



Trossachs & Teith Community  
Sport and Social Hub  
**Trustees' Annual Report**

1st January to 31st December 2023



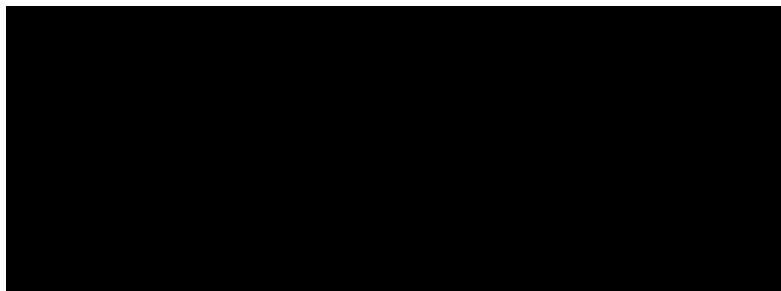
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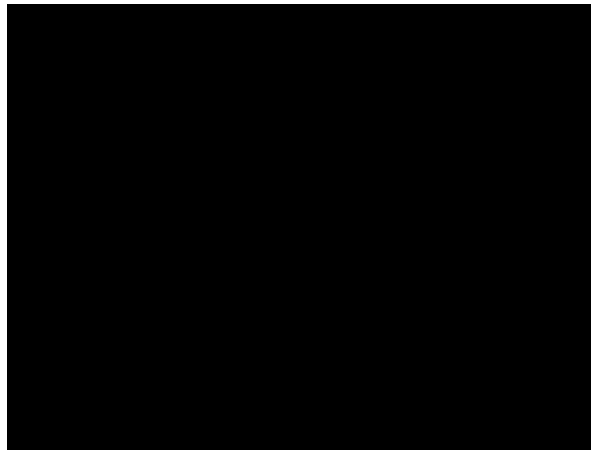
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## Our Partners & Funders

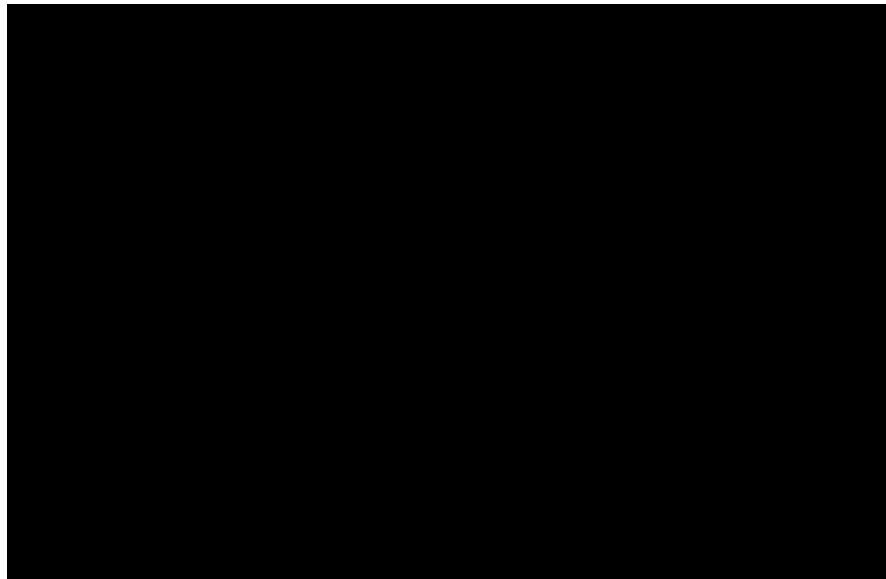




## Objectives and Activities

The Charity has been formed for the public benefit of the Community of Callander as defined by the following areas, Callander, Thornhill, Port of Mentieth, Gartmore, Aberfoyle, Strathyre, Balquhiddar, Lochearnhead, Killin and Crainlarich (“the Community”), with the Purposes of;

“The advancement of community development, participation in physical activity and the promotion of equality and diversity in everything we do providing equal opportunities irrespective of age, gender, ability and ethnicity. To remove barriers and offering opportunities to all to volunteer and participate”

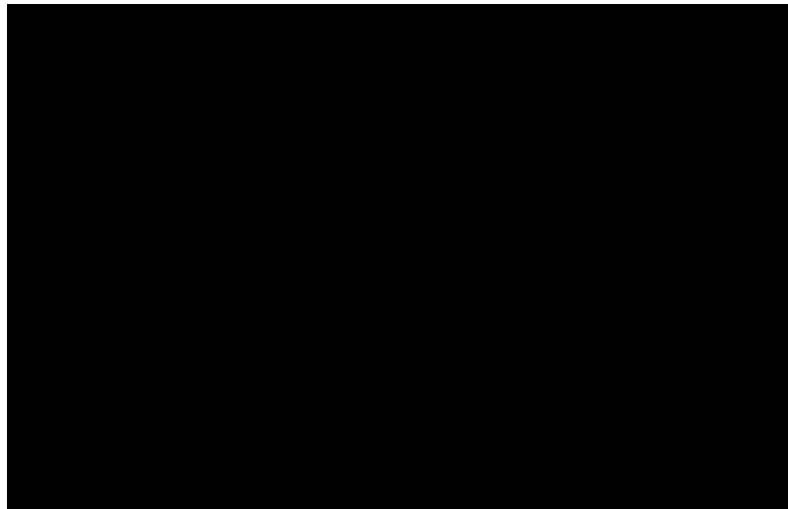
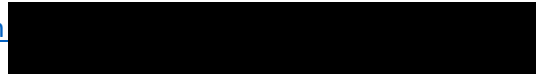




## **Activities**

The Charities main activities to achieve its purposes are as follows: -

- **School Engagement** with young people through School taster Sessions, After School Clubs and outdoor learning in partnership with the Local Authority and Sports organisations. This is to provide curricular and extra-curricular delivery to increase participation across multi-sports through the likes of cricket taster sessions and supporting Primary and Secondary School staff with support for School teams, directing pupils into local Club engagement.
- **Community Engagement** through participation sessions of Multi-sport rural hubs and taster sessions across our rural areas for adults, young people and children including vulnerable people to learn new skills, get active, make new friends and enjoy regular fun opportunities and events. To do so we aim to employ a Community Inclusion Activators to deliver on both our School and Community Engagement.
- **Community Facilities** purpose built facilities to provide the multitude of groups and organisations within our community with a home operate and bespoke facilities to reach their full potential and therefore positively impacting a growth in community engagement.



## **School and Community Engagement**

Our organization has persistently worked to foster meaningful and lasting relationships with local primary and secondary schools, while also actively engaging in collaborative partnerships with key community stakeholders. Our primary goal has been to develop a sustainable and impactful delivery program that effectively serves our geographically diverse community by providing additional opportunities for multi-sport participation. Through consistent school-based programs during the 2024/25 period, we have successfully established strong connections with all local primary schools, including Callander, Aberfoyle, and Strathyre. This progress was made possible thanks to the invaluable support of Active Stirling, which enabled us to deliver multi-sport sessions to children across all age groups within these schools.

The National Lottery Awards for All scheme has once again played a crucial role in enabling us to expand and strengthen our community outreach efforts. We received a generous funding award of £20,000 to support the further development of our community development officer position. During the first half of 2024, this role was primarily dedicated to working within our schools, which allowed us to reach an even greater number of children than in previous years. This focus significantly enhanced our capacity to deliver meaningful sport and activity sessions directly tailored to young learners.

In the latter half of the year, we shifted our focus toward expanding our outdoor learning initiatives, building upon the successful taster sessions conducted in 2023. Our Woodlands Outdoor Learning program, delivered both in school settings and community spaces, introduced new children to outdoor education and early years outdoor play. This program has proven to be an engaging and valuable experience, fostering a greater appreciation for outdoor environments in young learners.

Additionally, our strategic partnership with Active Stirling and our collaborative approach have allowed us to address regional disparities in access to after-school activities. A highlight of this effort was the creation of our first Rural Hub in Killin, which marks a key milestone in our planned expansion. The Killin Rural Hub was very well received, attracting an average of over 12 young people each week for the full duration of the

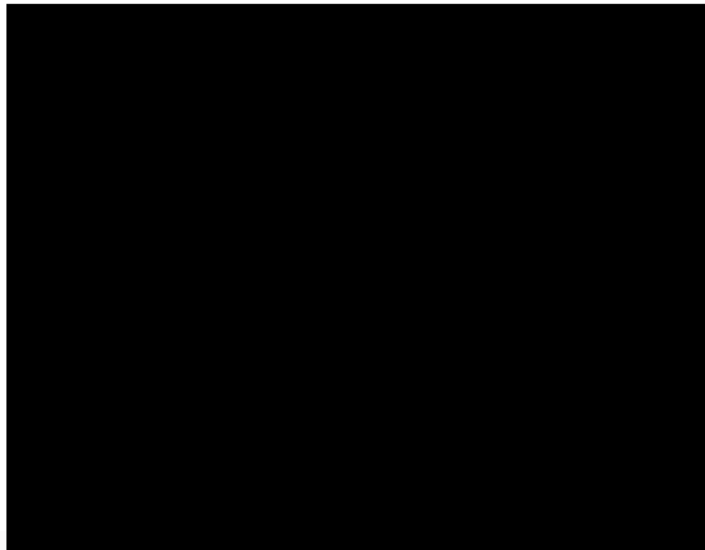


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program. Over a six-week period, we delivered multi-sport sessions that proved highly popular among local youth. Both our organization and Active Stirling are committed to building on this success, with plans to expand this program into a longer-term initiative in 2025.

Overall, the support from the National Lottery has been instrumental in enabling us to increase both the scope and the hours of delivery across schools and community settings. This funding has been vital to our ongoing efforts to provide accessible, diverse, and engaging sporting opportunities throughout the region, ensuring that we continue to meet the evolving needs of our community.

### **Community Facilities**



In 2024, our organization remained steadfast in its ongoing efforts to acquire the land at Lagrannoch with the vision of establishing a new community facility that would serve as a vital hub for residents. This initiative aims to address the limited recreational spaces currently available for community groups and youth in Callander, providing much-needed infrastructure to support a wide range of activities and outdoor pursuits.

We submitted a Stage 2 application to the Scottish Land Fund to secure funding for this project; however, unfortunately, our application was not successful on this occasion. Despite this setback, our commitment to acquiring the land and developing a dedicated community facility remains unwavering. We see it as a long-term goal that is essential for enhancing community cohesion, promoting active lifestyles, and providing inclusive recreation opportunities for all age groups.

In response to this setback, our committee has intensified its efforts to demonstrate the demand for increased activity options for young people in Callander and the surrounding villages. We are actively working to gather evidence that highlights the strong local need for accessible recreational spaces and facilities, which will strengthen our case for future funding applications.



Looking ahead to 2025, a key focus will be on expanding outdoor learning initiatives, delivering more multi-sport taster sessions for children across our geographical area.

These sessions are designed not only to introduce children to a variety of sports and physical activities but also to guide them towards local sports clubs and groups. By encouraging participation and building stronger links between youth and community teams, we aim to increase engagement and participation levels. Our ultimate goal is to generate greater demand for community-owned recreational facilities in Callander, reinforcing the vital importance of developing sustainable and inclusive spaces that serve the needs of our growing community.



## **Financial Review**

Trossachs & Teith Community Sport and Social Hub has enjoyed a steady financial period, once again securing essential funding to support its community engagement initiatives. This has enabled us to retain our dedicated Community Inclusion Activators, further strengthening our capacity to serve the local community. The organization's positive financial outlook highlights its prudent approach to fiscal management, emphasizing a thoughtful and strategic allocation of resources.

Our funding model is carefully structured to ensure sustainability, with specific grants and income streams carefully designated for targeted programs. This ringfencing of funds allows us to deliver our services reliably and consistently, ensuring that each initiative has the resources needed for long-term success. Such an approach ensures



that our programs are not only sustainable but also adaptable to changing community needs.

A core element of our financial strategy involves cultivating a robust reserve fund, primarily built through self-generated funding. By allocating these funds towards covering operational costs, we are steadily establishing a stable financial foundation that supports our daily charitable activities with an aim in 2025 to drastically increase these self-generated funds. This reserve will not only underpin the ongoing delivery of our current programs but also act as a safeguard against unforeseen financial challenges, ensuring continuity regardless of external economic fluctuations.

Our commitment to maintaining a healthy reserve exemplifies a forward-thinking financial philosophy that prioritizes long-term stability while enabling growth. It positions the Trossachs & Teith Community Sport and Social Hub to not only sustain its existing initiatives but also to innovate and expand in response to the evolving needs of our community. As we continue to pursue our mission, this financial resilience enhances our capacity to provide enduring support, fostering a strong, stable presence that benefits residents now and into the future.

## **Achievements**

Thanks to the National Lottery we expanded our Community Inclusion role from a part-time position to full-time hours allowing us to increase our activity offering to schools.

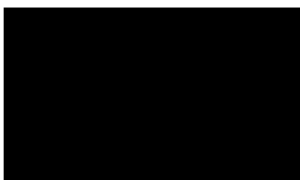
We delivered multisport taster sessions to every child in Callander, Strathyre & Aberfoyle primary schools.

We doubled our Outdoor learning sessions providing alternate early years learning to over 100 children.

Established our first rural multisport hub in Killin which proved extremely popular with a demand for more in 2025.

## **Declaration**

Signed on behalf of the charity trustees:



Secretary

16/07/2025

Income and Expenditure for year 01 Apr 2024 to 31 Mar 2025

Income	£	£
Events	0	
Membership Fees	846.69	
Loan	0	
Fundraising	95.8	
Roberston Trust Grant	2500	
Arnold Clark Grant	1000	
TNL	0	
Donations	0	
Scottish Land Fund	0	
<b>Total Income</b>		<u>£4,442.49</u>

**Expenditure**

Equipment	2,500.00	
Land Developmet	4340	
Outdoor Education Projects	9646.19	
Sports Facility Hire	579.4	
Rural Hubs Project	2850	
School Programs	3144	
Travel	1815.99	
Catering	50	
Admin	779.17	
Misc	0	
<b>Total Expenditure</b>		<u>£25,704.75</u>

Surplus/Deficit for period Ending	31/03/2025	<u>-21262.26</u>
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Opening Balance at	01/04/2024	£22,420.48
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Closing Balance at	31/03/2025	£1,158.22
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