

**Old Torry Community Centre Association SCIO**

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Trustees Annual Report for the period 1st January 2020- 31st December 2020

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# Old Torry

## Community Centre



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### APPENDIX 1

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#### About Torry

Torry is one of the oldest settlements in the North East of Scotland with a recorded history of over one thousand years with a long maritime history of fishing and shipbuilding. Today, it is home to a global mix of some 11,000 people where nearly thirty languages are spoken in the local schools, and Torry is a substantive suburb in the South of the City of Aberdeen. The area is a rich mix of built and natural environments that spread along the Dee and round to the North Sea. Social/economic factors impact on present day Torry with levels of multi-deprivation that are amongst the highest in Scotland.

#### About the Centre

The Old Torry Community Centre dates back to 1935 when it first opened as a fisherman's mission. Seconded for wartime use in World War Two as were many community and municipal buildings, the Centre played its role as a meeting place for Old Torry and then for the wider Torry after the war as development occurred in the 1960s and 1970s. Used as a community education centre for many years, it was moth-balled due to financial measures in 2008 until a group of individuals formed an un-incorporated association in 2011 and negotiated a ten-year lease with the Council that expires in 2023. The OTCC has been administered as a registered charity since 2017.

#### COVID – 19

In March 2019, the global pandemic hit Scotland and the Centre closed its doors on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March days in line with public health guidelines issued by the Scottish Government. All internal Centre activities ceased as people were directed to stay at home and where possible our volunteers gave their time to food banks and other immediate charities that could stay open and offer essential services.



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### Achievements and Performance (prior to the pandemic)

A summary of the main achievements of the charity during the financial period.

#### OTCC in numbers

The centre normally welcomed over 250 users each week across a seven-day week and also had private hires, mainly at the weekends. We continued to invite theatre groups and musicians to be part of our activities. Our programme in 2020 can be found on our new website at [www.OLDTorry.org.uk](http://www.OLDTorry.org.uk) and we have active social media platforms that expanded to include Instagram. Here are some of our diverse activities in the run-up to March 2020

#### Go Green Zero Waste Café

Since this activity started on a Friday evening over two years ago, over 5000 meals have been created from surplus foods donated by CFINE and local supermarkets to Go Green, offered to anyone who comes in to a friendly environment with music offered by local and talented musicians

#### Trash to Treasures

A group that met on a Tuesday night to share a passion in taking old materials and turning them into something new, and different!!! Recycling is the name of the game!

#### Kids Groups

We have Torry Toddlers in on a Monday and then on Tuesday morning, we have the Torry Tots (new babies) with both groups lead by local parents as Centre volunteers

#### Bingo!

Our long-standing group meets every Monday night and allows informal socialising and a bit of a flutter and fun for a number of folk.

#### Partnership working

We have developed mature partnerships and lasting relationships with third sector organisations to bring community benefits to Torry.





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### 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	Dec 2017 onwards	
2	Secretary	Dec 2017 onwards	
3		Dec 2017 onwards	
4		24 <sup>th</sup> April 2019 onwards	
5		28 <sup>th</sup> May 2019 onwards	
6		28 <sup>th</sup> May 2019 onwards	
7		28 <sup>th</sup> May 2019 onwards	
8			
9			
10			

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
	30 July 18–21 Feb 2020
	28 Feb 18–26 Feb 2020
	30 July 18–15 Mar 20 (deceased)



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### Structure, governance and management

#### Type of governing document

A Model Constitution for a registered charity in Scotland was prepared by Aberdeen Council for Voluntary Organisation (ACVO), the third sector interface in Aberdeen and this was approved by OSCR in December 2017 with a maximum of ten trustees to comprise the Board of Trustees

#### Trustee recruitment and appointment

Members of the Association who have expressed an interest in supporting the Centre have been informally interviewed by trustees, and where that interest is engendered, then a formal request to join the Board is proposed.

#### Volunteers

Centre activities were supported by some 28 volunteers giving their time to lead groups, clean and tidy the Centre and support the management and administration of the Centre. We express our appreciation for the many hours donated each week to keep the Centre in use

### Objectives and activities

#### Charitable purposes

The advancement of citizen or community development. The provision of recreational facilities, or the organisation of recreational activities, with the object of improving the conditions of life for the persons for whom the facilities or activities are primary intended.

#### Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects

The advancement of citizenship and community development, the provision of recreational facilities and the organisation of recreational activities with the object of improving the conditions of life of the inhabitants of Torry and its surroundings in the City of Aberdeen and in furtherance of this by; carrying out the undertakings associated with the provision of a Community Centre in the Torry area of Aberdeen.

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### Financial Review

#### Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Our current policy is to ring fence a sum that is sufficient to cover operating costs for a three-month period

#### Details of any deficit

There are no deficits on any funds as at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020

#### Donated facilities and services

In January, we supported the Polish Association Aberdeen with their fundraising and information sharing open day, and in February, we held an open day in partnership with Cultivate Aberdeen and food was served up by our Go-Green team

### Other optional information

#### Future plans

The Trustees are committed to the long-term sustainability of the Centre, and brought together a property strategy, a marketing strategy and were in the process of drawing up a business plan with pro-bono assistance from Just Enterprise, however all development on these plans were suspended due to the global pandemic. Our plan going forward was to embrace a diversity of activities to assist with the diversity of income-generation so as to lessen grant dependency in future.

#### Partners

We worked with Pathways, CFINE and the Trussell Trust two days a week to meet local needs. The food bank service offered by the Trussell Trust was one of the busiest in the City every Thursday afternoon and the Centre offers the very tangible benefit of lack of stigma for all visitors. A new partnership was emerging with LFI Creative and offer of collaborative working with Lead Scotland and Robert Gordon Universities were being explored.

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### **Before and during the pandemic in 2020**

To keep the Centre going in 2020, we required to earn some £64 a day, every day of the year to support activities and running costs at the Centre. We record our appreciation to Aberdeen City Council for their package of financial support that included a development grant support that continued during the pandemic and which had assisted us in undertaking innovative activities and developing new initiatives that could be presented by the Centre thereby preventing the cost of access resulting in a barrier to inclusion. We attracted income from varying charges for activities, donations made by individuals and local companies, and gifts to the Centre. We promoted the Centre to local charities and attracted financial contributions and COVID support grants to assist us in responding to needs created by the pandemic. Whilst closed, we gained assistance from the Fairer Aberdeen Fund in 2021 and worked with CFINE to increase a level of support in the community through the delivery of additional food and fruit parcels

A delayed date for an AGM was within days of being convened in March 2020 and the Trustees adopted a plan to ensure that the Centre survived through the pandemic and would be well placed for recovery and future development whenever the situation occurred that COVID was in remission, however the period of closure did not end in 2020 and the period of lockdown restrictions continues well into 2021 as new variant affected public health and wellbeing guidelines

We looked to develop new partnerships, activities and ways of working so as to go further in meeting local needs during the challenging times that we all face. We recognise the need to manage the Centre to meet local needs and gain income from a diversity of sources that will help present and future trustees with viable sources of income to keep the Centre in line with our charitable objectives should involve extending beyond the walls of the Centre. With grant assistance from Historic Environment Scotland, we developed one project, the Torry Ecomuseum Project to do just that.

### **Declaration**

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.  
Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signatures

Full names

Position

Date

Chair, Board of Trustees

SECRETARY

2nd July 2021

02/07/21





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**APPENDIX 2**



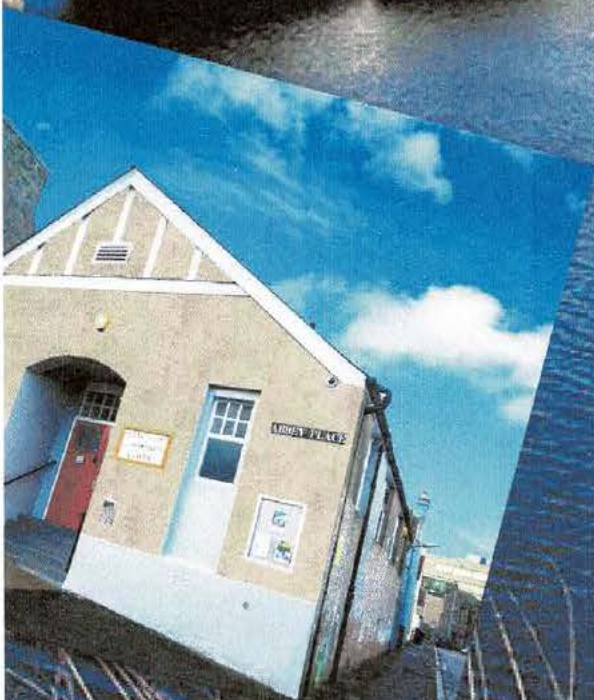
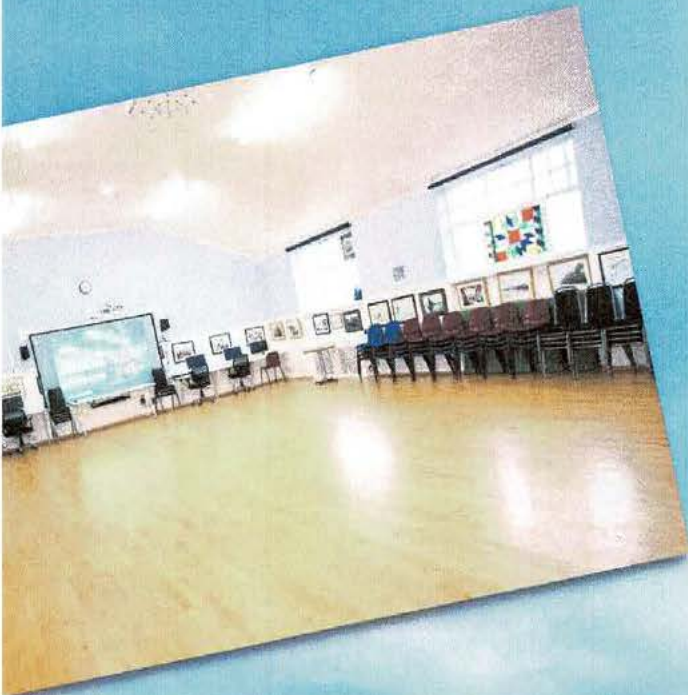
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## Appendix 2



## OLD TORRY COMMUNITY CENTRE ASSOCIATION SCIO

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Receipts and payments accounts						
For the period from				to		
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month
	1	January	2020		31	December

## 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 £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>						
Donations	5,279	41			5,320	16,283
Legacies					-	-
Grants	14,089				14,089	12,219
COVID grants	12,000	2,499			14,499	-
Receipts from fundraising activities	133	43			176	1,750
Gross trading receipts					-	-
Income from investments other than land and buildings					-	1,275
Rents from land & buildings					-	-
Gross receipts from other charitable activities	3,402	1,623			5,025	4,872
Bank interest	340				340	425
<b>A1 Sub total</b>	<b>35,243</b>	<b>4,206</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>39,449</b>	<b>36,824</b>
<b>A2 Receipts from asset &amp; investment sales</b>						
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets					-	-
Proceeds from sale of investments					-	-
<b>A2 Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>35,243</b>	<b>4,206</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>39,449</b>	<b>36,824</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>						
Expenses for fundraising activities					-	-
Gross trading payments	16,823				16,823	20,947
Investment management costs					-	-
Payments relating directly to charitable activities	3,885	1,828			5,713	6,719
Grants and donations	340				340	-
Governance costs:					-	-
Audit / independent examination					-	-
Preparation of annual accounts	816				816	1,128
Legal costs					-	-
Other					-	-
<b>A3 Sub total</b>	<b>21,864</b>	<b>1,828</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>23,692</b>	<b>28,794</b>
<b>A4 Payments relating to asset and investment movements</b>						
Purchases of fixed assets					-	7,358
Purchase of investments					-	-
<b>A4 Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>7,358</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>21,864</b>	<b>1,828</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>23,692</b>	<b>36,152</b>
<b>Net receipts / (payments)</b>	<b>13,379</b>	<b>2,378</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>15,757</b>	<b>672</b>
<b>A5 Transfers to / (from) funds</b>						
<b>Surplus / (deficit) for year</b>	<b>13,379</b>	<b>2,378</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>15,757</b>	<b>672</b>



## Section B Statement of balances

Categories	Details	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 £
B1 Cash funds	Cash and bank balances at start of year	45,153				45,153	44,481
	Surplus / (deficit) shown on receipts and payments account	13,379	2,378			15,757	672
						-	-
						-	-
	Cash and bank balances at end of year	58,532	2,378	-	-	60,910	45,153
	(Agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))						

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Market valuation to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
B2 Investments				
		Total	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (if available) to nearest £	Current value (if available) to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
B3 Other assets	Upstairs Downstairs New Kitchen	Unrestricted	4,548		4,548
	Install New Shelving Units	Unrestricted	2,608		2,608
	Nisbits Kitchen Equipment	Unrestricted	202		202
		Total	7,358	-	7,358

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
B4 Liabilities	Trade creditors	Unrestricted	27	2,922
	Accruals	Unrestricted	600	600
		Total	627	3,522

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (estimate) to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
B5 Contingent liabilities				
		Total	-	-

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

Signature

Print Name

Date of  
approval

2 July 2021  
02/07/21

## Section C Notes to the Accounts

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

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**C2 Grants**

Type of activity or project supported	Individual / institution	Number of grants made	£
Development grant		5	13,829
Grant for insurance		1	260
COVID grant - Scottish Government Support Grant		1	10,000
COVID grant - SHMU Community Support Fund		1	1,100
COVID grant - Aberdeen City Council, Provost's Charitable Fund for Go Green Project		1	500
COVID grant - Corra Foundation, Community Wellbeing		1	2,000
COVID grant - Aberdeen City Council for Go Green Project		1	899
		<b>Total</b>	<b>28,588</b>

**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)	
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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)	
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**C4b Trustee expenses - details**

	Number of trustees	£
Reimburseable Expenses	1	997

**C5 Transactions with trustees and connected persons**

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

**C6 Other information**

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## 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 £
Donations during year	5,279	41			5,320	1,283
Apache for Refurbishment of Hall					-	15,000
					-	-
					-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,279</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>5,320</b>	<b>16,283</b>

#### 2 Grants

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
Development grants	13,829		13,829	11,703
COVID related grants	12,000	2,499	14,499	516
Other grants	260		260	-
			-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>26,089</b>	<b>2,499</b>	<b>28,588</b>	<b>12,219</b>

#### 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 £
Hall Hire	3,402				3,402	1,430
Boogie in the Bar Project Support		1,623			1,623	-
The Heritage Group					-	156
Events					-	3,286
					-	-
					-	-
					-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,402</b>	<b>1,623</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>5,025</b>	<b>4,872</b>

#### 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 £
Events	3,684				3,684	5,245
Go Green Expenses		928			928	618
Food for centre	128				128	298
Toddler Group Expenses	42				42	441
Torry Tots	31				31	117
Playlist for Life expenditure		900			900	-
					-	-
					-	-
					-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,885</b>	<b>1,828</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>5,713</b>	<b>6,719</b>

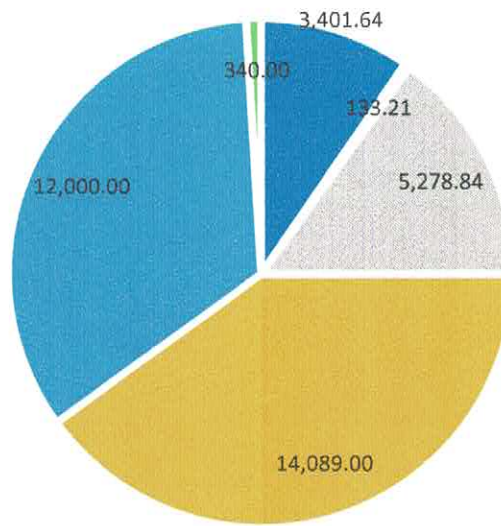
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**Additional analysis (3)****6 Breakdown of restricted funds**

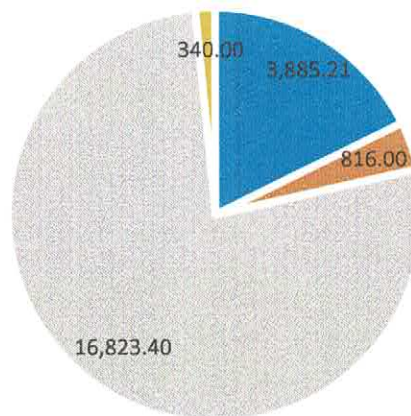
	Restricted fund 1 Go Green to spend on projects for fund raising	Restricted fund 2 Boogie in the Bar to spend on bar & fundraising	Restricted fund 3 Playlist for Life to spend on fund raising	Restricted fund 4 to spend on fund raising	Total restricted funds	Total restricted funds last period
<b>Receipts</b>						
Donations	41				41	-
Legacies					-	-
Grants	1,399		1,100		2,499	-
Receipts from fundraising activities	43				43	204
Gross trading receipts					-	-
Income from investments other than land and buildings					-	-
Rents from land & buildings					-	-
Gross receipts from other charitable activities		1,623			1,623	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>1,483</b>	<b>1,623</b>	<b>1,100</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4,206</b>	<b>204</b>
<b>Receipts from asset &amp; investment sales</b>						
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets					-	-
Proceeds from sale of investments					-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>1,483</b>	<b>1,623</b>	<b>1,100</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4,206</b>	<b>204</b>
<b>Payments</b>						
Expenses for fundraising activities					-	
Gross trading payments					-	
Investment management costs					-	
Payments relating directly to charitable activities	928		900		1,828	618
Grants and donations					-	
Governance costs:						
Audit / independent examination					-	
Preparation of annual accounts					-	
Legal costs					-	
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>928</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>900</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,828</b>	<b>618</b>
<b>Payments relating to asset and investment movements</b>						
Purchases of fixed assets					-	
Purchase of investments					-	
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>928</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>900</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,828</b>	<b>618</b>
<b>Net receipts / (payments)</b>	<b>555</b>	<b>1,623</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,378</b>	<b>(414)</b>
<b>Transfers to / (from) funds</b>					<b>-</b>	<b>414</b>
<b>Surplus / (deficit) for year</b>	<b>555</b>	<b>1,623</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,378</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Nature and purpose of funds</b>						

### Receipts £



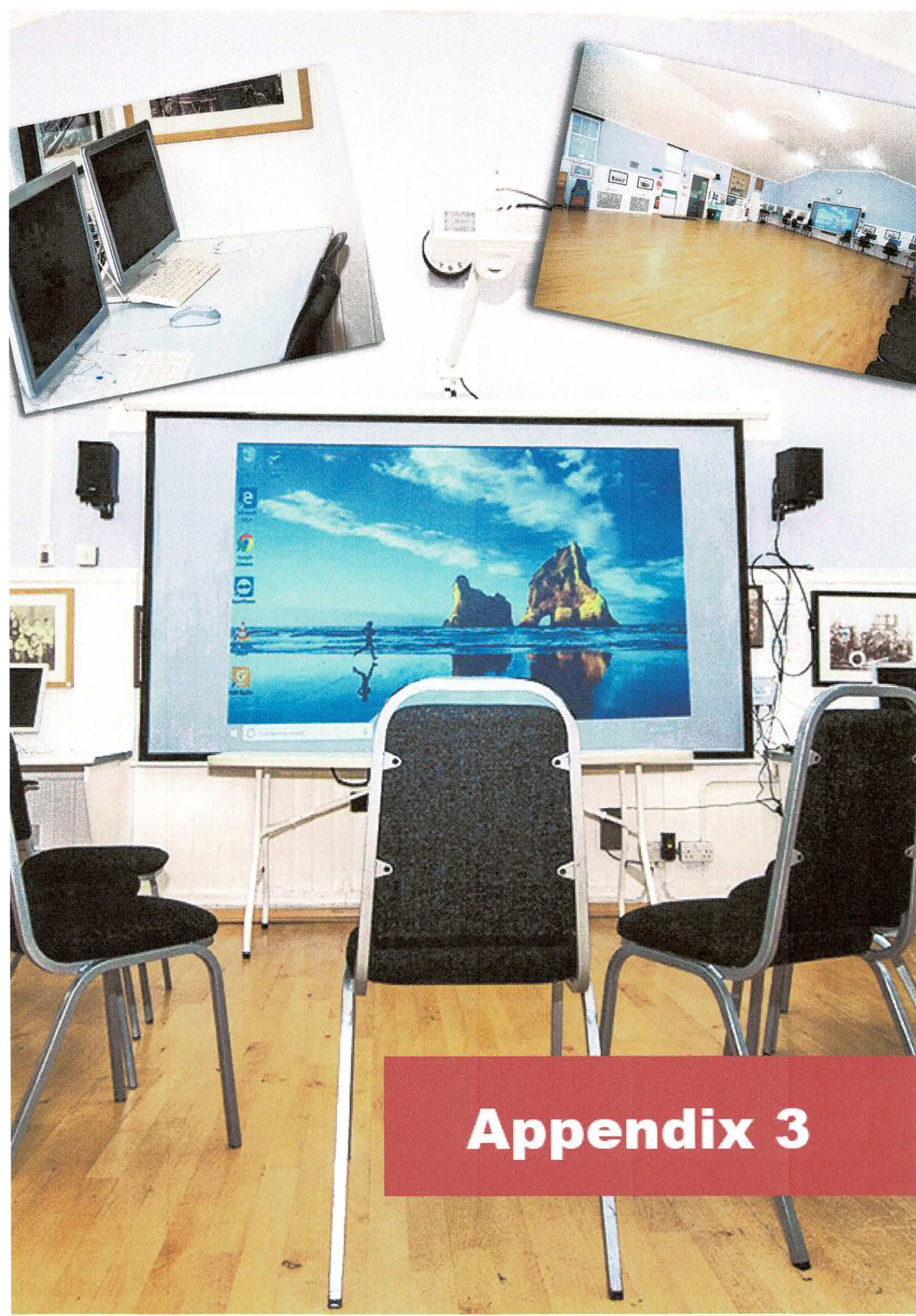
- Receipts - Charitable Activities
- COVID Grants
- Receipts - Fundraising
- Bank interest
- Donations
- Grants

### Expenses



- Charitable Payments
- Accountancy
- Trading Payments
- Grants and Donations





## Appendix 3



# APPENDIX 3



Report to the trustees/members of

Registered charity number

On the accounts of the charity for the period

Set out on pages

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

Basis of independent examiner's statement

Independent examiner's statement

## Independent examiner's report on the accounts

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Period start date

Day	Month	Year
01	January	2020

Period end date

Day	Month	Year
31	December	2020

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

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.

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.

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention [other than that disclosed on the attached page\*]

- 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

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

Signed:

Date:

05-07-2021

Name:

Acumen Accountants and Advisors Limited

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

ACCA

Address:

Inverurie Business Hub  
Offices 1 & 8, Unit 1, Blackhall Industrial Estate,  
Burghmuir Circle, Inverurie  
AB51 4FS

\*Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply. If the words do apply, set out those matters which have come to your attention on the following page.



**APPENDIX 3**

**Disclosure section**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material problems.

Give here brief details of  
any items that the  
examiner wishes to  
disclose