

Scottish Charity No. SC040106
Scottish Company Registration No. SC351910

Sustaining Dunbar
(a company limited by guarantee)

Directors' Report and Financial Statements
Year ended 30 November 2025

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Report of the Directors *for the year ended 30 November 2025*

The Directors (who are also Trustees for the purposes of charity law) are pleased to present their report together with the financial statements of the company for the year to 30 November 2025.

Status of Charity and governing document

Sustaining Dunbar (“the Trust”) is a company limited by guarantee (Number SC351910) with the liability of members limited to £1 each. The Trust is controlled by the terms of its Memorandum and Articles of Association and it is a registered Scottish charity (Number SC040106).

Registered Office

27 High Street
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Objectives and aims

The principal objects of the Trust, as stated in the Memorandum and Articles of Association are:

- to advance education and, in particular, to promote opportunities for learning for the benefit of the general public;
- to advance environmental protection and improvement in the community through the provision, maintenance and/or improvement of public open space, other public amenities and other environmental and regeneration projects (but subject to appropriate safeguards to ensure that the public benefits so arising clearly outweigh any private benefit thereby conferred on private landowners);
- to relieve those in need by the promotion of trade and industry within the community for the benefit of the general public;
- to encourage, stimulate and support volunteering, principally in the community; and
- to advance citizenship and/or community development (including the provision of civic responsibility and the promotion of the voluntary sector).

But such that the Trust shall do so following principles of sustainable development.

Sustaining Dunbar is a Community Development Trust and a member of the East Lothian Climate Network. Its aim is to bring people together to plan and start creating a positive and locally resilient future for the Dunbar and East Linton locality as we move away from reliance on fossil fuels and reduce our carbon and ecological footprints.

Directors and appointment of Directors

Directors (also Trustees)

J Bell

J M McNamara

Dr P Revell

T Greene

D Smeed

M James

S Wasser (resigned 21/06/2025)

K Mcleod (resigned 10/07/2025)

Members of the Board of Directors are elected from the membership at the AGM. At each AGM one third of the Directors resign and are eligible for re-election. The Council may at any time decide to appoint a member of the company as a Director to fill a casual vacancy and also appoint a chairman and vice-chairman from among their number. The maximum number of directors shall be ten; out of that number, no more than seven shall be Member Directors and no more than three shall be Co-opted Directors. The minimum number of Directors shall be no less than three, of whom a majority must be member Directors.

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Achievements and performance

Whilst our fifteen year ‘Local Resilience Action Plan’ (2010-2025) continues to provide a guiding framework for Sustaining Dunbar’s activities and priorities, we are now towards the end of the period, and much has changed (such as the Covid-19 pandemic).

We continue to engage with our members and other local stakeholders through a series of themed events, shared meals, films, climate cafes, discussions and workshops. New projects in 2025 included seeking to acquire Belhaven Community Garden (presently managed by agreement with NHS Lothian) through a Community Asset Transfer, provision of a Cargo Bike for short-term loans to encourage possible purchasers, the setting up of a volunteer run ‘community heat team’ to carry out thermal imaging surveys for households concerned about energy efficiency in the home and the ‘Rivers Project, a pilot project intended to help kickstart landscape scale nature restoration across the East Lammermuir area.

Our main volunteer project has been the continuing development of Belhaven Community Garden and orchard in the grounds of NHS Belhaven Hospital. This project continues to create a therapeutic Space – for peace and relaxation, for staff, patients, visitors and local people....a growing space –for herbs, flowers, fruit and vegetables, for anyone who wants to come together with others in a supportive, sharing environment....a learning space –for sharing practical food growing and land-care skills, for all ages and abilities. Problems with the Hospital’s water supply and subsequent disconnection of water from the garden meant a temporary suspension of activities by the local groups who had been using the garden, and once again we were unable to open our Apple Day to the wider public. Sales of organic fruit, vegetables and preserves to our Community Greengrocer and Wholefoods Shop continued, and our Juicing equipment was used by a variety of local fruit growers in and around Dunbar, East Linton and Tynninghame. With the closure of Belhaven Hospital, in 2024, when all patients were transferred we are now, as stated above, seeking to bring the Community Garden into community ownership so that it can continue to exist and further develop.

Carey Douglas, our Volunteer Coordinator, has continued running three garden outreach projects, supported by, among others, the Amos Trust and the Robertson Trust. These are: The Belhaven Green Team; Intergenerational Volunteering Belhaven Buddies and Beehive Buddies. Work on the Belhaven Brewery Garden has ceased, with the brewery not renewing their contract with us.

Strategic Involvement & Planning: Sustaining Dunbar continued to play an active role in ELCAN (East Lothian Climate Action Network) and the newly established East Lothian Climate Hub.

We continued active membership of Dunbar & East Linton Area Partnership and played an active role in developing the Local Place Plan.

We have continued to maintain and support the use of our ‘OurLocality’ web platform providing websites for local organizations and projects, strengthening local links and networks and contributing to our goal of building local resilience.

The River catchment Restoration Project aims to kickstart action to implement landscape scale restoration of biodiversity. We believe that landscape scale regeneration is essential for restoring biodiversity as well as for adaptation to climate change and reducing flood risk to downstream settlements (West Barns being particularly vulnerable). Our Pilot Project is exploring how landowners and members of the wider community can work together to restore biodiversity, to create a local landscape that is better adapted to climate change and in which opportunities for nature recovery are increased significantly. In June 2025 we received a small amount of funding (£13,500) from the [Neighbourhood Ecosystem Fund](#) to enable us to work in partnership with [Forth Rivers Trust](#) to make a start with mapping and to develop a programme of community engagement activities as a pilot for landscape scale restoration of habitats across East Lammermuir. This funding was matched by a grant from East Lammermuir Community Benefits.

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Achievements and performance (cont'd)

Climate Action East Linton (CAEL) set up various local projects, and continued tree planting at Twa Burns Wood.

The Fixing for the Future Project, now funded by the National Lottery, continued to expand its range of tools in the tool Library, runs various repair workshops and cafes.

Dunbar Bike Hub, based at Hallhill, has continued operating, following a successful bid to the Investing in Communities Fund. Working alongside [The Ridge](#), activities include finding homes for donated bikes, training refugees and providing a drop-in workshop.

Sustaining Dunbar continued to support the Pledgehog project aiming to improve the local environment for hedgehogs to thrive.

The Coastal Connections project, initially ran through the summer of 2025, was an invitation to people to explore and connect with our coastal environments from the salt marsh of Belhaven Bay to the astonishing geology of Whitesands/Barns Ness. Activities included: rock pool guddles with the Countryside Rangers, meet the Kittiwake Warden and the kittiwakes too, a geology walk and discover what the shoreline can tell us about how our landscapes and environments were formed, and 'Shore Lines and Tide Marks' exhibition for John Muir's Birthplace.

Wild about West Barns is an intergenerational community group celebrating all things WILD and WONDERFUL about West Barns. People came together in 2025 as a collection of local folk and neighbours keen to celebrate and look after West Barns' unique history and landscape and share it with as many people as possible. Activities have included tree planting and a migratory bird walk.

Other ongoing projects include Insulate Innerwick – a research project to investigate the feasibility of a comprehensive retrofit and energy efficiency programme in a small rural settlement.

Future plans

We will seek to acquire ownership of the Community Garden in Belhaven Hospital grounds.

We will continue to explore options for future community involvement in renewable energy generation and storage as well as support for energy demand reduction.

We hope to further develop the pledgehog project by encouraging hedgehog-friendly garden features and wildlife corridors. We will also seek to enable ambitious landscape scale projects to restore biodiversity through collaborative efforts between landowners/farmers and the wider community and, in March 2026, secured funding to recruit a project worker and enable the development of a portfolio of 'shovel ready', fundable, habitat enhancement and restoration projects

We will continue to liaise with groups and agencies to promote Community Development, resilience and sustainability.

Financial review

Results for the year

The financial statements for the year are set out in pages 6 to 12. The Statement of Financial Activities on page 6 reflects a surplus of £28,939 (2024: deficit of £630). Before fund transfers there was a deficit of £4,230 (2024: deficit £4,753) on the company's general fund activities, a deficit of £364 (2024: deficit £364) on designated assets and a surplus of £33,533 (2024: surplus £4,487) on restricted funds. Total funds amounted to £89,061 (2024: £60,122).

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Reserves

The Directors have examined the charity's requirements for reserves in light of the main risks to the organisation. A policy has been established whereby the unrestricted funds should be sufficient to allow the charity to explore new projects and apply for funding of the same. The Directors have set a target of £20,000 of unrestricted funds to allow the short-term costs of the charity to be met in the event of an unexpected funding shortfall.

The present level of reserves available to the charity of £13,003 is falling short of the target. The strategy is to continue to build reserves through planned operating surpluses.

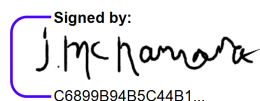
Statement on risk

The Directors plan to embark on a review of the major risks to which the charity is exposed. A risk register will be established and updated at least annually. Where appropriate, systems or procedures will be established to mitigate the risks the charity faces. The Charity has always had significant external risks to funding due to the reliance on grants for projects. This has been managed by the Directors and continues to be a risk but has led to the development of a strategic plan which will allow for the diversification of funding and activities. Internal control risks are minimised by the implementation of procedures for authorisation of all transactions and projects. Procedures are in place to ensure compliance with health and safety of staff and volunteers. These procedures are periodically reviewed to ensure that they continue to meet the needs of the charity.

Small company provisions

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions for small companies under Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees

Signed by:

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J M McNamara

Trustee/Director

Date: 29 May 2026

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Report of the Independent Examiner to the Trustees *for the year ended 30 November 2025*

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 30 November 2025 which are set out on pages 6 to 12.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and examiner

The Charity's trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) 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 trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (a) to (c) of the 2006 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 2006 Accounts Regulations (as amended). 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 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 (as amended), and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 8 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations (as amended)

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.

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Jonathan Innes

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Jonathan N Innes FCCA
Managing Director

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Chartered Certified Accountants

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Date: 29 May 2026

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Statement of Financial Activities (incorporating Income and Expenditure Account)

For the year ended 30 November 2025

	Notes	General fund £	Designated fund £	Restricted funds £	2025 Total £	2024 Total £
Income and endowments from:						
Donations		1,575	-	17,181	18,756	12,437
Charitable activities	2	2,749	-	95,956	98,705	106,727
Total income and endowments		4,324	-	113,137	117,461	119,164
Expenditure on:						
Charitable activities	3	8,554	364	79,604	88,522	119,794
Total expenditure		8,554	364	79,604	88,522	119,794
Net (expenditure)/income		(4,230)	(364)	33,533	28,939	(630)
Transfers between funds	11,12	8,072	-	(8,072)	-	-
Net movement in funds		3,842	(364)	25,461	28,939	(630)
Total funds brought forward		9,522	364	50,236	60,122	60,752
Total funds carried forward	11,12	13,364	-	75,697	89,061	60,122
Represented by:						
Unrestricted funds	11					
General		13,364	-	-	13,364	9,522
Designated Funds	11					
Designated		-	-	-	-	364
Restricted funds	12					
Community & Growing		-	-	16,422	16,422	11,613
Transition Scotland Support		-	-	25	25	25
Belhaven Community Garden		-	-	4,581	4,581	2,412
BCG Community Asset Transfer Project		-	-	1,491	1,491	2,943
CAEL		-	-	1,277	1,277	1,277
Community Energy Projects		-	-	6,202	6,202	7,991
Hedgehog Project		-	-	2,058	2,058	-
Cargo Bike		-	-	725	725	775
Dunbar Bike Hub		-	-	4,233	4,233	2,980
East Linton Tree Planting Project		-	-	1,231	1,231	1,231
Fixing for the Future		-	-	15,849	15,849	17,989
Treescape		-	-	1,000	1,000	1,000
Rivers Project		-	-	19,240	19,240	-
Community Heat Teams		-	-	1,363	1,363	-
Total funds		13,364	-	75,697	89,061	60,122

The notes on pages 7 to 13 form part of these financial statements.

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Balance sheet

As at 30 November 2025

	Notes	General fund £	Designated fund £	Restricted funds £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Fixed assets						
Tangible assets	8	-	-	-	-	364
Current assets						
Debtors	9	912	-	-	912	724
Cash at bank and in hand		13,976	-	81,802	95,778	62,386
		14,888	-	81,802	96,690	63,110
Creditors: falling due within one year	10	(1,524)	-	(6,105)	(7,629)	(3,352)
Net current assets		13,364	-	75,697	89,061	59,758
Total assets less current liabilities		13,364	-	75,697	89,061	60,122
Net assets		13,364	-	75,697	89,061	60,122
Represented by:						
General fund	11	13,364	-	-	13,364	9,522
Designated fund	11	-	-	-	-	364
Restricted funds	12	-	-	75,697	75,697	50,236
		13,364	-	75,697	89,061	60,122

For the year ending 30 November 2025 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

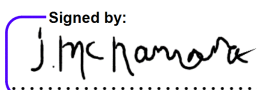
Directors' responsibilities;

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and preparation of the accounts.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP 2015 (FRS 102) and the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board on 29 May 2026 and signed on their behalf by:

Signed by:


J M McNamara
 Director (Chair)

The notes on pages 7 to 13 form part of these financial statements.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 November 2025

1. Accounting policies

Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Companies Act 2006, the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended).

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention and are presented in sterling which is the functional currency of the charity.

The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are set out below. The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

Basis of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared on an accruals basis.

Income and debtors

All income is recognised once the charity has entitlement to the income, there is sufficient certainty of receipt and it is probable that the income will be received, and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably. Debtors are valued at cost at the period end and adjusted for any amounts considered to be unrecoverable.

Expenditure and creditors

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 settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis. All expenses, including support costs and governance costs, are allocated between the expense categories of the SoFA on a basis designed to reflect the use of the resource. Creditors are valued at cost at the period end and split between amounts due in less than one period and amounts due in more than one period.

Tangible fixed assets

Fixed assets are included at cost. Depreciation is provided at a rate in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Plant and machinery	20% straight line
Fixtures, fitting and equipment	20% straight line

Taxation

The Charity is exempt from Corporation Tax on its charitable activities.

Statement of Financial Activities

For the purpose of the Statement of Financial Activities as shown on page 6, funds are defined as follows:

Unrestricted funds comprise income received for the objects of the company without further specified purpose and are available as general funds or are placed with designated funds which can be used for purposes in agreement with its charitable objectives.

Designated fund represents the value of fixed assets.

Restricted funds comprise income which has been received for the objects of the company and specified for a restricted purpose within these objects by the donor.

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Charitable activities - income	General fund	Restricted funds	2025 Total	2024 Total
	£	£	£	£
Project grants	-	89,732	89,732	96,619
Miscellaneous income	2,749	6,224	8,973	10,108
	2,749	95,956	98,705	106,727

Income from charitable activities in 2024 was £106,727: £9,155 was unrestricted and £97,572 was restricted.

Charitable activities - expenditure	Staff costs	Direct and support costs	2025 Total	2024 Total
	£	£	£	£
Charitable activities	55,258	33,264	88,522	119,794
	55,258	33,264	88,522	119,794
	<i>(note 5)</i>	<i>(note 7)</i>		

Of which:

Relating to unrestricted funds	-	8,554	8,554	16,253
Relating to designated funds	-	364	364	364
Relating to restricted funds	55,258	24,346	79,604	103,177

Liability of Members

The company is limited by guarantee, with the liability of each member limited to £1. There were 568 (2024: 584) members at year end.

Staff costs and numbers	2025	2024
	£	£
Contract workers	55,258	57,214
	55,258	57,214

The average number of employees during the year was nil (2024: nil). There are no employees receiving pay exceeding £60,000. 5 (2024: 5) contract workers were utilised during the year, costs are shown in note 5.

Transactions with Directors and related parties

No Director received remuneration or expenses from the charity (2024: nil).

There were no transactions with related parties during the year. The Directors have no financial interest in the charity's surplus or assets and received no remuneration for acting in that capacity.

During the year donations received from trustees/directors totalled £144 (2024: £32), of which £115 was general (2024: £32), £nil was designated (2024: £nil), and £29 was restricted (2024: £nil).

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7. Direct and support costs	General fund	Designated fund	Restricted funds	Total 2025	Total 2024
	£	£	£	£	£
Project and garden costs	588	-	2,848	3,436	7,766
Training, development and travel costs	25	-	21	46	-
Awards and grants	-	-	-	-	2,042
Miscellaneous expense	200	-	534	734	694
Rent and rates	205	-	685	890	973
Publicity and events	-	-	-	-	42
Insurance	2,548	-	74	2,622	2,313
Office and consumables	2,563	-	737	3,300	878
IT support	372	-	-	372	366
Legal and professional costs	40	-	19,447	19,487	45,489
Subscriptions	489	-	-	489	201
Independent Examiner's remuneration	1,524	-	-	1,524	1,452
Depreciation	-	364	-	364	364
	8,554	364	24,346	33,264	62,580

Support costs have not been separately identified as the trustees consider that there is only one charitable activity.

Expenditure on charitable activities in 2024 was £62,580: £8,656 was unrestricted, £364 was designated and £53,560 was restricted.

8. Tangible fixed assets

	Plant and machinery	Fixtures, fittings and equipment	Total
	£	£	£
Cost			
At 1 December 2024	5,809	8,221	14,030
Additions	-	-	-
At 30 November 2025	5,809	8,221	14,030
Depreciation			
At 1 December 2024	5,809	7,857	13,666
Charge for year	-	364	364
At 30 November 2025	5,809	8,221	14,030
Net book value			
At 30 November 2025	-	-	-
At 30 November 2024	-	364	364

9. Debtors: amounts falling due within one year

	General fund	Designated fund	Restricted funds	Total 2025	Total 2024
	£	£	£	£	£
Other debtors	912	-	-	912	724
	912	-	-	912	724

10. Creditors: falling due within one year

	General fund	Designated fund	Restricted funds	Total 2025	Total 2024
	£	£	£	£	£
Accrued expenses	1,524	-	6,105	7,629	3,352
	1,524	-	6,105	7,629	3,352

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11. Unrestricted fund	Balance at 01.12.24	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Balance at 30.11.25
	£	£	£	£	£
General fund	9,522	4,324	(8,554)	8,072	13,364
Designated fund	364	-	(364)	-	-
Total unrestricted fund	9,886	4,324	(8,918)	8,072	13,364

	Balance at 01.12.23	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Balance at 30.11.24
	£	£	£	£	£
General fund	9,207	11,500	(16,253)	5,068	9,522
Designated fund	728	-	(364)	-	364
Total unrestricted fund	9,935	11,500	(16,617)	5,068	9,886

The General fund represents all income and expenditure relating to the primary focus activities of the charity, other than those for which funding is restricted.

The Designated fund represents the value of fixed assets.

12. Restricted funds	Balance at 01.12.24	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Balance at 30.11.25
	£	£	£	£	£
Community & Growing	11,613	33,859	(23,380)	(5,670)	16,422
Transition Scotland Support	25	-	-	-	25
Belhaven Community Garden	2,412	3,370	(851)	(350)	4,581
BCG Community Asset Transfer Project	2,943	10,812	(12,264)	-	1,491
CAEL	1,277	-	-	-	1,277
Community Energy Projects	7,991	-	(289)	(1,500)	6,202
Hedgehog Project	-	3,991	(3,995)	2,062	2,058
Cargo Bike	775	-	(50)	-	725
Dunbar Bike Hub	2,980	2,211	(958)	-	4,233
East Linton Tree Planting Project	1,231	-	-	-	1,231
Fixing for the Future	17,989	28,790	(28,293)	(2,637)	15,849
Treescape	1,000	-	-	-	1,000
Rivers Project	-	28,500	(9,260)	-	19,240
Community Heat Teams	-	1,554	(191)	-	1,363
Wild about West Barns	-	50	(73)	23	-
Total restricted funds	50,236	113,137	(79,604)	(8,072)	75,697

	Balance at 01.12.23	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Balance at 30.11.24
	£	£	£	£	£
Community & Growing	18,534	18,876	(22,790)	(3,007)	11,613
Transition Scotland Support	25	-	-	-	25
Belhaven Community Garden	2,783	1,914	(1,985)	(300)	2,412
BCG Community Asset Transfer Project	-	3,000	(57)	-	2,943
CAEL	1,701	367	(791)	-	1,277
Chicken Coop	606	478	(1,143)	59	-
Community Energy Projects	13,419	17,053	(21,412)	(1,069)	7,991
Hedgehog Project	(280)	5,538	(5,441)	183	-
Cargo Bike	-	1,839	(1,064)	-	775
Dunbar Bike Hub	-	3,260	(280)	-	2,980
East Linton Tree Planting Project	500	731	-	-	1,231
Treescape	-	1,000	-	-	1,000
Fixing for the Future	13,528	29,509	(24,017)	(1,031)	17,989
Connecting Dunbar	1	24,099	(24,197)	97	-
Total restricted funds	50,817	107,664	(103,177)	(5,068)	50,236

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12. Explanation of Funds (Continued)

The Community & Growing Project Fund, (previously Outreach Gardener) based at Belhaven Community Garden, aims to involve the wider local community in a range of growing activities, including schools, businesses and individuals. Individuals, groups and businesses will be encouraged to use and appreciate the benefits of green spaces, and be supported and educated in using, growing and selling plants.

The Transition Scotland Support fund represents funds held on behalf of community groups across Scotland that are affiliated to the Transition Network.

The Belhaven Community Garden fund represents grants received for development of the community garden from Cala Homes and Co-op Local Causes Fund.

The CAEL fund represents funds received for a range of community activities undertaken by Climate Action East Linton, including habitat restoration, phone box projects, educational meetings and carbon reduction projects.

The Chicken Coop fund represents funding contributed by participating families cooperative and held on behalf of the co-operatively run chicken coop project at Dunbar Grammar School.

The Community Energy Projects fund represent funds granted by Local Energy Scotland through the Scottish Government's CARES schem for research into the potential for local energy storage based on use of a hydrogen electrolyser and into the potential for a community owned solar farm. This also includes *Insulate Innerwick*, as well as plans to set up Renewable Energy generation for community benefit. Insulate Innerwick is a research project to investigate comprehensive domestic insulation in a small settlement.

Dunbar's Hedgehog Project aims to increase the hedgehog population by improving and linking habitats, and informing and motivating the local community about hedgehog-friendly practices.

The East Linton Tree Planting Project fund represents money collected by Climate Action East Linton (CAEL formerly called Melting Pot, a local Sustaining Dunbar group) to be spent on tree planting in and around East Linton.

The Fixing for a Future fund (previously CCF Fixing for the Future) is a National Lottery grant funded project comprising Fixing for the Future project, East Linton Tool Library and support to local reuse projects and related CAEL activities.

Connecting Dunbar is a project to produce plans improving active travel access across Dunbar. The project is currently funded by the Places for Everyone programme delivered by Sustrans Scotland, on behalf of Transport Scotland.

The Treescape fund represents funds held for a project to assist with greening Dunbar's urban Landscape.

The Cargo Bike fund represents funds for providing a well-equipped cargo bike on short term loan to people considering buying a cargo bike for themselves.

The BCG Community Asset Transfer Project represents funds for activities in pursuit of acquiring the site of Belhaven Community Garden through a Community Asset Transfer.

The Dunbar Bike Hub based at Hallhill, has continued operating, following a successful bid to Investing in Communities Fund. Working alongside The Ridge, activities included finding homes for donated bikes, training refugees and providing a drop-in workshop.

The Community Heat Teams fund represents funds for trained volunteers carrying out Heat Loss Surveys of houses, and providing reports to occupants, covering Dunbar, Innerwick and East Linton.

Wild About West Barns is a project to engage and celebrate with community members in West Barns the local nature environment. Any shortfall will be underwritten from unrestricted funds.

The Rivers Project aims to kickstart action to implement landscape scale restoration of biodiversity, starting with watercourses.

13. Fund Transfers

The main reason for fund transfers is to distribute percentages of funding and to cover increased costs or overspends. £300 was transferred from the Belhaven Community Garden fund to the general fund as a contribution to central expenses. Likewise, £1,500 was transferred from the Insulate Innerwick fund within the Community Energy Project, £1,300 transferred from Fixing for the Future fund and a total of £2,200 transferred from the Outreach Gardner fund within the Community & Growing fund, to the general fund as contributions to central expenses. £50 was transferred from the Belhaven Community Garden fund to the Outreach Gardener fund within the Community & Growing fund to cover the extra cost of the Beehive Nursery lawnmower. £1,743 was transferred from the general fund to the Hedgehog Project to cover the deficit on this fund. Likewise, £23 was transferred from the general fund to the Wild About West Barns fund to cover the deficit on this fund. The Belhaven Brewery project has now ended and the closing balance of £4,147 was transferred to the general fund. £867 was transferred from the general fund to the Fixing for the Future fund to reverse an historic duplicated transfer. £627 was transferred from the general fund to the Community & Growing fund to cover income allocated to the general fund. £319 was transferred from the general fund to the Hedgehog Project fund to cover income allocated to the general fund. £1,337 was transferred from Fixing for the Future fund to the general fund to cover expenditure allocated to the general fund.

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14. Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 30 November 2024

	General fund £	Designated fund £	Restricted funds £	Total 2024 £
Income and endowments from:				
Donations	2,345	-	10,092	12,437
Charitable activities	9,155	-	97,572	106,727
Total income and endowments	11,500	-	107,664	119,164
Expenditure on:				
Charitable activities	16,253	364	103,177	119,794
Total expenditure	16,253	364	103,177	119,794
Net (expenditure)/income	(4,753)	(364)	4,487	(630)
Transfers between funds	5,068	-	(5,068)	-
Net movement in funds	315	(364)	(581)	(630)
Total funds brought forward	9,207	728	50,817	60,752
Total funds carried forward	9,522	364	50,236	60,122
Represented by:				
Unrestricted funds				
<i>General</i>	9,522	-	-	9,522
Designated Funds				
<i>Designated</i>	-	364	-	364
Restricted funds				
<i>Community & Growing</i>	-	-	11,613	11,613
<i>Transition Scotland Support</i>	-	-	25	25
<i>Belhaven Community Garden</i>	-	-	2,412	2,412
<i>BCG Community Asset Transfer Project</i>	-	-	2,943	2,943
<i>CAEL</i>	-	-	1,277	1,277
<i>Community Energy Projects</i>	-	-	7,991	7,991
<i>Cargo Bike</i>	-	-	775	775
<i>Dunbar Bike Hub</i>	-	-	2,980	2,980
<i>East Linton Tree Planting Project</i>	-	-	1,231	1,231
<i>Fixing for the Future</i>	-	-	17,989	17,989
<i>Treescape</i>	-	-	1,000	1,000
Total funds	9,522	364	50,236	60,122