Report of the Trustees and

Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31st October 2023

for

Evanton Wood Community Company (A Company Limited by Guarantee)

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Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31st October 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 31st October 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

The Company's charitable purposes are in the Advancement of Education, Citizenship or Community Development, the Arts, Heritage, Culture or Science, Environmental Protection or Improvement and are set out in detail in the Memorandum of Association.

The following is a summary of the main activities in relation to these objects:

- Providing an environment for people of all ages and abilities to enjoy and learn from;
- Running and facilitating educational and recreational events relating to the woodland environment;
- Managing the wood and improving its biodiversity;
- Involving the community in the above activities
- Fund-raising for the continuation of community programmes and improvements.

Achievement and performance

Charitable activities

The following is a summary of the main achievements of the company during the financial period:

- 11th full year of community involvement since the purchase of the wood
- Education programme involving 1 secondary school and occasional visits by various primary schools
- Focus on self-led educational and other activities
- Continuing high number of visitors to the wood
- Extensive use of play area by groups and families
- Events programme, including 3rd concert series
- Weekly programme for people living with dementia
- Regular volunteer sessions for woodland management, paths etc
- Kept main toilet open 24/7; other toilet available on request
- Maintained good financial health, attracting additional significant sources of project funding for projects
- Operated effectively as a Board

Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31st October 2023

Financial review

Reserves policy

The board recognises that grant monies will be used in their entirety in the furtherance of the charitable objects and that any surpluses generated will be retained against operational requirements only. Actual reserves at 31 October 2023 were £354,176 (2022 - £361,912)

Donated facilities and services:

- Volunteers involved in assisting the education programme, regular practical work days and events
- Almost daily input into in project management, financial management, event management fund-raising, reporting, media contacts, web and social media management

Directors' Responsibilities

Company law requires the directors to prepare accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing these accounts the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- prepare the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and to enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Statement as to disclosure of information to Independent Examiners

In so far as the directors are aware:

- there is no relevant audit information of which the charitable company's examiners are unaware; and
- the directors have taken all steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the examiners are aware of that information.

Small Companies Regime

Advantage has been taken in the preparation of this report and financial statements of exemptions under the small companies regime provided under the Companies Act 2006

Structure, governance and management

Governing document

Evanton Wood Community Company is a private company limited by guarantee. In the event of the company being wound up, each member is required to contribute an amount not exceeding £1. The Company is registered as a charity with the Office of the Scottish Charity Registrar.

The company was incorporated, in Scotland, on 19 October 2007 and is governed by its articles and memorandum of association.

Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31st October 2023

Structure, governance and management

Name and Alternative Name

The name of the Company is the Evanton Wood Community Company alternatively known as EWCC.

Director Recruitment and Appointment

There are up to 6 directors elected at the AGM for 3-year terms, who are eligible to stand for re-election for a further 3 years before standing down for at least 1 year as an elected director. 2 directors must retire by rotation each year, who will be the longest serving unless others resign. Up to three co-opted directors may be appointed by the Board.

Reference and administrative details Registered Company number SC332678 (Scotland)

Registered Charity number SC042025

Registered office

C/o Adrian Clark, Caberfeidh 7 Camden Street Evanton Dingwall Ross-shire IV16 9XU

Trustees

A J B Clark P A Gray D E James B Lynch T Mathieson C Peoples (retired 11.10.2023) P E Snow (retired 18.12.2023) DS Wilson

Company Secretary

A J B Clark

Independent Examiner

Stuart McMartin, FCA Frame Kennedy 4th Floor Metropolitan House 31-33 High Street inverness IV1 1HT

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 24th July 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

A J B Clark - Trustee

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Evanton Wood Community Company

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st October 2023 set out on pages five to fifteen.

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 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.

Stuart McMartin, FCA

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24th July 2024

Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31st October 2023

Income and endowments from	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
Donations and legacies	2	2,012	50	2,062	1 470
Charitable activities Charitable activities	4	2,595	2,190	4,785	1,470 19,588
Investment income	3	265	-	265	37
Total		4,872	2,240	7,112	21,095
Expenditure on Charitable activities Charitable activities	5	8,088	6,760	14,848	16,144
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(3,216)	(4,520)	(7,736)	4,951
Reconciliation of funds Total funds brought forward		45,098	316,814	361,912	356,961
Total funds carried forward		41,882	312,294	354,176	361,912

The notes form part of these financial statements

Balance Sheet 31st October 2023

Notes	2023 £	2022 £
9	337,927	339,052
10		-
		1,073
	16,291	22,987
	17,774	24,060
11	(1,525)	(1,200)
	16.249	22,860
	10,245	
	354,176	361,912
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		45,098
	312,294	316,814
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The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31st October 2023.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31st October 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

Balance Sheet - continued 31st October 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 istue on 24th July 2024 and were signed on its behalf by:

A J B Clark - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31st October 2023

1. Accounting policies

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) '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)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

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.

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.

Tangible fixed assets

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

Buildings - 4% on cost Equipment - 20% 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.

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the year ended 31st October 2023

2.	Donations and legacies			
			2023	2022
			£	£
	Gift aid		1,218	-
	Community donations		744	1,380
	Members' subscription		100	90
			2,062	1,470
3.	Investment income			
			2023	2022
			£	£
	Bank account interest		265	37
4.	Income from charitable act	tivities		
			2023	2022
		Activity	£	£
	Grants	Charitable activities	2,190	14,740
	Charitable fees etc	Charitable activities	330	825
	Other charitable income	Charitable activities	2,265	4,023
			4,785	19,588
			Management of the state of the	
	Grants received, included in	the above, are as follows:		
			2023	2022
		10 A	£	£
	Evanton Mothers & Toddler		-	500
	Museum Galleries (Storytelli	ng)	-	3,600
	Kiltearn Projects (Concerts)		1,000	1,000
	Highland Mental Health Fun	d (Dementía)	•	9,640
	Pockets & Prospects		250	-
	An Tasgadh		940	-
			2,190	14,740

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the year ended 31st October 2023

5.	Charitable activities costs	Direct Costs	Support	Totals
	Charitable activities	13,864 ———	984 =====	14,848 ———
6.	Net income/(expenditure)			
	Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):			
			2023 £	2022 £
	Depreciation - owned assets		2,263	2,089

7. Trustees' remuneration and benefits

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

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31st October 2023 nor for the year ended 31st October 2022.

8. Comparatives for the statement of financial activities

Comparatives for the statement of financial activities	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
Income and endowments from Donations and legacies	1,400	70	1,470
Charitable activities Charitable activities	8,948	10,640	19,588
Investment income	37	-	37
Total	10,385	10,710	21,095
Expenditure on Charitable activities Charitable activities	10,669	5,475	16,144
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE) Transfers between funds	(284) 19,483	5,235 (19,483)	4,951
Net movement in funds	19,199	(14,248)	4,951
Reconciliation of funds Total funds brought forward	25,899	331,062	356,961

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the year ended 31st October 2023

8.	Comparatives for the statement of financial a	ctivities - contin	ued		
			Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
	Total funds carried forward		45,098	316,814	361,912
9.	Tangible fixed assets				
		Land £	Buildings £	Equipment £	Totals
	Cost	-	-	Ľ	£
	At 1st November 2022 Additions	300,480	50,866 -	9,013 1,138	360,359 1,138
	At 31st October 2023	300,480	50,866	10,151	361,497
	Depreciation				
	At 1st November 2022		13 304	0.043	
	Charge for year	-	12,294 2,263	9,013	21,307 2,263
	At 31st October 2023	-	14,557	9,013	23,570
	Net book value				
	At 31st October 2023	300,480	36,309	1,138	337,927
	At 31st October 2022	300,480	38,572	-	339,052
10.	Debtors: amounts falling due within one year				
				2023	2022
	Other debtors			£ 378 ====	£

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the year ended 31st October 2023

11.	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year				
	Creations, amounts taming and animal area, part			2023	2022
				£	£
	Accrued expenses			1,52 5	1,200
12.	Analysis of net assets between funds				
			5	2023	2022
		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total funds	Total
		funds	funds £	£	funds £
	Florid	£ 36,537	301,390	337,927	339,052
	Fixed assets	6,870	10,904	17,774	24,060
	Current assets Current liabilities	(1,525)	10,504	(1,525)	(1,200)
	Current habilities				
		41,882	312,294	354,176	361,912
13.	Movement in funds				
13.	Wievernent in rainas			Net	
			At	movement	At
			1/11/22	in funds	31/10/23
			£	£	£
	Unrestricted funds				
	Activities fund		45,098	(3,216)	41,882
	Restricted funds				
	Purchase fund		300,480	- (4.770)	300,480
	Dementia		16,334	(4,770)	11,564
	Pockets & Prospects			250	250
			316,814	(4,520)	312,294
	TOTAL FUNDS		361,912	(7,736)	354,176
	Net movement in funds, included in the above a	aro as follows:			
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			Incoming	Resources	Movement
			resources	expended	in funds
			£	£	£
	Unrestricted funds		4,872	(8,088)	(3,216)
	Activities fund		4,072	(8,088)	(3,210)
	Restricted funds Dementia		990	(5,760)	(4,770)
	Pockets & Prospects		250	-	250
	Kiltearn Community Council Concert Series		1,000	(1,000)	-
			2,240	(6,760)	(4,520)
	TOTAL FUNDS		7,112	(14,848)	(7,736)

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the year ended 31st October 2023

13. Movement in funds - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

Unrestricted funds	At 1/11/21 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31/10/22 £
Activities fund	25,899	(284)	19,483	45,098
Restricted funds				
Purchase fund	300,480	-	-	300,480
Shelter	5,048	-	(5,048)	-
Dementia	17,099	4,235	(5,000)	16,334
Composting Toilet	7,458	-	(7,458)	
KCC Knockrash Pathway	977	1,000	(1,977)	-
	331,062	5,235	(19,483)	316,814
TOTAL FUNDS	356,961 ———	4,951		361,912

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

Harris State 16 may	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds
Unrestricted funds			
Activities fund	10,385	(10,669)	(284)
Restricted funds			
Dementia	9,710	(5,475)	4,235
KCC Knockrash Pathway	1,000	-	1,000
	10,710	(5,475)	5,235
	-	-	
TOTAL FUNDS	21,095	(16,144)	4,951

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the year ended 31st October 2023

13. Movement in funds - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1/11/21 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31/10/23 £
Unrestricted funds	-	-	-	_
	25,899	(3,500)	19,483	41,882
Activities fund	25,033	(3,300)	15,465	41,002
Restricted funds				
Purchase fund	300,480	-	-	300,480
Shelter	5,048	-	(5,048)	-
Dementia	17,099	(535)	(5,000)	11,564
Composting Toilet	7,458	-	(7,458)	-
KCC Knockrash Pathway	977	1,000	(1,977)	-
Pockets & Prospects	-	250	-	250
	331,062	715	(19,483)	312,294
TOTAL FUNDS	356,961	(2,785)	-	354,176

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
Activities fund	15,257	(18,757)	(3,500)
Restricted funds			
Dementia	10,700	(11,235)	(535)
KCC Knockrash Pathway	1,000	-	1,000
Pockets & Prospects	250	-	250
Kiltearn Community Council Concert Series	1,000	(1,000)	-
,			
	12,950	(12,235)	715
TOTAL FUNDS	28,207	(30,992)	(2,785)

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the year ended 31st October 2023

Related party disclos	ures
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There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31st October 2023.

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31st October 2023

	2023 £	2022 £
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ncome and endowments		
Donations and legacies	1,218	-
Gift aid	744	1,380
Community donations Members' subscription	100	90
	2,062	1,470
Investment income Bank account interest	265	37
Charitable activities Grants	2,190	14,740
Charitable fees etc	330	825
Other charitable income	2,265	4,023
	4,785	19,588
Total incoming resources	7,112	21,095
Expenditure		
	1,247	1,227
Insurance	1,247 9,160	10,530
Insurance Purchases		10,530 375
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