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Annual Report and Financial Statements
Year ended 31 December 2022

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Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31 December 2022

The Trustees present the annual report and accounts for Scottish Grantmakers for the year ended 31 December 2022.

Principal office

The Signet Library
Edinburgh
EH1 1RF

Bankers

Royal Bank of Scotland
(Client account, administered by the WS Society)

Status of Charity and Governing Document

Scottish Grantmakers was registered as a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (SCIO) on 3 March 2021. The charity registration number is SC050813.

Objectives

The charitable purposes of the SCIO are the promotion of the voluntary sector and the effectiveness or efficiency of charities, by:

1. fostering and informing good practice in the administration, governance and leadership of trusts and foundations which are grantmakers in Scotland;
2. affording opportunities to members for discussion, liaison, collaboration, education and networking; and
3. engaging in projects and activities designed to enhance and promote the foregoing purposes.

Trustees and Office Bearers

Under the constitution of the SCIO, the Board comprises between 3 and 7 Trustees. Of these, up to 6 are authorised representatives of full members, elected by members, with one third retiring each year. Elected trustees may serve for a maximum of 3 terms. The Treasurer is appointed annually by the other trustees. The recruitment, appointment and training of new trustees is undertaken by the existing trustees.

The Trustees who served during the year and to the date of this report are:

Alison MacLachlan	Chair (reappointed 15 September 2022)
Jo Elliot	Vice-Chair
Nick Ferguson	
Linsey Shields	(appointed 15 September 2022)
Blair Thomson	(appointed 15 September 2022)
Dr Gareth Morgan	(resigned 15 September 2022)

The day to day administration of the charity is managed by Anna Bennett of the WS Society.

Following the resignation of Gareth Morgan as Treasurer, the SCIO has been in a period of active recruitment to fill the vacancy. In the interim, we are grateful for the support of Jo Elliot, Trustee, in meeting the requirements of this role, alongside additional capacity from The WS Society.

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Activities

Scottish Grantmakers is a leading membership organisation for grantmaking charities working in Scotland. Established in 1993 by a group of 12 Scottish grantmakers, we now consist of over 50 members. Through regular opportunities to engage, learn, reflect and share, Scottish Grantmakers exists to promote the voluntary sector and the effectiveness or efficiency of charities across Scotland. Now operating as a SCIO, our charitable objects are as set out above.

Scottish Grantmakers is structured as a two-tier SCIO: the members of the SCIO are trusts and foundations that undertake grantmaking in Scotland. There are three categories of membership, though only the Full and Associate members are voting members of the SCIO. The precise criteria are set out in the SCIO Constitution but in summary:

- **Full members** are grantmakers registered as charities in Scotland and awarding at least £50K of grants per year.
- **Associate members** are grantmakers awarding at least £10K of grants per year, but not necessarily registered as charities in Scotland.
- **Affiliate membership** is a category for organisations which are not themselves grantmakers but which administer or support other grantmaking bodies.

As at 31 December 2022, Scottish Grantmakers had:

- 43 Full members (2021: 48)
- 6 Associate members (2021: 6)
- 2 Affiliate members (2021: 1)

Achievements and performance

The Trustees are pleased to report that in 2022 members came together both virtually and in person, engaging with six different events throughout the year. This blended approach enabled wider participation and created space for discussion, liaison, collaboration and networking. We have continued to reflect upon how we re-ignite engagement and meaningful interaction across the membership following the pandemic and, following positive feedback from our Annual Conference delegates in 2021, we once more committed to gathering in person.

Input was rich and varied from both external speakers and membership contributions, promoting best practice in participatory grantmaking, posing challenging questions around diversity, collaboration, climate change, responses to the current cost of living crisis and more. Maureen McGinn CBE, Honorary President of SCVO, provided a key note highlighting the impact of community focused funding observed throughout her career and utilising resources as and when they are available to advance progress.

With this as the backdrop for our day, collaboration emerged as a key theme for effective grantmaking in Scotland, and a tool with which to spark opportunities for funders. We reflected on the role of grantmakers in Scottish communities and the wider third sector ecosystem, new and developing practices in funding, as well as learning from the emergency response programmes and other challenges faced during the COVID-19 pandemic.

And so, as much as possible, we continue to facilitate opportunities to connect across the membership to continue engaging with colleagues both formally and informally. Throughout the year we hosted six events and accommodated 112 attendees across these sessions. We welcomed 11 guest speakers from across the UK as we seek to represent a regional grantmaking membership organisation promoting inclusion, involvement and rich discourse.

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Achievements and performance (continued)

We have encouraged discussion around the role of philanthropy from leading academics in the field. We have supported an inquisitive approach to funding strategies from sessions presented by members reflecting upon their own experiences and practice. We have delivered training from sector experts on how funders can measure and report on their impact and use learning as a means to ensure good practice and inform policy. We have supported governance rigour through consideration of emerging investment principles for custodians of charity investment portfolios from professional services partners.

We are pleased to have worked in partnership with IVAR and SCVO in the delivery of members' events throughout the year and proud to support social enterprises as venues for events hosted by the SCIO. Our Chairs' Reception was hosted at the Coffee Saints, a social enterprise venue run by the Grassmarket Community Project in Edinburgh. Our annual conference was hosted at the Perth Theatre and Concert Hall which is run by a registered Scottish Charity, Horsecross Arts Ltd (SC022400). The trustees are committed to the use of social enterprise venues across Scotland for future meetings.

Most importantly, we continue to hear the voices of members, to understand what motivates the network to connect and ensure that we continue as a collective with opportunity for challenge and debate, healthy cohesion and respectful dissent in a positive, professional environment. The last year continued to present unprecedented challenges across Scotland in light of the cost of living crisis and we have sought to be a source of support and reassurance for the network as members steer themselves through the various difficulties facing funders in Scotland in the current financial climate.

Plans for the future

The year ahead remains full of promise. The membership has provided great questions, wonders and curiosity that have informed our programme of education, training and engagement events across the coming twelve months.

We continue to support new members to join the organisation and welcome new conversation and connection with peers and leaders from across the third sector to realise our ambitions and support sector growth and resilience moving forward.

This position would not be possible were it not for the support of a small group of volunteers who are so very committed to the Scottish Grantmakers and believe in our work. And to our members: we look forward to continuing in learning and collaboration with you all.

Financial review

Principal sources of funding

The charity is primarily funded by membership subscriptions.

Results for the year

The Accounts for the year are set out on pages 6 to 10. The Statement of Financial Activities on page 6 shows a surplus of £6,007 (2021: £8,645). The funds at the end of the year totalled £14,652 (2021: £8,645).

Reserves

The trustees consider that sufficient reserves should be held to support at least the first quarter's activity in the following year plus a small margin for any unexpected costs. This reserve limit has been set at £6,000. At 31 December 2022, reserves totalled £14,652 which met this policy.

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Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

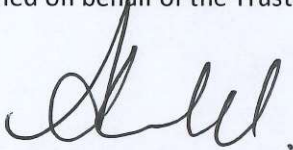
The Trustees are responsible for preparing a trustees' annual report and financial statements in accordance with applicable law and UK Accounting Standards.

Charity law in Scotland requires the charity trustees to prepare financial statements for each year which show a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the income and expenditure of the charity for that period. In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operational existence.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the charity's financial position and enable the Trustees to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006 (as amended). The Trustees are also responsible for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the charity's assets and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees:



Alison MacLachlan

Chair

27 March 2023

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Report of the Independent Examiner to the Trustees for the year ended 31 December 2022

I report on the accounts of the charity for the period ended 31 December 2022 which are set out on pages 6 to 10.

Respective responsibilities of trustees 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's Trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (a) to (c) 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.

Basis of Independent Examiner's statement

My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended). 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 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 (as amended), and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 8 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations (as amended)

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.

Alison Franks

Alison Franks CA

Director

Cornerstone Accounting Ltd
Chartered Accountants

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Date: 27 March 2023

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Statement of Financial Activities

For the year ended 31 December 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	2022 Total £	Unrestricted funds £	8 months to 31.12.21 Total £
Income and endowments					
Income from charitable activities	2	23,697	23,697	19,066	19,066
Other income	3	31	31	3,421	3,421
Total income and endowments		23,728	23,728	22,487	22,487
Expenditure					
Charitable activities	4	17,721	17,721	13,842	13,842
Total expenditure		17,721	17,721	13,842	13,842
Net income		6,007	6,007	8,645	8,645
Net movement in funds		6,007	6,007	8,645	8,645
Total funds brought forward		8,645	8,645	-	-
Total funds carried forward		14,652	14,652	8,645	8,645
Represented by:					
Unrestricted funds		14,652	14,652	8,645	8,645
Total funds		14,652	14,652	8,645	8,645

The notes on pages 8 to 10 form part of these financial statements.

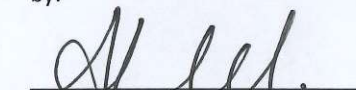
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Balance sheet

As at 31 December 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted funds	2022 Total	Unrestricted funds	8 months to 31.12.21 Total
		£	£	£	£
Current assets					
Debtors	5	-	-	175	175
Cash at bank and in hand		15,402	15,402	9,070	9,070
Total current assets		15,402	15,402	9,245	9,245
Liabilities					
Creditors: falling due within one year	6	750	750	600	600
Net current assets		14,652	14,652	8,645	8,645
Total assets less current liabilities		14,652	14,652	8,645	8,645
Net assets		14,652	14,652	8,645	8,645
Funds of the charity					
Unrestricted funds	7	14,652	14,652	8,645	8,645
Total charity funds		14,652	14,652	8,645	8,645

The financial statements on pages 6 to 10 were approved by the Trustees on 27 March 2023 and signed on their behalf by:


 Alison MacLachlan (Chair)

The notes on pages 8 to 10 form part of these financial statements.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2022

1. Accounting policies

Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with FRS 102, and in compliance with the Charities SORP 2019 (FRS 102), the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended). The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are set out below.

Scottish Grantmakers meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

Basis of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared on an accruals basis. The Trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties so the accounts have been prepared on a going concern basis.

Income and debtors

All income is recognised when the Charity is legally entitled to the income, any performance conditions attached to the income have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable.

Debtors are valued at cost at the year-end and adjusted for any amounts considered to be irrecoverable.

Expenditure and creditors

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Creditors are valued at cost at the year-end and split between amounts due in less than one year and amounts due in more than one year.

Taxation

The Charity is exempt from Corporation Tax on its charitable activities and is not registered for VAT. Expenditure therefore includes any irrecoverable VAT.

Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit account.

Funds

All funds of the charity are unrestricted.

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2. Income from charitable activities	2022	8 months to 31.12.21
	Unrestricted	Unrestricted
	funds	funds
	£	£
Subscriptions - full member	17,080	12,813
Subscriptions - associate member	3,417	3,187
Subscriptions - affiliate member	450	150
Event income	1,550	1,816
Sponsorship income	1,200	1,100
	<u>23,697</u>	<u>19,066</u>

The Event income in the year related to the annual conference held in September 2022.

3. Other income	2022	8 months to 31.12.21
	Unrestricted	Unrestricted
	funds	funds
	£	£
Funds transferred from unincorporated group	-	3,420
Bank interest	31	1
	<u>31</u>	<u>3,421</u>

4. Expenditure on charitable activities	2022	8 months to 31.12.21
	Unrestricted	Unrestricted
	funds	funds
	£	£
Coordinator services	14,400	10,800
Event costs	2,338	1,961
Printing and stationery costs	42	-
Website costs	-	480
Card processing fees	16	1
Bad debt expense	175	-
Independent examiner's fee	750	600
	<u>17,721</u>	<u>13,842</u>

5. Debtors	2022	8 months to 31.12.21
	Unrestricted	Unrestricted
	funds	funds
	£	£
Outstanding subscriptions	-	175
	<u>-</u>	<u>175</u>

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6. Creditors: falling due within one year	2022	8 months to
	Unrestricted	31.12.21
	funds	Unrestricted
	£	funds
Independent examination fee due	750	£ 600
	750	600

7. Trustee and related party transactions

One trustee, Alison MacLachlan, received reimbursed expenses of £130 in relation to the annual conference dinner. There were no other transactions with trustees or related parties during the year (2021: nil).

All of the Trustees serve as trustees or members of staff with charities that are themselves members of Scottish Grantmakers and these charities each paid a subscription to the SCIO on the same basis as other members. Those charities are: The Wood Foundation, Binks Trust, The Kilfinan Trust, The Northwood Charitable Trust, The Ryvoan Trust and The Paristamen Charity.