

Fèis Phàislig
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For the year ended 31 August 2022

Charity Number SC045342
Unincorporated Association

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Trustees' Report

The trustees present their report and the charity's financial statements for the period ended 31 August 2022.

Reference and Administrative Details of the Charity, Its Trustees and Advisors

The registered name of the charity is "Fèis Phàislig".

Fèis Phàislig (the Association) is constituted as an unincorporated association and has been recognised by HMRC as having Charitable Status and, as such, is exempt from Income and Corporation Tax in relation to its charitable activities.

The OSCR charity number is SC045342.

Registered Office

The registered address of the Association is:

Flat 2/2
1 Mansionhouse Road
Paisley
PA1 3RG

Current Trustees

The Trustees are as follows:

Karen Anderson	(Chair)
Eleanor Whiteford	(Secretary)
Graeme Connell	(Treasurer)

Along with the above, the following non-executive committee members form the operational committee of the Association:

Jim McFarlane
Grant McFarlane
Joy Dunlop
Joanna Byrne
Sarah Kidd

Structure, Governance and Management

Organisational Structure

The governing document of the Association is the constitution, adopted on 2 November 2014.

Board Meetings are held regularly, especially in the period prior to the Fèis week, and have full, strategic decision-making responsibility. All Trustees are entitled to attend these meetings.

Trustees are appointed or reappointed annually at the Annual General Meeting held in November. Newly appointed Trustees are subject to a formal induction process as part of their appointment. This process involves briefings from the Chair and operational overviews.

Day-to-day operational management of the Association is carried out by the committee, with the assistance of volunteers.

All Trustees give their time voluntarily and are not remunerated for their roles. Valid out of pocket expenses are reimbursed to Grant McFarlane only, as day-to-day organiser, with the prior approval of the committee. Grant is also paid for his role as Accordion Tutor at the Weekly Lessons programme. These rates are commensurate with those paid to other tutors.

Additional Governance Issues

All committee members and any volunteers are required by **Fèisean nan Gàidheal** to undergo checks under the *Protection of Vulnerable Groups Scheme* (PVG Scheme), which is administered by Disclosure Scotland. Karen Anderson is the nominated Child Protection Officer within the committee.

Fèisean nan Gàidheal is the umbrella body for all Fèisean, of which the Association is a member.

Objectives and Activities

The main objectives of the Association are:

- a) to promote interest, education and participation in the traditional music, language and culture of the Gàidhealtachd, and particularly those of Paisley and Renfrewshire;
- b) to plan, programme and arrange activities on its own initiative, or with other local musical, arts and educational societies and organisations; and
- c) to plan, programme and present an annual tuition Festival structured to highlight the musical, cultural and educational objectives of the Fèis

In order to achieve these aims, the Association runs a year-round programme of events for young people aged 5-25 in the Renfrewshire area. This includes an annual 'Fèis Week', a series of weekly instrumental classes and a summer 'Cèilidh Trail' tour for early-career musicians. Further information on the Fèis can be obtained from the website (feisphaislig.com).

Strategic Report

Achievements, Performance and Plans for Future Periods

Fèis Phàislig was established in November 2014 to provide traditional music opportunities for young people in Renfrewshire. I'm happy to present the Fèis Phàislig Annual Report for 2022 which outlines a successful year for the organisation as we continue to recover from the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic.

The board has worked throughout the year to rebuild our programme of activity and maximise existing and new opportunities for young people across Renfrewshire. Through our programme of events we have managed to reach over 6600 young people in the academic year 2021/22.

The board was successful in securing funding from a number of organisations including Fèisean nan Gàidheal and Renfrewshire Council. The support of these organisations have allowed us to deliver a number of fantastic opportunities for young people and I would like to emphasise the board's thanks to them for their support over the past year.

The board wishes to thank all of the tutors who have worked with us over the past year. Their work with our young people ensures all participants receive a fantastic experience and we appreciate their continued work across a range of projects.

Financial Review

Financial Summary

The net outgoing (2021: incoming) resources of the Association for the period amounted to £25,321 (2021: £26,922). Funding of £49,299 (2021: £49,571) was received from a number of public bodies and charitable organisations with related objectives, with further income of £23,663 (2021: £7,287) being generated from the Association's charitable activities and activities for generating funds.

Expenditure during the year has supported the key objectives of the Association by enabling the activities described under Achievements and Performance above.

Some of the funding received in the year is conditional on the Association incurring the expenditure outlined in the various funding applications submitted. The trustees are confident that these conditions have been met, such that none of the funds received should become repayable. Funds of £40,678 are held at the year end.

The statement of receipts and payments is set out on page 7.

The level of business and the year end position of the Association were both entirely satisfactory and the level of retained funds are sufficient to allow the Association to operate for the foreseeable future.

Equal Opportunities in Employment and Disabled Employees

The Association is committed to ensuring that the ethos and principles of equality of opportunity and valuing diversity are embedded in all aspects of service delivery and are a guiding principle for all its activities. The Association strives to embrace a positive attitude towards the promotion of equality and diversity and to create a working environment which is inclusive of everyone regardless of ethnic origin, religion or belief, disability, age, sex, gender reassignment, sexual orientation, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, carer responsibility, race, nationality, social or economic status, trade union membership or activity.

By Order of the Board of Trustees



Karen Anderson
Chair
31st May 2023

Independent examiner's report to the Trustees of Fèis Phàislig

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 August 2022 which are set out on pages 7 to 12.

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) 2005 Act and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. The charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (d) 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 independent examiner's report

My examination is 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 seeks explanations from the 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 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, and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulationshave 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.



Jill Anderson

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31 May 2023

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Statement of Receipts and Payments

for the year ended 31 August 2022

		General Reserve	General Reserve
	Note	(Year ended 31 August 2022) £	(Year ended 31 August 2021) £
Incoming resources			
Generated Funds			
Grant/Voluntary Income	2	49,299	49,571
Activities for Generating Funds:	2		
Fèis week income		224	-
Ceilidh		380	-
External events		1,040	276
Incoming Resources from Charitable Activities:			
Fèis subscriptions		11,055	39
Weekly lesson subscriptions		8,003	5,509
Ceilidh trail		1,396	-
Instrument hire		1,520	1,280
Sundry		45	183
Total incoming resources		72,962	56,858
Resources expended			
Charitable activities:			
Income Generation	3	98,283	29,936
Asset purchase		-	-
Total resources expended		98,283	29,936
Surplus / (deficit) for the year		(25,321)	26,922

The notes to these financial statements form part of these financial statements.

Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2022

	Note	31 August 2022	31 August 2021
		£	£
Funds reconciliation			
Cash at bank and in hand (opening)		65,999	39,077
Surplus / (deficit) in the year		(25,321)	26,922
Cash at bank and in hand (closing)		<u>40,678</u>	<u>65,999</u>
Other assets			
Music equipment (at cost)	4	<u>5,655</u>	<u>5,655</u>
Cash at bank and in hand			
Bank deposit account		11,055	42,128
Paypal account		29,623	23,871
Total cash at bank and in hand		<u>40,678</u>	<u>65,999</u>

The financial statements on pages 7 and 8 were authorised for issue by the Board of Trustees on 31st May 2023 and were signed on its behalf by:


Karen Anderson
Chair

The notes to these financial statements form part of these financial statements.

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 August 2022

1 Principal Accounting Policies

The financial statements are prepared on the basis of income received and expenditure outlaid during the year.

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the Association's financial statements except as noted below.

The financial statements are prepared on the going concern basis, which provides that the Association will continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future, despite the ongoing challenges faced as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic, whilst activities begin to return to normal.

(a) Tangible Fixed Assets and Depreciation

Assets bought using funds generated by the operations of the Association are treated as owned by the Association.

(b) General Reserve

This is an unrestricted reserve. Surpluses and deficits from operational activities are accounted for through the Receipts and Payments Account.

(c) Income and Expenditure Recognition Policy

Incoming Resources

Income is recognised in the period in which it is received.

Resources Expended

Expenditure on operational programmes is recognised in the period in which it is incurred.

As no system exists to directly attribute costs between charitable expenditure and income generating expenditure an estimate is made each year based on activity.

There is no apportionment of indirect costs as these are considered to be immaterial.

(d) Going Concern

The financial statements have been prepared on the basis of accounting policies that are consistent with the treatment of the Association as a going concern. The Association's available unrestricted reserves ('free' reserves) are in surplus at the year end and the Trustees are confident that sufficient funds will be available to support the Association throughout the period of the coming twelve months, despite the challenges faced as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 August 2022

2 Incoming Resources

Voluntary Income

	Year ended 31 August 2022	Year ended 31 August 2021
	£	£
Funding from Renfrewshire Council	23,943	17,898
Funding from Fèisean nan Gàidheal	23,756	28,173
Funding from Bord Na Gaidhlig	1,600	2,000
Sundry income	-	1,500
	49,299	49,571

Activities for Generating Funds

	Year ended 31 August 2022	Year ended 31 August 2021
	£	£
External events	1,040	276
Ceilidh	380	-
Feis week income	224	-
	1,644	276

Funding received

During the period, funding of £49,299 (2021 - £48,071) was received from a number of bodies in respect of operational costs, as detailed above. The funding is conditional on the Association incurring the expenditure outlined in the various funding applications submitted. The trustees are confident that these conditions have been met, such that none of the funds received should become repayable.

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3 Resources Expended

Charitable Activities

	Year ended 31 August 2022	Year ended 31 August 2021
	£	£
Tutor costs	38,555	22,583
Ceilidh trail expenditure	25,157	224
Treoir	11,576	-
Annualised hours payment	8,376	5,700
School promotional visits	3,047	-
External events	2,759	-
Venue hire	2,573	-
Supplies	2,390	-
Materials	1,509	80
Website	471	269
Refunds	386	666
Photography	350	-
Repairs and maintenance	330	-
Fèis week entertainment	330	-
Memberships	240	150
Marketing and advertising	118	-
Gifts	116	230
Sundry expenditure	-	21
Marketing	-	13
	98,283	29,936

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 August 2022

4 Tangible Fixed Assets

	Music Equipment
	£
Cost	
At 1 September 2020	5,665
Additions	-
At 31 August 2021	5,655
Additions	-
At 31 August 2022	5,655