ANGUS COUNCIL CHARITABLE TRUST

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER SC044695

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Trustees' Annual Report

1. INTRODUCTION

This is the seventh Trustees' Annual Report for Angus Council Charitable Trust. This follows approval from the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR) to consolidate 97 registered charities and 42 non-registered Trusts into a new single charity: Angus Council Charitable Trust. The charity was formed under a Deed of Trust dated 27 February 2014 and the transfer was effected as at 1 August 2014.

The Trustees present this annual report together with a statement of financial activities and balance sheet for the year ended 31 March 2021.

ADMINISTRATION INFORMATION

Charity Name	Angus Council Charitable Trust
Charity Number	SC044695
Principal / Contact Address	Angus Council Director of Finance Angus House Orchardbank Business Park Forfar Angus DD8 1AF
Trustees	Councillor Julie Bell Councillor Brian Boyd Councillor Kenny Braes Councillor Colin Brown Councillor David Cheape Councillor Braden Davy Councillor Braden Davy Councillor Brenda Durno Councillor Brenda Durno Councillor David Fairweather Councillor Craig Fotheringham Councillor Sheila Hands Councillor Alex King Councillor Ben Lawrie Councillor Angus Macmillan Douglas Councillor Angus Macmillan Douglas Councillor Mark McDonald Councillor Ian McLaren Councillor Bob Myles Councillor Gavin Nicol Councillor Ronnie Proctor Councillor Mark Salmond Councillor Ions Speed Councillor Ron Sturrock Councillor Derek Wann Councillor Beth Whiteside
Auditor	Rachel Browne Senior Audit Manager Audit Scotland 4 th Floor, 102 West Port Edinburgh EH3 9DN

Investment Managers	Investec Wealth & Investment 15 Lauriston Place Edinburgh EH3 9EN

2. STRUCTURE AND GOVERNANCE

The Angus Council Charitable Trust is registered with the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR).

The charity is governed by a deed of trust, disposed and conveyed by the Office of the Scottish Charities Regulator (OSCR), dated 27 February 2014 and recorded in the Scottish Charity Register. The charity is administered in line with the terms contained within the deed of trust.

The trustees for the charity are all 28 members of Angus Council who were appointed on 16 May 2017 at its statutory meeting following the local government elections. The trust is split into seven geographical areas, based on the council's current ward boundaries (wards 6 and 7 are combined).

The Director of Legal & Democratic Services is the designated officer within Angus Council with responsibility for the proper administration of the charity. The Director of Finance is the designated officer within Angus Council with responsibility for the proper administration of the charity's financial affairs, including the maintenance of proper accounting records and ensuring that the financial statements comply with the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended).

3. MANAGEMENT OF FUNDS AND INVESTMENT POLICY

Decisions regarding the overall operation and management of the charity are taken by the Trustees on the basis of simple majority. Decisions regarding consideration of applications for support up to a level of £1,000 per application, have been delegated to the members for the relevant council ward and are also taken on the basis of simple majority.

The Trustees arrange for the funds of the charity to be held in an interest bearing account or otherwise invested in an appropriate manner and have agreed that this be carried out under the administration of Angus Council's Director of Finance.

The majority of the charity's cash is deposited with Angus Council's Loans Fund. Some is also invested in UK Government Bonds & Fixed Interest Securities and some is managed by an external investment manager in conjunction with Angus Council's Director of Finance.

In October 2019, the Trustees approved additional investment in the externally managed investment portfolio be made from the Trust's cash reserves in order to generate a better level of distributable income. Discussions on how best to implement this were underway, however these were overtaken by market reactions to the COVID-19 outbreak. There was no investment made in financial year 2020/21. However, it was felt that market volatility had sufficiently settled down and an additional investment of £300,000 was made in August 2021 with Investec Wealth and Investment.

4. RESERVES POLICY

The charity has no specific policy on the level of reserves that should be held, but does have the stated intention of only disbursing revenue resources. The Trustees do however have discretion to make payments from capital resources where they consider this appropriate. Decisions regarding payments from capital are not delegated and must be considered at a full meeting of the Trustees.

5. CHARITABLE PURPOSE AND ACTIVITIES

The purposes of the charity as set out within the deed of trust are the prevention or relief of poverty; the advancement of education, health, citizenship or community development, arts, heritage, culture or science; the provision of recreational facilities with the object of improving the conditions of life for the persons for whom the facilities or activities are primarily intended; the promotion of religious or racial harmony; the relief of those in need by the reason of age, ill health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage.

Income is received from investment returns and is expended on awards and operational costs, and where necessary the income is supplemented by revenue balances.

The charity awards grants, donations, loans, gifts or pensions to individuals and grants, donations or gifts to organisations under the various charitable purposes detailed above. These grants are awarded following receipt of an application form which is submitted to the Trustees to be considered for cash support. The Trustees have sole discretion to approve applications and award support, subject to sufficient revenue funds being available.

6. FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

The accounts have been prepared on an accruals basis. Activity is accounted for in the year that it takes place, not simply when cash payments are made or received.

In the year to 31 March 2021, the charity received investment income of £1,847, bank interest of £2,828 and benefited from transfers from endowment funds of £3,826. It incurred operating costs amounting to £15,506 and paid out no charitable awards. There were applications but as the applicants were Forfar based, they were referred to the Robert & William Strang Mortification which is Forfar-specific and has more expendable funds available. The transfers from the endowment funds were undertaken to ensure that the unrestricted funds did not have negative balances.

At 31 March 2021 the charity held long-term investments valued at £60,802 and cash and bank balances totalling £554,690. The value of investments increased by £5,852 from £54,950 in 2019/20 to £60,802 in 2020/21.

7. PLANS FOR THE FUTURE

The charity plans to continue to manage its resources to provide grants, loans, gifts and donations to applicants that satisfy its requirements.

8. STATEMENT OF THE TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES IN RESPECT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with the Charities Statement of Recommended Practices (FRS102) (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in Scotland requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year in accordance with the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- keep adequate accounting records that are up to date
- take reasonable steps to ensure the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Statement of disclosure of information to the auditor

In so far as the trustees are aware:

- there is no relevant information of which the auditor is unaware, and
- the trustees have taken all the steps they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of all relevant audit information, and to establish that the auditor is aware of the information.

9. DECLARATION

This report was approved by the Trustees on 30 November 2021 and signed on their behalf by:

Ian Lorimer CPFA	Councillor Lynne Devine
Director of Finance	Trustee
Angus Council	

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES for the year ended 31st MARCH 2021

	Note	Unrestricted Funds 2020/21 £	Endowment Funds 2020/21 £	Total Funds 2020/21 £	2019/20 £
Income from:					
Investment Income	6	1,847		1,847	2,270
Bank Interest	6	2,828		2,828	6,048
Total		4,675	0	4,675	8,318
Expenditure on:					
Investment Management	9	898		898	902
Charitable Activities - Grants /	7	0		0	0
Donations					
Audit Fee	10	3,000		3,000	3,000
Finance Support	8	8,804		8,804	8,804
Administration Support	8	2,804		2,804	2,803
Total		15,506	0	15,506	15,509
Net gains/(losses) on investments		0	6,816	6,816	(5,502)
Net Income / (Expenditure)		(10,831)	6,816	(4,015)	(12,693)
Transfer between funds	6	3,826	(3,826)	0	0
Gains/(losses) on revaluation of			0	0	0
fixed assets					
Other gains / (losses)				0	0
Net Movement in Funds		(7,005)	2,990	(4,015)	(12,693)
Reconciliation of Funds					
Total Funds Brought Forward		23,172	593,689	616,861	629,554
Total Funds Carried Forward		16,167	596,679	612,846	616,861

BALANCE SHEET as at 31st MARCH 2021

As at 31st Mai	rch 2020		Note	As at 31st March 202	
£	£			£	£
		Fixed Assets:			
	54,950	Investments	2		60,802
		Current Assets:			
519		Debtors	4	354	
2,391		Premier Investment Account	2	2,457	
562,001		Cash Balance due by Angus Council Loans Fund	2	552,233	
	564,911	Total Current Assets			555,044
		Liabilities:			
	3,000	Creditors: Amounts falling due	5		3,000
		within one year	3		
	561,911	Net Current Assets			552,044
	616,861	Total Net Assets			612,846
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		The funds of the charity:			
	593,689	Endowment funds	3		596,679
	23,172	Unrestricted funds	3		16,167
	616,861	Total charity funds			612,846

All of the charity's activities are continuing.

The Notes to the Financial Statements on page 8 to 12 form part of these Financial Statements.

This report was approved by the Trustees on 30 November 2021 and signed on their behalf by:

Ian Lorimer CPFA Director of Finance Angus Council	Councillor Lynne Devine Trustee

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 1: Basis of Preparation

The accounts (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 FRS102, the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended).

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts. The accounts have been prepared on an accruals basis. Activity is accounted for in the year that it takes place, not simply when cash payments are made or received.

Note 2: Accounting Policies

Cash and Bank Balances

During the year all of the charity's cash was held by Angus Council, which manages the administration of the funds on the charity's behalf. The Council also acts as banker for the charity and all incoming and outgoing transactions are made via the Council's accounting and banking systems. This cash is repayable on demand and interest is payable on the balance held.

Investments

Investments are shown at market value as at 31 March 2021 as provided in a report by the investment manager and as determined by the Director of Finance with reference to relevant market price data.

Investments are primarily held by the external investment manager and are managed with an income return investment objective under a cautious with risk basis. A number of government treasury stocks and gilts are however also directly held with the intention to hold these to maturity to protect the underlying capital value.

Note 3: Nature and Purpose of Funds

Angus Council Charitable Trust holds its funds for specific ring-fenced charitable purposes within specific geographic areas based on the Council Ward boundaries. Decisions regarding the disbursement of these ring-fenced funds is taken by the local members for the relevant Ward. The charitable narratives detailed within the tables below are considered to describe the nature and purpose of the funds. The expendable endowment fund is the charity's capital account, held in both cash and investments. Trustees are not prohibited from expending these funds, however the Trustees operate an informal policy of retaining these funds to generate distributable income and only expending these funds in exceptional circumstances. The following table details the closing balance for 2019/20 and the 2020/21 closing balance for the endowment funds.

Endowment Funds Closing Balance 31/3/20 £	ENDOWMENT FUNDS		Endowment Funds Closing Balance 31/3/21 £
Ward 1	Kirriemuir and Dean	Ward 1	
32,956	Prevention and relief of Poverty	11	32,495
264	Provision of Recreational Facilities / Activities	12	264
24,123	Relief of those in Need (General for Ward 1)	13	23,785
1,260	Advancement of Education	14	1,260
5,311	Advancement of Citizenship / Community	15	5,311
297	Advancement of Arts, Heritage, Culture and Science	16	297

1,019	Advancement of Arts, Heritage, Culture and Science (War Memorials)	17	1,019
	Brechin and Edzell	Ward 2	
23,316	Prevention and relief of Poverty	21	22,990
2,572	Relief of those in Need (St Drostan's Court)	22	2,572
4,949	Relief of those in Need (General for Ward 2)	23	4,949
15,205	Advancement of Education	24	15,205
92,885	Advancement of Citizenship /Community	25	92,789
6,117	Advancement of Arts, Heritage, Culture and Science Inglis Memorial Hall	26	6,031
490	Advancement of Arts, Heritage, Culture and Science	27	490
547	Advancement of Arts, Heritage, Culture and Science (War Memorials)	28	547
	Forfar and District	Ward 3	
0.050	Draventian and relief of Daverty	21	0.050
2,352	Prevention and relief of Poverty	31	2,352
117	Provision of Recreational Facilities / Activities	32	117
7,581	Relief of those in Need (The Gables)	33	7,581
54,359	Relief of those in Need (General for Ward 3)	34	53,597
1,088	Advancement of Education	35	1,088
	Monifieth and Sidlaw	Ward 4	
9,228	Prevention / Relief of Poverty	41	9,228
3,210	Advancement of Education	42	3,210
	Carnoustie and District	Ward 5	
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18,729	Prevention and relief of Poverty	51	18,491
403	Provision of Recreational Facilities / Activities	52	403
24,268	Relief of those in Need (Kinloch Court)	53	24,268
10,343	Relief of those in Need (General for Ward 5)	54	10,343
2,564	Advancement of Citizenship / Community	55	2,564
8,268	Advancement of Arts, Heritage, Culture and Science (War Memorials)	56	8,268
	Arbroath East & Lunan and Arbroath West & Letham	Ward 6 & 7	
50,020	Prevention and relief of Poverty	61	50,020
7,262	Relief of those in Need (General for Wards 6 &7)	62	7,262
1,518	Advancement of Citizenship / Community	63	1,518
1,273	Advancement of Arts, Heritage, Culture and Science	64	1,273
	Montrose and District	Ward 8	
62,876	Prevention and Relief of Poverty	81	61,996
44,882	Relief of those in Need (General for Ward 8)	82	44,254
2,341	Advancement of Citizenship / Community	83	2,341
3,714	Advancement of Citizenship? Confinding Advancement of Arts, Heritage, Culture and Science (War Memorials)	84	3,714
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Angus Wide	
64,338	Relief of those in Need	91	71,154

1,644	Advancement of Education	92	1,633
593,689	TOTAL ENDOWMENT FUNDS - ACCT		596,679

The unrestricted funds are the charity's revenue account, held in cash, and are available in their entirety to meet the charity's objectives. The following table details the closing balance for 2019/20 and the 2020/21 closing balance for the unrestricted funds.

Unrestricted Funds Closing Balance 31/3/20 £	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS		Unrestricted Funds Closing Balance 31/3/21 £
	Kirriemuir and Dean	Ward 1	
0	Prevention and relief of Poverty	11	0
31	Provision of Recreational Facilities / Activities	12	27
0	Relief of those in Need (General for Ward 1)	13	0
438	Advancement of Education	14	415
845	Advancement of Citizenship / Community	15	759
472	Advancement of Arts, Heritage, Culture and Science	16	461
447	Advancement of Arts, Heritage, Culture and Science (War Memorials)	17	426
	Brechin and Edzell	Ward 2	
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0	Prevention and relief of Poverty	21	0
554	Relief of those in Need (St Drostan's Court)	22	511
1,398	Relief of those in Need (General for Ward 2)	23	1,309
2,757	Advancement of Education	24	2,505
1,223	Advancement of Citizenship / Community	25	0
0	Advancement of Arts, Heritage, Culture and Science Inglis Memorial Hall	26	0
84	Advancement of Arts, Heritage, Culture and Science	27	76
522	Advancement of Arts, Heritage, Culture and Science (War Memorials)	28	507
	Forfar and District	Ward 3	
221	Prevention and relief of Poverty	31	185
29	Provision of Recreational Facilities / Activities	32	27
1,124	Relief of those in Need (The Gables)	33	1,002
0	Relief of those in Need (General for Ward 3)	34	0
21	Advancement of Education	35	5
	Monifieth and Sidlaw	Ward 4	
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897	Prevention / Relief of Poverty	41	755
370	Advancement of Education	42	320
	Carnoustie and District	Ward 5	
24	Prevention and relief of Poverty	51	0
65	Provision of Recreational Facilities / Activities	52	59
695	Relief of those in Need (Kinloch Court)	53	346
428	Relief of those in Need (General for Ward 5)	54	277

23,172	TOTAL UNRESTRICTED FUNDS - ACCT		16,167
	7 Advancement of Eddedish	72	
13	Advancement of Education	92	1,407
4,566	Relief of those in Need	91	1,409
		wide	
		Angus Wide	
	(war ivernorials)		
718	Advancement of Arts, Heritage, Culture and Science (War Memorials)	84	656
383	Advancement of Citizenship / Community	83	345
0	Relief of those in Need (General for Ward 8)	82	C
0	Prevention and Relief of Poverty	81	0
	Worthose and District	Wald 0	
	Montrose and District	Ward 8	
	3,,		
56	Advancement of Arts, Heritage, Culture and Science	64	37
272	Advancement of Citizenship / Community	63	247
1,871 916	Prevention and relief of Poverty Relief of those in Need (General for Wards 6 &7)	62	802
1 071	Drovention and relief of Doverty	61	1,144
		& 7	
	Arbroath East & Lunan and Arbroath West & Letham	Ward 6	
	(War Memorials)		
1,167	Advancement of Arts, Heritage, Culture and Science	56	1,034
565	Advancement of Citizenship / Community	55	521

Note 4: Debtor

The account balances at 31 March 2021 detailed in the tables above include a debtor balance on Account 91 Relief of those in Need of £354. The debtor balance in 2019/20 was £519.

Note 5: Creditor

The account balances include a creditor balance of £3,000 which relates to the audit fee.

Note 6: Income

Income amounting to £4,675 was received overall. Income was received from investments of £1,847 and £2,828 was received from Angus Council in respect of cash deposited with the Council's Loans Fund.

There was also a transfer of £3,826 from the Endowments funds to the Unrestricted funds. This was to ensure that none of the unrestricted funds were in deficit.

Note 7: Grant Awards

During the financial year to 31 March 2021 there were no grants awarded. There were no grants awarded in 2019/20 either.

Note 8: Trustee Remuneration, Expenses and Related Party Transactions

No remuneration or expenses were paid to the Trustees or any connected persons during the year.

The charity was charged £11,608 by Angus Council in respect of Finance £8,804 and Administration support £2,804. The comparative charge in 2019/20 was £11,607 (Finance £8,804 and Administration support £2,803)

Note 9: Management Fee

The investment management fee relating to financial year 2020/21 was £898 and was borne by the charity. The investment management fee relating to financial year 2019/20 was £902.

Note 10: Audit Fee

The audit fee for 2020/21 was £3,000 and was borne by the Charity. The audit fee for 2019/20 was also met by Angus Council and was £3,000.

Independent auditor's report to the trustees of Angus Council Charitable Trust and the Accounts Commission

Reporting on the audit of the financial statements

Opinion on financial statements

I certify that I have audited the financial statements in the statement of accounts of Angus Council Charitable Trust for the year ended 31 March 2021 under Part VII of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 and section 44(1)(c) of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005. The financial statements comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and the United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In my opinion the accompanying financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity as at 31 March 2021 and of its incoming resources and application of resources for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005, and regulation 8 of The Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006.

Basis for opinion

I conducted my audit in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)), as required by the <u>Code of Audit Practice</u> approved by the Accounts Commission for Scotland. My responsibilities under those standards are further described in the auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of my report. I am independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to my audit of the financial statements in the UK including the Financial Reporting Council's Ethical Standard, and I have fulfilled my other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern basis of accounting

I have concluded that the use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work I have performed, I have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Responsibilities of the trustees for the financial statements

As explained more fully in the Statement of Responsibilities, the trustees are responsible for the preparation of financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with the financial reporting framework, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless deemed inappropriate.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

My objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes my opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. I design procedures in line with my responsibilities outlined above to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. Procedures include:

- obtaining an understanding of the applicable legal and regulatory framework and how the charity is complying with that framework;
- identifying which laws and regulations are significant in the context of the charity;
- assessing the susceptibility of the financial statements to material misstatement, including how fraud might occur; and
- considering whether the audit team collectively has the appropriate competence and capabilities to identify or recognise non-compliance with laws and regulations.

The extent to which my procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud, is affected by the inherent difficulty in detecting irregularities, the effectiveness of the charity's controls, and the nature, timing and extent of the audit procedures performed.

Irregularities that result from fraud are inherently more difficult to detect than irregularities that result from error as fraud may involve collusion, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. The capability of the audit to detect fraud and other irregularities depends on factors such as the skilfulness of the perpetrator, the frequency and extent of manipulation, the degree of collusion involved, the relative size of individual amounts manipulated, and the seniority of those individuals involved.

A further description of the auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of my auditor's report.

Reporting on other requirements

Statutory other information

The trustees are responsible for the statutory other information in the statement of accounts. The statutory other information comprises the Trustees' Annual Report.

My responsibility is to read all the statutory other information and, in doing so, consider whether the statutory other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or my knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If I identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, I am required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work I have performed, I conclude that there is a material

misstatement of this statutory other information, I am required to report that fact. I have nothing to report in this regard.

My opinion on the financial statements does not cover the statutory other information and I do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon except to the extent explicitly stated in the following opinion prescribed by the Accounts Commission.

Opinion prescribed by the Accounts Commission

In my opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit, the information given in the Trustees' Annual Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements and that report has been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102).

Matters on which I am required to report by exception

I am required by The Charity Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 to report to you if, in my opinion:

- proper accounting records have not been kept; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records; or
- I have not received all the information and explanations I require for my audit.

I have nothing to report in respect of these matters.

Use of my report

This report is made solely to the parties to whom it is addressed in accordance with Part VII of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 and for no other purpose. In accordance with paragraph 120 of the Code of Audit Practice, I do not undertake to have responsibilities to members or officers, in their individual capacities, or to third parties.

Rachel Browne CPFA Senior Audit Manager Audit Scotland 102 West Port Edinburgh EH3 9DN

Rachel Browne is eligible to act as an auditor in terms of Part VII of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.