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Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2023
for
Scottish Rural Action

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for the Year Ended 31 March 2023**

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Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2023. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

Scottish Rural Action (SRA) works with members and partners to:

- build a grassroots-led rural movement in Scotland that connects rural communities with each other and with policy makers for the purpose of sharing learning and shaping policy;
- provide secretariat for platforms of the rural movement including the Scottish Rural & Islands Parliament (SRIP) and the Scottish Rural & Islands Youth Parliament (SRIYP);
- collaborate with seldom-heard groups to ensure these platforms are inclusive and accessible;
- build the capacity of sectoral and geographic networks, upskilling organisations and individuals to enable them to participate in the rural movement more effectively;
- collectively develop a cross-sectoral, place based and asset-based understanding of rural Scotland's economy, society and culture that shapes local practice and national policy;
- connect Scotland's rural movement with UK, EU and international partners.

We do this in the context of Scotland's sparsely populated rural and island diaspora with just 17% of the population yet 98% of the landmass and over 90 inhabited islands. Because of this sparseness and diversity, our work building the rural movement is critical to shining a light on effective approaches to addressing longstanding challenges such as the demographic deficit of younger adults. It is also critical to supporting rural strengths and innovation across all areas of community, enterprise, culture and the custodianship of land to mitigate climate change and prevent loss of biodiversity.

About Scotland's rural movement

A rural movement can be defined as an organised approach to networking rural and island communities and amplifying their diverse voices. Scotland's rural movement organises around different platforms, including the Scottish Rural & Islands Parliament, and adds capacity to organisations and partnerships. It has two objectives:

1. To strengthen community mobilisation through connecting communities to each other, enabling them to share learning, expertise and resources.
2. To shape policy through advancing meaningful dialogue and collaboration between communities and decision makers.

These objectives are linked in a virtuous cycle (diagram below). Mobilised communities are resilient and innovative. They shape policies which respond to the opportunities in rural and island places, further supporting resilience and innovation.

Scotland's rural movement connects rural and island communities across the UK, but also internationally through the European Rural Parliament. These connections enable rural and island Scotland to engage with EU and other European partners through shared learning exchanges and continued, collaborative investment in ideas around policy and practice.

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Activities

Summary of 2021-22

The 4th Scottish Rural & Islands Parliament (SRIP) took place online in March 2021, following a six-month participation process, including national surveys and regional engagement events which shaped the themes for exploration. Sixteen curators - expert organisations with their own influencing power - led on designing the fifteen sessions and producing session recommendations in partnership with over 100 grassroots campaigners, community bodies and second tier organisations. In total, 1,500 people participated in the 2021 SRIP consultations and main event.

2021-22, saw us work with curators to develop session reports from the 2021SRIP and begin furthering the SRIP recommendations. We developed a narrative and evidence base around Community Wealth Building in rural and island communities with InspirAlba and Growbiz Scotland, helping to shape the Scottish Government's National Strategy for Economic Transformation. We partnered with the Scottish Rural & Islands Transport Community to support meaningful engagement from rural and island community groups on the Scottish Government's National Transport Strategy (NTS2). We also published research into 20 minute neighbourhoods and their application in rural and island places, and worked with Rural Housing Scotland to support a participation process on behalf of the Scottish Parliament, enabling rural and island stakeholders to have dialogue with the Rural & Island Affairs Committee members on their expectations and aspirations for Scotland's fourth National Planning Framework.

During this period, our work on furthering the rural movement in Scotland continued. We supported Scotland's Rural College (SRUC) and Newcastle University to conduct original research into rural movements from across Europe to inform a Scottish approach. As part of this process, we delivered a rural movement workshop, in conjunction with SRUC and the European Rural Community Alliance (ERCA), in February 2022 that saw participants from over 15 European countries discuss the preliminary research findings.

Summary of 2022-23

While 2021-22 saw us building bridges between communities and policymakers, 2022-23 also saw us deliver projects which build bridges between communities themselves, enabling them to share learning and expertise with each other.

Geographic communities in Scotland

Kate Turner, our Regional Engagement Officer joined SRA in March 2022 to conduct a scoping of village halls in rural Clackmannanshire as a first step towards networking and connecting village halls across the whole of Scotland. The scoping led to a partnership with SCVO, DTAS, Scottish Rural Network, Rural Housing Scotland, Community Energy Scotland, Community Enterprise, Social Enterprise Scotland and the TSI Network which, over 2023/24, will develop tailored resources, workshops and a joined-up approach to supporting these important and diverse community projects and venues. To help build momentum and awareness for this work, the theme of the 2023 Scottish Rural & Islands Parliament (SRIP) in Fort William was set as "Village Halls & Community Spaces", and two campaigns were agreed, one linked to SCVO's #EssentialSector campaign, and one aligned with Action for Communities in Rural England's (ACRE's) "National Village Halls Week."

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A second, significant piece of work was taken forward by Barbara Grieve, our Research and Engagement Officer, who led on the review of SRA's membership structure and services. SRA membership is free, and our members are the heart of the organisation, contributing their support and expertise to our work. They are mainly individuals or small organisations or businesses, and hail from the breadth of rural and island Scotland, from Unst to Annan. With Barbara's support, SRA reviewed our member recruitment process and initiated a programme of regular members' events, connecting them on a monthly basis online to explore different topics of interest from rural transport to childcare and land management. Many of these members meet-ups fed directly into our policy consultation responses, including to the Agriculture Bill, the Land Reform Bill and the Scottish Government's intended plan to reduce car kilometres by 20% by 2030.

Communities of interest: In 2022-23 we launched the scoping phase of our "Advancing Equality" programme which was delivered in partnership with the National Rural Mental Health Forum, Scottish Rural Network, the Rural Youth Project, the TSI Network THRE project, Sleeping Giants CIC and the Equality Network. The programme completed its scoping phase in 2022/23, involving surveys and interviews of professionals working to advance equality in rural and island places and questioning how to build an intersectional network and approach to support their work. In 2022/24 we will be seeking funding to consolidate this project and build on the interest it has generated.

Strategic stakeholder engagement: In November 2022, we brought over 70 rural and island 'strategic' (i.e. second tier, public, or academic) organisations, together in Birnam for a hybrid event looking at how to strengthen collaboration on shaping policy. This is the first time an event like this has ever been organised and it saw new partnerships and connections emerge across normally siloed organisations, as well as paving the way for a collective approach to designing and delivering the 2023 Scottish Rural & Islands Parliament. Topics explored at the event included youth leadership, academic/community research, collaborating with the media, international connections and the role of culture in community development and shaping policy.

Communities across the UK: In May 2022, and in conjunction with the Scottish Islands Federation, we published our process review of the implementation of the UK Government's Levelling Up programme in Scotland. Building on the review, we have now established regular meetings with the UK Government's DLUHC to discuss community engagement with Levelling Up. A work-strand arising from these meetings is exploratory work to establish a cross-border learning exchange fund which would enable communities to share expertise through virtual or in-person events.

Communities across Europe: 2022-23 saw us strengthen our networks and connections with European organisations and institutions. We took a delegation of Scottish community organisations to the European Rural Parliament in Kielce, Poland in September 2022, where we delivered a workshop on building grassroots rural movements based, in part, on the research conducted by SRUC and Newcastle University. On our return to Scotland, we hosted a twenty-strong delegation from Asturias in Spain, designing a week of events where they met with communities in the Highlands, exchanging ideas on how to deliver local-led development programmes.

At the same time as building connections between communities and different stakeholders, we continued our work to channel grassroots expertise into shaping policy, contributing to a range of consultations including the Scottish Affairs Committee's call for evidence on the cost of living crisis in rural Scotland, and the Scottish Government's draft Agriculture Bill. Our staff and Directors sat on various expert working groups including the Scottish Government's Rural Visa Working Group. You can find information on our work here: www.sra.scot

We are grateful to our funders, in particular Scottish Rural Network and the Scottish Government, for their ongoing support of our work.

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FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial Review

The Scottish Government remains the primary core funder for Scottish Rural Action. The Board recognises an ongoing need to diversify SRA's income and are in the process of finalising a Fundraising Plan in line with our Strategic Plan.

2022-23 has seen us carry over a significant amount of funding into 2023-24. This funding consists of project costs related to the various thematic strands of the Scottish Rural & Islands Parliament which will be paid out in the run up or just after the main event in Fort William on 1-3 November.

During the year, Scottish Rural Action made a surplus of £5,764 (2022 - £33,679 deficit), with an increase in restricted funds to £32,122 (2022 - £16,000) and an decrease in unrestricted funds to £59,491 (2022 - £69,849).

Reserves policy

Scottish Rural Action seeks to retain reserves the equivalent of six months operating costs and sufficient to meet our obligations in full upon deciding to close the organisation. The Board is satisfied the necessary amount is available in unrestricted reserves at 31st March 2023.

FUTURE PLANS

Work in 2023/24 will inevitably focus on delivering the fifth Scottish Rural & Islands Parliament (SRIP) which will see 500 delegates attend the main event in Fort William in November 2023, followed by a roadshow which will engage with hundreds more. The event will also see the inaugural Scottish Rural & Islands Youth Parliament.

The SRIP is not a conference, but a participative democratic process which gives momentum and inspiration to strands of work taken forward by curator organisations. For this reason, it is not a distraction from business-as-usual, but core to our approach to building the rural movement - working collaboratively in order to highlight the strengths and solutions that exists in rural and island communities. The Youth Parliament alone is a partnership of over ten different organisations from Youth Scotland to Young Carers, the Young Islanders Network and the Scottish Association of Young Farmers Clubs, coordinated by Scottish Rural Action, whose young stakeholders will lead on designing and delivering the sessions.

You can find information here: www.srip.scot

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, articles of association, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

Staffing structure

The staffing structure of SRA during the year was as follows:

Artemis Pana - National Co-ordinator (0.8FTE)
Barbara Grieve - Research and Finance Officer (0.53 FTE)
Catriona Mallows - Campaigns and Communications Officer (0.8FTE)
Kate Turner - Regional Network Engagement Officer (0.3 FTE)
Innes Morgan - Youth Consultant (on a consultancy basis)

**Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023**

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Induction and training of new trustees

New members of the Board attend an induction meeting and are provided with an initial information pack containing previous minutes of Board meetings and literature associated with the business of the organisation. The Trustees receive ongoing, appropriate training by attendance at organisational development days, governance training as part of regular board meetings and other volunteer development sessions.

Risk management

The Trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

As with previous years, the trustees consider the greatest risk to SRA in the year to March 2023 was the reliance on one funder for core costs. Mitigating this is work on our Fundraising Strategy and careful stewardship of our resources, including our reserves.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

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Registered Charity number

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Trustees

G S M Harrison (resigned 22.2.23)
S K Boyd
P A Kennedy (resigned 4.10.23)
K Dams
T Morrison
D G Campbell (resigned 8.7.22)
B W Cameron
A Prior
D Logie
B M O'Hanrahan (appointed 24.3.23)
S E Tel (appointed 24.3.23)
A L B Spence (appointed 24.3.23)
A McGuinness (appointed 24.3.23)

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for the Year Ended 31 March 2023**

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Independent Examiner

Raymond Henry
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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 14 December 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'B W Cameron', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

B W Cameron - Trustee

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Scottish Rural Action

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2023 set out on pages eight to eighteen.

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 the independent examiner's report

My examination was 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 seeking explanations from you as 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 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 Accounts Regulations; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with Regulation 8 of the 2006 Accounts Regulationshave 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.



Raymond Henry
The Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales

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14 December 2023

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Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	31.3.23 Total funds £	31.3.22 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	121	-	121	130
Charitable activities	4				
Grants		-	144,942	144,942	84,000
Other trading activities	3	1,927	-	1,927	-
Total		<u>2,048</u>	<u>144,942</u>	<u>146,990</u>	<u>84,130</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities					
Charitable activities		10,468	128,820	139,288	117,809
Other		1,938	-	1,938	-
Total		<u>12,406</u>	<u>128,820</u>	<u>141,226</u>	<u>117,809</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(10,358)	16,122	5,764	(33,679)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		69,849	16,000	85,849	119,528
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>59,491</u></u>	<u><u>32,122</u></u>	<u><u>91,613</u></u>	<u><u>85,849</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

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**Balance Sheet
31 March 2023**

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	31.3.23 Total funds £	31.3.22 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	8	199	-	199	399
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash at bank and in hand		60,612	32,122	92,734	86,771
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	9	(1,320)	-	(1,320)	(1,321)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>59,292</u>	<u>32,122</u>	<u>91,414</u>	<u>85,450</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>59,491</u>	<u>32,122</u>	<u>91,613</u>	<u>85,849</u>
NET ASSETS		<u><u>59,491</u></u>	<u><u>32,122</u></u>	<u><u>91,613</u></u>	<u><u>85,849</u></u>
FUNDS					
Unrestricted funds	10			59,491	69,849
Restricted funds				32,122	16,000
TOTAL FUNDS				<u><u>91,613</u></u>	<u><u>85,849</u></u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 March 2023.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

The notes form part of these financial statements

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Balance Sheet - continued
31 March 2023

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 14 December 2023 and were signed on its behalf by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'B W Cameron', with a stylized flourish at the end.

B W Cameron - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

**Notes to the Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023**

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102). The financial statements have also been prepared in accordance with the Charities Accounts(Scotland) Regulations Act 2006 and the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005.

The charity is a public benefit entity as defined by FRS102.

The accounts are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the group. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest pound.

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all periods presented.

Critical accounting judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the Directors are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both the current and future periods

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Donations are recognised when the charity has been notified in writing of both the amount and settlement date. In the event that a donation is subject to conditions that require a level of performance before the charity is entitled to the funds, the income is deferred and not recognised until either those conditions are fully met or the fulfilment of those conditions is wholly within the control of the charity and it is probable that those conditions will be fulfilled in the reporting period.

Income from government and other grants, whether "capital" or "revenue" grants is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the grants have been met, it is probable that the income will be received, and the amount can be measured reliably and is not deferred.

Income received in advance of the provision of a specified service is deferred until the criteria for income recognition are met.

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. 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.

Governance costs

Governance costs (which are included as a component of support costs (in accordance with SORP) comprise all costs involving the public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice. These costs include those related to constitutional and statutory requirements, external scrutiny (audit or independent examination).

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Plant and machinery - 33% on cost

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charitable company's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

Going Concern

The Trustees are obliged to consider the appropriateness of the going concern assumption when preparing the financial statements. The Trustees believe that there are no material uncertainties affecting the charity's ability to continue as a going concern and, accordingly, the financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis.

Financial instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all its financial instruments.

**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Financial instruments are recognized in the charity's financial statements when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are only offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

Impairment of financial assets

Financial assets, other than those held at fair value through profit and loss, are assessed for indicators of impairment at each reporting end date.

Derecognition of financial assets

Financial assets are derecognised only when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire or are settled, or when the charity transfers the financial asset and substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership to another entity, or if some significant risks and rewards of ownership are retained but control of the asset has transferred to another party that is able to sell the asset in its entirety to an unrelated third party.

Classification of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities and equity instruments are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into. An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of the charity after deducting all of its liabilities.

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and loans are initially recognised at transaction price and are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of business from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short term liquid investment with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowing in current liabilities.

Provisions

Provisions are recognised where a legal or constructive obligation has been incurred which will probably lead to an outflow of resources that can be reasonably estimated. Provisions are recorded for the estimated ultimate liability that is expected to arise, taking into account the time value of money where material.

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

A contingent liability is disclosed where the existence of the obligation will only be confirmed by future events, or where the amount of the obligation cannot be measured with reasonable reliability. Contingent assets are not recognised but are disclosed where an inflow of economic benefits is probable.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	31.3.23	31.3.22
	£	£
Donations	121	130
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

3. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	31.3.23	31.3.22
	£	£
Other income	1,927	-
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

4. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	31.3.23	31.3.22
	£	£
Grants	144,942	84,000
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

Grants received, included in the above, are as follows:

	31.3.23	31.3.22
	£	£
Scottish Government	144,942	35,000
Scottish Government - 2021 Virtual Scottish Rural Parliament	-	49,000
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	<u>144,942</u>	<u>84,000</u>

5. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	31.3.23	31.3.22
	£	£
Independent examination fee	1,320	1,320
Depreciation - owned assets	200	200
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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6. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2023 nor for the year ended 31 March 2022.

Trustees' expenses

During the year to 31 March 2022 £nil (2021-£954) was reimbursed in expenses to the trustees.

7. STAFF COSTS

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	31.3.23	31.3.22
Administration	6	4
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Plant and machinery £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST			
At 1 April 2022 and 31 March 2023	1,234	599	1,833
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
DEPRECIATION			
At 1 April 2022	1,234	200	1,434
Charge for year	-	200	200
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
At 31 March 2023	1,234	400	1,634
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 March 2023	-	199	199
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
At 31 March 2022	-	399	399
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.23	31.3.22
	£	£
Accrued expenses	1,320	1,321
	<u>1,320</u>	<u>1,321</u>

10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.22	Net movement in funds	At 31.3.23
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	69,849	(10,358)	59,491
Restricted funds			
Scottish Government - 2021 Virtual			
Scottish Rural Parliament	16,000	(8,000)	8,000
Scottish Government	-	24,122	24,122
	<u>16,000</u>	<u>16,122</u>	<u>32,122</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>85,849</u>	<u>5,764</u>	<u>91,613</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Movement in funds
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	2,048	(12,406)	(10,358)
Restricted funds			
Scottish Government - 2021 Virtual			
Scottish Rural Parliament	-	(8,000)	(8,000)
Scottish Government	144,942	(120,820)	24,122
	<u>144,942</u>	<u>(128,820)</u>	<u>16,122</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>146,990</u>	<u>(141,226)</u>	<u>5,764</u>

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10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.22 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	119,489	(49,640)	69,849
Restricted funds			
Scottish Government - 2021 Virtual			
Scottish Rural Parliament	-	16,000	16,000
Impact/Voluntary Action Fund	39	(39)	-
	<u>39</u>	<u>15,961</u>	<u>16,000</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>119,528</u>	<u>(33,679)</u>	<u>85,849</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	35,130	(84,770)	(49,640)
Restricted funds			
Scottish Government - 2021 Virtual			
Scottish Rural Parliament	49,000	(33,000)	16,000
Impact/Voluntary Action Fund	-	(39)	(39)
	<u>49,000</u>	<u>(33,039)</u>	<u>15,961</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>84,130</u>	<u>(117,809)</u>	<u>(33,679)</u>

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11. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 March 2023.

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	31.3.23 £	31.3.22 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	121	130
Other trading activities		
Other income	1,927	-
Charitable activities		
Grants	144,942	84,000
Total incoming resources	<u>146,990</u>	<u>84,130</u>
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Wages	85,011	58,637
Pensions	5,071	5,666
Insurance	1,304	609
Telephone and communications	1,731	1,154
Marketing Materials	3,940	-
Sundries	13	13
Consultancy	6,233	5,097
Directors travel and subsistence	2,309	-
Computer software and subs	4,977	6,686
Other events	8,632	1,900
Staff travel and subsistence	5,455	778
Memberships	540	-
Training	540	-
Scottish Rural Parliament costs	-	4,653
Projects	11,934	31,000
Computer equipment	200	200
	<u>137,890</u>	<u>116,393</u>
Support costs		
Management		
Bank charges	78	96
Governance costs		
Independent examination fee	1,320	1,320
Board meeting expenses	1,938	-
	<u>3,258</u>	<u>1,320</u>

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	31.3.23 £	31.3.22 £
Total resources expended	141,226	117,809
Net income/(expenditure)	<u>5,764</u>	<u>(33,679)</u>

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