

Deer Heritage Initiative

Year Ending 31 March 2025

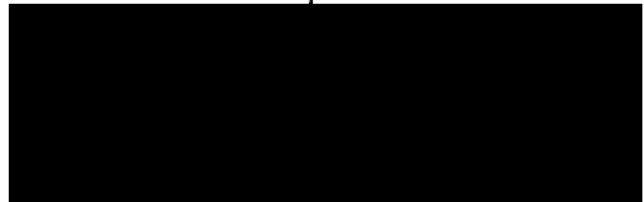
Date	Transaction	Value
09/10/2024	Payin BDP (Shell small Grant) - Banner	313.10
10/03/2025	Donation - [REDACTED]	500.00
27/03/2025	payin 00002 - Donation - Book of Deer	500.00
27/03/2025	payin 00002 - Donation - Buchan Heritage	500.00
		<u>1813.10</u>

WITNESS:



10/9/25

TREASURER:



10/9/25.

## Deer Heritage Initiative

Date	Transaction	Value
21/03/2025	Vistapring - Purchase of Banner	253.88
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Opening Balance	0.00
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Expenditure	253.88
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<b>Balance</b>	<b><u>1559.22</u></b>
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<b>Balance as per bank</b>	<b>1559.22</b>
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Reconciliation	0.00
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Difference	0.00
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## ***Deer Heritage Initiative SCIO (SC053399)***

***Annual General Meeting 22 October 2025***

### ***Chair's Report***

Deer Heritage Initiative was registered as a SCIO on 31 May 2024. A reception for invited guests was held at Deer Church to launch the SCIO formally to the public on 20 September 2024, followed by an exhibition in the church of the work of the various partner bodies forming the Initiative. This exhibition took place during Doors Open Days on 21 and 22 September 2024 and over one hundred people visited the exhibition.

We were very fortunate in being awarded a grant for work on a feasibility study for our project. This grant came from UKSPF Feasibility Study Programme, part of the UK Government Levelling up funding administered by Aberdeenshire Council. The feasibility study was completed in September of this year and, in its favourable terms, gives us the confidence to proceed with the project. In its concluding summary the study states that *with thoughtful planning, strong partnerships, and strategic investment, the project can transform Deer Parish Church from a vulnerable historic asset into a lasting cultural landmark for Buchan and beyond*. Now that we have a positive feasibility study, we can begin work on a business plan and seek funding from significant funding bodies.

During the past year we have had preliminary discussions with the General Trustees of the Church of Scotland in connection with acquisition of the church building. We have also been making connections with Historic Environment Scotland and the Scottish Pilgrim Routes Forum. We continue to seek out and make connections with other organisations who have historic and cultural interests in the Buchan area.

In the coming year, our focus must be on our business plan and significant fundraising.



Old Deer

October 2025