

Caithness Street Pastors

Scotland · Charity number SC050806

Details

Status	Active
Legal form	SCIO (Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation)
Registered	2021-03-03
Register	View on the OSCR register

Contact

Address 17 Gunns Terrace
Wick
Caithness
KW1 4JG

Activities

Activities: 'It carries out activities or services itself'

Purposes: 'the advancement of religion', 'the advancement of health', 'the relief of those in need by reason of age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage'

What the charity does: Caithness Street Pastors is set up to provide a supportive presence when people are leaving pubs and/or events. This mainly occurs in the evenings on the streets of Wick and Thurso in Caithness. The Street Pastors purpose is to help people who maybe struggling with to get home safely, who may need proper footwear by providing more appropriate footwear and to give a listening ear to those who would like to talk. The work is co-ordinated with local police, pub staff and bouncers who may call on us when our presence can be seen to help with a need. We have two teams of 4 volunteers who go out once a month once in Wick and once in Thurso. These volunteers have gone through training that enables them to assess the best way to interact safely in difficult/hostile situations that they may encounter with the intent of defusing tense situations. The presence of an non threatening/ non authoritarian friendly faces is often enough to change the atmosphere.

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

Objectives: 4 The organisation's purposes are: 4.1 To advance the Christian Faith in accordance with the Licence Agreement executed with Ascension Trust (Scotland) and the Core Values and Mission Statement appearing in the Schedule hereto in Caithness and in such other parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the Trustees may from time to time to think fit, particularly but not exclusively by means of caring, listening and helping people on the streets and at various venues day and night. 4.2 To advance health, including the prevention and relief of sickness and human suffering, through the provision of goods or services of any kind including through the provision of counselling and support in Caithness and in such other parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the Trustees may from time to time to think fit, particularly but not exclusively by means of caring, listening and helping people, including those suffering from amongst other reasons

excessive alcohol or substance use or misuse, on the streets and at various venues, day and night. 4.3 To relieve those in need by reason of age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage by the provision of goods or services of any kind including through the provision of counselling and support in Caithness and in such other parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the Trustees may from time to time to think fit, particularly but not exclusively by means of caring, listening and helping people on the streets and at various venues, day and night.

Geography

- **Main operating location:** Highland
- **Geographical spread:** Wider, but within one local authority area

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2026-03-31	£0	£0	-	0
2025-03-31	£1,456	£1,015	-	0
2024-03-31	£2,331	£0	-	0
2023-03-31	£0	£0	-	0
2022-03-31	£0	£0	-	0

Accounts

Caithness Street Pastors SCIO

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Annual Report and Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 March 2024

Trustees' Annual Report

For the year ended 31 March 2024

The trustees have pleasure in presenting their report together with the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Reference and Administrative Information

Charity name

Caithness Street Pastors SCIO

Charity no

SC0050806

Address

[REDACTED]

Current Trustees

[REDACTED]

Structure, Governance and Management

Constitution

The Charity is a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (SCIO). It was registered in its current legal form on 03/03/2021. It has a single tier structure and as such the trustees are the members of the charity.

Appointment of trustees

The management committee, which normally meets every 3 months, are the charity's trustees.

Trustees are elected at the annual general meeting. There must be a minimum of four and a maximum of eight trustees.

Objectives and Activities

Charitable purposes

To advance the Christian faith in accordance with the Licence Agreement executed with Ascension Trust (Scotland) and mission core values: 1. The Sacredness and Sanctity of Human Life 2. Valuing and honouring the community 3. Being a person of Integrity 4. Taking Personal Responsibility 5. Promoting the Growth and Development of the Individual to their Fullest Potential

Activities

We train volunteers drawn from Christian churches of different denominations to provide a listening ear and practical help to the socially marginalised and the needy. We typically patrol the streets of Thurso and Wick, in Caithness, on every second weekend nights and work in partnership with the police, local councils and a range of voluntary and statutory organisations in order to reach and help all those in need. We provide help to those who are struggling to get home, provide proper footwear to walk when needed, comforting presence and a non-judgemental listening ear to those who need it.

Achievements and Performance

We have grown from one team of volunteers to two teams of volunteers in the past year enabling us to cover Thurso and Wick areas more frequently and reach more vulnerable people in the evening as they return home after an evening out. Training and equipment are provided for all involved on an ongoing basis.

Financial review

Our main source of funding is voluntary donations from the public which is supplemented by seeking charitable funds from local organisations. The intent is to keep enough funds to cover expenses such as clothing, training and License Fee.

Reserves policy

No reserves policy at the moment.

Plans for future period

To grow this ongoing ministry to reach more people in need.

Statement of Receipts and Payments for year 31 March 2024

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
Receipts				
Donations		2,209	2,209	-
Uniform payment		122	122	-
Bank interest		-	-	-
Total receipts		<u>2,331</u>	<u>2,331</u>	<u>-</u>
Payments				
Governance costs	3	-	-	-
Purchase of equipment	3	-	-	-
Total payments		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year		2,331	2,331	-

Statement of Balances - As at 31 March 2024

	Unrestricted Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
Opening cash at bank and in hand	-	-	-
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	2,331	2,331	-
Closing cash at bank and in hand	<u>2,331</u>	<u>2,331</u>	<u>-</u>
Bank and Cash Balances			
Current account	2,331	2,331	-
Cash in hand	-	-	-
	<u>2,331</u>	<u>2,331</u>	<u>-</u>

Notes to the accounts - for the year ended 31 March 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.

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 Payments

The charity opened its treasurers bank account in October 2023 after which various donations and uniform costs for a new Street Pastor were received for a total of £2,331. The first payment out for the bank account was £400 for six months governance costs to the Ascension Trust. The cheque for this amount was sent by Caithness Street Pastors on 27 March 2024 but it was not cashed until 9 April 2024. So the Charity has no payments to show on the Statement of Receipts and Payments for this year.

4 Related party transactions

No remuneration was paid to the trustees or any connected persons during the year 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024.

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Caithness Street Pastors SCIO.

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2024 which are set out on pages 1 to 5.

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 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended). 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 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 [other than disclosed below*]

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 Regulationshave 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.

Name:

Address:

Date: 11th October 2024

Signed: