

Drimnin Village Hall (SCIO)

Charity Number SC050259

Annual Report and Financial Statements

For the year ended 31st December 2024

Independent examiner's report to the Trustees on the unaudited accounts of Drimnin Village Hall.

I report on the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31st December 2024 which are set out on pages 3 to 6.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and independent 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 charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (d) of the 2006 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:

- * 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.

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Date: - 6TH MAY 2025

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Drimnin Village Hall (SCIO)
Receipts and Payments Accounts
For the year ended 31st December 2024
Charity Number SC050259

		Year to 2024 Unrestricted £	Year to 2024 Restricted £	Year to 2024 Total £	Year to 2023 Total £
Receipts	Note				
Grants and Donations					
Grants	4	-	2,156	2,156	500
Donations	5	4,583	-	4,583	483
Bank interest received		-	-	-	-
Fund Raising					
50:50 Monthly Lottery 2023 (collected 2023)		-	-	-	486
50:50 Monthly Lottery 2024 (collected 2023)		-	-	-	405
50:50 Monthly Lottery 2024 (collected 2024)		795	-	795	-
50:50 Monthly Lottery 2025 (collected 2024)		192	-	192	-
Hydro Electric Credit		-	-	-	430
Rental of the Hall / Marquee		170	-	170	290
BBQ / Summer Party / Raffle		1,710	-	1,710	1,186
Spring Talk / '23 Talk(s)		114	-	114	199
Cinema Takings - Refreshments		169	-	169	207
Other Events		807	-	807	124
Total Receipts		8,539	2,156	10,695	4,309
Payments					
Charitable Activities					
Licences		50	-	50	30
Electricity		1,126	-	1,126	882
50:50 Lottery Prizes		600	-	600	600
Community Broadband		360	-	360	360
Repairs, Renewals & Improvements		700	-	700	53
Insurance		551	-	551	585
New Lease Fees		286	1,256	1,542	-
PVSL 2023-2024		170	-	170	148
BBQ / Raffle Expenses		321	-	321	494
Event Costs		690	-	690	82
Domain Fee / Website		-	-	-	29
Materials		94	-	94	115
Spring Talk Donation		33	-	33	100
Governance Costs					
Independent Examination	7	140	-	140	-
Total Payments		5,120.90	1,256	6,377	3,478
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year before transfers		3,418	900	4,318	832
Transfers between funds	6	-	-	-	-
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	Year to 2024 Unrestricted	Year to 2024 Restricted	Year to 2024 Total	Year to 2023 Total
Statement of Balances - as at 31st December 2024				
Opening cash at bank and in hand	6,479	-	6,479	5,648
Add Income	8,539	2,156	10,695	4,309
	15,019	2,156	17,175	9,957
Less Expenditure	5,121	1,256	6,377	3,478
Transfers	6	-	-	-
Closing cash at bank and in hand	9,898	900	10,798	6,479
Bank and Cash Balances				
Co-Operative Bank	8,316	900	9,216	5,384
Outstanding lodgements	-	-	-	-
Outstanding cheques	-	-	-	-
Petty cash	1,582	-	1,582	1,095
8 & 9	9,898	900	10,798	6,479

Signed on behalf of all Trustees:

Name:

Date: 18th March 2025

The notes on pages 5 to 6 form part of these financial statements

Drimnin Village Hall (SCIO)
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Notes to the accounts
For the year ended 31st December 2024

1 Basis of Accounting

These accounts have been prepared on the Receipts and 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

Unrestricted funds are those that may be used at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the objects of the charity. The trustees maintain a single unrestricted fund for the day-to-day running of the Charity. Grants totalling £2,156 were received - £900 from Highland & Islands Climate Hub for improved energy efficiency and seating and £1,256 from Morvern Community Trust to assist with Lease Fees.

Restricted funds may only be used for specific purposes. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for specific purposes.

3 Related party transactions

No remuneration was paid to the trustees or any connected persons during the period (2023: £NIL).

4 Grants

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
The Highland Council	-	-	-	500
Highlands & Islands Climate Hub	-	900	900	-
Morvern Community Trust	-	1,256	1,256	-
	-	2,156	2,156	500

5 Donations

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
Misc Donations	4,583	-	4,583	483
	4,583	-	4,583	483

6 Transfers between funds

There were no transfers between funds during the period (2023: £NIL).

7 Governance Costs

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
Independent Examination	140	-	140	-
	140	-	140	-

8 Unrestricted Funds

	At 1st January 2024	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	At 31st December 2024
Unrestricted Funds	6,479	8,539	(5,121)	-	9,898
	6,479	8,539	(5,121)	-	9,898

9 Restricted Funds

	At 1st January 2024	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	At 31st December 2024
Highlands & Islands Climate Hub	-	900	-	-	900
Morvern Community Trust	-	1,256	(1,256)	-	-
	-	2,156	(1,256)	-	900

Drimnin Village Hall SCIO

Trustees' Annual Report for the period 1st January 2024 to 31st December 2024.

Registered Office: Hermitage, Drimnin, Morvern, Oban, PA80 5XZ

Charity Trustees during the period:

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ceased to be Chair at the AGM on the 18th of April 2024

was elected as a Trustee at the 2024 AGM

were co-opted as Trustees at a meeting held on the 3rd of September 2024

Governing document

The purposes, powers and other arrangements of the Drimnin Village Hall SCIO [hereafter known as "the DVH SCIO"] are set out in its constitution accepted by OSCR on 7th July 2020

Trustee recruitment and appointment

The trustees are entitled, by a majority vote, at a meeting of the trustees, to appoint as a trustee any member of the DVH SCIO..

Objectives

The objectives of DVH SCIO are set out in the constitution. Through raising funds, the trustees will pursue the SCIO's objective to facilitate and provide recreational and educational facilities in the remote community of Drimnin.

The predecessor of DVH SCIO was an informal organisation called Drimnin Village Hall [hereafter known as *DVH*]. This has not been operative since the approval of DVH SCIO.

Hall lease: DVH has leased Drimnin Hall on a full maintenance and repair lease from the Highland Council since 1980. Since then an extension on a 50 year lease, up until 2051 has been taken out. The lease needed to be transferred to the new SCIO body, which was done so in 2024.

Achievements and performance

The committee before today have held nine meetings with the timing dependant on the business of the SCIO. At these meetings we discussed activities, finances, renovation plans, quotes and the operation of the DVH SCIO was regularly reviewed. We now have 80 people subscribed to our newsletter.

- On a weekly basis the Bonnavullin library has opened it's doors. These Saturday mornings offer the possibility of discovering a new book and are a regular source of social contact.
- During the winter months the monthly Drimnin Cinema has been running. We are paying for a Public Video Screening Licence (PVSL) which allow us host these monthly Drimnin Cinemas.
- Exceptionally, because the hall needed repairs, our Spring Talk this year was held at the Chapel.
- The Summer BBQ and raffle was, as it usually is, our most attended event with 51 attendees.
- Bonfire Night was held on the beach, with a BBQ and puddings.
- This year's Carol Sinning was followed by a warming 'bring a dish' meal inside the hall. Yet again the population of Drimnin proved themselves to be a group of fabulous cooks!
- Burns Night whilst being approached less traditionally this year, we celebrated poetry rather than the barde specifically, was no less popular. We provided a Haggis supper for 40 people, which we learnt is pretty much the maximum for such an event.
- The second most attended event with 49 people was the PechaKucha Night. An inspiring buzz filled the hall mixed with periods of quiet concentration for the presentations from locals. There was a bar and bus from the local village on the evening.
- And then there were some great community led events. For one we had a wine and a Curry Night and Quiz We'd like to encourage you to contact us with your ideas for events and let's make them happen!
- The hall was also let out for a Morvern Community Council Meeting, a theatre workshop, a CAOLAS presentation and a private function.

This year (2025) we intend to apply for a some grants for the ceiling renovation and insulation, lighting, picture rail, installing a fire and very importantly improving the acoustic.

We have already begun gathering quotes for work on repairing the ceiling and improving the acoustics, both of which the committee has agreed are first priority. Last year we independently sought quotes for opening up the existing fireplace and installing a multi fuel stove.

We have recently spoken with Business Energy Scotland to consult on how we can make the hall more energy and heat efficient. Upgrading the heating and lighting and adding insulation are top of the agenda.

To make these improvements we recognise funding is necessary. After establishing a maintenance and repairs, outlining priorities we plan to apply for funding through Morvern Community Trust (MCT)'s April intake. We also have information sessions in April with Highland and Islands Climate

Hub and Highland Third Sector Interface both of which are offering funding for communities such as Drimnin.

Our Upcoming events include a presentation about the reintroduction of red Squirrels, a spring talk and a Midsummer Ceilidh.

Policy on reserves

The DVH SCIO Trustees will aim to manage the Hall finances according to the following guidelines:

- Annual income should cover the running costs of DVH SCIO. Surplus income should be applied to improvement projects and the reserves. Running costs, general income and improvement costs should be regularly reviewed by the Trustees and discussed at the AGM.
- A financial reserve of at least £3,000 should be maintained to cover unexpected loss of income or damage to the Hall outwith any insurance policy. This amount will be reviewed annually.
- If sufficient funds are available, the trustees are authorised to organise events and projects for the benefit of the Drimnin Community and for which no charge is made. All other events will carry a small charge to cover event costs and make a small contribution to SCIO funds.
- If sufficient funds are available, the Trustees may also organise up to three events each year for which entrance charges do not cover event cost but which benefit the Drimnin Community and increase the range of activities available at the Hall. The number and nature of these will be reviewed annually by the Trustees.
- The Treasurer will produce a projection of the accounts for the current year in time for the AGM.
- The policy of DVH SCIO, and of its predecessor DVH, has been to hold £3000 in reserves against significant events.

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf

Signed:

Name:

Position: Secretary

Date: 03/05/2025

