations 6.2 For the purposes of the 2005 Act, the following charitable purposes are particularly relevant and are the charitable purposes identified as applicable from section 7 of the 2005 Act:- 6.2.1 the advancement of education; and 6.2.2 the relief of those in need by reason of age, financial hardship or other disadvantage.

The main activities undertaken in relation to those purposes during the period.

The Charity has continued to hold awareness days and introductory training sessions for new starters in the oil & gas industry and those looking to upskill.

Through our training, we detail the requirements of ATEX, as well as the International Electrotechnical Commission in relation to the use of explosion proof equipment in hazardous areas. These awareness days help to introduce a niche area of health & safety in oil & gas, mining and any chemical or manufacturing environment, where an explosive atmosphere may be present.

The Charity also continued to update its courses related to ISO, IEC and Compex, for mechanical equipment operated in hazardous areas Zone 1 and Zone 2, as well as pneumatic operated mechanical pumps.

The degree to which the achievements and performance during the period have benefited wider society.

The Charity's awareness days and introductory training sessions for job-seekers, and those who feel they are under-employed, has aimed to give them some perspective on a niche area of health & safety in oil & gas, mining and any chemical or manufacturing environment, where an explosive atmosphere may be present.

This introduction is intended to help them to determine if this is an area that they would like to explore and develop their knowledge further and perhaps discover a new path for their career, and ultimately hopefully help them to find new employment. Our trainees have successfully secured contracts with local companies offering services in oil and gas industry.

Structure, governance, and management

Structure, governance, and management of the charity

Bankers	Barclays Bank
Accountants	J&K Accounts Ltd Honeysuckle Cottage Carnbo, KY13 0NX
Examinator:	 BA Economics & MA Finance and Accounting

Type of governing document

The charity is governed by its Constitution.

Trustee recruitment and appointment

The methods used to recruit and appoint new charity trustees.

The Charity has its own website where it is advertising a need for new Trustees through a very thorough process, which includes the provision of information on about its goals and performance. The charity has not developed any special method of recruiting Trustees as it greatly believes that only people having something to offer can become the Trustees in any charity.

Achievements and performance

The Charity has managed to hold some awareness days and introductory training sessions, for small groups, and throughout the years some of our trainees have successfully secured contracts with a local companies offering services in oil and gas industry.

The Charity has continued to try form strong bonds with local companies in the oil & gas industry and has secured some funding for operations and maintenance of its training facility during this period. the Windfall Tax, introduced by the UK government, is beginning to have a significant impact on the UK oil & gas industry. Many projects are already being cancelled or shelved, and revenues are dropping quickly over time. Countless jobs are already being lost, and the future of the UK oil & gas industry is looking more and more bleak with each day that passes.

Unfortunately, the Charity has just recently lost one of its three Trustees, which may now put the future of the Charity in danger. If the Charity cannot find another Trustee quickly, it may have to cease operating, if it cannot fulfil its three Trustee obligation, which is a requirement specified in the Charity's constitution.

Sadly, the Charity has also suddenly lost one of its long-term funders, which is has already put the Charity in a shortfall for its expected income for this past year. If the charity is not able to cover its liabilities going forward, then it will also rapidly need to consider moving out of its premises and cease operations due to a lack of funds.

Financial review

Statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Policies on reserves.

The trustees believe that around one month of annual expenditure on running costs, including rent and other running costs, is an appropriate level of reserves in order to cover timing differences between receipts and payments and to allow for any unexpected items of expenditure or reduction in income.

Reserves position

General reserves	£1,000
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Financial review of the position at the reporting date, 31 March 2025

The Trustees consider the financial performance by the charity during the year to have been not fully satisfactory.

Total receipts for the year were £18,763 consisting of donations and VAT returns. The main spending was on charitable expenses, including rent, rates, electricity, telephone, and internet.

Charity has been using unrestricted funds surplus from last years as well as donations to fund the charitable expenses. Deficit for the year is £2,350. Liabilities of £720 due to J&K Accounts Ltd have been paid in full.

The main source of the charity will continue to be donations from the companies interested in acquiring skilled workers in oil and gas industry.

Charity has not acquired any new assets this year.

Trustees Report and Payments and Receipts accounts have been examined by [REDACTED], BA Economics & MA Finance and Accounting, Qualified Accountant. [REDACTED] has been preparing accounts for other Charity based in Edinburgh – ECP - Education Centre SCIO. He has also been involved already in examination of accounts for Charities in his career.

Future plans

Let everyone know what you have got planned for the next year.

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Although, the Charity has been building relationships with industry, the Windfall Tax, introduced by the government, is beginning to have a significant impact on the UK oil & gas industry. Many projects are already being cancelled or shelved, and revenues are dropping quickly over time. Countless jobs are already being lost, and the future of the UK oil & gas industry, like the future of the Charity, is looking more and more bleak with each day that passes.

Declaration

Signed on behalf of the charity trustees:

Print name

Designation

Trustee

Date

25/09/2025

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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
	01	April	2024		31	March	2025

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	15,952				15,952	21,075
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	2,811				2,811	2,975
					-	
A1 Sub total	18,763	-	-	-	18,763	24,050
A2 Receipts from asset & investment sales						
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets					-	
Proceeds from sale of investments					-	
A2 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	18,763	-	-	-	18,763	24,050
A3 Payments						
Expenses for fundraising activities					-	-
Gross trading payments					-	-
Investment management costs					-	-
Payments relating directly to charitable activities	20,243				20,243	20,197
Grants and donations					-	-
Governance costs:					-	-
Audit / independent examination	150				150	100
Preparation of annual accounts	720				720	1,020
Legal costs					-	-
Other					-	-
					-	-
A3 Sub total	21,113	-	-	-	21,113	21,317
A4 Payments relating to asset and investment movements						
Purchases of fixed assets	-				-	
Purchase of investments					-	
A4 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	21,113	-	-	-	21,113	21,317
Net receipts / (payments)	(2,350)	-	-	-	(2,350)	2,733
A5 Transfers to / (from) funds						
					-	
Surplus / (deficit) for year	(2,350)	-	-	-	(2,350)	2,733

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	3,922				3,922	1,188
	Surplus / (deficit) shown on receipts and payments account	(2,350)				(2,350)	2,733
						-	
						-	
	Cash and bank balances at end of year	1,571	-	-	-	1,571	3,922
	(Agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	-	-	-	-	-	-

	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 available) 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	J&K Accounts	Unrestricted	720	720
		Total	720	720

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (estimate) to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
B5 Contingent liabilities				
		Total	-	-

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

Signature

Print Name

Date of
approval

	Jesse Youmans	

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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 £
Donations from Businesses	15,952				15,952	21,075
					-	-
					-	-
					-	-
Total	15,952	-	-	-	15,952	21,075
	-	-	-	-	-	-

2 Grants

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £			Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
Total	-	-			-	-
	-	-			-	-

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 £
HMRC VAT	2,811				2,811	2,975
Bank Loyalty rewards					-	-
Sale of goods					-	-
Bank refund					-	-
					-	-
					-	-
					-	-
Total	2,811	-	-	-	2,811	2,975
	-	-	-	-	-	-

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 £
Rent	16,200				16,200	16,200
Insurance	-				-	214
Electricity	1,174				1,174	1,533
Rates	2,278				2,278	1,718
Subscriptions					-	-
Telephone & Internet	309				309	279
Bank Charges	102				102	102
Equipment	-				-	-
Stationery	-				-	-
Website	181				181	151
Other Admin					-	-
Total	20,243	-	-	-	20,243	20,197
	-	-	-	-	-	-

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Additional analysis (2)

5 Breakdown of unrestricted funds

	Unrestricted fund 1 - enter name of fund below	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						
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Grants					-	-
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Surplus / (deficit) for year	(2,350)	-	-	-	(2,350)	2,733

Nature and purpose of funds

APPENDIX 3



Independent examiner's report on the accounts

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**Report to the
trustees/members of**

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

Charity name

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Set out on pages

Period start date				Period end date		
Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
01	04	2024	to	31	03	2025
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**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**

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 accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations

have 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.

Signed:

Name:

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

Address:

