

Cambuslang and Rutherglen Christian Reachout Trust SCIO

**Annual Report and Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 March 2025**

Charity Number: SC048919

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Reference and Administrative Information

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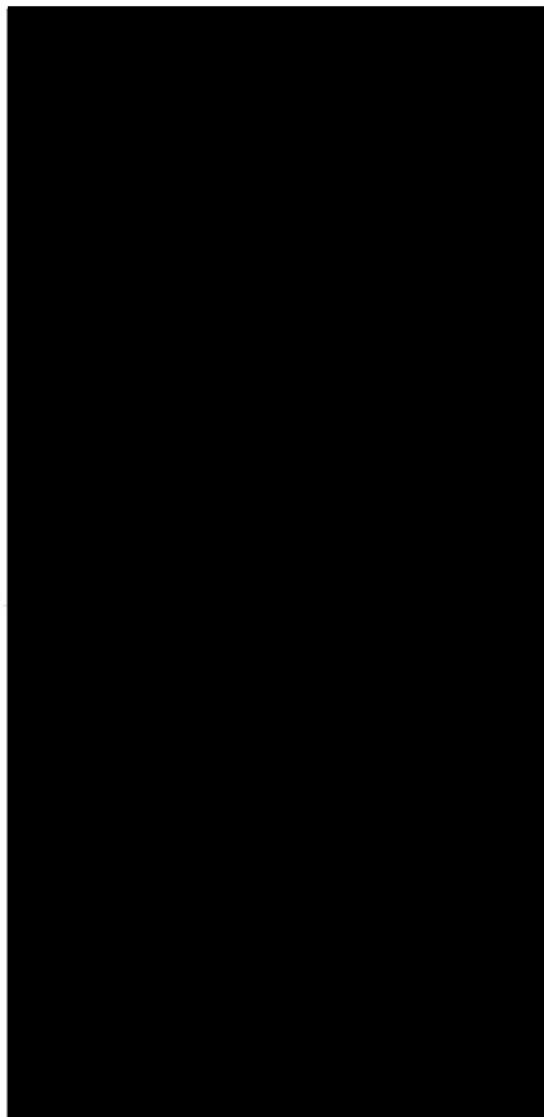
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Trustees

Management Committee

Principal Office

Independent Examiner



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Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31 March 2025

The Trustees present their report for the charity for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Trustees

The Trustees are as detailed on page 3.

Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document

Cambuslang and Rutherglen Christian Reachout Trust SCIO ("the charity") is governed by its Constitution and was duly registered with the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator on 18 December 2018 (registered number SC048919).

Appointment of Trustees

Trustees are appointed in terms of the Constitution which provides that in each year two Trustees resign at the AGM and are deemed to be re-appointed at the first meeting of the Trustees thereafter, in the absence of any objections. New Trustees are required to subscribe to Scripture Union Scotland's Statement of Faith and Ethos Statement. Upon their appointment, new Trustees are required to understand their statutory responsibilities.

Organisational Structure, Governance and Management

The charity became operational with effect on and from 1 April 2021. The Trustees are responsible for managing the affairs of the charity. Upon the transfer of the assets, liabilities and employees from Cambuslang & Rutherglen Reachout Charitable Trust (established by a Trust Deed dated 4 March 1994 - Scottish Charity Number SC022459) to the charity (referred to above) the Trustees delegated the day-to-day management to a Management Committee, the members of which are shown on page 3. In the year to 31 March 2025 two Trustees were members of the Management Committee. The charity's Workers attend Management Committee meetings and operate under the Committee's authority and direction.

The charity held its AGM on 25 March 2025. David McTaggart having resigned on 18 January 2025, it was agreed that Alan Thomson should take the chair for the AGM and be Chair of the Trustees until such time as a new Chair was appointed. Steven Loomes was re-elected Secretary for a further year and Alan Thomson was elected as Trustee Treasurer.

At the AGM the Trustees considered and agreed new draft provisions of the Constitution of the SCIO for the election and retirement of Trustees. These provide for a Trustee being appointed for a term of four years and being eligible for re-appointment for a further term of four years before being required to stand down. Such a person would once again become eligible for appointment as a Trustee after a period of one year. The amended Constitution will be registered with OSCR.

Objectives and Activities

Charitable Purposes

The charity's purposes are:

"To engage and support young people, to increase their understanding of the Christian faith and to put their faith into action."

This has been further developed as:

To enable children and young people to achieve their full potential by:

- Meeting them where they are.

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- Providing opportunities to experience the Christian faith.
- Enabling them, where appropriate, to put their faith into action.

This is to be done through four areas of work: schools, churches, communities and training and development of volunteers in youth work.

The charity's predecessor developed a strategy document which has provided the direction for the charity since its activities commenced. This strategy outlines the charity's main aims and objectives which are based around:

5 key aspirations, that the children and young people of Cambuslang and Rutherglen will:

- See Christ's love in action
- Respond to the significance of Jesus
- Develop as a whole (physically, emotionally, spiritually, and mentally)
- Grow in faith through engaging with the Bible, praying, and being part of a church community
- Be prayed for

4 major streams of work:

- School
- Church
- Community
- Training, mentoring, and enabling

5 key emphases which run across the major streams:

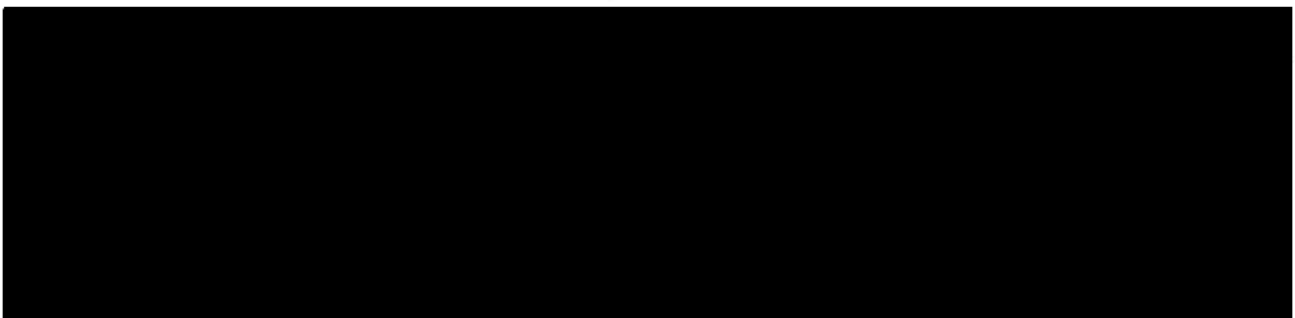
- Including all young people irrespective of race, gender, socio-economic status, culture, ethnicity, religion, and sexual orientation
- Evaluating the quality and effectiveness of our work
- Recognising and working within the family context
- Working from within the church; recognising that the charity is an integral part of the church's ministry
- Enabling others to develop their gifts and calling

Activities – Achievements and Performance

This year we have sought to build on the work from previous years, maintaining and developing our relationships with local schools and churches. Our aim was to focus on schools work and the small number of church groups that we are involved with as well as building capacity through resourcing and equipping volunteers.

We can report as follows.

Staff and Personnel



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Along with the employed staff, the charity has benefited from several individuals who volunteer in a variety of ways and are important in delivering the work of the charity. This year we have been blessed with an increased team; however we recognise the continued need to rely on volunteers as this increases the opportunities we are able to take up and we continue to be encouraged by the increased numbers and involvement of volunteers. It is recognised by the Trustees, Management Committee, and Staff that without the time, skill, and effort given by the local volunteers the charity would not be able to provide the service that it does to all the schools and young people in Cambuslang and Rutherglen.

Schools

As in previous years, our aim was to serve our local schools in whatever way we can, building on the established relationships that our workers and the charity have with the staff, pupils, and the institutions themselves. As well as supporting the Scripture Union groups, we aimed to continue to contribute to the life of the schools through our membership of chaplaincy teams, delivering Religious Observance events, and supporting school residential trips. This year we have been able to re-start SU groups in more schools. We currently have six groups running. Re-starting SU groups in the remaining schools will continue to be one of our priorities for the next year.

R.O. Assemblies – This year we were able to deliver assemblies in person within 14 primary schools and two secondary schools and one ASN secondary school. We delivered on average 9 assemblies throughout the year in primary schools, 4 weeks of assemblies within the secondary schools and one a month in the ASN school.

R.M.E/ P.S.E Lessons – This year for the first time, [REDACTED] was invited to deliver lessons to first and second-year pupils at Trinity High school in partnership with [REDACTED] from the Message Trust Scotland.

It's Your Move – This is a programme of lessons coupled with a book called It's Your Move that is aimed at young people who are moving from primary school up to secondary school. The programme is designed to help with the transition during this stressful period. We were able to deliver this in 14 primary schools in June.

Christmas Unwrapped – a creative and interactive presentation of the Christmas story. The presentation is usually delivered in 15 of the local primary schools and is aimed at primary 6 pupils. This year we were able to deliver the programme in all 15 schools.

Easter Code – similar to Christmas Unwrapped, Easter Code is a creative and interactive presentation of the Easter story. This year we were able to deliver this project to 14 schools.

Boomerang – This is our newest project and is a creative and interactive project designed to help young people in primary 5 to reflect on the subject of resilience. We were able to deliver this programme to 14 schools across the area.

Buddy UP! – This programme is designed to support older primary pupils as they take on the role of being a buddy for a primary 1 pupil. This year we were able to deliver this programme in 14 local primary schools.

Bible Alive – Laura Hutchinson attended training so that she could be accredited to deliver Bible Alive within local primary schools. This is an interactive, multi-media project that takes primary 5 & 6 pupils through the big story of the Bible. Laura plans to deliver this from September 2025.

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Churches

We aim to support local churches to facilitate them in their youth ministry. This year we continued to run full day holiday clubs in partnership with local churches. We were unable to run the two-day club in April but were still able to run two, two-day clubs in August and thanks to increased staff numbers we were once again able to run the one-day club in November. We continued to communicate with local churches through our quarterly prayer letter and twice-yearly newsletter as well as sending out video messages throughout the year.

Residentials

The team were able to support both primary and secondary residential weekends for schools and SU groups in Lanarkshire which continued to take place and were attended by primary and secondary school children from schools and churches within the area.

This year KX1 continued as the culmination of our work within the schools and amongst young people in the area at the SU Scotland holiday at Kingscross Point on the Isle of Arran. It was great to be able to work with 35 young people at this event with a team led by and made up mostly of local volunteers.

Community

Due to staff changes and the amount of other work needing done this year we have not been involved in any community events this year.

Training, Mentoring, and Enabling

Over recent years many young people have come into contact with the charity and have been hearing of the Good News of Jesus Christ. Some of these young people have gone on to develop and grow in their faith. This has resulted in a group of young leaders who are volunteering in many events with the charity as well as their churches. This has been a huge encouragement to us and has been recognised as something worth investing in. This year we were unable to run any additional training for the young leaders, but we continued to encourage the young people to attend SU leadership and discipleship events, with a number taking up this opportunity. 10 of these young adults attended KX1 as trainee leaders and more were involved in Holiday clubs. We are hoping to be able to organise another training day for them next year.

Financial Review

Per the Receipts & Payments Account on page 11, the charity reported an excess of receipts over payments (i.e. a cash surplus) of £1,765 for the year to March 2025, following the cash surplus of £253 for the preceding year.

Total receipts for the year amounted to £79,141, an increase of £11,381 from the previous year. There was an increase in individual supporter donations, including gift aid, of £1,900 (£46,534 compared to £44,634 during the previous year). In addition, there was an increase of £403 in donations from Churches (£13,805 versus £13,402). The most significant increase in receipts during the year was an increase of £10,500 in respect of grants from Trusts (£18,800 compared to £8,300 in the previous financial year). Partially offsetting these increases, there was a reduction of £1,400 in the grant received from South Lanarkshire Council (£nil versus £1,400 during the previous year) relating to financial support of summer events for young people. There was also a reduction of £22 in miscellaneous receipts.

Total payments made during the year amounted to £77,376, an increase of £9,869 from the previous year. The principal cost in the operation of the charity is staff costs, including salaries. These costs increased by

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£8,139 during the year (£62,118 compared to £53,979 during the previous year) following the recruitment of [REDACTED] from March 2024, and [REDACTED] from August 2024.

There was also an increase of £721 in communication costs (£3,550 versus £2,829), £976 in other costs (£4,639 versus £3,663) and an increase of £390 in capital expenditure (£909 versus £519) in respect of laptops replaced during the year. Partially offsetting these increases, there was a reduction of £357 in the amounts spent on projects and events (£5,860 versus £6,217 in the previous year).

The Trustees remain conscious of the ongoing challenge to ensure that there is sufficient income to meet the level of expenditure being incurred. The Trustees continue in their efforts to secure funding from individual donors and grant awarding bodies to procure sufficient income to meet ongoing expenditure. They will be specifically aiming to procure grants and awards to produce such income over a three year period, and thereby ensure the security of employment for the staff going forward.

Reserves policy

It is the policy of the Charity to maintain unrestricted funds (funds not committed or invested in fixed assets) at a level which is between 9 and 12 months' unrestricted projected expenditure at current levels, in line with good governance practice. This allows sufficient funds for the charity to finance and maintain its ongoing work. As at 31 March 2025, total unrestricted funds (page 12) amounted to £32,376, a reduction of £3,398 from £35,774 at the end of the preceding financial year as at 31 March 2024. The reserves level at 42% of expenditure in the year is below the range indicated in the policy above and the Trustees continue to be aware of the risk of there being insufficient funds to maintain the ongoing work.

Future Activities

The charity will continue with the work as described above in order to implement its purposes in schools, churches and the communities of Cambuslang and Rutherglen.

As noted above, the charity appointed [REDACTED] as a second full-time Youth and Schools Worker. She took up her appointment in August 2024. With [REDACTED] appointment the focus and priorities of the work in schools once again changed, principally in response to the needs of local schools.

After induction of the second worker and a period of familiarisation with the work of the charity, it was decided that the "Bible Alive" project, preparation for which had been undertaken by a previous worker, should once again become a priority. [REDACTED] undertook her "Bible Alive" training and accreditation in January and February 2025. As we move into financial year 2025/26, the detailed preparation of lessons and materials will be undertaken with the plan to commence delivery of the project to Primary 5 and Primary 6 classes from September 2025. The aim would be to deliver the project to all the primary schools in the Cambuslang and Rutherglen area in the coming two years.

At the same time, getting SU Groups restarted in the remaining schools remains a priority. School SU Groups depend upon having the necessary volunteers available which can be challenging. The second worker, therefore, will also be engaged in endeavouring to recruit volunteers for the purpose. The ideal outcome would be that the academic year 2025/26 would end with all the groups restarted, but the charity is being realistic about this, it being more important to get new groups solidly established and continuing into the longer term than to have groups set up quickly but failing to become established.

The charity has already benefited greatly from the appointment of [REDACTED] as the new Admin assistant in March 2024. The importance of her contribution has been such that from the beginning of the financial year commencing 1 April 2025, [REDACTED] hours have been increased to enable her to contribute more widely to the role. The intention is that her gifts, skills and abilities will be used to enhance all the work of the

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charity and to involve her more as part of the team. To this end she will accompany the other workers to the Growing Young Disciples residential conference in January 2026.

It is also planned to hold further non-residential events in the form of a 'holiday club' on schools' in-service days and also during school holidays. The charity will also participate in two weekend residential events for SU groups and churches in Lanarkshire, for primary and secondary pupils respectively. [REDACTED] our senior worker will be the Team Leader for the SU Holiday at Kings Cross in Arran at the end of June 2025, with the rest of the team also being part of the team for the holiday.

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in Scotland, the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005, the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 and the provisions of the charity's Trust Deed requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005, the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 and the provisions of the charity's Trust Deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Independent Examiner

[REDACTED] has carried out the independent examination for the charity for the year since the year ended 31 March 2021. It was agreed that his appointment as Independent Examiner should be continued.

This report was approved by the Trustees on 27 June 2025 and signed on their behalf by

[REDACTED]

Trustee

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Cambuslang and Rutherglen Christian Reachout Trust SCIO.

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2025 which are set out on pages 11 and 12.

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 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. The 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.

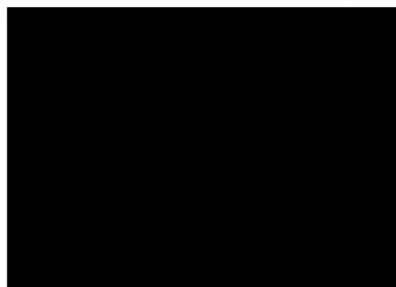
Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the 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 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:
 - a. to keep accounting records in accordance with section 44(1)(a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations, and
 - b. to prepare accounts which accord with 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.



27 June 2025

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**Receipts and Payments Account
for the year ended 31 March 2025**

		2025		2024
		Note 1		Note 1
	£	£	£	£
Receipts				
Voluntary				
Individual Supporter Donations		42,326		40,514
Gift Aid Tax Reclaimed		4,208		4,120
		<u>46,534</u>		<u>44,634</u>
Church Donations		13,805		13,402
Trust Income				
<i>Benefact Trust</i>	6,500		-	
<i>The Baird Trust</i>	5,000		3,000	
<i>The Ferguson Bequest Fund</i>	3,000		5,000	
<i>The Souter Charitable Trust</i>	3,000		-	
<i>Incorporation of Tailors of Rutherglen</i>	1,000		-	
<i>Petty Trust</i>	300		300	
		<u>18,800</u>		<u>8,300</u>
South Lanarkshire Council Grant		-		1,400
Miscellaneous		2		24
Total Receipts		<u>79,141</u>		<u>67,760</u>
Payments				
Charitable Activities				
Staff Costs				
Salaries		53,408		47,593
Staff pension costs		5,241		4,553
Student placement		1,050		-
Training and Development		750		315
Mileage, travel and parking		1,669		1,518
		<u>62,118</u>		<u>53,979</u>
Projects, Events, Residentials				
Teaching, project material and other project costs		2,113		2,074
Events (including residentials)		3,747		4,143
		<u>5,860</u>		<u>6,217</u>
Communication Costs				
Computer accessories and ink		1,423		1,045
Postage, stationery and printing		857		729
Digital Comms. (inc. Zoom /Dropbox /Mobiles)		649		574
Job Advert		100		100
Computer software, website, email - support and design		521		381
		<u>3,550</u>		<u>2,829</u>
Other Costs				
S.U. Admin. support		2,004		2,004
Insurance: Public Liability / Life Cover		556		583
Subscription		252		252
Gifts, books and other equipment		657		359
Office supplies and other miscellaneous costs		634		368
Volunteer and Celebration Costs		425		-
Bank charges		111		97
		<u>4,639</u>		<u>3,663</u>
Total Charitable Activities		<u>76,167</u>		<u>66,688</u>
Governance Costs				
<i>Independent Examiner</i>		300		300
		<u>76,467</u>		<u>66,988</u>
Capital Expenditure		909		519
Total Payments		<u>77,376</u>		<u>67,507</u>
Excess / (Shortfall) of Receipts over Payments		<u>1,765</u>		<u>253</u>

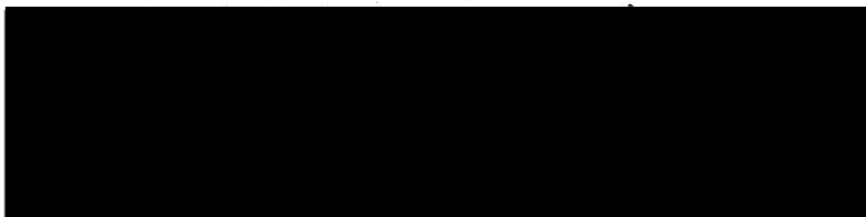
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**Statement of Balances
At 31 March 2025**

	2025	2024
	Note 1	
	£	£
Bank Balance		
Bank balance brought forward 1 April	35,025	34,772
Movement in year:		
Excess of Receipts over Payments for the year	1,765	253
Bank balance carried forward at 31 March	<u>36,790</u>	<u>35,025</u>
Other Assets		
Equipment at Current Value	1,070	729
Gift Aid Receivable	416	320
	<u>1,486</u>	<u>1,049</u>
Liabilities		
Creditor - Independent Examiner Fee	300	300
Deferred Income		
Grant - Benefact Trust	5,600	-
	<u>5,900</u>	<u>300</u>
Total Reserves	<u>32,376</u>	<u>35,774</u>

The Financial Statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees on 27 June 2025.

For and behalf of the Trustees:



Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2025

1. There are no restricted funds - all receipts and payments are unrestricted.
2. No trustee received any remuneration during the year.