

Annual Report and Financial Statements

For the year ended 31st March 2020

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Trustees and professional advisers

Trustees

Michael Thomson Stephen Watt Denise Jackson (Chairperson) Sheila Perera (Secretary) Stuart Clark (Treasurer) Craig Fleming Becky Farndon (April 2020) Daniel Kipps (appointed October 2019)

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Trustees Report

The Trustees have pleasure to present their report and financial statements for the year ending 31st March 2020.

Structure, Governance and Management

Constitution

Auchterarder Community Sports & Recreation ("ACSR") operates as a charity and is a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (SCIO). It was registered in its current legal format on 25th June 2018. ACSR was previously an unincorporated association and the assets of this unincorporated association were transferred into the SCIO on 25th June on its inception.

Board Structure & Appointment of Trustees

ACSR operates with a Board of Trustees who have governance and oversight over 3 working groups. These working groups comprise of community volunteers and focus on Core Paths, Recreation & Sports activities as well as the development of Parks.

The working groups meet independently on a regular basis and provide a report and representation at the Trustee meetings that are held at least once per calendar quarter.

The Trustees are elected at the annual general meeting which is held in September and there must be a minimum of five and a maximum of nine Trustees.

Objectives & Activities

Charitable purpose

The main aims of ACSR are:-

- To maintain and widen participation in sport and active recreation at all levels in Auchterarder
- To develop and support local people to improve and strengthen local sports clubs and organisations involved in sporting or physical activities and widen opportunities to participate
- To develop and provide access to quality places where the community can get involved in sport and active recreation

Activities

Core Paths

- The charity has actively developed and supported the Core Path Group to develop and maintain the core path network for the community. It continued to work with Perth & Kinross Countryside Trust on a further extension of the Provost Walk to extend it from the bottom of Primrose Park, running parallel to the A9 beyond the perimeter of the cemetery to join at the end of Western Road. This extension of the network was officially opened in July 2019 and the event was marked by an official opening ceremony.
- The Core Path Group is actively working with Perth & Kinross Countryside Trust on further expansion of the core path network and initial plans have been developed to establish a path on the former railway line that would link Auchterarder to Muthill
- The Group is also consulting with the community as well as with Sustran about the potential for a fully accessible bridge for pedestrians, cyclists and wheelers that would connect the most southerly point of the Provost Walk with Gleneagles station and the bus stop on the A9.

The group also continues to actively maintain Common Loan, Black Road path, Johnny Mathies and the Avenue, as well as the earlier phases of the Provost Walk.

Parks

 The Park Group actively worked with Perth & Kinross Parks & Community Green Spaces and Auchterarder Primrose AFC in order to get the Public Park football pitch upgraded. It reopened at the start of the football season in the autumn of 2019 and was used throughout the season by the football teams in the community until the onset of COVID.

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- Through generous funding and donations from a number of sources the Park Group was able to carry out an upgrade/overhaul of the Primrose Park Pavilion during the year in order for it to be used by the public. The Pavilion is actively being used by 5 Star active, the Core Paths Group as well as Auchterarder Primrose Football Club until COVID restrictions came into effect. The hall is available for rent and the Trustees plan to actively market and promote the use of the hall once COVID restrictions are lifted.
- Plans for redeveloping the children's play area are also under way, in addition to the development of Phase 1 of a Mountain Bike Trail that is at an advanced planning stage. Once COVID restrictions are lifted it is the intention of the Parks team to deliver the first stage of the Mountain Bike Track.

Sports & Recreation

- A Sports Hub Working Group (SHWG) was established this year, to take overall responsibility for the sports facility at the Community School of Auchterarder ("CSofA"), from Live Active Leisure who decided to cease operations. From a standing start the group was able to open the facilities of the CSofA and to deliver a program of classes through November Fitness & Leisure who it contracted to manage and operate the facility. Footfall and the use of the facility increased by over 300% during the 6 months trial period and unfortunately had to be curtailed in the middle of March 2020 due to COVID. However, it did demonstrate the need for a dedicated sports facility within Auchterarder.
- The Sports and Recreation group developed a Community Cycling Project, which introduced cycling to a number of adults who have either not cycled for a long time or who are total beginners. This was led by Emily Greaves with the local Health Centre identifying potential cyclists. An Intermediate Level group meets each week and has now progressed with a number of experienced local cyclists taking their Cycling Scotland Level 1 Leaders Award. This will increase the number of members who are qualified to lead Cycling Groups within the community. Further purchases of regular bikes took place during the year to augment the three e-bikes that were purchased last year and these are now available, free of charge, for members of the community from Synergy Cycles.
- The group continues to foster close working relationships with the various Clubs and organisations within the town in order to encourage and support participation for all ages and abilities e.g. Gymnastics Club, Bowling Club, Auchterarder Community FC & Auchterarder Primrose AFC, Auchterarder and Dunning Golf Clubs, & 5 Star Active Running Club. It also works closely with the Community School of Auchterarder through the PE Department, Active Schools Programme and in the promotion of sport through the school's Sports Ambassador scheme as well as with the Auchterarder Rotary through their Young Sports Person of the Year Awards.

Plans for the Future

The Trustees have secured funding for a number of different projects and it is anticipated once COVID restrictions are lifted that the working groups can re-engage with the various stakeholders to deliver a number of initiatives that include:-

- Continue to develop plans for a path from Auchterarder to Muthill via the old railway line
- Secure plans and funding for a fully accessible bridge for pedestrians, cyclists and wheelers that would link the Provost Walk to Gleneagles Station and determine if a feasibility study could be commissioned
- Develop Phase 1 and Phase 2 of the Mountain Bike Track to include a skills technical area.
- Extend the use of the Pavilion in Primrose Park through increased community access in partnership with Auchterarder Primrose AFC
- To further extend and develop community cycling
- To establish a fulltime three year post for a Business & Project Development Officer.

Financial Review

This is the first full year of ACSR trading as a SCIO (the prior financial statements represented a ten month period from 25th June 2018 to 31st March 2019). At the end of the accounting year, ACSR currently holds a surplus cash balance of £44,280 despite incurring expenditure in excess of its income.

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Grant funding has been secured from a number of different sources throughout the year including £15,000 from the Perth & Kinross Investment Fund (£10,000 for the Sports HUB & £5,000 for the Mountain Bike Track) and £6,632 from Cycling UK for community cycling initiatives and the purchase of 3 hybrid bikes.

Donations have been made by Auchterarder Community Trust (£5,000 for the Mountain Bike Track; £5,000 for the Pavilion & £3,000 for the Sports HUB), Auchterarder & District Rotary (£2,000 for the Mountain Bike Track) as well as Friends of St Margaret's (£5,000 for Primrose Park Pavilion & £1,000 for the Mountain Bike Track).

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all the funding agencies, charities, organisations and individuals who have made donations during the year as this has allowed us to deliver and develop a number of programs within and for the community.

Approved by the Board of Trustees and signed by order of the Board

Denise Jackson Chairperson 2020

Statement of Balances

	Year to 31st March 2020	Period to 31 st March 2019
Receipts	£	£
Donations	21,000	73,613
Grants	22,382	26,655
Sports HUB Income	9,630	-
Pavilion Income	350	-
Fund raising	-	95
Total Receipts	53,362	100,363
Payments		
Perth & Kinross Countryside Trust	-	42,976
Primrose Park Pavilion Renovation	30,000	-
Sports HUB service contract	19,472	-
Bike purchase	1,915	5,350
Container purchase & planning	3,269	-
Primrose Park pitch renovation	1,012	-
Sports HUB Marketing & Publicity	987	-
Cycle leader training & program development	879	1,980
Insurance	359	-
Equipment, Tools & Plants	229	-
Contribution towards Pavilion upkeep costs	200	-
Provost walk opening ceremony	152	40
Administration costs	136	53
Wild flowers	-	115
Merchant fees & terminal purchase	97	-
Cycling UK membership	80	-
Plaque replacement for Provost Walk	62	-
Auchterarder 10k	-	42
Auchterarder in Bloom	<u> </u>	40
Total Payments	58,849	50,596
(Deficit) / Surplus Receipts over Payments for the Year	(5,487)	49,767

Statement of Balances

Statement of Balances at 31st March 2020

	At 31st March 2020 £	At 31 st March 2019 £
Opening cash at bank and in hand (Deficit)/Surplus for the year	49,767 (5,487)	49,767
At 31st March 2020	44,280	49,767

Bank and Cash Balances

	Total Funds £
Current Accounts	44,280
At 31 ST March 2020	44,280

The accompanying notes on page 6 form an integral part of these financial statements.

These financial statements of Auchterarder Community Sports & Recreation, registered number SC048490, were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 2020.

Signed on behalf of the Board of Trustees

Denise Jackson (MBE) Chairperson

Independently Inspected by Julia Reid

Notes to the financial statements

1. Basis of preparation

The 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 objectives 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 period the charity received donations of £21,000 and £21,632 towards specific projects.

3. Related Party Transactions

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

4. Donations

	Unrestricted	Restricted	
	Funds	Funds	Total
	£	£	£
Auchterarder Community Trust	-	13,000	13,000
Auchterarder & District Rotary	-	2,000	2,000
Friends of St Margaret		6,000	6,000
	-	21,000	21,000

5. Grants Received

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total £
Perth & Kinross Community Investment Fund	-	15,000	15,000
Cycling UK	-	6,632	6,632
Perth & Kinross Council	750		750
	750	21,632	22,382