REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: SC332678 (Scotland)
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: SC042025

## Report of the Trustees and

Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31st October 2024

for

Evanton Wood Community Company (A Company Limited by Guarantee)

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# Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31st October 2024

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 2024. 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:

- 12th full year of community involvement since the purchase of the wood
- Education programme involving 2 secondary schools, 1 special school and occasional visits by various primary schools, ongoing visits by Kiltearn Primary School.
- 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 4th concert series
- Weekly programme for people living with dementia
- Regular volunteer sessions for woodland management, paths etc
- Further chainsaw training for volunteers
- 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 2024

#### **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 2024 were £352,560 (2023 - £354,176)

#### 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 2024

#### 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

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### Trustees

A J B Clark

P A Gray

D E James

**B** Lynch

T Mathieson

P E Snow (retired 18.12.2023)

D S Wilson

N A Macbeth (appointed 26.05.25)

#### **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 21st July 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

# Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31st October 2024

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 2024 set out on pages six to sixteen.

#### 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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21st July 2025

# Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31st October 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
Income and endowments from	Notes	I.	L	r.	L
Donations and legacies	2	740	125	865	2,062
Charitable activities	4				
Charitable activities		4,225	5,500	9,725	4,785
Investment income	3	374	_	374	265
Total		5,339	5,625	10,964	7,112
Expenditure on					
Charitable activities Charitable activities	5	6,744	5,835	12,579	14,848
		,			
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(1,405)	(210)	(1,615)	(7,736)
Transfers between funds	13	6,604	(6,604)		
Net movement in funds		5,199	(6,814)	(1,615)	(7,736)
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		41,882	312,294	354,176	361,912
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Total funds carried forward		4 <b>7</b> ,081	305,480	352,561	354,176

The notes form part of these financial statements

### Balance Sheet 31st October 2024

Notes	2024 £	2023 £
	_	-
9	335,863	337,927
10	-	378
	202	1,105
	17,856	16,291
	18,058	17,774
11	(1,360)	(1,525)
	16,698	16,249
	352,561	354,176
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	47,081	41,882
	305,480	312,294
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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 2024.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31st October 2024 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 2024

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

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 21st July 2025 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 2024

#### 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 2024

2.	Donations and legacies			
			2024	2023
			£	£
	Gift aid			1,218
	Community donations		835	744
	Members' subscription		30	100
			865	2,062
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3.	Investment income			
			2024	2023
			£	£
	Bank account interest		374	265
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4.	Income from charitable acti	vities		
			2024	2023
		Activity	£	£
	Grants	Charitable activities	5,500	2,190
	Charitable fees etc	Charitable activities	445	330
	Other charitable income	Charitable activities	3,780	2,265
			9,725	4,785
			=====	====
	Grants received, included in	the above, are as follows:		
	•	•	2024	2023
			£	£
	Kiltearn Projects (Concerts)		1,000	1,000
	Pockets & Prospects		, <u>-</u>	, 250
	An Tasgadh		_	940
	Age Scotland		5,500	
			6,500	2,190

# Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the year ended 31st October 2024

5.	Charitable activities costs	Direct	Support	
	Charitable activities	Costs £ 11,536	costs £ 1,043	Totals £ 12,579
6.	Net income/(expenditure)			
	Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):			
	Depreciation - owned assets		2024 £ 2,312	<b>2023</b> £ 2,263

## 7. Trustees' remuneration and benefits

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31st October 2024 nor for the year ended 31st October 2023.

## Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31st October 2024 nor for the year ended 31st October 2023.

## 8. Comparatives for the statement of financial activities

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds
	£	£	£
Income and endowments from			
Donations and legacies	2,012	50	2,062
Charitable activities			
Charitable activities	2,595	2,190	4,785
Investment income	265		265
Total	4,872	2,240	7,112
Europalitaria			
Expenditure on Charitable activities			
Charitable activities	8,088	6,760	14,848
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NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(3,216)	(4,520)	(7,736)

# Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the year ended 31st October 2024

8.	Comparatives for the statement of financial act	ivities - continued	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
	Reconciliation of funds		45.000	246 044	264.042
	Total funds brought forward		45,098	316,814	361,912
	Total funds carried forward		41,882	312,294	354,176
9.	Tangible fixed assets				
	•	Land	Buildings	Equipment	Totals
		£	£	£	£
	Cost			40.454	004 409
	At 1st November 2023	300,480	50,866	10,151	361,497
	Additions			248	248
	At 31st October 2024	300,480	50,866	10,399	361,745
	Depreciation				
	At 1st November 2023	-	14,557	9,013	23,570
	Charge for year	-	1,807	505	2,312
	At 31st October 2024		16,364	9,518	25,882
	Net book value				
	At 31st October 2024	300,480	34,502	881	335,863
	At 31st October 2023	300,480	36,309	1,138	337,927
10.	Debtors: amounts falling due within one year				
	j .			2024	2023
				£	£
	Other debtors			<u> </u>	378 

# Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the year ended 31st October 2024

11.	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year				
	creations, amounts failing due within one year			2024	2023
				£	£
	Accrued expenses			1,360	1,525
	<u>'</u>				
12.	Analysis of net assets between funds				
	,			2024	2023
		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
		funds	funds	funds	funds
		£	£	£	£
	Fixed assets	34,245	301,618	335,863	337,927
	Current assets	14,196	3,862	18,058	17,774
	Current liabilities	(1,360)	-,	(1,360)	(1,525)
		47,081	305,480	352,561	354,176
13.	Movement in funds				
			Net	Transfers	
		At	movement	between	At
		1/11/23	in funds	funds	31/10/24
		£	£	£	£
	Unrestricted funds				
	Activities fund	41,882	(1,405)	6,604	47,081
	Restricted funds				
	Purchase fund	300,480	-	-	300,480
	Dementia	11,564	40	(6,604)	5,000
	Pockets & Prospects	250	(250)		-
		312,294	(210)	(6,604)	305,480
	TOTAL FUNDS	354,176	(1,615)	-	352,561
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# Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the year ended 31st October 2024

13.	Movement	in	funds	_	continued
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Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds Activities fund	5,339	(6,744)	(1,405)
Restricted funds			
Dementia	5,625	(5,585)	40
Pockets & Prospects	-	(250)	(250)
	5,625	(5,835)	(210)
TOTAL FUNDS	10,964	(12,579) =====	(1,615)
Comparatives for movement in funds			
		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	-	300,480
Dementia	16,334	(4,770)	11,564
Pockets & Prospects	Andrea de la companya	250	<u>250</u>
	316,814	(4,520)	312,294
TOTAL FUNDS	361,912	(7,736)	354,176

# Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the year ended 31st October 2024

### 13. Movement in funds - continued

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended	Movement in funds
Unrestricted funds	Ľ	£	£
Activities fund	4,872	(8,088)	(3,216)
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)
		-	-

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

	At 1/11/22 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31/10/24 £
Unrestricted funds				
Activities fund	45,098	(4,621)	6,604	47,081
Restricted funds				
Purchase fund	300,480	-	-	300,480
Dementia	16,334	(4,730)	(6,604)	5,000
	316,814	(4,730)	(6,604)	305,480
TOTAL FUNDS	361,912	(9,351)	-	352,561

# Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the year ended 31st October 2024

## 13. Movement in funds - continued

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	10,211	(14,832)	(4,621)
Activities fund	10,211	(14,002)	(1,021)
Restricted funds			
Dementia	6,615	(11,345)	(4,730)
Pockets & Prospects	250	(250)	-
Kiltearn Community Council Concert Series	1,000	(1,000)	-
	7,865	(12,595)	(4,730)
TOTAL FUNDS	18,076	(27,427)	(9,351)

## 14. Related party disclosures

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31st October 2024.

# Detailed Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31st October 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
Income and endowments		
Donations and legacies		
Gift aid	-	1,218
Community donations	835	74
Members' subscription	30	100
	865	2,062
nvestment income		
Bank account interest	374	265
Charitable activities		
Grants	5,500	2,190
Charitable fees etc	445	330
Other charitable income	3,780	2,265
	9,725	4,785
Total incoming resources	10,964	7,112
Expenditure		
Charitable activities		
nsurance	1,207	1,247
Purchases	6,951	9,160
Other office costs	566	794
Other accountancy services	500	400
Depn of buildings Depn of equipment	2,035	2,035
Septi of equipment	277	228
	11,536	13,864
Support costs		
Finance		
Bank charges	93	64
Governance costs		
Accountancy and legal fees	950	920

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# Detailed Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31st October 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
Total resources expended	12,579	14,848
Net expenditure	(1,615)	(7,736)

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