



Folklore Scotland [SCIO]

Trustees' Annual Report

1 August 2024 to 31 July 2025

Folklore Scotland [SCIO]

Scottish Charity Number: SC050357

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Charity Trustees

Folklore Scotland was registered on the 31st of July 2020. The Trustees from the inception of the charity and throughout the period covered by this report are:

1. David William White (Chair)
2. Rebecca Margaret Brown (Treasurer)
3. Catherine Arkwright (Secretary)
4. Stewart Kempself

Objectives and activities

Folklore Scotland was established in order to:-

- Advance for the public benefit: the preservation of folkloric heritage in Scotland for Scotland's future generations by curating, developing and propagating Scottish myths and legends through a variety of media.
- Promote for the public benefit: education of folkloric heritage in Scotland for Scotland's general public by supplying them with a range of educational resources including, but not limited to, information provided through our website, social media and community events.

In the past year we have furthered these aims through continuing to produce our podcasts and developing the range of tales on our website. We have continued to provide interviews and assist the general public and academics through responses to direct enquiries.

Website

The Folklore Scotland website is designed to give the public easy access to a wealth of regional Scottish Folklore. This year we have continued to gradually develop our bank of folklore which is accessible to anyone with the internet. Consultations were carried out in relation to redesigning of the

layout but research indicated a general update to the content and podcasts pages are all that should be prioritised at this time.

Podcast

The Podcast continues to attract a strong and engaged listenership and has moved to a seasonal basis to enable to volunteers to explore new avenues for achieving our charitable objectives, an approach that appears to have been fairly well received by the listenership although a combination of this and next year's figures will be needed to reflect the extent of any impact. We have also had the opportunity to have on an author as a special guest on the podcast and hope to look to explore the possibility of having more guests on in the next year.

Other Activities this Year

We hosted a storytelling night with Montrose Book Festival which was well intended and engaging with the public directly in a physical setting. We have also dedicated time this year to identifying avenues for improvement within the charity and looking to see what will be required achieve such improvements.

Structure, governance and management

Type of governing document

Folklore Scotland is governed by a constitution. The membership of Folklore Scotland is made up of the charity trustees.

Trustee recruitment and appointment

No additional trustees have been appointed in the past year with the exception of the resignation of Stewart Kempself at our AGM and his subsequent reappointment at the board meeting held immediately following the AGM; as in line with our constitutional requirement for one board member to step down each year. The constitution makes provision for between 3 and 7 trustees who can be appointed at any time through a majority vote at a board meeting.

Financial review

Folklore Scotland's income for the year was £33 from a portion of ticket sales at the storytelling event.

Total expenditure for the year was £0.

Leaving a surplus of £33.

Future plans

In the coming year Folklore Scotland hopes to undertake the following:

- Recruitment of volunteers
- Redesign elements of the website
- Develop our social media presence
- Work on collaboration projects
- Engage new audiences

- Enhance financial sustainability through identifying revenue streams or core funding opportunities.

Declaration

Signed on behalf of the charity trustees:



Print name

DAVID WILLIAM WHITE

Designation

CHAIR OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Date

08/04/2026

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Folklore Scotland (SCIO)–SC050357

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st July 2025 which are set out in Appendix 2.

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 Act) and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006, as amended (the Accounts Regulations). 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 2006 Accounts 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 seeking 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

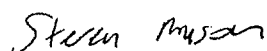
In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention

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
- 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.



Steven Mason FCMA
Chartered Management Accountant

Dated 08/04/26

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Receipts and payments accounts						
For the period from	Period start date			to	Period end date	
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month
	01	08	2024		31	07
			2025			

Section A Statement of receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Expendable endowment funds	Permanent endowment funds	Total funds current period	Total funds last period
	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
A1 Receipts						
Donations					-	90
Legacies					-	
Grants					-	
Receipts from fundraising activities	33				33	40
Gross trading receipts					-	
Income from investments other than land and buildings					-	
Rents from land & buildings					-	
Gross receipts from other charitable activities					-	
					-	
A1 Sub total	33	-	-	-	33	130
A2 Receipts from asset & investment sales						
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets					-	
Proceeds from sale of investments					-	
A2 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	33	-	-	-	33	130
A3 Payments						
Expenses for fundraising activities					-	
Gross trading payments					-	
Investment management costs					-	
Payments relating directly to charitable activities					-	216
Grants and donations					-	
Governance costs:					-	
Audit / independent examination					-	
Preparation of annual accounts					-	
Legal costs					-	
Other					-	
					-	
A3 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	216
A4 Payments relating to asset and investment movements						
Purchases of fixed assets					-	
Purchase of investments					-	
A4 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	-	-	-	-	-	216
Net receipts / (payments)	33	-	-	-	33	(86)
A5 Transfers to / (from) funds						
					-	
Surplus / (deficit) for year	33	-	-	-	33	(86)

Section B Statement of balances

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Expendable endowment funds to nearest £	Permanent endowment funds to nearest £	Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cash and bank balances at start of year	51				51	137
	Surplus / (deficit) shown on receipts and payments account	33				33	(86)
						-	
						-	
	Cash and bank balances at end of year	84	-	-	-	84	51
	(Agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	-	-	-	-	-	-

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Market valuation to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
B2 Investments			
	Total	-	-

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (if available) to nearest £	Current value (if available) to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
B3 Other assets				
	Total	-	-	-

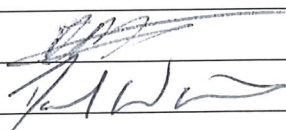
Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
B4 Liabilities			
	Total	-	-

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (estimate) to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
B5 Contingent liabilities			
	Total	-	-

Signed by one or two trustees
on behalf of all the trustees

Signature

Print Name

Date of
approval


REBECCA MARGARET BROWN
DAVID WILLIAM WHITE

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