

# Strathaven Balloon Festival

Scotland · Charity number SC046563

## Details

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Status	Active
Legal form	SCIO (Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation)
Registered	2016-05-17
Register	<a href="#">View on the OSCR register</a>

## Contact

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Address	39 Bridge Street Strathaven Lanarkshire ML10 6AN
Website	<a href="http://strathavenballoonfestival.co.uk">strathavenballoonfestival.co.uk</a>

## Activities

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**Activities:** 'It carries out activities or services itself'

**Purposes:** 'the advancement of education', 'the advancement of the arts, heritage, culture or science', 'the provision of recreational facilities, or the organisation of recreational activities, with the object of improving the conditions of life for the persons for whom the facilities or activities are primarily intended'

**What the charity does:** The charity's purpose is to organise an annual hot air balloon festival in Strathaven over a weekend late in August. 20 to 25 balloon crews are invited to attend. It involves schools through education in ballooning and an art competition. Local musicians will perform from mid-day till late on a proper stage with a professional sound system to create a wealth of entertainment whilst waiting on ballooning activity. A variety of fairground rides, a classic car show and commercial and charity stalls are all part of the experience. There is no entry fee. Three remote parking sites with a shuttle bus service into the town address the gridlock that would ensue with 40,000 visitors descending on the town. Planning and licensing is monitored by the South Lanarkshire Council Resilience Committee, but no public funds are available for this event: funding comes from programme and raffle ticket sales, stall lets, local businesses and public donations.

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

**Objectives:** This SCIO will promote, advance and further charitable purposes primarily through the focal point of the organisation of a community focussed balloon festival to encourage the community (as well as others from further afield) to come together in Strathaven to celebrate and enjoy its history, culture and community spirit. The festival will aim to encourage a wide and diverse range of participants in the community event and will also seek to work in collaboration with schools, charities and others in building the success of the festival and other events and projects connected with it. The projects and events connected with the

festival will ordinarily be aimed at advancing education through schools projects, promoting Strathaven's heritage and culture (including through arts and culture aspects of activities at the festival) and furthering education and science through the techniques and procedures associated with balloon flight.

## Geography

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- **Main operating location:** Glasgow City
- **Geographical spread:** Wider, but within one local authority area

## Finances

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Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-09-30	£12,131	£16,498	-	0
2023-09-30	£48,463	£45,797	-	0
2022-09-30	£30,202	£36,146	-	0
2021-09-30	£0	£415	-	0
2020-09-30	£550	£2,032	-	0