

Scottish Community Development Network

Scotland · Charity number SC050043

Details

Known as	SCDN
Status	Active
Legal form	SCIO (Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation)
Registered	2020-03-16
Register	View on the OSCR register

Contact

Address 52 Weymouth Crescent
Gourock
Inverclyde
PA19 1HS

Website www.scdn.scot

Activities

Activities: 'It carries out activities or services itself'

Purposes: 'the advancement of education', 'the advancement of citizenship or community development'

What the charity does: SCDN's mission is to be a strong, dynamic organisation which provides a forum for community development practitioners, paid or unpaid, to share experiences, exchange information, discuss and debate practice and policy issues, within a framework which seeks to empower communities. The key purpose of community development work is to collectively bring about social change and justice, by working with communities to: 1 - Identify their needs, opportunities, rights and responsibilities Plan, organise and take action 2 - Evaluate the effectiveness and impact of the action This will be done by continually challenging oppression and tackle inequalities, staying true to our beliefs that community development should be rooted in values and principles.

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

Objectives: The organisation's purposes are: To promote, strengthen and advocate for the community development sector in Scotland through: a. The advancement of community development. b. The advancement of learning (in the field of community development)

Geography

- **Main operating location:** Dumfries And Galloway
- **Geographical spread:** Operations cover all or most of Scotland

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-09-30	£15,750	£16,709	-	1
2024-09-30	£18,250	£18,111	-	0
2023-09-30	£19,687	£17,828	-	1
2022-09-30	£21,376	£19,225	-	1
2021-09-30	£15,000	£16,388	-	1
2020-09-30	£11,250	£7,775	-	1

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Trustees Annual Report

for

Scottish Community Development Network SCIO (SCDN)

for the period

to 30th September 2025

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Scottish Charity No SC050043

Reference & Administrative Information

Charity Name: Scottish Community Development Network SCIO

Also known as: SCDN

Scottish Charity No: SC050043

The Charities Principal Address: 3 Quarry Place
Cambuslang
South Lanarkshire, G72 7AU

Charities Trustees on date of approval including office held:

Fiona Ballantyne	Chairperson
Gordon Terris	Vice Chairperson
William Wilson	Treasurer
Murdo MacLeod	Trustee
Colette McLure	Trustee
Cara Broadley	Trustee
Janet Weir	Trustee
Robert Strachan	Trustee

Names of other trustees during the period:

None

Independent Examiner:

This is Bluejay
54 Kelly Street
GREENOCK
PA16 8TR
MAAT

Bankers:

Unity Trust Bank plc
Four Brindleyplace
BIRMINGHAM
B1 2JB

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Structure, Governance & Management

Governing Document:

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A charity trustee retiring at an AGM may be re-elected if:

- He/She advises the board prior to the conclusion of the AGM that he/she wishes to be re-appointed as a charity trustee
- He/she has signed the relevant application and code of conduct.

Objectives & Activities

The Charities Charitable Purpose:

As set out in the 'Constitution' and 'The Charities and Trustee Investments (Scotland) Act 2005' the purpose(s) of Scottish Community Development Network SCIO are the following: -

- The advancement of education
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Any other purpose that may reasonably be regarded as analogous to any of the preceding purposes.

Summary of the main activities in relation to these objectives:

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Achievement & Performance for 2025

SCDN continues to make good progress as indicated by our increasing membership, contact list and social media presence which extends our reach to members across Scotland.

Steady growth and participation in SCDN activities by CD practitioners helps strengthen our organisation and provides a solid foundation for members to improve their practice through peer support and the exchange of practice.

We have continued to expand our reach with CD practitioners across Scotland, experiencing a steady increase in membership over the reporting period in the following: 532 members, 604 contacts, 479 Facebook followers and 1,694 Twitter.

A key milestone for us this year was to secure a further one years funding from Scottish Government allowing us to continue our work until March 2026

We posted regular items across all social media platforms which proved to be an effective way of sharing information and knowledge amongst our membership. We compiled and circulated our e-bulletins to members on a regular basis. This provided members with information on CD related policy and practice issues.

We worked with the Accelerate Programme over the year to look at funding options, membership systems and carried out a skills audit of our trustees. Our conference took on a more creative approach with delegates producing individual and a collective zine on the topic of democracy. We produced a conference report which was shared with our members and partners.

We held 8 board meetings during the reporting period and a board development day in February 2025 to evaluate and plan our future activities.

We supported and developed opportunities for practitioners to come together and discuss their practice and current policy initiatives via our local networks.

We supported and attended the Dunbartonshire Network to hold 4 meetings, Ayrshire to hold 4 meetings, one of which was a larger event with speakers etc, Fife to hold 3 meetings one of which was a larger event with speakers etc and Glasgow network held 3 meetings.

Programmes and content for all network meetings continue to be co-produced with members locally ensuring debate and discussion is relevant to their practice.

We maintained strong links and relationships with our members and key partners to strengthen community development practice through shared experience and learning.

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Financial Review

Statement of Reserves Policy:

The Charity receives money specifically for the running of the Network's projects, there is at this time no requirement to hold funds. Any money received will be used on a project-by-project basis.

Details of any deficit:

There was no financial deficit this year, the Trustees will continue to monitor the situation.

Details of Donated Facilities & Services:

The Charity benefits from the time given by all the Trustees to the running of the Charity.

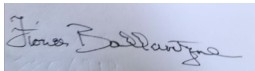
Statement of Trustees Responsibilities

The members of the Charity must prepare financial statements which give sufficient detail to enable an appreciation of the transactions of the

They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity and must take reasonable steps for the prevention and/or detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Fiona Ballantyne
Chairperson
Dated:



1st June 2026

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Receipts & Payments Account Year Ended 30th September 2025

Receipts & Payments Account	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted	Total 2025	Total 2024
Receipts					
Donations			-	-	-
Receipts from Fund Raising Activities			-	-	-
Other Charitable Activities			-	-	-
Grants	1		15,750	15,750	18,250
Total Receipts		<u>-</u>	<u>15,750</u>	<u>15,750</u>	<u>18,250</u>
Payments					
Expenses from Fund Raising Activities			-	-	-
Expenses from Charitable Activities	2		16,559	16,559	17,961
Independent Examination			150	150	150
Total Payments		<u>-</u>	<u>16,709</u>	<u>16,709</u>	<u>18,111</u>
Net Receipts/(Payments)		-	- 960	- 960	139
Transfer between Funds			-		
Surplus/(Deficit) for Year		<u>-</u>	<u>- 960</u>	<u>- 960</u>	<u>139</u>

Statement of Balances as at 30th September 2025

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted	Total 2025	Total 2024
Balances at Start of Year		8,213	8,213	8,075
Surplus/(Deficit) for Year		- 960	- 960	139
Balances at End of Year	<u>-</u>	<u>7,254</u>	<u>7,254</u>	<u>8,213</u>

Other Assets


No Other Assets Held

Liabilities

No Outstanding Liabilities

Financial Statement approved by the Charity and signed on its behalf by:

Signed
William Wilson
Treasurer



Dated

1st June 2026

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Notes to the Accounts

		2025	2024	
1	Grants			
	The Corra Foundation	7,875		15,750
	Robertson Trust			2,500
	Scottish Government	7,875		-
		15,750		18,250
2	Expenses from Charitable Activity			
	Consultancy	14,550		16,297
	Web & Computer Costs			
	Namesco			
	Mail Chimp	468.62		488
	Domain Name	145.18		
	Web Builder	<u>237.47</u>	851	295
	Bank Charges		71	851
	SURF		-	72
	Conference			
	Venue Hire	483.20		485
	Food	603.35		324
	Other Costs		<u>1,087</u>	<u>1,087</u>
			16,559	18,307

3 Assets of Scottish Community Development Network

The Charity does not hold any assets at this time

4 Trustee Remuneration and Related Party Transactions

The Trustees did not receive any remuneration or expenses during the year.

5 Nature & Purpose of Funds

The statements of account for the year show the financial figures for the Charity. All funds are for the sole use of the Charity and its running costs and restricted funds being carried forward of £7,253.66.

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Independent Examiner's Report on the Accounts

Report to the trustees of Scottish Community Development Network SCIO, registered charity number SC050043

On the accounts of the charity for the period to 30th September 2025 Set out on Pages 7 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) 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. If 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

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



Debra Anderson
MAAT

Dated 1st June 2026

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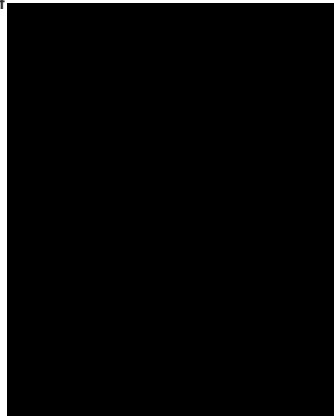
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Charities Trustees on date of approval including off



Chairperson
Vice Chairperson
Treasurer Resigned 25th October 2024
Treasurer Joined 25th October 2024
Trustee Resigned 26th October 2023
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Trustee Joined 26th October 2023
Trustee Joined 15th January 2024
Trustee Joined 25th October 2024
Trustee Joined 25th October 2024

Names of other trustees during the period: None

Independent Examiner: This is Bluejay
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PA16 8TR
CIMA/AAT

Bankers: Unity Trust Bank plc
Four Brindleyplace
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Achievement & Performance for 2024

CD practitioners are better connected and have a stronger collective voice to represent their views and perspectives.

- * We continue to provide opportunities for practitioners to connect with each other through our events, regional networks and social media.
- * We continue to represent our members views through circulation of our annual reports and within partnership structures, such as the Community Development Alliance in Scotland
- * We have written to 4 government ministers, highlighting the huge gap between democratic structures and communities
- * We are planning to develop a more strategic and visible approach to highlighting the issues affecting practice and affecting communities.

CD practitioners have a national forum to share information, knowledge and experience to help them improve and develop practice that empowers communities

- * Steady increase in membership and contact list and social media presence which extends our reach with practitioners across Scotland - 539 members, 599 contacts, 464 Facebook followers and 1866 Twitter
- * We post regular items across all social media platforms which is an effective way of sharing information and knowledge amongst our membership.
- * Board members and our CD consultant attended several events and meetings over the period, including: Community Development Alliance Scotland (CDAS) board meetings and events. We maintain strong links and relationships with members and key partners to strengthen community development practice through shared learning.
- * Continual growth and steady participation in SCDN activities by CD practitioners helps strengthen the network and provides a strong foundation to help members improve their practice through peer support and the exchange of practice

CD practitioners will be better able to inform and contribute to CD related policy and practice development

- * We continue to compile and circulate our e-bulletins to members on a regular basis. This provides members with information on CD related policy and practice issues and developments.
- * We continue to support and develop opportunities for practitioners to come together and discuss their practice and current policy initiatives.
- * We continue to support our 4 regional networks:- Dunbartonshire, Ayrshire, Fife and Greater Glasgow.
- * Our regional network meetings continue to provide opportunities for members to share any practice issues
- * All of our network meetings and regional events are co-produced with local practitioners
- * Our regional event in Fife held on 25 September was well attended with good dialogue and discussion and attracted many 'new participants'

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Details of any deficit:

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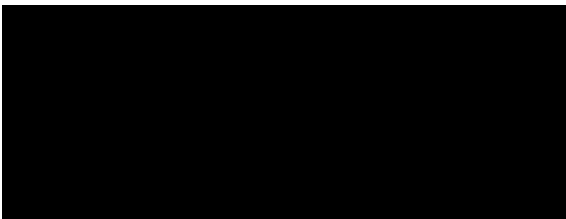
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Statement of Trustees Responsibilities

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They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity and must take reasonable steps for the prevention and/or detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:



Dated: 9th June 2025

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Receipts & Payments Account Year Ended 30th September 2024

Receipts & Payments Account	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted	Total 2024	Total 2023
Receipts					
Donations			-	-	-
Receipts from Fund Raising Activities			-	-	-
Other Charitable Activities			-	-	-
Grants	1		18,250	18,250	19,687
Total Receipts		-	18,250	18,250	21,376
Payments					
Expenses from Fund Raising Activities			-	-	-
Expenses from Charitable Activities	2		17,961	17,961	17,678
Independent Examination			150	150	150
Total Payments		-	18,111	18,111	17,828
Net Receipts/(Payments)		-	139	139	1,859
Transfer between Funds			-	-	-
Surplus/(Deficit) for Year		-	139	139	1,859

Statement of Balances as at 30 th September 2024	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted	Total 2024	Total 2023
Balances at Start of Year		8,075	8,075	6,216
Surplus/(Deficit) for Year		139	139	1,859
Balances at End of Year	-	8,214	8,214	8,075

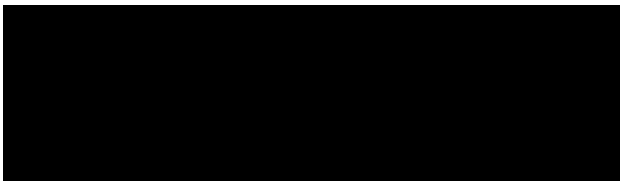
Other Assets

No Other Assets Held

Liabilities

No Outstanding Liabilities

Financial Statement approved by the Charity and signed on its behalf by:



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	Robertson Trust	2,500	-
	Scottish Government Community Empowerment Team	-	-
		18,250	19,687
2	Expenses from Charitable Activity		
	Consultancy	16,297	16,298
	Web & Computer Costs		
	Namesco		
	Mail Chimp	488.41	
	Domain Name		
	Web Builder	295.06	783
	Bank Charges	72	72
	SURF	-	-
	Conference		
	Venue Hire	485.00	
	Food	323.67	
	Other Costs	809	819
		17,961	17,678

3 **Assets of Scottish Community Development Network**

The Charity does not hold any assets at this time

4 **Trustee Remuneration and Related Party Transactions**

The Trustees did not receive any remuneration or expenses during the year.

5 **Nature & Purpose of Funds**

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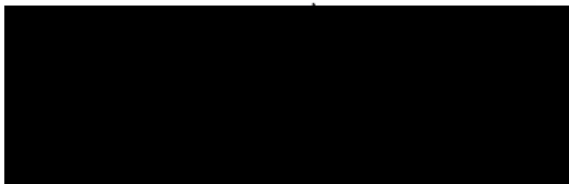
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Dated 9th June 2025