

**The Strathbungo Society**

**Registered Charity Number : SCO38276**

**Trustees' Annual Report : Year ended 30 April 2009**



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## **Trustees' Annual Report Year ended 30 April 2009**

### **Statutory Information**

The Strathbungo Society

Registered Charity Number: SCO38276

Principal Address: 25 Regent Park Square, Glasgow, Strathbungo, G41 2AF

Charity Trustees: Scott Mackay – Chair

Elaine Dearie – Secretary (resigned August 2008)

James Limb – Secretary (appointed August 2008)

Lynne Flower - Treasurer.

The Strathbungo Society ("the Society") is governed by its constitution last amended at the AGM on 21 May 2007 and available for examination on the Society's website at [www.strathbungo.co.uk](http://www.strathbungo.co.uk).

At the AGM, the members of the Society elect Trustees being a Chair, Secretary and Treasurer. The Trustees hold office until the next AGM, when they are eligible for re-election.

The Society's objectives as set out in the Constitution are:-

- To advance citizenship and develop the community by encouraging all members of the community, including families, children, ethnic minorities, people with disabilities and the elderly to interact with the aim of improving the community both by bringing the community together and by promoting the provision, maintenance or improvement of public amenities within or in the vicinity of the Strathbungo area; and
- To promote the conservation of local architectural and environmental heritage, including the maintenance or improvement of the built and natural environment.

### **Operating Review**

In the year since the last AGM on 19<sup>th</sup> August 2009, the Society has fulfilled its objectives from a variety of aspects.

The usual community based events have taken place, including the New Year Bungo @ the Bells event which this year took place at the western end of Queen Square following the usual parade through the Squares and was accompanied by mulled wine, soft drinks and music. The event was again well attended by a few hundred revellers. The annual Bungo in the Back Lanes took place on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> June which again was a great success with good weather, a variety of events and stalls and was attended by many hundreds of people. In addition, this year we tried a new event, Spring Fling which involved the use of Queens Park Church hall to put on



various stalls and provision of a café, together with the awards ceremony for an extensive previously arranged children's art competition followed by lunch and display of winning art work at Park Gallery.

Other initiatives included the approval by Vote at the last AGM to stop the Back Lanes Pilot due to insufficient funds and consider other options for use of the Entrust monies. It was agreed that we would look at spending this money on landscaping/planters instead. We sought permission from Entrust to use the money in this way, but they declined, thereby leaving us with no immediate project for the money. This will again be considered at this years AGM.

In considering the planters/landscaping issue, we applied for and were successful in gaining an Area Committee grant for two planters for Nithsdale Road, which have been installed for the summer months by Glasgow City Council. We had hoped to provide the money for two more, but insufficient funds prevented this.

In terms of Traffic Management, we carried out a community consultation to seek the community's view on the stopping up of two lanes to prevent vehicle rat running. This resulted in sufficient support for us to then write to Glasgow City Council seeking their agreement to progress the necessary Traffic Regulation Order.

Communication has been ongoing with the production of regular newsletters letting people know about local issues and opportunities to get involved. The website has been regularly updated and expanded. Also people have used the Bungo Blog to air their views of a variety of subjects to which the Strathbungo Society has responded.

The third year of our hedgecutting initiative has brought in valuable donations while assisting people to keep their hedges under control and keeping pavements clearer where possible.

The Society has been busy in the planning front with numerous planning applications commented on and where appropriate objected to in order to seek to protect the special character of the Conservation Area.

## **Financial Review**

The Society operates an unrestricted current account, through which it runs its ongoing activities.

As shown in the following receipts and payments account, the Society generated a surplus of £411 on its activities in the year ending 30 April 2009. This compares to a deficit of £380 in the year ended 30 April 2008.

The Society continues to rely heavily on support from its "Friends" to fund the publication of its regular newsletters. Donations from Friends have increased this year to £1,446.

At 30 April 2009 the Society had unrestricted funds in hand of £1,834.

In 2002, with the support of Glasgow City Council the Society registered as an environmental body and received £21,855 of funding from the Landfill Communities Fund in respect of the Strathbungo Back Lanes Regeneration Project. Since these funds are specifically for this Project they are shown as "Restricted Funds" on the Society's statement of balances. No expenses were incurred in relation to the project in the year, £722 of interest was received on funds in hand in the project, which were £24,429 at 30 April 2009.





During the year, the Society received donated facilities and services from the local community particularly in terms of support for Bungo in the Back Lanes. These are credited in full in the Society's Summer newsletter. In addition, the Society and its events are run solely by volunteers.

The Trustees' declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the Society's trustees

Signed..........

Scott Mackay

Chairman

12 August 2009



**The Strathbungo Society - SCO38276**  
**Statement of receipts and payments**


Year ending 30 April 2009

		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2008/09 Total funds current period	2007/08 Total funds previous period
		£	£	£	£
<b>Receipts</b>					
Donations	Friends	1,446		1,446	1,050
Fundraising Activities	Spring Fling/Coffee Breaks	381		381	184
	Bungo in the Back Lanes	1,743		1,743	1,201
Other activities	Newsletters	225		225	175
	Hedgecutting	90		90	170
Interest received		2	722	724	1,115
Other Income		26		26	
Total receipts		3,913	722	4,635	3,895
<b>Payments</b>					
Payments relating to fundraising activities	Spring Fling/Coffee Breaks	(571)		(571)	(103)
	Bungo in the Back Lanes	(987)		(987)	(798)
Payments relating to other activities	Newsletters	(1,547)		(1,547)	(1,008)
	Bags/t-shirts cards			0	(1,044)
	Bungo at the Bells	(40)		(40)	(113)
Miscellaneous Expenses		(357)		(357)	(93)
		(3,502)	0	(3,502)	(3,159)
Surplus for the year		411	722	1,133	736

**Statement of balances**  
**As at 30 April 2009**

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total current period	Total last period
	£	£	£	£
<b>Cash Funds</b>				
Opening cash balance b/fwd	1,423	23,707	25,130	24,395
Surplus for the year	411	722	1,133	736
Closing cash balance at 30 April 2009	1,834	24,429	26,263	25,131
<b>Other Assets</b>				
Tax recoverable	438	0	438	116

Signed on behalf of the Society's trustees

  
 Lynne Flower Treasurer

12 August 2009



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**Notes to the accounts**

**Year ended 30 April 2009**

**1 Funds**

The Society holds a Current account with Clydesdale Bank plc for day to day receipts and payments. These funds are unrestricted.

The Back Lanes Project holds funds at both the Clydesdale Bank plc and with Scottish Widows. These funds can only be used for the Back Lanes Project under the terms laid down by Entrust and are therefore restricted.

**2 Other Assets**

The estimate of tax recoverable is based on the gift aid declarations held from Friends who have made donations since the Society received charitable status on 25 May 2007.

**3 Trustee remuneration**

No remuneration was paid to any Society Trustee or anyone connected to a Society trustee.

**4 Trustee expenses**

No expenses were paid to any Society Trustees.



## **Independent examiner's report**

### **The Strathbungo Society – Registered charity number SCO38276 on the accounts of the Society for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> April 2009**

#### **Respective responsibilities of the trustees and examiner**

The Society'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 Society 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 examiners statement**

My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulation 2006. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Society 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 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.

Signed.....  ..... 12<sup>th</sup> August 2009

Allan Hunter  
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