

AITH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION SCIO SC052698

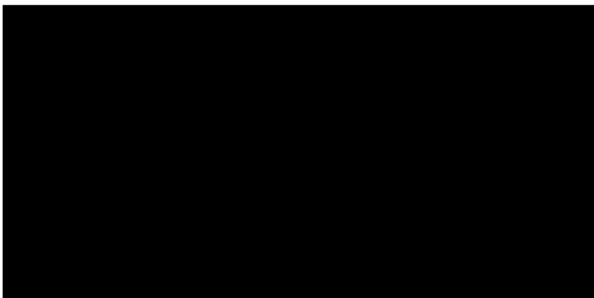
Annual Report 2023/24



Chairpersons statement – [REDACTED]

The Aith Community Association SCIO gained Charitable status in July 2023, this was a milestone in building resilience and sustainability for the Aith Community Association. Enabling easier access to grant funding for upgrading the facilities and recruiting a dedicated board of trustees.

As Chairperson, I'm delighted that we have been able to protect this community asset. I am confident that the Aith Community Association SCIO will go from strength-to-strength in 2024/25.



Chairperson

Our Board of Trustees

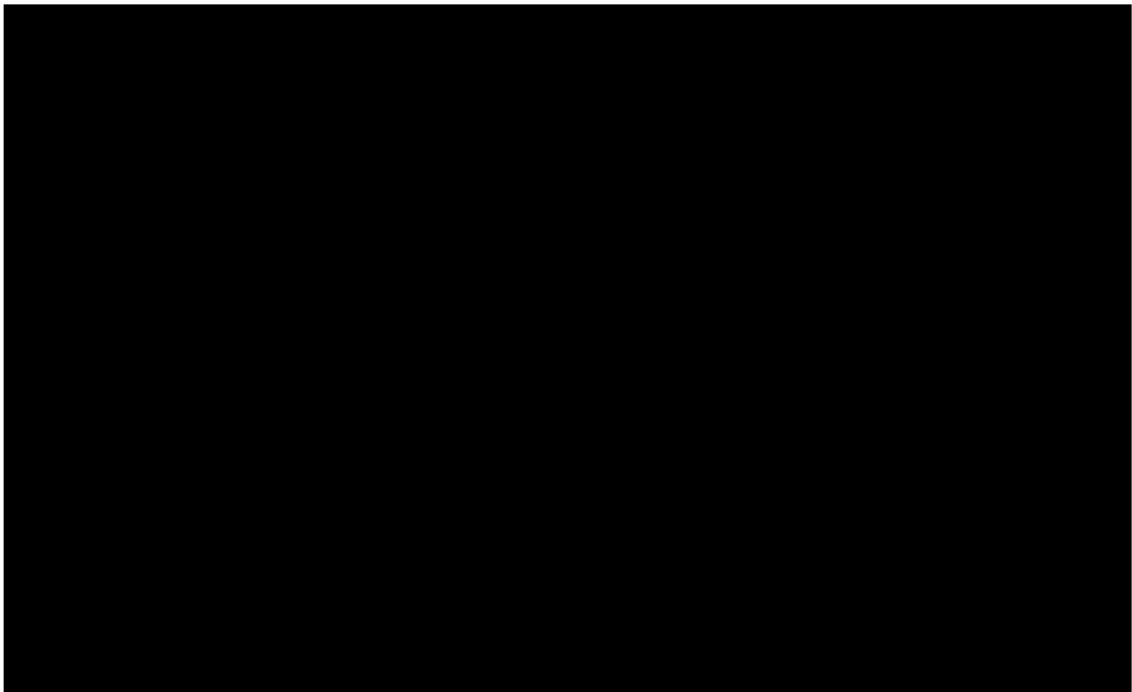
- Chairperson - [REDACTED]
- Treasurer [REDACTED]
- Secretary [REDACTED]
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WHY was our charity set up?

A little background - The Aith Community Association (Aith Public Toilets) originally successfully ran as a community asset for 20 years. When we were hit with the Covid pandemic in 2020 trustees and funds dried up resulting in the closure of the toilets in August 2022.

The community held a public meeting in November 2022 exploring interest in forming a new board of trustees with the purpose of reopening. The meeting was well attended, with clear community support. During this meeting, the attendees decided that to reopen the toilet facilities and build in resilience for future provision the best option was to explore becoming a charity, opening options for securing funding.

In early 2023 the process of becoming a charitable organisation began with support from our Community Involvement and Development Officer to guide us through the process.

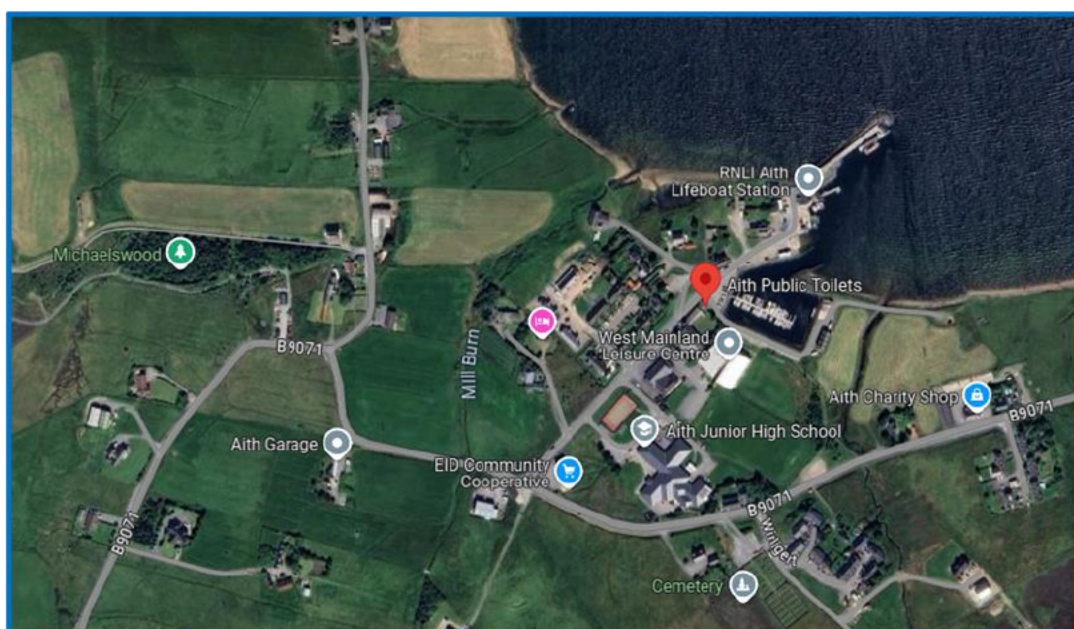


WHO does our charity help?

Our charity meets a diverse range of needs in our community by making available a free accessible public toilet in the centre of the village.

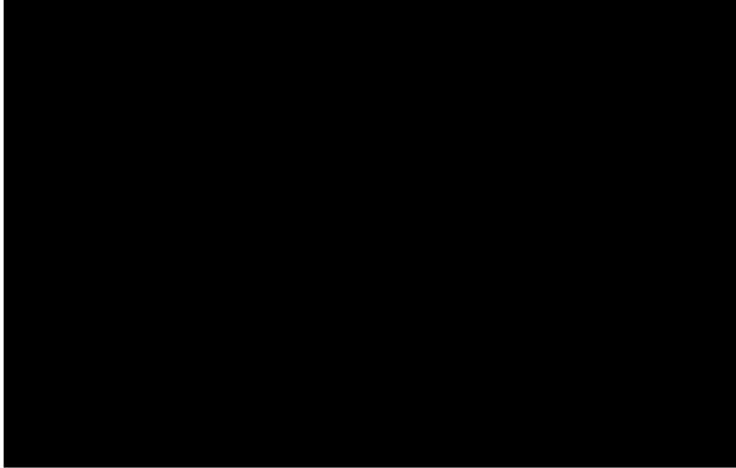


This facility is used by local people who use the nearby Marina or Pier as well as visitors who are in the area to visit one of the nearby attractions such as Michaelswood, Auld Skule Recycling Centre and the West Mainland Leisure Centre. The Toilets are also frequently used by workers who are working in the area such as delivery drivers, builders, postal workers and many others.



WHAT was done - Outputs

Painting, some of our trustees volunteered their time to paint the interior of our building creating a fresh new look.



New signage to clearly highlight where the facility is. With signs positioned both at the junction and on the building



WHAT we achieved

A year with Aith Community Association

2023

April — We met regularly to clarify our new constitution and governing documents and prepared our application to OSCR for Charitable status. During April there was a lot of admin, setting up a new bank account, email address, and applying for funding. We also updated our profile on Google business enabling people to seek directions to our facility.

May — Working together as a community we held a local Plant Sale and Sunday Teas fundraiser in conjunction with the Aith Hall SCIO and raised a fantastic sum of £850 for each charity.

June — Our application to OSCR was submitted and we worked with our OSCR caseworker to clarify and address queries in relation to our charitable purposes.

July — On the 20th July 2023 we received the exciting news that our application to OSCR had been successful!

All the board of trustees hard work had paid off and the Aith Community Association SCIO was official.

August — We held an EMG on the 2nd August to dissolve the old Association and officially appoint a new board of trustees. We held our first meeting together as the new SCIO.

September — Began exploring the future development of a new Changing Places Toilet.

Eventually signed up with an electricity company willing to install a new smart meter and reconnect our public toilet facility to the grid.

October — Applied for grant funding to paint the interior of our facility, install energy saving lighting and a new fire alarm system



November — We held the 1st Fish and Chip Take Away fundraiser on the 13th November and raised an amazing £920

December — December felt like a real turning point as we had a new smart meter installed and the electricity reconnected after 18 months without electricity.

2024

January — Board of trustee's exploratory visit to the Voe Hall's 'Changing Places Toilet' to learn from their experience of this process.

February — Applying for grant funding for the agreed projects on our development plan.

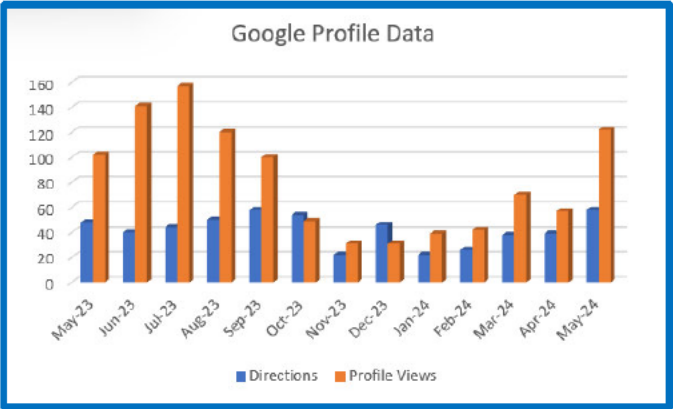
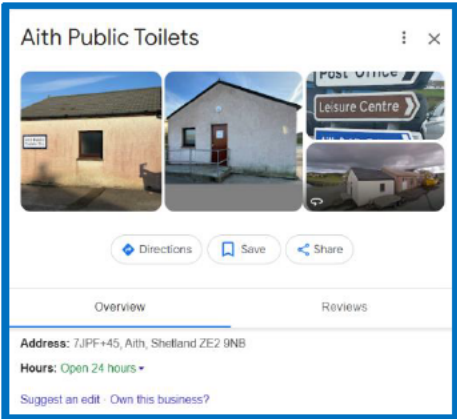
March — We held the 2nd Fish and Chip Take Away fundraiser on the 4th March 2024 and raised an amazing £1079.14.

We collaborated with Art Machine to design new signage thus enabling the public toilets to be easily accessed. This was possible through grant funding from the Sandsting and Aithsting Community Council.



WHAT difference was made - Impact

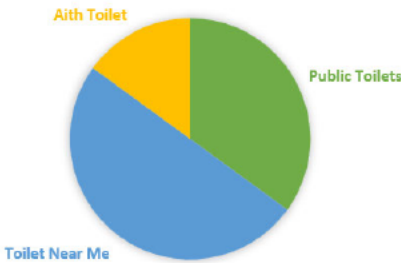
We created a profile on Google so that people visiting the area could find out about the availability of the facilities and get directions to it



Lots of people accessed our Google Profile and looked for directions. Numbers increase significantly in the summer months to reflect visitors and tourists making use of our facilities

The most frequently used search term was 'Toilet Near Me'

MOST COMMON SEARCH TERMS



Thank you to our funders

Aith Community Association SCIO would like to thank the following funders for their support over the last year:

- ❖ Aith Garage Ltd
- ❖ Aith Public Hall SCIO
- ❖ Aith Marina Association
- ❖ Auld Skule (Recycling Unit) SCIO 052187
- ❖ Cooke Aquaculture
- ❖ [REDACTED]
- ❖ Johnstons Motor Garage
- ❖ Michaelswood
- ❖ Sandsting and Aithsting Community Council
- ❖ Simmer Dim Charters
- ❖ Valhalla LK687



Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of : Aith Community Association.

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2024.

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)(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.

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material aspect the requirements:

- To keep accounting records in accordance with Section 44 (1)(a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the Accounts Regulations
- To prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Regulations

have not been met.

Name:

Signed:.....

Professional
Body:.....

Address:..

Date:.....

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Aith Community Association SCIO**SC052698****Receipts and payments accounts**

For the period from	01 April 2023			to	31 March 2024		
	01	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
			Year				

Section A Statement of receipts and payments

	Unrestricted to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Expendable to nearest £	Permanent to nearest £	Total funds to nearest £	Total funds last to nearest £
A1 Receipts						
Donations	2,076				2,076	843
Legacies	-				-	-
Grants	3,585				3,585	500
Receipts from fundraising activities	3,003				3,003	
Gross trading receipts	-				-	
Income from investments other than	-				-	
Rents from land & buildings	-				-	
Gross receipts from other charitable	-				-	
					-	
A1 Sub total	8,664	-	-	-	8,664	1,343
A2 Receipts from asset &						
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets					-	
Proceeds from sale of investments					-	
A2 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	8,664	-	-	-	8,664	1,343
A3 Payments						
Expenses for fundraising activities	373				373	697
Gross trading payments	6,515				6,515	
Investment management costs					-	
Payments relating directly to charitable					-	
Grants and donations					-	
Governance costs:					-	
Audit / independent examination					-	
Preparation of annual accounts					-	
Legal costs					-	
Other					-	
					-	
A3 Sub total	6,888	-	-	-	6,888	697
A4 Payments relating to asset and						
Purchases of fixed assets					-	
Purchase of investments					-	
A4 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	6,888	-	-	-	6,888	697
Net receipts / (payments)	1,776	-	-	-	1,776	646
A5 Transfers to / (from) funds						
					-	
Surplus / (deficit) for year	1,776	-	-	-	1,776	646

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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	1,308				1,308	
	Surplus / (deficit) shown on receipts and payments account					-	
						-	
						-	
	Cash and bank balances at end of year	3,084	-	-	-	3,084	-
	(Agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	- 1,776	-	-	-	- 1,776	- 646

	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 to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
B5 Contingent liabilities				
		Total	-	-

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

Date of
approval

C1 Nature and purpose of funds (may be stated on analysis of funds worksheets)

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Type of activity or project supported

Individual / institution

Number of grants
made

£

[illegible]

If no remuneration was paid during the period to any charity trustee or person connected to a trustee cross this box (otherwise complete section 3b)

£

Authority under which paid

If no expenses were paid to any charity trustee during the period then cross this box (otherwise complete section 4b)

Number of trustees

£

Nature of relationship

Nature of transaction

Transaction

Balance

NAME OF PERSON/COMPANY	NAME OF UNIVERSITY	FUNCTION	STATUS

C6 Other information

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Additional analysis (1)

Analysis of receipts and payments

1 Donations

	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 £
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-
	reference	-	-	-	reference	reference

2 Grants

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Total	-	-	-	-
	reference	-	reference	reference

3 Gross receipts from other charitable activities

	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 £
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-

4 Payments relating directly to charitable activities

	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 £
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-

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Additional analysis (2)**5 Breakdown of unrestricted funds**

	Unrestricted fund 1 - enter name of fund below	Unrestricted fund 2 - enter name of fund below	Unrestricted fund 3 - enter name of fund below	Unrestricted fund 4 - enter name of fund below	Total unrestricted funds	Total unrestricted funds last period
Receipts						
Donations					-	
Legacies					-	
Grants					-	
Receipts from fundraising activities					-	
Gross trading receipts					-	
Income from investments other than land and buildings					-	
Rents from land & buildings					-	
Gross receipts from other charitable activities					-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
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Receipts from asset & investment sales						
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets					-	
Proceeds from sale of investments					-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	-	-	-	-	-	-
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Payments						
Expenses for fundraising activities					-	
Gross trading payments					-	
Investment management costs					-	
Payments relating directly to charitable activities					-	
Grants and donations					-	
Governance costs:					-	
Audit / independent examination					-	
Preparation of annual accounts					-	
Legal costs					-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
					cross ref error	
Payments relating to asset and investment movements						
Purchases of fixed assets					-	
Purchase of investments					-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	-	-	-	-	-	-
					cross ref error	
Net receipts / (payments)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers to / (from) funds					-	
Surplus / (deficit) for year	-	-	-	-	-	-
					cross ref error	
Nature and purpose of funds						

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Additional analysis (3)**6 Breakdown of restricted funds**

	Restricted fund 1 - enter name of fund below	Restricted fund 2 - enter name of fund below	Restricted fund 3 - enter name of fund below	Restricted fund 4 - enter name of fund below	Total restricted funds	Total restricted funds last period
Receipts						
Donations					-	
Legacies					-	
Grants					-	
Receipts from fundraising activities					-	
Gross trading receipts					-	
Income from investments other than land and buildings					-	
Rents from land & buildings					-	
Gross receipts from other charitable activities					-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Receipts from asset & investment sales						
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets					-	
Proceeds from sale of investments					-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	-	-	-	-	-	-
Payments						
Expenses for fundraising activities					-	
Gross trading payments					-	
Investment management costs					-	
Payments relating directly to charitable activities					-	
Grants and donations					-	
Governance costs:					-	
Audit / independent examination					-	
Preparation of annual accounts					-	
Legal costs					-	
					-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Payments relating to asset and investment						
Purchases of fixed assets					-	
Purchase of investments					-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net receipts / (payments)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers to / (from) funds					-	
Surplus / (deficit) for year	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nature and purpose of funds						