



Bailliefields Community Hub

Trustees' Annual Report

1st February 2024 to 31st January 2025

Charity contact information

Bailliefields Community Hub

Scottish Charity Number: SC050740

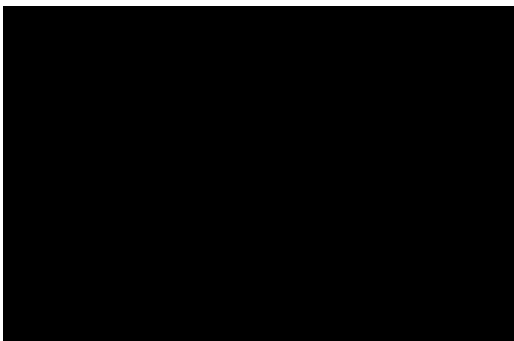
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Charity Trustees



The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year end 31st January 2025.

Objectives and activities

Vision: Making Bailliefields 'A Place for All'

Bailliefields Community Hub's overarching vision is to establish our site as 'A Place for All'—a welcoming, accessible, and vibrant destination where every resident feels they belong, regardless of age, ability, or background. We are committed to dismantling barriers to participation and promoting true equality and diversity within our community.

Mission and Core Activities

Our core mission is to empower the local community by facilitating participation in physical activity and recreation, with a foundational commitment to the sport of cricket. This mission extends beyond sport to include the provision of high-quality recreational facilities and the organisation of social activities designed to significantly improve the overall wellbeing of the community.

We achieve this through the following key strategic activities:

1. **Enabling Sports Participation:** We actively encourage community members to get involved in physical activity, particularly cricket, through playing and volunteering opportunities across our junior, senior, and dedicated women and girls sections. We ensure our services cater to a diverse range of athletic abilities.
2. **Promoting Inclusion and Accessibility:** We are passionate about the promotion of equality and diversity. A central pillar of our work is the proactive removal of physical, social, and logistical barriers to ensure everyone has equal opportunity to make use of Bailliefields. This principle guides all our planning, from accessibility features (like the Changing Place Toilet) to the diversity of our groups.
3. **Targeted Community Support:** Beyond general recreation, we are dedicated to providing specialised support and services for vulnerable or minority groups, specifically focusing on:

- People with Disabilities: Providing adapted sports (such as Table Cricket) and essential facilities to support physical activity and social interaction.
 - People Living with Dementia: Offering therapeutic and engaging social activities, such as our 'Try Something New' and 'Playlist for Life' groups, to enhance quality of life.
 - Other Minority Parts of the Community: Ensuring all residents find relevant and welcoming activities within the Hub.
4. **Strategic Partnership and Service Provision:** We recognise that partnership is essential to maximise our impact. We actively collaborate with other organisations, charities, and social enterprises to introduce diverse and much-needed services into the local area. This partnership model is key to enhancing the physical and mental wellbeing support available to residents.
5. **Facility Development and Community Infrastructure:** A big part of our strategy is the continuous development of our site infrastructure. We build high-standard, flexible facilities not only to run our own core services but also to attract and support other local organisations by providing modern, multi-purpose spaces at an appropriate, sustainable cost. This ensures the Hub acts as a vital anchor for broader community benefit.

Values

- To be open and honest
- To treat everyone equally
- To build relationships on trust
- To be collaborative and creative
- To be passionate and proud

These values apply to all Trustees, volunteers and staff and are the basis of all that we do.

Achievements and Performance

Overview of the Year

The past year marks another period of significant growth and achievement for Bailliefields Community Hub (BCH). We are delighted to report on the successful completion of major capital projects, the launch of vital new community services, and the strengthening of our organisational capacity. Our focus remains firmly fixed on enhancing the physical and mental wellbeing of the local community, with a particular emphasis on supporting residents living with dementia and disabilities.

Developing Organisational Capacity and Community Programmes

This year represented the second year of funding for our Community Hub Officer position, generously supported by a three-year grant from the National Lottery Community Fund. As our first paid employee, this role has been absolutely crucial in professionalising the charity's operations, fostering new relationships, and driving the sustained growth of our facilities and partner network.

A direct result of this focus on community development is the launch of popular new groups, including Crafty Cuppa. This social crafting group provides a welcoming space for local residents to come together, socialise, and learn new skills, directly addressing social isolation and enhancing mental wellbeing.

Major Capital Development: The New Community Hall

A monumental milestone was reached this year with the successful conversion of the old changing rooms (the site of the original cow barn) into a spacious 120-person Community Hall.

The project began with a tremendous community effort as our members and volunteers came together to perform the internal demolition of the changing rooms and linked original sandstone barns. This volunteer work was instrumental in keeping development costs as low as possible.

The Trustees simultaneously led an intensive fundraising campaign, successfully raising an additional £100,000 in February/March 2024 to cover a funding shortfall identified during the appointment of the build contractor.

BCH extends its deepest gratitude to all our generous funders whose support made this vital development possible:

Funder	Contribution
UK Government Community Ownership Fund	£100,000
Avondale (through landfill)	£130,000
Sportscotland	£30,000
National Lottery Awards for All	£19,800
Falkirk Council Community Choices	£50,500
Business Energy Scotland	£10,142

We are pleased to confirm that the building has received final sign-off from Falkirk Council Building Control and is now actively in use. The final calculation of the build cost will be confirmed during the 2025 financial period upon final payments being made.

Enhancing Accessibility and Facilities

In keeping with our commitment to inclusivity, we were proud to be the first group to proactively approach PAMIS regarding the installation of a Changing Place Toilet. This facility is now officially registered, ensuring it is discoverable and accessible to people with complex disabilities.

Furthermore, we partnered with Falkirk First Responders to install a publicly accessible defibrillator at the Sunnyside Road entrance, providing a critical emergency resource for the wider community.

To ensure the new hall can meet the diverse technical needs of local and national groups, BCH secured £4,000 from the Falkirk Council Empowerment Fund to purchase two 75" TVs, a professional PA system, and an audio loop system.

The Community Hall is already a thriving local asset, hosting popular sessions such as Line Dancing and Yoga, and serving as a venue for strategic local bodies, including the Falkirk Community Wealth Building Partnership.

Strategic Land Acquisition and Path Development

Building on the success of the Hall, a key strategic development involved the acquisition of an adjacent piece of land. Following a positive site survey, we successfully secured £27,500 from the Land Fund for the purchase, which has now been completed.

We are currently working with Falkirk Council to install a new footbridge and link it to the existing Falkirk path network in 2025. This development, supported by over 90% of local residents surveyed, will significantly enhance pedestrian access and local connectivity. The car park has already been extended, and a path installed around its perimeter.

Investment in Community Transport

We achieved further funding success with £48,000 from Falkirk Council Community Choices and £2,000 from the Robertson Trust towards the purchase of a new 17-seater minibus. The minibus is fully liveried with the BCH logo and is equipped with a powered wheelchair lift, allowing it to safely accommodate up to four wheelchairs.

This new transport solution is invaluable, supporting our disability groups and our junior cricket section, ensuring that participation is not limited by transport barriers for families. Crucially, the minibus is also available for use by other local charitable groups, maximising its benefit across the community.

Continued Dementia Support

Our strong commitment to dementia support continued this year with a £5,000 award from the Falkirk HSCP Dementia Innovation Fund. This funding was used to sustain the established and well-attended 'Try Something New' activity group and to launch a new monthly group utilising the Playlist for Life model.

Playlist for Life, founded by [REDACTED], is a music and dementia charity dedicated to ensuring everyone living with dementia has access to a unique, personalised playlist that can positively impact memory and quality of life. BCH is proud to facilitate this innovative and therapeutic service locally.

Activity and Impact of the Existing Hub and Cricket Section

The previously completed Community Hub facilities continue to go from strength to strength, providing essential infrastructure for both our sports section and a variety of community groups, including Yoga, Jo Jingles, and a Gaelic Class, alongside usage by local primary schools, Maddiston and Wallacestone.

Cricket Section Highlights

The cricket section continues to report excellent growth, particularly in the number of girls participating. The club successfully entered a senior second team into the league, supported by a healthy transition of junior players into senior cricket.

The club proudly maintains its status as a Disability Cricket Champion Club with Cricket Scotland, creating valuable opportunities for people with disabilities to engage in the sport and social activities. The new facilities now allow the disability section to host table cricket sessions directly at Bailliefields, enabling us to provide an out-of-school venue for table cricket across the Falkirk area.

Community Impact and Future Vision

The facilities we have built and the groups we have established are generating a demonstrable and positive impact. The growing attendance at new groups, such as the Line Dancing, clearly illustrates the benefits of socialisation, physical activity, and a sense of belonging on the physical and mental health of local people. By offering a wider variety of groups, we are able to positively impact a greater percentage of the local community, promoting physical wellbeing and actively reducing social isolation.

Our commitment to partnership and networking remains vital. During the year, BCH maintained key memberships with Falkirk CVS, the Forth Valley Social Enterprise Network, and Social Enterprise Scotland. Furthermore, one of our Trustees plays an active role in the Falkirk Wealth Building Partnership, ensuring BCH remains connected to strategic local initiatives.

In summary, this has been a year of successful delivery on our strategic goals, significantly expanding our facilities and services to better support our community. We look forward to another productive year of serving the residents of Bailliefields and beyond.

Structure, governance and management

Type of governing document

Bailliefields Community Hub is a two tier SCIO governed by its constitution.

Trustee recruitment and appointment

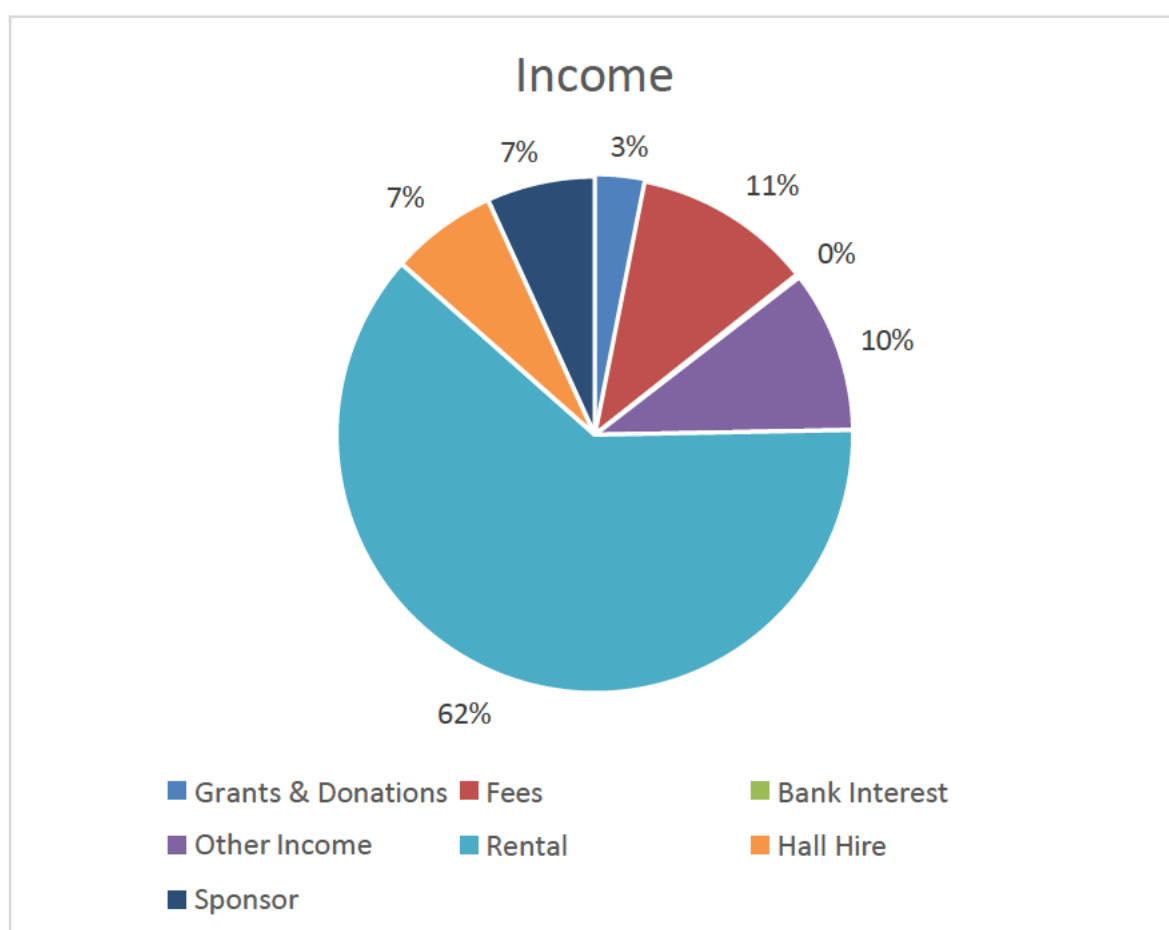
There has been no trustee recruitment during the year.

There are currently six Trustees with a maximum of seven allowed with a further five co-opted Trustees allowed if they have specific skills that BCH require.

Financial review

During the year the land and property was transferred from Westquarter and Redding Cricket Club CIC so the associated rent from the lease with Glenbervie Kindergarden was also transferred. The last members who were still part of the cricket club were also transferred to be members of BCH SCIO.

The increased use of the hub and eventually the hall will also provide hire income to support the running costs of both buildings while the nursery rental income provides a backup until the buildings become self-sufficient.



A large proportion of the expenditure of BCH during the year has been on the building works which has been capitalised. Beyond that the major running costs as insurance and utilities. The property insurance for the nursery is charged to Glenbervie Kindergarden which sits in Other Income.

Professional fees are a lot higher than usual due to solicitor costs for transferring the land and property from WRCC CIC to BCH SCIO along with two sets of conveyancing fees for purchasing land from two people.

Statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The trustees' policy is to retain 3 months' worth of normal running costs in order to meet commitments and to cover any unexpected expenditure. Three months expenditure stands at £2,000 and reserves are in excess of this at £51,053.02. The sum of £49,053 has been designated to the facilities upgrade Phase 2 project to be spent in the next 12 months once the final invoices for the build have been received.

The trustees believe that this is still in an acceptable range but will continue to monitor the position especially in the next year when the second building will complete.

Details of any deficit

The deficit of £40,000 is due to the capital expenditure and receipt of funding in the previous year. The Trustees are comfortable that the finances are solid and under control.

Future plans

As the Community Hall is nearing completion, we will be creating a new Community Strategy to provide direction for Bailliefields Community Hub for 2025 – 2030.

The new strategy will continue to look at bringing new services and groups to the community and increase usage of the Community Hub and Community Hall.

Declaration

Signed on behalf of the charity trustees:



Print name



Designation

Trustee

Date

30th October 2025

Bailliefields Community Hub SCIO (SC050740)

Statement of Financial Activities (including Income and Expenditure Account) For the year ended 31st January 2025

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total for 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Income	1				
Grants & Donations		1,839.77	-	1,839.77	29,004.85
Fees		6,691.54		6,691.54	6,551.72
Bank Interest		1,160.64		1,160.64	
Other Income		5,005.40	3,066.57	8,071.97	2,937.97
Rental		36,780.00		36,780.00	-
Hall Hire		3,972.00		3,972.00	-
Sponsor		4,040.00		4,040.00	-
Total Income		59,489.35	3,066.57	62,555.92	38,494.54
Expenditure					
Transfer to capital for hub building				-	29,799.21
Table Tennis Table from c/f reserves				-	949.00
Transfer to capital for Community Hall		39,576.73		39,576.73	-
Staffing Costs		-	11,517.75	11,517.75	3,840.00
Events		264.00	2,316.51	2,580.51	3,353.89
Utilities		5,682.56	-	5,682.56	1,823.99
Business Insurance		9,919.61	-	9,919.61	464.80
Finance Cost		-	-	-	9,195.40
Equipment		3,727.80	7,067.07	10,794.87	7,615.79
Professional fees		6,414.91	5,000.00	11,414.91	900.00
Software Costs		1,171.88	-	1,171.88	473.80
General Expenses		6,446.97	675.71	7,122.68	273.28
Transportation		872.53	-	872.53	-
Maintenance		2,706.60	-	2,706.60	-
Total Expenditure		76,783.59	26,577.04	103,360.63	58,689.16
Net inc/(exp) for year	2	(17,294.24)	(23,510.47)	(40,804.71)	(20,194.62)
Net movement in funds		(17,294.24)	(23,510.47)	(40,804.71)	(20,194.62)
Funds brought forward		18,930.66	72,901.57	91,832.23	112,026.85
Funds carried forward	3	1,636.42	49,391.10	51,027.52	91,832.23
Total Debtors				800.00	
Total Bank Accounts				50,227.52	
Total Asset Balance				51,027.52	

Note 1

See Detailed Notes on page 15 for full breakdown of income and expenditure.

Note 2

Net inc/(exp) for year is detailed in the Detailed Notes on page 15.

Note 3

Restricted and Unrestricted balances at year end are broken down in the Detailed Notes, page 15.

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Statement of Balances as at 31st January 2025

	Note	2025 £	2024 £
Fixed Assets	4		
Hub Building		304,845.34	304,845.34
Land		115,000.00	
Nursery building		162,411.95	
Mini bus		50,000.00	
Asset under construction - Community Hall		486,382.24	
		<u>1,118,639.53</u>	<u>304,845.34</u>
Current Assets			
Debtors		800.00	1,275.00
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>50,227.52</u>	<u>90,557.23</u>
		<u>51,027.52</u>	<u>91,832.23</u>
Creditors			
Amounts falling due within one year		-	-
Net Current Assets		1,169,667.05	396,677.57
Amounts falling due after one year		-	-
Net Assets		<u>1,169,667.05</u>	<u>396,677.57</u>
Funds			
Restricted Funds			
Restricted Funds		49,391.10	72,901.57
Mini bus		50,000.00	
Fixed Asset under construction: Community Hall		453,293.24	-
Hub Building		<u>270,045.73</u>	<u>270,045.73</u>
		<u>822,730.07</u>	<u>342,947.30</u>
Unrestricted Funds			
General funds			2,000.00
Designated funds		1,636.42	16,930.66
Designated funds- Fixed asset under construction Community Hall		33,089.00	-
Land		115,000.00	
Nursery building		162,411.95	
Hub Building		<u>34,799.61</u>	<u>34,799.61</u>
		<u>346,936.98</u>	<u>53,730.27</u>
Total Funds		<u>1,169,667.05</u>	<u>396,677.57</u>

Note 4

Fixed Asset movements are broken down in the Detailed Fixed Assets Notes on page 16.

Bailliefields Community Hub SCIO (SC050740)
Detailed Notes for the year ending 31st January 2025

Unrestricted Funds		Restricted Funds	
Opening Balance as at 1st February 2024		Opening Balance as at 1st February 2024	
18,330.66		72,901.57	
Income		Income	
Sales - Products	151.36	Adds Foundation for Phase 2	1,500.00
Sales - Services	200.00	Comm Choices for Phase 1 - Hub	33,442.00
Sponsor Sign	1,800.00	Lottery - Comm Hub Officer	18,106.72
Sponsor Sign Printing	240.00	HSCP Dementia Fund	5,000.00
Clothing Sponsorship	1,700.00	COF	100,000.00
Equipment Sponsorship	100.00	Landfill £80k	80,000.00
Hall Hire	3,312.00	A4A	13,800.00
Unrestricted Funding	1,536.53	CCS	28,000.00
Other Income	2,873.44	Land Fund	27,500.00
Bank Interest Received	1,040.77	CC Minibus	48,000.00
Insurance Recharge	1,380.00	Robertson £2k	2,000.00
Rental Income	36,780.00	sportscotland	30,000.00
Membership Income	6,691.54	Landfill £50k	50,000.00
Donations	207.85	AHSP	10,142.00
Gift Aid	35.39	CCS	22,500.00
		Empowerment	4,021.17
	59,369.48		480,011.89
Expenditure		Expenditure	
Marketing	(62.78)	Employee Wages and Salaries	(11,063.23)
Water Rates	(1,811.74)	Employers NI	20.09
Premises Insurance	(6,898.12)	Other Deductions	(474.61)
Electricity	(3,870.82)	Travelling	(375.71)
Vehicle Fuel	(20.05)	Entertainment	(2,316.51)
Vehicle Repair and Servicing	(737.53)	Mobile Charges	(300.00)
Vehicle Licences	(11.00)	Legal Fees	(5,000.00)
Vehicle Insurance	(1,544.11)	Security	(3,710.40)
Miscellaneous Vehicle Expenses	(63.34)	Building Works	(420,584.00)
Entertainment	(264.00)	Minibus	(50,000.00)
Printing	(442.00)	Property	(22,250.00)
Office Stationery	(42.30)	Office Equipment	(7,067.07)
Internet Charges	(423.52)		
Computer & Software	(1,171.88)		
Mobile Charges	(112.18)		
IT Equipment	(222.00)		
Legal Fees	(6,352.13)		
Business Insurance	(1,677.36)		
Equipment	(223.24)		
Cricket Equipment	(3,276.56)		
Tees	(484.00)		
Security	(2,902.89)		
Building Works	(30,105.95)		
Groundworks	(32.52)		
Hall Hire	(1,385.00)		
Coaching Exp	(400.00)		
Ground Maintenance	(1,823.41)		
Internal Fixtures & Fittings	(430.34)		
Repairs and Renewals	(458.76)		
Cleaning	(418.43)		
Miscellaneous Expenses	(307.76)		
Bank Charges and Interest	119.87		
General Expenses	(902.54)		
Clothing Costs	(1,217.16)		
Training Costs	(187.00)		
	(70,095.83)		(529,121.44)
	(10,726.35)		(49,109.55)
Closing Balance as at 31st January 2025	8,204.31	Closing Balance as at 31st January 2025	23,792.02
BCH Reserve as per reserve policy	2,000.00	Lottery - Comm Hub Officer	11,507.53
BCH unrestricted balance	6,204.31	HSCP Dementia Fund	2,080.89
		A4A	4,089.60
		Land Fund	4,114.00
		sportscotland	2,000.00
	8,204.31		23,792.02

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Detailed Fixed Asset Notes for the year ending 31st January 2025

		Fixed Assets
Opening Balance as at 1st February 2024		304,845.34
Land - Transfer from WRCC	115,000.00	
Nursery Building - Transfer from WRCC	162,411.95	
Mini bus - Falkirk Council Community Choices	50,000.00	
Asset under construction - Community Hall	486,382.24	
		<hr/> 813,794.19
Closing Balance as at 31st January 2025		<hr/> <hr/> 1,118,639.53

Examiner's Report to the Trustees of BCH SCIO

I report on the accounts of Bailliefields Community Hub for the year 1 February 2024 to 31 January 2025 which are set out on pages 13, 14, 15 and 16.

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 (as amended). 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 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 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

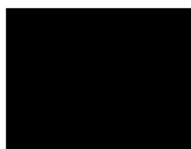
In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention

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.

Signed:



Date: 31/10/25

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