

North Argyll Volunteer Car Scheme

Scotland · Charity number SC054463

Details

Status	Active
Legal form	SCIO (Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation)
Registered	2025-08-13
Register	View on the OSCR register

Contact

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Tigh-na-craig
Clachan Seil
by Oban
Argyll
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Activities

Activities: 'It carries out activities or services itself'

Purposes: 'the relief of those in need by reason of age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage'

What the charity does: The charity is set up for the relief of social isolation and inequality of access to essential services caused by an absence of suitable means of transport for those affected by age, infirmity or other disadvantage.

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

Objectives: The organisation's purpose is: The relief of social isolation and inequality of access to essential services caused by an absence of suitable means of transport for those affected by age, infirmity or other disadvantage within the community council areas of Seil & Easdale, Luing, Kilninver & Kilmelford, Taynuilt, Glenorchy & Innishail, Avich & Kilchrenan.

Geography

- **Main operating location:** Argyll And Bute
- **Geographical spread:** Wider, but within one local authority area

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2026-03-31	£56,937	£12,149	-	1

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Unaudited Financial Statements and Trustees' Report

For The Year Ended 31 March 2026

For

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Annual Report and Accounts for the Year Ended 31 March 2026

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Current Management Committee/Board of Trustees

Clare Battersby	Chair
Ann Wilson	Treasurer
Patricia McDicken	Secretary
Stephen Eccles	Vice Chair
Agnes Foster	Minutes Secretary
Caroline Gillanders	Co-ordinator Line Manager
Marianne Pearson	Fundraising
Caroline Morgan	
Jennifer Beesley	

The following were committee members until they stepped down at the AGM in November 2025:

Christina Wills
John Twort
Michael Perrett

Additional committee members (not trustees):

Lisa Robinson	Scheme Co-ordinator
Fiona MacNaught	Passenger representative

Contact Address

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Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (SCIO)

NAVCS was originally registered with the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR) in 2006 as an Unincorporated Association. In 2025, NAVCS applied to OSCR to transfer to the newer legal format of a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (SCIO). The application was accepted with the SCIO being registered on 13th August 2025 and the Unincorporated Association being dissolved on 25th November 2025.

Recruitment and Appointment of Management Committee Members/Trustees

The Board' of trustees is elected at the Annual General Meeting. At other times, usually following retirements, new trustees are co-opted, with a preference for experienced volunteer drivers, who are already committed to the Car Scheme's ethos and are familiar with the model of working. All trustees (and volunteer drivers) are required to join the Disclosure Scotland PVG (Protecting Vulnerable Groups) scheme. NAVCS is affiliated to Volunteer Development Scotland and the Community Transport Association, both of which offer education and support.

Governing Document

The charity is governed by its constitution as registered from 13 August 2025.

Charitable Purposes

Aim: The relief of social isolation and inequality of access to essential services caused by an absence of suitable means of transport for those affected by age, infirmity or other disadvantage.

Objective: To offer a transport service to qualifying residents of North Argyll.

Activity: NAVCS recruits, trains, supports and organises volunteers to use their own cars to give lifts to registered users within North Argyll.

Reserves

All reserves fall into a funding plan and are budgeted to sustain the scheme pending further grants and donations.

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Related Party Transactions

During the year elected trustees were re-imbursed for volunteer expenses amounting to an overall total of £980.39.

Activities and Achievements

NAVCS has enjoyed another fulfilling year providing a demand-led service for residents in remote and rural areas who have difficulty with travel to essential services and community activities.

We continue to help these people remain independently in their own homes, managing their own lives as far as possible and keeping in touch with community life.

The most frequent journey requests include Medical Appointments such as Hospital, G.P., Dentist, Optometrist and Podiatry as well as Shopping, Hairdresser and Lunch Clubs.

We continue to monitor journey costs and passenger contributions with the aim of achieving best value while providing an affordable service.

Number of Registered Passengers - March 2026 129

Number of Volunteer Drivers - March 2026 49

These numbers have fluctuated slightly over the years.

We are currently working on developing a website and have circulated a poster to boost recruitment.

Christina Wills stepped down as NAVCS Chairperson at the A.G.M in November 2025. Christina had been involved with the Car Scheme since its inception twenty years ago and played a critical role in its smooth running and development to the organisation that it is today; both as Secretary and more recently as Chairperson. Mike Perrett and John Twort, two other long-standing members of the committee also retired at the A.G.M, John having been a past Treasurer for many years.

Funding

The North Argyll Volunteer Car Scheme is deeply grateful for continuing support from Argyll and Bute Council via a further grant from the Community Transport Budget.

Generous grants were also received from: GreenPower (Carraig Gheal Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund); Argyll & The Islands Agricultural Trust, and; Taynuilt Medical Practice. Grants received by the former charity not fully expended were transferred to the SCIO on 1 October 2025.

These grants along with large and small donations from individuals and a wide range of community sources have enabled us to achieve our aim of keeping a year's running costs in reserve which offers a level of employment security to the coordinator and security of service to the community.

Signed on behalf of the Management Committee/Trustees

C Battersby 01/06/2026

Mrs C Battersby

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Statement of Receipts and Payments for the year ended 31/03/26

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2026 Total	2025 former charity
Receipts				
Argyll & Bute Council Monthly Grant	4,500	-	4,500	9,000
Green Power Grant	-	-	-	6,641
Argyll & Islands Agricultural Trust	1,000	-	1,000	-
National Lottery Grant	-	-	-	10,000
Taynault Medical Practice	1,000	-	1,000	-
Donations and Collections	983	-	983	2,481
Passenger Donations	2,598	-	2,598	5,535
Red Car Donations	107	-	107	212
Sundry Income	-	-	-	-
Income from former charity	46,419	-	46,419	-
Bank Interest	329	-	329	580
Total Receipts	<u>56,937</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>56,937</u>	<u>34,449</u>
Payments				
Payments Relating Directly to Charitable Activities				
Coordinator Salaries	6,409	-	6,409	13,209
Travel Expenses	544	-	544	530
Insurance	-	-	-	485
Room rental	55	-	55	-
Phone	50	-	50	517
Post and Stationery	-	-	-	38
Accountancy	-	-	-	420
Professional fees	353	-	353	631
Training expenses	-	-	-	706
Volunteer Costs	4,547	-	4,547	9,352
Sundry	191	-	191	815
Total Payments	<u>12,149</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>12,149</u>	<u>26,703</u>
Surplus/(Deficit) for the Period	<u><u>44,788</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>44,788</u></u>	<u><u>7,746</u></u>

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Statement of Balances as at 31/03/26

	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Restricted</u>	<u>2026 Total</u>
Fixed Assets	<u>2,902</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,902</u>
Bank and Cash			
Opening Balance	-	-	-
Purchase of Equipment	-	-	-
Surplus/(Deficit) for the Period	<u>44,788</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>44,788</u>
Closing Balance	<u>44,788</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>44,788</u>
Liabilities	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

Signed on behalf of the Management Committee/Trustees

Sara Wilson 01/06/2026
Mrs A Wilson

Date

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
North Argyll Volunteer Car Scheme**

I report on the accounts of the charity for the period ended 31 March 2026 which are set out on pages 1 to 4.

Respective responsibilities of management committee 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 Accounts Regulations does not apply.

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements as carried out under section 44(1)(c) of the 2005 Act. In carrying out my examination I have followed the requirements of Regulation 11 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended).

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 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.

A MacGillvray

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02/06/2026
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Date