

Bilbster and Thuster Hall SCIO

Trustees' Annual Report

01 January 2023 - 31 December
2023

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Objectives and activities

This is the second report of the Bilbster and Thuster Hall SCIO.
The old Bilbster and Thuster Hall committee was dissolved on 3rd April 2023.

The SCIO owns and manages Bilbster Hall to provide a venue for social activities in the Bilbster, Thuster and Haster area. The SCIO also organises social activities in the hall.

Structure, governance and management

Type of governing document

Bilbster and Thuster Hall SCIO is governed by a constitution.

Trustee recruitment and appointment

Trustees are appointed at the Annual General Meeting.

Achievements and performance

An Easter egg hunt for primary age and younger children was held for a second year, and our plan is now to make this an annual hall event. This was well attended and enjoyed.

A Christmas craft fayre was held in November.

The children's Halloween and Christmas parties were both well attended, and the Christmas carol singing was better attended than last year, but still needs more effort to encourage a larger attendance, particularly of children.

The annual Burn's supper was successful again.

The craft group has continued weekly in the hall. The hall has also been used for private lets including birthday and hen parties.

We have been working on a design to upgrade the existing toilets and include disabled toilets over the year. Also ongoing is refurbishment of the lighting in the hall.

Bilbster Hall SCIO was set up in February 2022, so the last year has seen the setting up of the new SCIO, transferring the assets, and closing down the old Bilbster and Thuster hall Committee after 95 years, a process that is now complete.

Thanks to everyone on the committee and other supporters for all their work over the last year.

Financial review

This is the first full year that the accounts are presented for the new accounting period, 01 January to 31 December.

The accounting period of the Bilbster and Thuster Hall SCIO will differ from the Bilbster and Thuster Hall committee and run from 01 January to 31 December, and accounts will be presented to the AGM in April.

Turnover for the year was £22760, of which £14774 was the transfer of funds from the old Bilbster and Thuster Hall Committee, leaving an effective turnover of £7986. Of this £6400 was the restricted grant for the Scottish and Southern Energy Network cable re-routing, which is matched by the outgoing £6400 payment. There is a surplus of £751 on usual day-to-day income over expenditure. The year closed with a positive balance in the hall bank account of £15199.

Statement of the charity's policy on reserves

It is appropriate for the SCIO to hold reserves of approximately £10000 to enable the hall to meet any maintenance or repair work that may be required.

Details of any deficit

None

Donated facilities and services

None

Declaration

Signed on behalf of the charity trustees:

Simon Harrison

Print name

Simon Harrison

Designation

Chair

Date

04 March 2024