

DALBEATTIE BEQUEST

CHARITY NUMBER SC046621

Trustees' Annual Report

Year ended 31 March 2025

The trustees present their report together with the financial statements and the independent examiner's report for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Reference and Administrative Information

Charity Name

Dalbeattie Bequest

Charity Number

SC046621

Address

Financial Services, Carruthers House, English Street, Dumfries DG1 2HP

Trustees

Ian Blake

Kim Lowe

Davie Stitt - Chair

Erica Johnson

Shona Reid

Trustees Remuneration and Expenses

The trustees did not receive any remuneration for their services and were not reimbursed for any expenditure during the year.

Structure, Governance and Management

Constitution

The charity was set up by constitution on 13 June 2016.

Appointment of Trustees

The Board may at any time appoint any person to be a charity trustee, subject to that person being a Dalbeattie resident, by way of a resolution passed by a majority vote at a board meeting.

Management

The monies were left in trust to be administered by the local council and following reorganisation representatives of Dumfries & Galloway Council deal with the management of the Trust.

Objectives and Activities

Charitable purposes

The trust serves to assist the elderly, poor and people with physical and mental disabilities primarily in the burgh of Dalbeattie.

Activities

Income is derived solely from investment returns and bank interest – no donations to the funds are solicited. The Dalbeattie Bequest Provided £100 grants to 34 individuals (34 individuals in 23/24) in the financial year ended 31 March 2025, Dalbeattie Bequest Provided 5 grants to organisations totalling £17,000 (14,000 in 23/24).

Financial Review

The bequest is dependent on investment income and distributes in accordance with the Bequest's charitable purposes. Due to a change in banking details there was a delay in funding from William Blyth Trust Investments for the Financial Year 2023/24, This did not have any adverse effect on the Bequest ability to distribute Grant funding to individuals or organisations. The delayed funding was received in Financial Year 2024/25 resulting in a large surplus.

Plans for Future Periods

The Trustee may wish to consider how they manage the business of The Dalbeattie Bequest in future years and develop an approach to supporting those most in need to apply for the funding in order to maximise the impact of the funding available.

Signed



Erica Johnson

Date 2nd March 2026

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STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

Year ended 31 March 2025

	2025	2024
	£	£
RECEIPTS		
Bank of Scotland Income	31,500	4,500
Interest on Balances	5,780	7,389
Returned Grants	-	350
Thomas Benson Estate	-	-
Total Receipts	<u>37,280</u>	<u>12,239</u>

PAYMENTS

Governance costs	1,736	2,396
Payment of Grants 3	20,400	17,400
Other Expenditure	116	-
Total Payments	<u>22,252</u>	<u>19,796</u>

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	<u>15,029</u>	<u>(7,557)</u>
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STATEMENT OF BALANCES

	2025	2024
	£	£
Cash Funds		
Cash & bank balances at start of year	135,769	143,326
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	<u>15,029</u>	<u>(7,557)</u>
Cash & bank balances at end of year	<u>150,798</u>	<u>135,769</u>

Liabilities – Independent Examiners Fee	<u>360</u>	<u>132</u>
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Signed



Erica Johnson

Date 2nd March 2026

**DALBEATTIE BEQUEST
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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

Year ended 31 March 2025

1. Basis of Accounting

These accounts have been prepared on the Receipts & 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

The trust only has Unrestricted Funds that may be used at the discretion of the trustees in the furtherance of the objects of the charity.

3. Grants Made

	2025	2024
	£	£
Individuals	3,400	3,400
Organisations	17,000	14,000
	<u>20,400</u>	<u>17,400</u>

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Dalbeattie Bequest**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Dalbeattie Bequest

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Dalbeattie Bequest (the Trust) for the year ended 31st March 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under Section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by Section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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20th March 2026