

West Stormont Woodland Group

Scottish Charity No SC051682

Annual Report and Financial Statements

For the Period ended 31 March 2025



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Trustees' Annual Report

For the period ended 31 March 2025

The Trustees have pleasure in presenting their report together with the financial statements and the Independent Examiner's Report for the period ended 31 March 2025.

Current Trustees

The following trustees were appointed during the period and still held office at the date of this report:

Murray Gauld - Chair

Hannah Esdaile - Vice Chair

Elspeth Coutts - Secretary

Shonagh Moore

Bob Talbot

Address

Tansy, Kinclaven, Stanley, Perthshire, PH1 4QJ

Constitution

The Charity is a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation

Organisational Structure

West Stormont Woodland Group Board, which includes the the charity's trustees, is responsible for the day to day running of the SCIO and controlling and recording all financial transactions. Trustees are elected at the annual genaral meeting and at any one time there must be between a minimum of 3 and a maximum of 10 trustees.

Charitable Purpose

The SCIO has been formed to benefit the community of people living in or registered to vote in the postcode areas of PH1 3, PH1 4 and PH8 0 surrounding Taymount and Five Mile Woods within the boundary defined therein by West Stormont Woodland Group with the following purposes:

The advancement of environmental protection or improvement.

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 they are primarily intended.

The advancement of citizenship and community development.

Any other purpose that may reasonably be regarded as analogous to any of the preceeding purposes.

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Activities and Achievements

West Stormont Woodland Group (WSWG) ran a program of events based in Taymount Wood throughout 2024 and into 2025. Funding for these came from the Perth & Kinross Green Living Fund and allowed WSWG to invite a number of different community groups to take part in woodland activities.

WSWG's main focus this year has been on exploring further fundraising avenues. Following further meetings with the Scottish Land Fund (SLF) and Forestry and Land Scotland (FLS), it was decided that pursuing another Expression of Interest (EOI) with SLF without other EOI's in place would not be successful. Therefore a larger EOI to the National Lottery Heritage Fund (NLHF) was applied for, but this was also unsuccessful.

At the end of 2024, FLS informed WSWG that they would no longer be seeking to sell either Taymount Wood or Five Mile Wood on any future disposals lists due to the increase in community activity that WSWG has spearheaded since 2018. The opportunity for WSWG to purchase the Woods through the CATS process is still open, but due to the difficulties in raising funds WSWG has begun to explore the possibility of leasing the Woods or forming a Management Agreement with FLS.

Reserves

At the end of the period total reserves held at the bank and in cash were £24,143.

Approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Signed:



Date: 22 December 2025

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Independent Examiner's Report

For the period ended 31 March 2025

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of West Stormont Woodland Group

I report on the financial statements of the charity for the period ended 31 March 2025, which are set out on pages 4 to 5.

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 ("the 2005 Act") and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended) ("the 2006 Regulations"). The charity's trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1)(d) of the 2006 Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under section (44)(10)(c) of the 2005 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 2006 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 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 connection with 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 Regulations, and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 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.



Keith Glass - Director

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Date: 22 December 2025

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Statement of Receipts and Payments

For the period ended 31 March 2025

| | Unrestricted Funds | Restricted Funds | Total 2025 | Total 2024 |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Receipts | | | | |
| Miscellaneous Donations | £1,030 | £0 | £1,030 | £1,310 |
| Highland Community Energy Society | £13,245 | £0 | £13,245 | £16,593 |
| PKC Green Living Fund | £0 | £4,950 | £4,950 | £0 |
| Sundry Income | £21 | £0 | £21 | £0 |
| Funds Transfer | -£1,200 | £1,200 | £0 | £0 |
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| | £13,096 | £6,150 | £19,246 | £17,903 |
| Payments | | | | |
| Print, Post and Stationery | £399 | £0 | £399 | £331 |
| Meeting Expenses | £549 | £0 | £549 | £432 |
| Event Expenses | £342 | £1,438 | £1,780 | £0 |
| Professional Fees | £4,369 | £0 | £4,369 | £780 |
| Website, Communications and Marketing | £3,040 | £0 | £3,040 | £2,021 |
| Repairs and Renewals | £667 | £271 | £938 | £926 |
| Insurance | £403 | £0 | £403 | £380 |
| Sundry Expenses | £94 | £50 | £144 | £209 |
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| | £9,863 | £1,759 | £11,622 | £5,079 |
| Surplus/(Deficit) for the year | £3,233 | £4,391 | £7,624 | £12,824 |
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West Stormont Woodland Group - Charity Number SC051682**Statement of Balances****As at 31 March 2025**

| | Unrestricted Funds | Restricted Funds | Total 2025 | Total 2024 |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Funds Reconciliation | | | | |
| Cash at bank and in hand 31/03/2024 | £16,519 | £0 | £16,519 | £3,695 |
| Surplus/(Deficit) for the year | £3,233 | £4,391 | £7,624 | £12,824 |
| | £19,752 | £4,391 | £24,143 | £16,519 |

Bank and cash balances

| | | |
|----------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Bank Current Account | £23,940 | £16,358 |
| Cash in hand | £203 | £161 |
| | £24,143 | £16,519 |

On behalf of the committee I approve the financial statements and confirm that they have been prepared from all relevant financial information made available to the independent examiner. I also certify that these financial statements 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).

Signed:



Date: 22 December 2025