



ACCOUNTS and TREASURER'S NOTES

1st APRIL 2024 TO 31st MARCH 2025

1. Introduction

The Constitution of the Take a Pride in Perthshire Association (known as the Take a Pride in Perth and Kinross Association) requires the preparation of externally examined Accounts of the Income and Expenditure and of the Balance Sheet at the end of each financial year. I am pleased to present (on pages 4 and 5) the Accounts and Statement of Balances for the year 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025. The Accounts have been prepared with the assistance of BJ Condon FCA and independently examined by Lorna Sharp FCCA. These accounts will be submitted to the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR) and published on our website. Further information about the projects and other work outlined in this report can be found in the Trustees' Annual Report 2024-25.

2. Receipts

Total income received in 2024-25 was £81,155.45, of which £60,224.96 (74%) was for specific projects managed on behalf of member groups. Projects that received income this year were Alyth Boer Memorial (Alyth in Bloom), Ardoch-Braco Wall project (Ardoch in Bloom), Blair Atholl Community Garden project (Blair Atholl in Bloom), Comrie War Memorial project (Comrie in Colour), Michael Bruce Cottage project (Kinnesswood in Bloom), and the 'Still' project (St Fillans in Bloom).

Other income not specific to any one project included £10,000 resilience funding for projects, £10,500 core funding grants (for the Project Development Advisor post), £180.49 in bank interest from our saver account and £250.00 in members' annual subscriptions.

3. Expenditure

Expenditure totalled £83,836.71, of which £81,719 (97%) was spent on planning, fundraising for and delivering local projects. This included providing the services of the Project Development Advisor (*see paragraph 7*), as well as the Heritage Garden project (Abernethy in Bloom), Alyth Boer Memorial project (Alyth in Bloom), Ardoch-Braco Wall

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project (Ardoch in Bloom), Blair Atholl Village Hall project (Blair Atholl in Bloom), Comrie War Memorial project (Comrie in Colour), Kinnesswood Michael Bruce Cottage, Meigle Village Entrance project (Meigle in Bloom), Scone War Memorial (Scone in Bloom), Scotlandwell Wash House (Scotlandwell in Bloom), and the 'Still' project (St Fillans in Bloom).

General expenditure totalled £2117.40. This covered meeting venues, website costs and the Independent Examiner's fee.

4. Surplus/deficit

There was a small deficit for the year of £2,681.26. This can be attributed to the timing of project cash flows. Projects typically take two or more financial years to deliver, from early planning to final completion. This means that income may be received in one financial year and expenditure made in another, leading to an apparent deficit (or surplus) at the end of each financial year.

5. Reserves

The Association's Charities' Aid Foundation (CAF) 12-month fixed-term saver account with Shawbrook Bank matured in August 2024, our £5,000 investment earning interest of £180.49. The Trustees agreed that £5,180.49 should be re-invested for a further 12 months in a CAF saver account.

6. Remunerations and other payments

All Trustees act on a voluntary basis and no remunerations, honoraria or other payments were made in 2024-25.

7. Project Development Advisor (PDA)

The Association's primary function is to advise and support member groups who wish to deliver ambitious environmental improvement projects in their neighbourhoods. To do this, the Association has contracted a local business, Nicki Soutar Associates, to provide professional Project Development Advisory services.

The Project Development Advisor (PDA) plays a crucial role by supporting local groups, raising funds and managing the projects we deliver. Professional fees paid to Nicki Souter Associates for PDA services in 2024-25 totalled £25,534.69. Income raised by the Project Development Advisor Charlie Hardman in 2024-25 was £80,975.

To help offset the PDA costs, a fee of 15% is retained by the Association from the funds raised for each local project. Other sources of funding, such as core-funding

grants, are also sought to support the PDA role; this year, grants of £10,500 were secured for this purpose.

More information about the projects delivered this year can be found in the Trustees' Annual Report.

10. **Conclusion**

I am satisfied that the Accounts and Statement of Balances for 2024-25 reflect the true financial position of the Association at 31 March 2025, and that the Association remains in a healthy financial position.



Monica Straughan, Treasurer

7 June 2025



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Accounts - Year to 31 March 2025****Registered Scottish Charity SCO27774**

Receipts and Payments Account	2024 / 25	2023 / 24
Balances c/f previous year	32,653.52	42,976.76
Receipts		
Projects		
Abernethy Heritage Garden	0.00	4,428.12
Alyth Boer Memorial	5,500.00	500.00
Ardoch - Braco Wall	1,120.86	51,218.78
Blair Atholl Community Garden	15,000.00	13,500.00
Comrie War Memorial	28,354.10	16,208.77
Kinneswood M Bruce Cottage	3,750.00	500.00
Scone Mercat Cross	0.00	500.00
St Fillans 'Still'	6,500.00	10,412.12
Total Projects	60,224.96	97,267.79
Bank Interest	180.49	52.50
Grants	20,500.00	7,500.00
Miscellaneous	0.00	0.00
Subscriptions	250.00	250.00
Total Receipts	81,155.45	105,070.29
Payments		
Anniversary Event	0.00	4,257.00
Audit Fee	45.00	44.00
General Mgmt	2,072.40	1,949.83
Meeting Expenses	0.00	0.00
Project Officer Fees	25,534.69	29,304.02
Total Governance Costs	27,652.09	35,554.85
Project Expenditure		
Abernethy Heritage Garden	2,225.82	19,536.52
Alyth Boer Memorial	1,291.50	0.00
Ardoch - Braco Wall	1,120.86	45,665.50
Blair Atholl Community Garden	13,549.86	719.54
Comrie War Memorial	27,383.78	5,364.69
Kinneswood M Bruce Cottage	738.00	0.00
Meigle Village Entrance	553.50	719.56
Scone Mercat Cross	738.00	0.00
Scotlandwell Washhouse & Well	1,500.00	0.00
St Fillans 'Still'	7,083.30	7,832.87
Total Projects Expenditure	56,184.62	79,838.68
Total Payments	83,836.71	115,393.53
Surplus/Deficit for Year	(2,681.26)	(10,323.24)
Total c/fwd	29,972.26	32,653.52

Statement of Balances as at 31 March 2025

	2024 / 25	2023 / 24
Bank and Cash on Hand		
Opening Balances	32,653.52	42,976.76
Surplus/ Deficit for Year	(2,681.26)	(10,323.24)
Less, receipts not rec'd @ y/e	3,336.00	0.00
Plus, payment not yet presented @ y/e	45.00	258.40
Closing Balances	26,681.26	32,911.92
Reserves		
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Deposit Account	5,180.49	5,000.00
General Fund	21,500.77	27,911.92
Cash in Hand	0.00	0.00
	26,681.26	32,911.92

Treasurer

Signed *Monica Straughan*

Date: 23 April 2025

I have examined the above statement of income and expenditure for the year to 31st March 2025 and the balance sheet as at that date. To the best of my knowledge, I have found them correctly stated and sufficiently vouched.

Independent Examiner

Signed *Lorna Sharp*

Date: 12 May 2025

