

**AGM September 2025
Chairman's Report**

Thank you all for attending our AGM this evening.

Projects Delivered in 24/25

We delivered the following activities during the year 24/25:

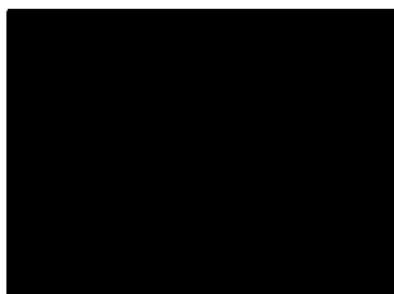
Lybster Youth Club:	75 term time sessions for Primaries 1 – 7
Lybster Teens:	25 term time sessions for young people
Lybster Youth Club:	12 holiday sessions for Primaries 1 – 7
Thrumster Youth Club:	50 term time sessions for Primaries 1 – 7
Thrumster Teens:	25 term time sessions for young people
Messy Plays:	15 term time sessions for under 5's

In addition we held an Easter Egg Hunt in partnership with LLCCDC in April 2024 and held new bubble football sessions. Lybster Hall Committee obtained funding to give us new equipment including basketball arcade games, football darts and space hoppers. We continue to see at least 2/3rds of the primary school rolls attending sessions in Lybster and Thrumster. Both teen groups in Thrumster and Lybster have around a dozen young people attending regularly. We continue to encourage our children and young people to take part in community events and all entered the Latheron Show with papercraft items.

With the addition of Halkirk and Berriedale displays our craft group achieved 11 Poppy Displays in Caithness to mark Armistice. This has been an ongoing project and the Crafters making the displays have to be commended for their efforts. They also managed to complete a project at John O Groats, erecting a 12ft granny square Christmas Tree in John O Groats.

An important part of our work is the distribution of food 3 times a week in Lybster and its surrounding areas. We also responded to ad hoc requests in Thrumster and its surrounding areas for assistance. Around 33 families, couples and single adults were helped throughout the year 24/25. The charity continues to support families with access to free school uniforms, jackets & bags which have been donated.

Caithness Voluntary Group have helped Caithness Community Connections with their governance issues from July 24 and we are now confident of their ability to go forward.



Secretary Caithness Community Connections
Deputy Chief Officer, Caithness Voluntary Group

For



Chair Caithness Community Connections
Chief Officer Caithness Voluntary Group
13.10.2025

Caithness Community Connections

Annual Accounts

Financial Year 01 April 2024 – 31 March 2025

Income

Expenditure

	£	£		£	£
Refund			Salaries		
Wages overpayment	72.57		Wages	25241.57	
Ovo Energy – Credit refunded	<u>263.76</u>	336.33	Tax & NI	433.01	
			Pensions	<u>183.33</u>	25857.91
Donations			Activities		
DPrivate Donation	<u>9715.00</u>	9715.00	Crafters	142.50	
			Messy Play	111.57	
Grant Funding			Youth Club	1030.23	
LLCCC	250.00		food	<u>109.98</u>	1394.28
Foundation Scotland	28125.55				
Lybster & Tannach	12000.00		Admin	<u>505.96</u>	505.96
North Highland Initiative	<u>2500.00</u>	42875.55			
			Rental		
			Hall & House	9250.96	
			Hall Utilities	<u>230.00</u>	9480.96
			Snack / Meals	<u>196.87</u>	196.87
			Insurance	<u>588.86</u>	588.86
			MISC	<u>448.95</u>	448.95
			Utilities	<u>1480.37</u>	1480.37
TOTAL Income for the year		£52,926.88	TOTAL Expenditure for the year	£39,954.16	
Balances 01/04/2024			Balance 31/03/25		
Current Account		£733.56	Current Account		£13,706.28
		<u>£53,660.44</u>			<u>£53,660.44</u>

Loss/Gain for 2024/2025 £12,972.72

Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

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Report to the
trustees/members of

Charity name

CAITHNESS COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

Registered charity
number

SCO 48936

On the accounts of the
charity for the period

Period start date

Day	Month	Year
01	04	2024

Period end date

Day	Month	Year
31	03	2025

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

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. 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 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 accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention [other than that disclosed on the attached page*]

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:

Date:

12/6/2025

Name:

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

Address:

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APPENDIX 3

Disclosure section

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material problems.

Give here brief details of
any items that the
examiner wishes to
disclose