

Tatha Water [SCIO]

Scotland · Charity number SC052880

Details

Status	Active
Legal form	SCIO (Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation)
Registered	2023-10-10
Register	View on the OSCR register

Contact

Address Ground Floor Flat
428 Blackness Road
Dundee
DD21TQ

Website www.tathawater.org

Activities

Activities: 'It makes grants, donations or gifts to organisations', 'It carries out activities or services itself'

Purposes: 'the prevention or relief of poverty', 'the advancement of education', 'the advancement of health', 'the advancement of environmental protection or improvement'

What the charity does: Tatha Water raises funds to support the design and installation of sustainable water and sanitation technologies in the Brazilian Amazon.

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

Objectives: The organisations purposes are: To advance health, relieve poverty and promote environmental protection and education through raising funds to support the design and installation of sustainable water and sanitation technologies

Geography

- **Main operating location:** Outwith Scotland
- **Geographical spread:** UK and overseas

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees	
2025-10-31		£0	£0	-	0
2024-10-31		£0	£0	-	0

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Trustees' Annual Report
10 October 2023 – 31 October 2024



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1. Charity Contact Information

Tatha Water

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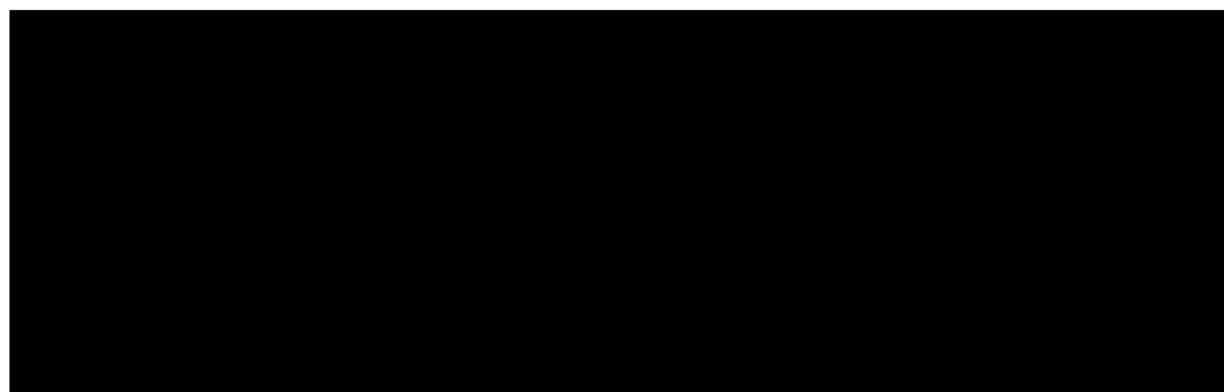


www.tathawater.org

Instagram: @tathawater

2. Charity Trustees

Tatha Water has the following three board members, all of whom have served since inception and remain on the board at the date of signing:



3. Charitable Objectives

Tatha Water is a water and sanitation charity based in Dundee, Scotland. Our charitable aims are: to advance health, relieve poverty and promote environmental protection and education through raising funds to support the design and installation of sustainable water and sanitation technologies. We currently only work in the Brazilian Amazon.

The focus of this year has been laying foundations. This includes opening a bank account, registering domain names, setting up social media pages, registering with a fundraising platform, building promotional materials, and accessing training.



4. Structure, Governance and Management

a. Type of Governing Document

Tatha Water is a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (SCIO). We are governed by a constitution dated 10th October 2023.

b. Trustee Recruitment and Appointment

The board may at any time appoint any person (subject to relevant clauses) to be a charity trustee by way of a resolution passed by majority vote at a board meeting. It is worth noting that we have made the decision to keep the board small during the initial set-up period.

5. Achievements and Performance

a. Key Milestones

Date	Action/Development
October 2023	SCIO approval from OSCR
	Quest 2023 – 5-day residential accelerator programme
	Initial discussions with agencies in Brazil about entity set up
November 2023	SIDA (Scottish International Development Alliance) Membership approved
December 2023	Discovered that unable to use the same charity name in Scotland and Brazil
February 2024	Attempt to set up bank account with Co-op Bank
	Developed new brochure explaining technologies
March 2024	Rebranded Jaci as Tatha Water – developed new logo
	Bought tathawater.org domain, set up [REDACTED] accounts
April 2024	Charities and Societies bank account set up with Virgin Bank
	OSCR approval of name change to Tatha Water
	Team access to Canva approved
	Designed promotional film – agreed film quality poor in some parts – changed approach to get approval to adapt BBC film into shorts
May 2024	LinkedIn, Facebook and Insta set up/rebranded to Tatha Water
August 2024	Fundraising platform set up with Raisely
	BBC news report subdivided into shorts, translated, subtitled and published on social media
	Lanna joins Tatha as volunteer
September 2024	SIDA Annual Conference
	Started the Business Gateway Digital Mentor 1-2-1 programme
	Bought domain for projetojaci.com for Brazil sister organisation
October 2024	Case study published in The Sanitation Learning Hub
	Female Founders Rise – 8-week accelerator programme
	Venture Lab – 6-month accelerator programme
	Two grant applications were made to funders requesting £6.5k in total



b. Operational Report

Rebranding

We gained formal approval of incorporation as a SCIO (Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation) in October 2023. Initially this was under the name of Jací. In Guarani folklore Jací is the moon goddess who gave birth to the Amazon River and we had chosen to use her name to reflect our commitment to indigenous communities and women. The original thinking was to have two linked but legally separate organisations – Jací (Scotland) and Jací (Brazil) – with the Scottish organisation focusing on fundraising and the Brazil organisation working on delivery. Towards the end of 2023 we discovered that Brazilian law does not allow any Brazilian organisation to hold a name that is the same or similar to any other organisation, irrespective of location. This meant that for both organisations to use the name (or any variation of) Jací we would need to be legally connected. This would take Jací into complex legal territory, so we decided to rebrand to ensure that the organisations remain legally separate entities. The name Jací had been difficult for non-Brazilians to pronounce, so we decided that the Brazilian entity would retain the name Jací. After some time researching possible names for the Scottish entity, we decided to rebrand as Tatha Water. Tatha is the Gaelic word for Tay, and Tatha is also a Celtic river goddess. It felt important to retain a theme that connects the two names, and Tatha retains the focus on both traditional communities and women. And it feels like it might be a nice organisational story to tell as we grow.

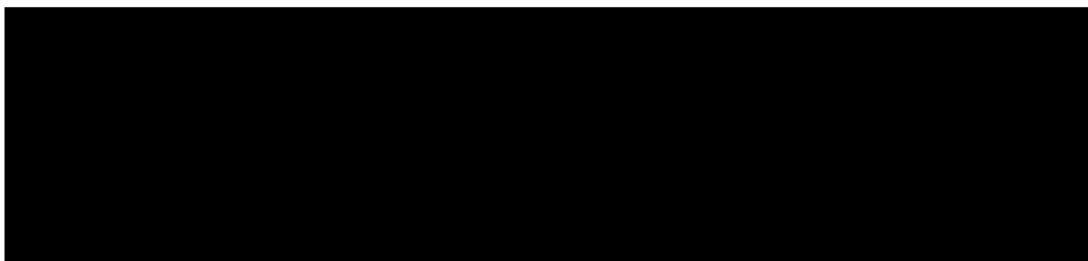
In March 2024, we developed the new logo, bought the new domain and set up the new email and social media accounts.

Media/Social Media

We now own three domains – all purchased on Squarespace and managed on Google:

- www.tathawater.org
- www.projectojaci.com
- www.project-jaci.com

We also have various email addresses for different aspects of the charity business – all currently directed to land in one tathawater.org inbox. This is to future-proof as we grow and to protect against hacking/spam.



We have three social media platforms: LinkedIn, Facebook and Instagram. LinkedIn has the most followers as we were able to retain these after the rebranding from Jací to Tatha. Facebook and Instagram currently have minimal followers.

- LinkedIn: <https://www.linkedin.com/company/tathawater>
- Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61557908653598>
- Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/tathawater/>



Team Resources

We discovered that charities are eligible for free Canva (design software) account and Tatha Water gained full access to Canva in April 2024. This allows for team members to access the account.

Publications

In mid-2022 we responded to a call requesting case studies from sanitation projects working in challenging contexts from the Sanitation Learning Hub at the Institution of Development Studies. We wrote a case study and this was published in October 2024. The report is called *Rural sanitation programming in challenging contexts: Principles, guiding questions and recommendations* and can be accessed [here](#). The report was launched on 16th October at the [Water Institute's international WASH conference](#).

Promotional Materials

Towards the start of the year we developed a promotional brochure explaining the project. This can be accessed [here](#). Currently it is only available in Portuguese but we are working on translation.

We put together a promotional film explaining the ecological toilets and water systems, however the quality of the film for the parts explaining the toilets was poor quality and we agreed that it wasn't high enough quality to use in promotion.

In 2023 BBC Brasil made a mini documentary on rainwater systems. This is a high-quality film which succinctly explains the systems, includes interviews with local residents and provides beautiful visuals that highlight the isolated nature of the households. The main task this year has been to gain permission to subtitle and subdivide this film into shorts suitable for use on social media. During the summer, we managed to subdivide the film into shorts and subtitle each film. Two of these films have been released on social media.

Volunteers

In September 2024, we received an email from Lanna Ribeiro, a Brazilian living in Aberdeen. Lanna had found Tatha via SIDA and reached out to offer her time. Lanna is now supporting Tatha and supporting our work to identify the best path for the formalisation of Jaci as charitable entity in Brazil and selecting materials to use on social media.

Training and Development

We applied to three accelerator programmes and one mentoring programme during the 2023-24 period.



Quest 2023 – run by The Challenges Group in collaboration with Molson Coors. This was an intensive 5-day residential programme where the aim was for the corporate partners to support six social entrepreneurs in business development.

Female Founders Rise – an 8-week online accelerator programme specifically for female founders that is aimed primarily at business start-ups.

Venture Lab Trust – a 6-month accelerator programme run by The Venture Lab (part of The Challenges Group). It is a mixture of in-person and online support.

6. Financial Review

After a failed attempt to set up a charity bank account with the Co-op Bank, we managed to set up a Charity account with Virgin Bank. Both the Chair and Treasurer have access.

Throughout the year October 2023 – October 2024 Tatha Water had a bank balance of £0. There was no income or expenditure during this period.

After researching fundraising platform options, we approached Raisely - <https://www.raisely.com/> - and have now opened an account on their platform. This platform allows for different forms of fundraising, including general organisational fundraising, specific campaigns and crowdfunding.

In October 2024, we submitted two grant applications to the value of £6,500. Both applications were to cover set up costs for the Brazil entity and bi-lingual website development.

a. Statement of the Charity's Policy on Reserves

Tatha Water has had no financial activity during the reporting period and currently has no reserves. We are aware of the need to develop a policy on financial reserves as we begin to raise funds.

b. Details on any Deficits

Tatha Water currently has no deficits.

c. Donated Facilities and Services

Tatha Water has received donations in kind to cover domain ownership and payment for the SIDA (Scottish International Development Alliance) annual membership fee (£50). All trustees donate their time and work pro-bono. We have one volunteer who has donated their time to support our work.

7. Future Plans

Our priorities for 2024-25 are:

- To build brand visibility via a website and promotional materials
- To start fundraising activities, including a targeted Trusts campaign
- To support the set up of the legal charitable entity in Brazil.



8. Additional Information

a. Brazilian Charity Legal Entity

We have begun to research the best ways to set up a ‘sister’ charity as a legal entity in Brazil. This is challenging due to very complex legal frameworks and the origins of the work being within academia. The safest approach is to pay a specialist agency to write the governing documents and manage incorporation. We currently have one quote for this work of £50 per month.

b. Situation in the Amazon

The water and sanitation crisis across the Amazon is now significantly worse. The problem is not just access to clean water, but access to any water at all. Some parts of the river are drying up completely which is directly affecting livelihoods as well as health. The Amazon water crisis is now more urgent than ever.

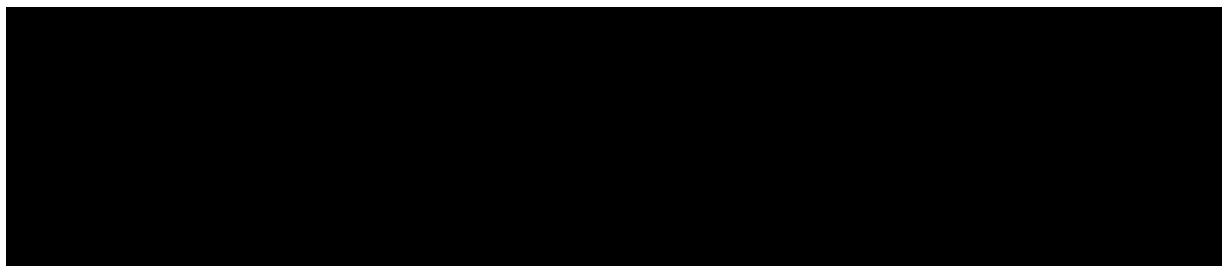
c. Current/Future work

Our partners in Brazil are currently working to install systems in some new indigenous communities. This is a new partnership and a new beneficiary group. The communities are not river communities and are located inland. The need of these communities is immediate and not in any doubt. The work is still within the academic project and so not yet directly related to Tatha.



Declaration

Signed on behalf of the charity trustees:



Designation

Chair

Date

28.07.25

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Receipts and payments accounts							
For the period from	Period start date			to	Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
	10	10	2023		31	10	2024

Section A Statement of receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Expendable endowment funds to nearest £	Permanent endowment funds to nearest £	Total funds current period to nearest £	Total funds last period to nearest £
A1 Receipts						
Donations	-	-	-	-	-	N/A
Legacies	-	-	-	-	-	N/A
Grants	-	-	-	-	-	N/A
Receipts from fundraising activities	-	-	-	-	-	N/A
Gross trading receipts	-	-	-	-	-	N/A
Income from investments other than land and buildings	-	-	-	-	-	N/A
Rents from land & buildings	-	-	-	-	-	N/A
Gross receipts from other charitable activities	-	-	-	-	-	N/A
	-	-	-	-	-	N/A
A1 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	N/A
A2 Receipts from asset & investment sales						
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets	-	-	-	-	-	N/A
Proceeds from sale of investments	-	-	-	-	-	N/A
	-	-	-	-	-	N/A
A2 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	N/A
Total receipts	-	-	-	-	-	N/A
A3 Payments						
Expenses for fundraising activities	-	-	-	-	-	N/A
Gross trading payments	-	-	-	-	-	N/A
Investment management costs	-	-	-	-	-	N/A
Payments relating directly to charitable activities	-	-	-	-	-	N/A
Grants and donations	-	-	-	-	-	N/A
Governance costs:	-	-	-	-	-	N/A
Audit / independent examination	-	-	-	-	-	N/A
Preparation of annual accounts	-	-	-	-	-	N/A
Legal costs	-	-	-	-	-	N/A
Other	-	-	-	-	-	N/A
	-	-	-	-	-	N/A
A3 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	N/A
A4 Payments relating to asset and investment movements						
Purchases of fixed assets	-	-	-	-	-	N/A
Purchase of investments	-	-	-	-	-	N/A
	-	-	-	-	-	N/A
A4 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	N/A
Total payments	-	-	-	-	-	N/A
Net receipts / (payments)	-	-	-	-	-	N/A
A5 Transfers to / (from) funds					-	N/A
Surplus / (deficit) for year	-	-	-	-	-	N/A

Section B Statement of balances

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Expendable endowment funds	Permanent endowment funds	Total current period	Total last period
		to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cash and bank balances at start of year	-	-	-	-	-	N/A
	Surplus / (deficit) shown on receipts and payments account	-	-	-	-	-	N/A
						-	
						-	
	Cash and bank balances at end of year	-	-	-	-	-	N/A
(Agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))		-	-	-	-	-	#VALUE!

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

Signature*

Print Name

Date of approval

	28 July 2025

Section C Notes to the Accounts

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

All work to date has been undertaken pro bono by all trustees and the Independent Examiner. There has been no income or expenditure during the current accounting period.

C2 Grants

Type of activity or project supported	Individual / institution	Number of grants made	£
Total			-

C3a Trustee remuneration

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)	X
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C3b Trustee remuneration - details

Authority under which paid	£

C4a Trustee expenses

If no expenses were paid to any charity trustee during the period then cross this box (otherwise complete section 4b)	X
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C4b Trustee expenses - details

	Number of trustees	£

C5 Transactions with trustees and connected persons

Nature of relationship	Nature of transaction	Transaction amount (£)	Balance outstanding at period end (£)

C6 Other information

**Independent Examiner’s Report to the Trustees of Tatha Water [SCIO]
(Scottish Charity SC 052880)**

I report on the accounts of the charity for the period 10th October 2023 to 31st October 2024 which are set out on pages 11 to 13.

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

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.

