



Earlston Community Development Trust SCIO

Annual Report & Accounts 30th November 2019

Charity No SC042828

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Reference & Administrative Information

Principal Address:

Brookfield
East End
EARLSTON
TD4 6HW

Names of Charity Trustees:

Mags Powell	Chairperson
Lucy Couper	Treasurer
Jackie Kinmond	Secretary
Wilma Brennan	Trustee
Laura Sinclair	Trustee

Charity Trustees left during the year:

None

Aims and Objectives:

Earlston Community Development Trust (ECDT) is a legally constituted voluntary organisation and is run by members of the Earlston community. Registered as a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (SCIO) whose constitution was signed 26th January 2012.

Charitable Purposes:

- The advancement of citizenship 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 person for whom the facilities or activities are primarily intended.
- The advancement of environmental protection or improvement.

Summary of Main Activities in relation to objectives:

Our aim is to help the village of Earlston develop facilities that can be owned and managed by the people of Earlston for the benefit of the whole community.

Our goals are to provide services and facilities for recreation and other leisure time facilities for the Earlston area following principles of sustainable development and in the interests of social welfare so that local people's conditions of life may be improved; and to provide an example of best practice for similar organisation's both regionally and nationally.

Mission Statement:

"To meet the social, cultural, environmental, educational and other needs of the communities of the Earlston Area (Earlston and surrounding communities) by providing facilities, services and carrying out other relevant activities. The Trust will be run by the people of Earlston area for the people of Earlston area"

Charitable activities to 30th November 2019:

Community Day:

It was another fun packed afternoon with lots of activities and once again the support from everyone was fantastic. We would like to take this opportunity to say a HUGE thanks to everyone involved – the community groups, volunteers, businesses and also:

Abbotsford House, Advanced Signs, Alfonso's, Aquarius Hairdressers, Auto Solutions Borders, Baxter Storey Restaurant, Black Bull, Border Chainsaw, Border Groomers, Cammy Couper, Chic, Chris Powell, Co-Op, Donaldson's the Butchers, Earlston Civic Week, Earlston Parish Church, Earlston Rugby Club, Elliot Electrics, Floors Castle, Gaye Colquhoun, Go Ape, Good Food Chinese Takeaway, Gordon Edgar, Harbro, Hardie's Bikes, Keith Robertson, Leader Body & Beauty, Lynne & Katie Hepburn, Lucky Finds, M Farren Chemist, Main Street Trading Company, Massage by Fiona's, One Stop Shop, Pound Bake, Red Lion, Rhymers Café, Robert Young Vets, Sweet Shop, Tom Davidson Gallery, Traquair House, White Swan

Sincere apologies if we have missed anyone – there's just so many of you!

Orchard Town Project

Over the past year there has been ongoing work weeding and pruning. With many thanks again to our volunteers.

If you would like further information or are interested in volunteering please contact us at: donaldmcpillimy4@gmail.com

Website:

The community website has now been up and running for a while and following feedback we had received we have now added a calendar to it which will list what's going on in the village every month. This will help when organising events, checking meeting dates etc. but in order for it to work we need you to send us information about your groups/business's meetings/events of any kind and we can post them up. To do this just contact us through the website www.earlston.net and we can get it added.

You will also see that we have some community groups and businesses on the website and if you would like to add info about your group or business please send us an email through the contact us page. Similarly, if any of the details on the site are needing changed just drop us an email with the details.

Community Action Plan:

Following the launch of the Community Action Plan some of the Trustee's have been involved with the Theme Groups and look forward to seeing various projects come to fruition over the next few years working with the Community Council and other community Groups.

Membership of ECDT – have your say

ECDT is a community owned development trust. In practice this works by encouraging local residents from the community to become members. Joining ECDT shows your support for creating a sustainable community and allows the opportunity for residents to work together to make a positive difference to their community.

If you have any ideas for projects that you would like to see ECDT running in Earlston, please become a member of ECDT. Anyone can join, it is open to all – youth, individuals,

community groups and businesses. Being a member doesn't cost anything and the level of involvement is entirely up to yourself. It can be as simple as receiving minutes of our meetings to keep you updated on our work.

If you would like to become a member or would like to discuss further then please get in touch via our website www.earlston.net or Facebook page.

It's our community and together we can make it better!

Sincere Thanks:

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all contributors for their continual support, generosity and hard work over the last year pulling together for the benefit of the community, as without you it wouldn't have been possible.

Maggie Powell
Chairperson

Financial Review

Statement of Reserves Policy:

The trustees consider it desirable that annual expenditure is met out of annual income. It is the objective of the trustees to achieve where possible a small surplus each year but not to build up reserves unless there is a specific known need in the future.

Details of any deficit:

There is a small financial deficit this year, the trustees will continue to monitor.

Details of Donated Facilities & Services:

The Charity benefits from the time given by all the Trustees to the running of the Charity, including monitoring, supervision and meeting times.

Statement of Trustees Responsibilities

The members of the Charity must prepare financial statements which give sufficient detail to enable an appreciation of the transactions of the Charity during the financial year. The members of the Charity are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which, on request, must reflect the financial position of the Charity at that time. This must be done to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005, the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006.

They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity and must take reasonable steps for the prevention and/or detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Mags Powell

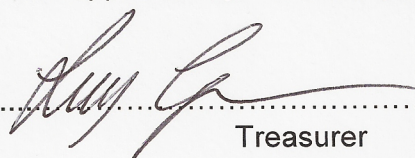
Mags Powell
Chairperson

**Receipts & Payments Account
Year Ended 30th November 2019**

Receipts & Payments Account	Notes	Un Restricted	Restricted Project Funds	Total 2019	Total 2018
Receipts					
Donations		0.00	210.00	210.00	50.00
Receipts from Fund Raising Activities	1	95.30	492.00	587.30	688.81
Other Charitable Activities		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Bank Interest		1.03	0.00	1.03	1.05
		<u>96.33</u>	<u>702.00</u>	<u>798.33</u>	<u>739.86</u>
Payments					
Expenses from Fund Raising Activities	2	0.00	368.75	368.75	282.84
Expenses from Charitable Activities	3	735.64	0.00	735.64	322.31
Governance Costs	4	149.05	0.00	149.05	100.00
		<u>884.69</u>	<u>368.75</u>	<u>1253.44</u>	<u>705.15</u>
Surplus/(Deficit)		<u>(788.36)</u>	<u>333.25</u>	<u>(455.11)</u>	<u>34.71</u>

Statement of Balances as at 30 th November 2019	Un Restricted	Restricted Project Funds	Total 2019	Total 2018
Balances at Start of Year	1164.37	1073.43	2237.80	2203.09
Surplus/(Deficit)	(788.36)	333.25	(455.11)	34.71
Transfer Between Funds	417.82	(417.82)	0.00	0.00
Balances at End of Year	<u>793.83</u>	<u>988.86</u>	<u>1782.69</u>	<u>2237.80</u>

Financial Statements approved by the Charity and signed on its behalf by:

Signed..........
Treasurer

Notes to the Accounts**2019****2018****1. Receipts from Fund Raising Activities**

Tombola/Treasurer Hunt & Raffles	310.30	527.60
Community Day	277.00	161.21
	£587.30	£688.81

2. Expenses from Fund Raising Activities

Community Day	368.75	244.95
Easter Fundraiser	0.00	37.89
	£368.75	£282.84

3. Expenses from Charitable Activity

Insurance	335.64	322.31
Website Costs	0.00	0.00
Equipment - 6 x Gazebos	400.00	0.00
	£735.64	£322.31

4. Governance Costs

Independent Examination of Accounts	100.00	100.00
Trustee Expenses	49.05	0.00
	£149.05	£100.00

5. Trustee Remuneration and Related Party Transactions

The Trustees did not receive any remuneration one trustee received a refund of travel expenses during the year of £49.05.

6. Nature & Purpose of Funds

The statements of account for the year show the financial figures for the Charity. Restricted funds are for the project listed and for the sole use of the Charity and its running costs.

Funds as at 30th November are made up as follows:

Orchard Town Project	75.83
Community Day Project	832.04
Rhymers Riders	80.99
General Funds	793.83

Total **£1782.69**

Restricted Project Funds	988.86
Un-restricted Funds	793.83

Total **£1782.69**

Independent Examiner's Report on the Accounts

Report to the trustees of Earlston Community Development Trust SCIO

Registered charity number SC042828

On the accounts of the charity for the period 1st December 2018 to 30th November 2019

Set out on Pages 1 to 9

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) 2005 Act and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. 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.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. 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 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, 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

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

Signed: SB
Sue Bennett 21 Dounehill Jedburgh

Date: 2-3-20

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body:

ACIE & Dip Business & Finance