

Kilmallie Community Fridge and Garden

Scotland · Charity number SC053363

Details

Status Active

Legal form SCIO (Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation)

Registered 2024-05-16

Register [View on the OSCR register](#)

Contact

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Claggan
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Activities

Activities: 'It carries out activities or services itself'

Purposes: 'the prevention or relief of poverty', 'the advancement of education', 'the advancement of citizenship or community development', 'the advancement of environmental protection or improvement'

What the charity does: Kilmallie Community Fridge and Garden provides a community larder reusing short-dated supermarket food to help stretch household budgets and minimise food waste. It also has a community garden to promote local sustainable food systems and offers activities and training to local people to embed community resilience and wellbeing.

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

Objectives: 4 The organisation's purposes are: a) The prevention and/or relief of poverty to people resident in the Kilmallie Community Council area of Lochaber by providing access to produce and products that help improve living standards. b) The advancement of citizenship and/or community development to people resident within the Kilmallie Community Council area of Lochaber by providing training, activities, support and a social environment that promotes volunteering and helps bring about improvements in the quality of life for the whole community. c) The advancement of environmental protection and/or improvement within the Kilmallie Community Council area by: the systematic collection, distribution and reuse of food waste: the promotion and provision of sustainable food systems through a community garden and, the general promotion of sustainable management of natural resources. d) The advancement of education by providing courses and workshops on healthy eating, food waste awareness, gardening skills and techniques, and any other subject related to the activities of the community fridge and garden.

Geography

- **Main operating location:** Highland
- **Geographical spread:** A specific local point, community or neighbourhood

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2026-03-31	£0	£0	-	0
2025-03-31	£23,003	£3,187	-	0

Accounts

Kilmallie Community Fridge and Garden

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Annual Report and Financial Statements

For the period 16th May 2024 to 31st March 2025

Independent examiner's report to the committee on the unaudited accounts of Kilmallie Community Fridge and Garden.

I report on the accounts of the Charity for the period 16th May 2024 to 31st March 2025 which are set out on pages 3 to 6.

Respective responsibilities of trustee and independent 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. 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 Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. 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

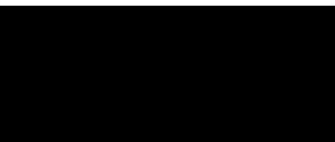
In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

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

2 to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Date: - 3/12/2025
Finance Manager
Voluntary Action Lochaber
An Drochaid, Claggan Road
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Kilmallie Community Fridge and Garden
Receipts and Payments Accounts
For the period 16th May 2024 to 31st March 2025
Scottish Charity Number SC053363

		Period to 31st March 2025 Unrestricted £	Period to 31st March 2025 Restricted £	Period to 31st March 2025 Total £
Receipts	Note			
Grants and Donations				
Grants	4	1,174	14,364	15,538
Donations	5	5,882	1,278	7,160
Bank interest received		-	-	-
Fundraising				
Workshop Income		271	-	271
Highland Lottery		34	-	34
Total Receipts		7,361	15,642	23,003
Payments				
Charitable Activities				
Project Co-Ordinator		-	500	500
Eat Your Pumpkin		19	678	697
Apple Day		38	400	438
Electricity		74	-	74
Insurance		134	-	134
Xmas Party		261	200	461
Workshop Costs		171	603	774
Miscellaneous		109	-	109
Governance Costs				
Independent Examination	7	-	-	-
Total Payments		806	2,381	3,187
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year before transfers		6,554	13,261	19,815
Transfers between funds	6	-	-	-
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Statement of Balances - as at 31st March 2025			
Opening cash at bank and in hand	-	-	-
Add Income	7,361	15,642	23,003
Less Expenditure	7,361	15,642	23,003
Transfers	806	2,381	3,187
	6	-	-
Closing cash at bank and in hand	6,554	13,261	19,815
Bank and Cash Balances			
Bank Account	6,554	13,261	19,815
Outstanding Lodgements	-	-	-
Outstanding Cheques	-	-	-
Petty Cash	-	-	-
9 & 10	6,554	13,261	19,815

Signed on behalf of all Trustees:



Date: 3 December 2025

The notes on pages 5 to 6 form part of these financial statements

Kilmallie Community Fridge and Garden
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Notes to the accounts
For the period 16th May 2024 to 31st March 2025

1 Basis of Accounting

These accounts have been prepared on the Receipts and Payments basis in accordance with the Charities & Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended).

2 Nature and purpose of funds

Unrestricted 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.

3 Related party transactions

No remuneration was paid to the trustees or any connected persons during the year.

4 Grants

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2025
Highland Third Sector Interface	-	9,364	9,364
Hubbub	-	5,000	5,000
Co-Op Community Fund	1,174	-	1,174
Grants	-	-	-
	1,174	14,364	15,538

5 Donations

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2025
Transfer from Kilmallie C/Council	5,882	-	5,882
Hubbub - Pumpkin Workshop	-	678	678
Kilmallie C/Council - Xmas Party	-	200	200
Apple Day	-	400	400
	5,882	1,278	7,160

6 Transfers between funds

There were no transfers between funds during the year.

7 Governance Costs

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2025
Independent Examination	-	-	-
	-	-	-

8 Volunteers

The trustees would like to record their thanks to all the volunteers who dedicate a significant amount of time for no remuneration to the charity.

9 Restricted Funds

	At 16th May 2024	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	At 31st March 2025
Highland Third Sector Interface	-	9,364	(603)	-	8,761
Hubbub (1)	-	5,000	(500)	-	4,500
Hubbub (2)	-	678	(678)	-	-
Highlands & Islands Climate Hub	-	150	(150)	-	-
Co-Op Community Fund	-	250	(250)	-	-
Kilmallie C/Council	-	200	(200)	-	-
	-	15,642	(2,381)	-	13,261

Highland Third Sector Interface - Kilmallie Community Fridge & Garden Funding

Hubbub (1) - Kilmallie Community Cupboard Project Co-Ordinator Costs

Hubbub (2) - Eat Your Pumpkin Workshop

Highlands & Islands Climate Hub / Co-Op Community Fund - Apple Day

Kilmallie Community Council - Xmas Party

10 Unrestricted Funds

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Unrestricted Funds	-	7,361	(806)	-	6,554
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Trustee report 31st March 2025 - Kilmallie Community Fridge and Garden.

Since becoming a charity in May 2024 we have been very busy. We got our own insurance, our bank account sorted and managed to transfer the funds held by Kilmallie Community Council in August 2024. We also secured further funding from Hubbub and the Communities Mental Health and Wellbeing fund to allow us to take on a sessional worker to manage the project, as well as run a number of workshops and gardening sessions.

In August we helped another fridge in the area set up, the Plantation Community Larder. We shared food, resources and skills and one of our volunteers did a food waste cookery demo.

In September we joined the Highlands and Islands Climate Festival in two events – the first Lochaber Climate Action Festival on the 1st and our own first Community Apple Day on the 28th of September. These were both lovely events, the Apple Day was a particularly well attended community day, and we plan it again for 2025 – we also had West Highland Herbal in to do an apple based workshop on food & medicine.

In October we joined again with Hubbub's - Eat Your Pumpkin event, with a decorating then a cookery session. We learned how to decorate our pumpkins sustainably, and then how to make delicious food from them.

In December we organised a Volunteer Xmas Party and invited all the local volunteers and their families from Kilmallie, with support from Kilmallie Community Council. This was great fun and we hope to make it a yearly event.

Our sessional worker has recently completed a Making Change Happen community leadership course with the Highlands and Islands Climate Hub, and plans to go on to complete the qualification later this year.

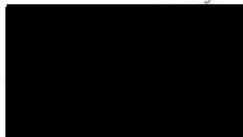
We have a program of workshops planned for the year, these commenced on the 23rd February with a microgreen and sprouting workshop with our sessional worker which was well attended. The next workshop after this was a mushroom growing workshop on the 6th of March with an external facilitator from Rhyze Mushrooms in Edinburgh – again very well received and attended. Our evaluation forms are completed at the end of each workshop so we can gauge the attendees mood, enjoyment, expectation etc. Some of the other workshops we have planned are a series of 4 foraging workshops with West Highland Herbal, a flower growing, seed saving and a sourdough making workshop.

On 23rd March we ran a seed share and also joined in with the RHS Big Seed Sow with members of the public sowing Cosmos, Chives and Cornflower which will be planted out into a small space in our gardens.

Our community fridge continues to take in a vast quantity of food waste from local supermarkets and we collect 7 nights, and 3 days every week. We also get monthly deliveries of surplus and short dated foods from Fareshare. As of the 15th of March we have collected and distributed over 50 tonnes of food since our inception under the Kilmallie Community Council umbrella in August 2021.

We have around 30 volunteers throughout the project, and our board of 4 Trustees is made up of past or current volunteers of the community fridge. We aim to have a supportive and nurturing environment for our volunteers so continue to look at ways to make them feel seen and valued, working closely with Voluntary Action Lochaber.

In conclusion we have had a very busy first few months, and hope to continue our good work working in and with the community.



3 December 2025