

Douglasdale Real Group
Financial Statements
For the accounting period ended
31st July, 2025

Trustees Annual Report for the Year Ended 31st July,2025

Charity Name	Douglasdale Recreation, Environment, Access & Leisure Group	
Other names charity is known by	Douglasdale REAL Group	
Registered Charity Number	SC047566	
Charity's Principal Address	87 Brownhill Avenue, Douglas, South Lanarkshire ML11 0PQ	
Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity	Chair Person	Kenneth Young
	Secretary	Paula Sked
	Treasurer	Jason Mitchell
Names of the trustees for the charity	Kenneth Young	
	Linda Mitchell	
	Paula Sked	
	Scott Johnstone	
	Lillian Clark	
	Bryan Frame	

The organisation is constituted in terms of a community group, run by an executive management committee, elected by the members.

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of the charity's trusts

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| • Type of governing document | Constitution |
| • How the charity is constituted | SCIO |
| • Trustee selection methods | Trustees are appointed or reappointed annually at The Annual General Meeting |

The purpose of the Douglasdale REAL Group is the advancement

- of heritage and culture through the preservation of local rural area, increasing awareness to, and interest in, local history, talent and traditions through education, entertainment and partnership working
- of citizenship or community development through the encouragement of voluntary and community activity, capacity building in local groups, regeneration of local amenities and assisting disadvantaged and hard to reach groups
- of environmental protection or improvement through conservation and caring for the environment, increasing awareness of, and interest in, environmental matters and the delivery of specific projects to preserve local natural heritage and habitats, protect biodiversity and to encourage walking, cycling, equestrian and other pursuits
- of other such similar charitable purposes as may, from time to time, be determined by the Trustees.

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Principal Activities and Achievements

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Community Events

We successfully organised 2 annual catch and release fishing competitions at Policies Loch, thanks to the kind permission of D&A Estates. Due to the weather and the poor turn out in Aug 24 we held another in Dec 24. This event continues to bring together fishing enthusiasts and strengthens community bonds.

Environmental Improvements and Maintenance

We held a village clean-up event attended by more than 30 volunteers of all ages. Personal protective equipment, litter pickers, as well as hot drinks and refreshments were provided for everyone who contributed to tidying up our community.

The Polish War Memorial area was cleared and tidied in preparation for the annual service, ensuring the occasion was marked in a respectful environment.

At Douglas Primary School, we carried out weeding, tidied up the polytunnels, and maintained the raised beds, supporting the school's horticultural activities and providing a pleasant environment for pupils and staff.

We continued our yearly tradition of installing hanging baskets along Main Street and Ayr Road, bringing vibrant colour and life to these key thoroughfares throughout the summer months.

Community Engagement and Fundraising

Gig in the Grounds/Family Fun Day 2025 was a highly successful three-day fundraiser, providing an affordable family festival for local residents and visitors. The well attended event exceeded expectations and was well received, not only by the local community but also by the many visitors who attended and stayed in the campsite for the weekend. Bringing a welcome boost to the local economy, with many of the campers visiting the local shops, eateries and pub.

Woodland Development

Our Community Woodland Development Officer had a varied and busy year, continuing to record, measure, and monitor biodiversity in the woodland. We observed fourteen species of butterfly, with numbers expected to increase following the hydro-seeding of native wildflower seeds along the railway verges as part of the SPEN reinstatement works connected to the Hagshaw Hill repowering project.

Ongoing woodland management and maintenance were carried out, helping to ensure the woodland remains rich in biodiversity and accessible to all. We hosted a SPEN corporate volunteer day, with volunteers contributing eighty hours to removing tree guards and stakes enabling the trees to grow to their full potential. We removed all plastic waste from the woodland floor.

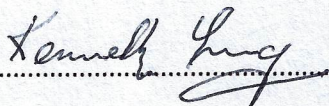
Active Travel

Construction has commenced on the new NCN74 active travel path. Over the past year DRG, as the designated authority responsible for ongoing maintenance of the Poniel to Douglas section, has conducted meetings and participated in events related to the Project.

Reserves Policy

The trustees believe that around one month of annual expenditure is a appropriate level of reserves in order to cover the timing differences between receipts and payments and to allow for any unexpected expenditure.

Approved by the Executive Management Committee on 27th April,2026

 Chair Person : Kenneth Young

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST JULY,2025

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Douglasdale Real Group, registered charity number SC047566

I report on the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st July,2025 which are set out on pages 5 to 8.

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) Act 2005 ("the 2005 Act) and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended) ("the 2006 Regulations"). The charity's trustees consider that the audit requirement of regulation 10(1) (d) of the 2006 regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under section (44) (1) (c) of the 2005 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 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 connection with my examination, no **other** 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 Regulations, and
to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 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

Gerard J. Ingram AFA

Ardoch House, Lesmahagow ML11 0HJ

27th April,2026

Statement of Balances - As at 31st July, 2025

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Cash & Bank Balance at Start of Year	-13,069	35,618	22,549	86,450
Surplus/-Deficit for the Year	-9,875	19,786	9,911	-5,756
Cash & Bank Balance at End of Year	<u>-22,944</u>	<u>55,404</u>	<u>32,460</u>	<u>80,694</u>

Represented by:

Bank Balance at End of Year	-23,944	55,404	31,460	80,694
Cash Balance at End of Year	1,000	-	1,000	-
	<u>-22,944</u>	<u>55,404</u>	<u>32,460</u>	<u>80,694</u>

Statement of Receipts and Payments - For the year ended 31st July, 2025

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
<u>Receipts</u>					
Commercial activities	3	205	0	205	160
Fundraising activities	4	4,691	45,839	50,530	67,215
Loans		0	0	0	1,000
Gig in the grounds - 2024		11,949	0	11,949	9,235
Gig in the grounds - 2025		1,878	0	1,878	0
Wayleave		1,815	0	1,815	0
Servitude receipt		3,600	0	3,600	0
		<u>24,138</u>	<u>45,839</u>	<u>69,977</u>	<u>77,610</u>
<u>Payments</u>					
Group activities	5	0	10,119	10,119	65,686
Management and administration cost	6	18,653	12,587	31,240	12,464
Gig in the grounds 2024	7	9,157	889	10,046	5,216
Gig in the grounds 2025	8	6,203	2,458	8,661	0
		<u>34,013</u>	<u>26,053</u>	<u>60,066</u>	<u>83,366</u>
Surplus/-Deficit for the Year		<u>-9,873</u>	<u>19,786</u>	<u>9,911</u>	<u>-5,756</u>

1 Funds

The group maintains a single undesignated fund for all its transactions

2 Trustees Remuneration & Expenses

The Trustees did not receive remuneration during the year

No Trustees received expenses during the year

	2025	2024
3 <u>Commercial Activities</u>		
Fishing tickets	<u>205</u>	<u>160</u>

4 Fundraising Income

Grants	50,530	74,915
Donations	0	300
Loans	0	1,000
Gig in the grounds - 2024	11,949	1,235
Gig in the grounds - 2025	1,878	0
Wayleave	1,815	0
Sevitube receipt	3,600	0
	<u>69,772</u>	<u>77,450</u>

5 Group Activity

Purchase of workshop	0	25,000
Purchase of sound system	0	37,886
Legal / consultancy fees	0	2,800
Landscaping/planting Douglas	8,343	0
Culvert piping woodlands	1,776	0
	<u>10,119</u>	<u>65,686</u>

6 Management and Administration Costs

Rent	0	585
Accountancy fees	450	720
Insurance	2,660	833
Plants and hanging baskets	1,000	1,000
Sundry expenses	748	121
Wages, paye and pensions	12,482	8,705
Signage	0	500
Training	390	0
Equipment purchases	10,412	0
Fuel for machines	698	0
Loan repayments	2,400	0
	<u>31,240</u>	<u>12,464</u>

7 Gig in the grounds 2024

Advertising	0	300
Printing	902	294
Deposit for inflatables	1,600	400
Marque	1,705	1,979
Portaloo	0	1,392
Tickets	0	131
Simup card reader	0	167
Face painter	0	200
Licences	0	363
PA rental	1,087	0
Food and drink	3,177	0
Axe throwers	240	0
Deliveries	334	0
Sundries	50	0
General fuel	312	0
Generator hire	639	0
	<u>10046</u>	<u>5226</u>

8 Gig in the grounds 2025

Printing	406	0
PA rental	1,030	0
Portaloo	1,392	0
Deposit for inflatables	1,500	0
Archery activity	400	0
Marque hire	2,073	0
Food and drink	783	0
Event licence	384	0
Insurance	582	0
Licence	51	0
Wifi	60	0
	<u>8661</u>	<u>0</u>