

Annan – A Tale of Two Bridges (SCIO)

Scottish Charity No: 052953

**Annual Report and Financial
Statements**

**for the period
17 November 2023 to 31 March 2025**

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17 November 2023 to 31 March 2025

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period							
Period start date				Period end date			
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
From	17	11	2023	To	31	03	2025

Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator

Reference and administration details

Charity name	Annan – A Tale of Two Bridges (SCIO)
Other names charity is known by	
Registered charity number	SC052953
Charity's principal address	Heatherbank
	9 Unwin Park
	Gretna
	Postcode DG16 5UP

Names of the charity trustees on date of approval of Trustees' Annual Report

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1		Chair		
2		Secretary		
3		Treasurer		
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Reference and administration details

Names of all other charity trustees during the period, if any, (for example, those who resigned part way through the financial period)

Name

Dates acted if not for whole year

Structure, governance and management

Type of governing document

The charity is a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (a SCIO). It was registered in its current legal form on 17 November 2023. The charity was previously an unincorporated association but changed its legal form to a SCIO. The assets of the unincorporated association were transferred to the SCIO on 17 November 2023. It has a two tier structure. The Trustees generally control the activities of the organisation, while Members have the right to participate in member's meetings and elect the Board of Trustees. Membership is open to any individual with an interest in furthering our cause.

Trustee recruitment and appointment

Trustees are elected at the annual general meeting which is held in a timely manner after the end of the financial year. There must be a minimum of three and a maximum of seven trustees.

Objectives and activities

Charitable purposes

The advancement of citizenship and community development; and to restore the heritage the bridges brought to the town of Annan.

Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects

Our ultimate goal is to build at least one bridge spanning the River Annan between Brydekirk and Annan's road bridge, to restore the use that the two lost footbridges had over many years. In doing this we are working closely with the local authority and the local community.

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the financial period

We have forged very good relationships with the Engineering department of Dumfries and Galloway Council. They are helping us to navigate through the complicated and bureaucratic, policies and procedural process. We are currently awaiting a Council funded Feasibility study to be delivered. This comprehensive document will detail the required technical, environmental, and fact gathering information required to continue on our bridge replacement journey. This will also be the catalyst for us to then to go forward to secure funding will all facts and evidence required.

We have been financially stable throughout the period, with no major expenses. The bridges rebuild will require substantial funds (as detailed in the feasibility study) to carry out planned replacements. It is inconceivable for the group to fundraise to meet all objectives. Such funding will have to be secured from sources such as Scottish Parliament, Local Government, and other funding agencies and grants.

Throughout this reporting period we have built collaborations with Annan History Town, in the quest to design and build a major Landmark Sculpture for our Royal Burgh of Annan. A sub-group of our members have helped with local knowledge, experience and hands on help. We are working to get permissions in place for salvaged parts of the fallen bridges to be incorporated into the eventual structure of the sculpture. We have also supported and attended public engagement events in our town, forging relationships and networking with various other charities and groups in the Annan and Dumfriesshire communities.

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The trustees' policy is to retain enough to cover normal running costs in order to meet commitments and to cover any unexpected expenditure.

Details of any deficit

No deficit in the period.

Donated facilities and services (if any)

No donated facilities and services.

Other optional information

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

*OSCR will accept
digital or typed
signatures*

Full name(s)

[Redacted signature area]

Position (e.g. Chair)

CHAIRMAN

SECRETARY

Date

7/05/2025

09/05/25

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Receipts and payments accounts						
For the period from				to		
	17	11	Year 2023		31	03 2025

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	14,087				14,087	
Legacies					-	
Grants					-	
Receipts from fundraising activities	2,875				2,875	
Gross trading receipts	44				44	
Income from investments other than land and buildings					-	
Rents from land & buildings					-	
Gross receipts from other charitable activities					-	
					-	
A1 Sub total	17,006	-	-	-	17,006	-
A2 Receipts from asset & investment sales						
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets					-	
Proceeds from sale of investments					-	
A2 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	17,006	-	-	-	17,006	-
A3 Payments						
Expenses for fundraising activities	974				974	
Gross trading payments					-	
Investment management costs					-	
Payments relating directly to charitable activities	56				56	
Grants and donations					-	
Governance costs:					-	
Audit / independent examination					-	
Preparation of annual accounts					-	
Legal costs					-	
Other					-	
					-	
A3 Sub total	1,030	-	-	-	1,030	-
A4 Payments relating to asset and investment movements						
Purchases of fixed assets					-	
Purchase of investments					-	
A4 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	1,030	-	-	-	1,030	-
Net receipts / (payments)	15,976	-	-	-	15,976	-
A5 Transfers to / (from) funds						
					-	
Surplus / (deficit) for year	15,976	-	-	-	15,976	-

Section C Notes to the Accounts

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

Un restricted 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. During the year the charity held no restricted funds.

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

There was no remuneration or expenses paid to any trustees in the period. There were no transactions with trustees and connected persons in the period.

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 £
Annan – A Tale of Two Bridges (pre SCIO)	12,087				12,087	
Taylor Smith Memorial	1,551				1,551	
Rotary Club of Annan Dog Walk	200				200	
Alpha Solway	182				182	
Community donations	67				67	
Total	14,087	-	-	-	14,087	-
	-	- #	- #	- #	- #	-

2 Grants

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

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 £
Public liability insurance	56				56	
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
Total	56	-	-	-	56	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-

Additional analysis (2)

5 Breakdown of unrestricted funds

					Total unrestricted funds	Total unrestricted funds last period
Receipts						
Donations	14,087				14,087	
Legacies					-	
Grants					-	
Receipts from fundraising activities	2,875				2,875	
Gross trading receipts	44				44	
Income from investments other than land and buildings					-	
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Receipts from asset & investment sales						
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Proceeds from sale of investments					-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
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Preparation of annual accounts					-	
Legal costs					-	
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Payments relating to asset and investment movements						
Purchases of fixed assets					-	
Purchase of investments					-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	1,030	-	-	-	1,030	-
Net receipts / (payments)	15,976	-	-	-	15,976	-
Transfers to / (from) funds					-	
Surplus / (deficit) for year	15,976	-	-	-	15,976	-

Nature and purpose of funds

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Restricted funds may only be used for specific purposes. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for specific purposes.
The charity currently hold no restricted funds.

Gross receipts from fundraising activities were raised as follows:

2025 calendars	£1,188
Race Day	£1,231
Coffee morning	£181
Raft Race stall	£185
Christmas Fayre stall	£90
	£2,875

Additional analysis (3)

6 Breakdown of restricted funds

					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 movements						
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

We have no restricted funds in the period.

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

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**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity name
Annan – A Tale of Two Bridges (SCIO)

**Registered charity
number**

SC052953

**On the accounts of the
charity for the period**

Period start date				Period end date		
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Set out on pages

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**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) 2005 Act and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended). The charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (d) of the 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, and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations

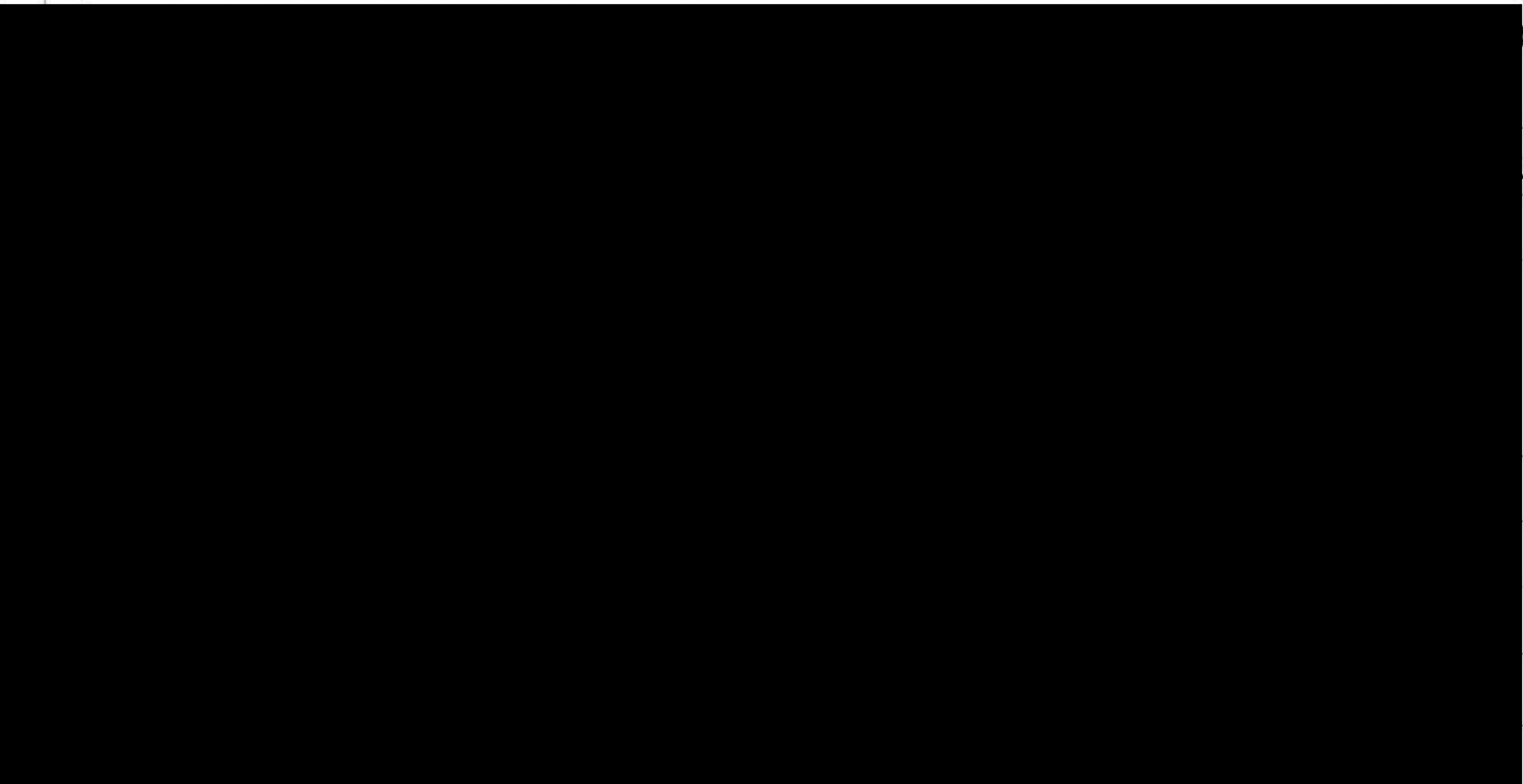
have not been met, or

Signed**

Name

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any)**

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