



# **Annual Report**

## **2024-25**

A Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation,  
number SC051775

### **Trustees**

Stuart Taylor-Pearson, Chair

Donald Adey

Jeff Martin

Katy Scott

Michael Fyffe

### **Charitable Purposes**

- The prevention or relief of poverty in the town of Cupar, and surrounding area of North East Fife.
- The advancement of citizenship or community development in the town of Cupar, and surrounding area of North East Fife.
- The relief of those in need in the town of Cupar, and surrounding area of North East Fife.
- To coordinate relief efforts within in the North East Fife Area towards larger efforts nationally and internationally.

## **Chair's Report**

Here we are, another year in, and I am immensely proud of what has been achieved over the past 5 years.

When Community in Cupar first launched in 2020, amidst the panic of the COVID-19 pandemic sweeping across the globe and the UK entered into lockdown, we were initially providing 2 good quality hot meals a week to those who had seen their normal services suspended and provision of a 'blether' for those who felt isolated alone. We were a very small team supporting around 50-60 people in the community each week!

Since this time we have grown considerably. With the set up of our hubs, provision of more services and support provided for hundreds of clients the impact being made by the volunteers is huge, we have supported families in the community who have nothing, supported individuals who feel isolated from the community, and put in place a network of support to get the right specialist support for each person who walks through the door.

Seeing the faces of clients that the charity works with bring a great pleasure, seeing the delight and smile they gain whilst going through the processes of getting themselves on track and in a better position for them.

Looking specifically at the last year, the Community Hub continues to be our frontline support service, with meals provided, kids club, English classes, 1-2-1 support, and care packages all on offer as part of this day every week.

The café continues to be where the majority of our clients attend, some looking for their one hot meal of the week, whilst others attend for the company and laughter they have, meeting up with new friends they have met.

As the year has gone on, the team in the kitchens have done an incredible job, always finding new things for everyone to try and expanding the level of meals available so that all tastes and diets are accommodated.

In the last year the English classes have gone through a review, seeing a new programme created to recognise the progression which clients make as they continue to learn and feel more enabled to fit in with others in North East Fife.

Care packages and 'the shop' are working great, the level of items available for clients to have from the 'the shop' set up in the foyer of the centre continues to impress, with levels also set right. The correct items in the correct quantity are always available with very little left over each week of fresh items which clients can use at home, along with toiletries and items to keep hygiene standards at home high.

Out with the Community Hub the other services also continue. Each week the team of volunteers are working through the week doing home visits to help clients in homes. This has ranged from helping to fill in forms to meeting alongside other partners to create a joint-up support to ensure that all services the client needs is available to them.

Having heard how often the frontline phone goes, messages and calls streaming in, it gives makes you realise how much this service is needed. For many, they see the

Community Hub as what Community in Cupar is, but this service outside a Saturday is essential! It is this service which I feel makes the biggest impact to individuals and the support they need, someone spending time with them helping to make sure they access the correct specialists in a person-centred way to ensure the client is the one in control and feels that they have the correct support for them.

Following the introduction of a new programme and more robust plan for the LGBTQ+ Hub this has seen steady growth in the last year, seeing more younger members joining and coming along to a safe space they can be themselves without any outside prejudices. Speaking to these individuals you can feel how relaxed they feel being in this space and how important this is to them.

Community In Cupar is the only remaining LGBTQ+ support in North East Fife, apart from St Andrews University supporting their students. Clients travel from all over the region to attend the service and this has also drawn attention from other support providers to the LGBTQ+ community wishing to come along and get involved in providing a more enhanced service for all those who feel they need it.

As other support providers have closed their doors in North East Fife the pressure put on Community In Cupar has been intense at times, however our army of volunteers have always risen to the challenge that this has provided, looking at more ways in which they can help and how Community In Cupar can adapt to accommodate everyone who needs help.

Listening to volunteers and clients has helped Community in Cupar continue, adapting to suit the changing times, particularly in the current financial times, and finding new ways to overcome challenges that are met. The volunteers are the life force of the organisation and the dedication they show is phenomenal, I cannot praise the work they do highly enough, whether they are coming up with new recipes in the kitchens, finding new ways to entertain our young clients in the kids club, or out researching and finding the best ways to support clients in a 1-2-1 way.

I hope all our teams of volunteers recognise the impact they make on so many lives across North East Fife. Many clients come in to speak to the volunteers to thank them with great enthusiasm, but for the vast majority of them it is a simple thank you as they go out the door, not letting on in the general areas how much it has meant to them that they can come in and get a hot meal or just be themselves without any repercussions.

I give my thanks to the volunteers and our partners, in particular the Old Parish Centre who have been immensely supportive of the work that is done by Community in Cupar.



Stuart Taylor-Pearson

Chair  
Community In Cupar

## Accounts

### Balance Sheet

<b>Opening Balance (1st April 2024)</b>	<b>£ 34,548.40</b>
Total Income	£ 18,220.90
Total Expenditure	£ 24,202.09
<b>Closing Balance (31st March 2025)</b>	<b>£ 28,567.21</b>
 <b>Difference</b>	 <b>-£ 5,981.19</b>

	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Payments</u>	Difference
1001 Admin	£ 59.99	£ 1,666.75	-£ 1,606.76
1002 Community Support	£ 2,750.00	£ 4,160.27	-£ 1,410.27
1003 LGBT Hub	£ 20.00	£ 615.47	-£ 565.47
1004 Community Café	£ 8,319.77	£ 10,427.33	-£ 2,107.56
1005 English Classes	£ -	£ 499.39	-£ 499.39
1006 Old Parish Centre	£ -	£ 500.00	-£ 500.00
1007 Board of Trustees	£ -	£ 9.70	-£ 9.70
1008 Gifts & Thanks	£ -	£ 179.91	-£ 179.91
1009 General Donation	£ 2,493.58	£ -	£ 2,493.58
1010 Christmas Appeal	£ -	£ -	£ -
1011 Miscellaneous	£ 467.08	£ 636.01	-£ 168.93
1012 Volunteer Development	£ -	£ 207.98	-£ 207.98
1013 Events	£ 2,960.48	£ 4,778.37	-£ 1,817.89
1014 Community Garden	£ 1,000.00	£ 202.17	£ 797.83
1015 International Support	£ 150.00	£ 318.74	-£ 168.74
<b>Totals</b>	<b>£ 18,220.90</b>	<b>£ 24,202.90</b>	<b>-£ 5,981.19</b>

## **Independent Examiner**

### **Respective responsibilities of trustee and examiner**

The charity 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) (a) to (c) of the 2006 Accounts Regulation 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**

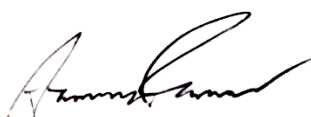
My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the 2006 Accounts Regulation. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures 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 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 8 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations

have been met



10/11/2025