



Aden Allotments

Aden Community Allotment Association SCIO
Report and Financial Statements for the
period from 4 June 2018 (date of
incorporation) to 30 September 2019

Registered Charity No. SC048430

Charity Information

Charity Name Aden Community Allotment Association SCIO

Trustees
Donald Brown
Lorna Bruce
Paula Cordiner
Jim Dilworth
James Gardner
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Gordon Milne
Ann-Marie Seward
Ruth Smith (from 04/06/18 to 06/11/18)

Charity number SC048430

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Trustees Report

The trustees are pleased to present their report together with the financial statements for the period from 6 June 2018 (date of incorporation) to 30 September 2019.

Structure, Governance and Management

Constitution

The Charity is a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (a SCIO). It was registered in its current legal form on 4 June 2018. It has a two-tier structure consisting of the Members and the Board of Trustees.

Appointment of trustees

Trustees are appointed in accordance with the constitution.

Objectives and Activities

Charitable purposes

- 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 the facilities or activities are primarily intended.
- The advancement of environmental protection or improvement

Activities

Aden Community Allotments Association is an allotment site with 65 allotments situated in Mintlaw in the North east of Scotland. Money is raised for the benefit of the allotments, the members and for the wider local community.



During the period our charitable activities have included two Open Days and monthly “Tea in the Cabin”.

A “Restart a Heart” session was held in November 2018 for the benefit of the whole community. 73 people attended.



Achievements and Performance

Most of the money raised this year has gone towards a new cabin and toilet project which will have an estimated cost between £35k and £40k. This cabin will have 2 toilets (including 1 disabled), a storage area which will rehouse our existing shop and a washing up area. This is a very ambitious project and already the committee have spent well over a hundred hours on this. A small group of non-committee members have also been involved.



Aden Community Allotments were the lead partner raising funds and working with local people to provide defibrillators for the park and local communities. The initiative was so successful we were able to present six defibrillators to surrounding villages. We also organised training.

We also donated to

- Mintlaw Guides £100
- Mintlaw Christmas Lights £100
- Mintlaw Hall and Parks £100
- Mintlaw Armistice Day Wreath £25
- Ellon First Responders £100
- Buchan Development partnership £709

We have received grants from

- North Connect, £1500 for various tools and a rotavator. These are for lending to plotholders and for general onsite maintenance.
- Apache £10,326 for the purchase of a new log cabin. (Separate funding will be required to fit out cabin)
- Baillie Gifford £1850 for a new box profile insulated roof to cure a condensation problem in the existing cabin.

In October 2018 our chairperson won a “Hearts of Mintlaw” award for her fundraising in the local area.

“...It’s not that long ago that we didn’t have the Allotments in our community. What a fantastic asset they have become! As have the excellent team that manage the project there.”

Making A Difference ♡



At Haddo House in June 2019 in a ceremony more suited to the Oscars, Aden Allotments won “The Beautiful Aberdeenshire Environmental Award”



“Aden Community Allotments

Established just four years ago, the allotments now comprise 64 individual and family plots. The team nominated manage the day-to-day running of the site and add that extra “green” sparkle wherever they can. This includes opening plots to groups supporting disadvantaged people, plots for The

Foyer and other charities, a community orchard and demonstration plot, not to mention their regular Tea in the Cabin days. As many as 150 people come along to these days which contribute to family life in Mintlaw. Of course, reducing their carbon footprint is a major factor, as well as reducing food miles for local produce and supporting local wildlife and pollinators. The committee enthusiasm is infectious, and they put Mintlaw at the heart of everything they do. “

In September a fashion show was co-hosted with Mintlaw Community Church with the purpose of raising fund to provide new toilets both in the church and at the allotments.

The “Tea in the Cabin” events, held on the last Saturday of every month, have become an established feature in the local community. They are very popular attracting hundreds of visitors every month, even when the weather is bad. All the food on offer is homemade by the chairperson, Paula, a professional cook. Her breakfast pies are becoming famous! Surplus garden produce is sold at these events as well. It is partly because of the overwhelming success of Tea in the Cabin that the new cabin/toilets project came about. At present we have a basic composting toilet which is not suitable for these events.



2019 has been another successful growing season in spite of the less favourable weather conditions. We have found that, for many people, our larger plots are too big and by the end of the year we hope to add an extra 7 small plots bringing the total up to 72 We used the proceeds of September Tea in the Cabin to fund the setting up of 3 of these plots. Our ploholders this year included 3 community groups, Aberdeen Foyer, SAMH and Mintlaw Community Church.

There is a small shop, which sells gardening supplies to members at cost price. This will move into the new cabin with more space when it is ready.

In April a talk was given by Aberdeenshire Ranger Service on “Planting for Wildlife”. This well attended and members were shown how to attract various types of wildlife on their plots.

The Future

Things being considered for next year include regular donations to a food bank, cookery classes using seasonal produce grown on the plots and selling an allotment cookery book.

Developing our partnerships

We would like to work with other Aden Park user groups to create more opportunities that are mutual beneficial. These groups include the Men’s Shed, Friends of Aden and Aden Caravan and camping. Ideas could include working on joint events, sharing policies and procedures, celebrating achievements, planning, sharing resources, sharing links to web sites and social media pages and joint publicity.

Developing our community programme which take place in the cabins to include the wider community and targeted groups.

Extending our sub groups for allotment tasks to take some of the burden from the committee.

Developing a funding strategy and funding tracking system so we do not miss opportunities and remain sustainable.

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

A black rectangular box redacting the signature of Donald Brown.

Donald Brown
Secretary

11th November 2019

APPENDIX 3



Independent examiner's report on the accounts v2							
Report to the trustees/members of	Charity name Aden Community Allotment Association SCIO						
	Registered charity number sc048430						
On the accounts of the charity for the period	Period start date			to	Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
	4	June	2018		30	September	2019
Set out on pages	10 to 17				(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)		

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 [~~other than that disclosed on the attached page*~~]

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:

[Redacted Signature]

Date:

1/11/19

Name:

ALISON GREGG

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):

Address:

Buchan Development Partnership
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*Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply. If the words do apply, set out those matters which have come to your attention on the following page.

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Disclosure section

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material problems.

Give here brief details of
any items that the
examiner wishes to
disclose

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Receipts and payments accounts							
For the period from	Period start date			to	Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
		04	June		2018		30

Section A Statement of receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Expendable endowment funds to nearest £	Permanent endowment funds to nearest £	Total funds current period to nearest £	Total funds last period to nearest £
A1 Receipts						
Donations Received	5,663				5,663	
Legacies					-	
Grants Received		13,676			13,676	
Receipts from fundraising activities	17,131				17,131	
Gross trading receipts					-	
Other Income	1,378				1,378	
Rents from plots	3,210				3,210	
Gross receipts from other charitable activities					-	
					-	
A1 Sub total	27,382	13,676	-	-	41,058	-
A2 Receipts from asset & investment sales						
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets					-	
Proceeds from sale of investments					-	
A2 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	27,382	13,676	-	-	41,058	-
A3 Payments						
Expenses for fundraising activities	3,345				3,345	
Gross trading payments	9,121				9,121	
Investment management costs					-	
Payments relating directly to charitable activities					-	
Donations Made by ACAA	1,229				1,229	
Governance costs:					-	
Audit / independent examination					-	
Preparation of annual accounts	30				30	
Legal costs					-	
Other					-	
					-	
A3 Sub total	13,725	-	-	-	13,725	-
A4 Payments relating to asset and investment movements						
Purchases of fixed assets					-	
Purchase of investments					-	
A4 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	13,725	-	-	-	13,725	-
Net receipts / (payments)	13,657	13,676	-	-	27,333	-
A5 Transfers to / (from) funds					-	
Surplus / (deficit) for year	13,657	13,676	-	-	27,333	-

Section B Statement of balances

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Expendable endowment funds to nearest £	Permanent endowment funds to nearest £	Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cash and bank balances at start of year	-				-	
	Surplus / (deficit) shown on receipts and payments account	13,657	13,676			27,333	
						-	
	Cash and bank balances at end of year (Agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	13,657	13,676	-	-	27,333	-


B2 Investments	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Market valuation	Last year
			to nearest £	to nearest £
Total			-	-

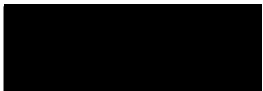
B3 Other assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (if available)	Current value (if available)	Last year
			to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
Total			-	-	-

B4 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due	Last year
			to nearest £	to nearest £
Total			-	-

B5 Contingent liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (estimate)	Last year
			to nearest £	to nearest £
Total			-	-

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Donald Brown	1/11/19
	Lorna M Bruce	1/11/19



Section C Notes to the Accounts

C1 Nature and purpose of funds (may be stated on analysis of funds worksheets)

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C2 Grants

	Individual / institution	Number of grants made	£
Total			-

C3a Trustee remuneration

If no remuneration was paid during the period to any charity trustee or person connected to a trustee cross this box (otherwise complete section 3b)	x
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C3b Trustee remuneration - details

	£

C4a Trustee expenses

If no expenses were paid to any charity trustee during the period then cross this box (otherwise complete section 4b)	x
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C4b Trustee expenses - details

	Number of trustees	£

C5 Transactions with trustees and connected persons

Nature of relationship	Nature of transaction	Transaction amount (£)	Balance outstanding at period end (£)

C6 Other information

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Additional analysis (1)

Analysis of receipts and payments

1 Donations

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Expendable endowment funds to nearest £	Permanent endowment funds to nearest £	Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
Various Donations to ACAA	402				402	
ACAA Balance prior to 4/6/18	5,261				5,261	
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
Total	5,663	-	-	-	5,663	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-

2 Grants

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
North Connect		1,500	1,500	
Apache		10,326	10,326	
Baillie Gifford		1,850	1,850	
			-	
Total	-	13,676	13,676	-
	-	-	-	-

3 Gross receipts from other charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Expendable endowment funds to nearest £	Permanent endowment funds to nearest £	Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-

4 Payments relating directly to charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Expendable endowment funds to nearest £	Permanent endowment funds to nearest £	Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-

Additional analysis (2)

5 Breakdown of unrestricted funds

	Unrestricted fund 1 - enter name of fund below	Unrestricted fund 2 - enter name of fund below	Unrestricted fund 3 - enter name of fund below	Unrestricted fund 4 - enter name of fund below	Total unrestricted funds	Total unrestricted funds last period
Receipts						
Donations received	5,663				5,663	
Legacies					-	
Grants					-	
Receipts from fundraising activities	17,131				17,131	
Gross trading receipts	1,378				1,378	
buildings					-	
Rents from plots	3,210				3,210	
Gross receipts from other charitable activities					-	
Sub total	27,382	-	-	-	27,382	-
Receipts from asset & investment sales						
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets					-	
Proceeds from sale of investments					-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	27,382	-	-	-	27,382	-
Payments						
Expenses for fundraising activities	3,345				3,345	
Gross trading payments	9,121				9,121	
Investment management costs					-	
Payments relating directly to charitable activities					-	
Donations by ACAA					-	
Mintlaw Guides	100				100	
Mintlaw Christmas Lights	100				100	
Armistice Day Wreath	25				25	
Mintlaw Hall & Park	100				100	
Ellon 1st Responders	100				100	
Buchan Development Partnership	709				709	
Other Small Donations	95				95	
Governance costs:					-	
Audit / independent examination	30				30	
Preparation of annual accounts					-	
Legal costs					-	
Sub total	13,725	-	-	-	13,725	-
Payments relating to asset and investment movements						
Purchases of fixed assets					-	
Purchase of investments					-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	13,725	-	-	-	13,725	-
Net receipts / (payments)	13,657	-	-	-	13,657	-
Transfers to / (from) funds					-	
Surplus / (deficit) for year	13,657	-	-	-	13,657	-

Nature and purpose of funds

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Additional analysis (3)

6 Breakdown of restricted funds

	Restricted fund 1 - enter name of fund below	Restricted fund 2 - enter name of fund below	Restricted fund 3 - enter name of fund below	Restricted fund 4 - enter name of fund below	Total restricted funds	Total restricted funds last period
	Tools Project	Cabin Project				
Receipts						
Donations					-	
Legacies					-	
Grants	1,500	12,176			13,676	
Receipts from fundraising activities					-	
Gross trading receipts					-	
Income from investments other than land and buildings					-	
Rents from land & buildings					-	
Gross receipts from other charitable activities					-	
Sub total	1,500	12,176	-	-	13,676	-
Receipts from asset & investment sales						
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets					-	
Proceeds from sale of investments					-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	1,500	12,176	-	-	13,676	-
Payments						
Expenses for fundraising activities					-	
Gross trading payments					-	
Investment management costs					-	
Payments relating directly to charitable activities					-	
Grants and donations					-	
Governance costs:					-	
Audit / independent examination					-	
Preparation of annual accounts					-	
Legal costs					-	
					-	
					-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Payments relating to asset and investment movements						
Purchases of fixed assets					-	
Purchase of investments					-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net receipts / (payments)	1,500	12,176	-	-	13,676	-
Transfers to / (from) funds						
					-	
Surplus / (deficit) for year	1,500	12,176	-	-	13,676	-
Nature and purpose of funds						