

The Strathbungo Society

Registered Charity Number: SCO38276

Trustees' Annual Report: Year ended 30 April 2020

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Statutory Information

The Strathbungo Society

Registered Charity Number: SCO38276

Principal Address: 17 Regent Park Square, Strathbungo, Glasgow G41 2AF

Charity Trustees: Chair - Jane Carolan; Vice Chair - Steve Good (to AGM 2019), Paola Rezzilli (thereafter); Treasurer - Nick Kempe (to AGM 2019), Steve Good (thereafter); Secretary - Vacant

The Strathbungo Society ("the Society") is governed by a constitution, agreed at the AGM held on 27 October 2015 and available for examination on the Society's website: www.bungoblog.com.

At each AGM, the members of the Society elect four Trustees (Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer and Secretary) plus a Management Committee of up to a maximum of fifteen members. 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

Chair's Report 2019-20

Such is the nature of Annual General Meetings that in Autumn 2020, the Annual Report considers the activities of the Society from April 2019 to April 2020.

During this period, the Society ran a full programme of activities, starting with the Spring Fling, featuring our very own "Bungo Bake Off". Bungo residents enjoyed tea, cakes and our cake competition, and local residents in our old folks' homes had the bonus of surplus patisserie being delivered to them. This was followed by the ever-popular Bungo in the Back Lanes, a roaring success on a warm afternoon. The event has now spread through all the lanes from Vennard to Nithsdale Rd and featured everything from arts and crafts to bric-a-brac, wine bars and pakora, to Tombola and ice cream. A wide variety of local performers provided an interesting and varied music programme that had Strathbungo dancing in the lanes. And the dancing continued at Bungo at the Bells, our annual Hogmanay celebration. The Society owes special thanks to Teresa Mooney who hosted the event, providing music and a dram to an enthusiastic crowd of revellers.

The most widely attended event in the calendar now is, of course, Window Wanderland, that has now featured not only in local press but on BBC and various national websites. Windows throughout the

area are dressed and lit to magical effect, and attract huge crowds. Such success in itself brings problems. The numbers attending raises issues of stewarding such an event to ensure safety and security.

The Society met regularly over 2019/2020 and organised the regular Brighter Bungo clear-ups. Our volunteers do a sterling job in keeping our area clean and tidy but there is a responsibility on all of us to do our bit to keep our own back yards and front gardens and lanes tidy. As a committee we play our part in the local Area Partnership, and we monitor and make representations on behalf of residents over local planning matters. A continuing issue facing us is the lack of enforcement over planning regulations, along with problems over bin collection (or lack of bin collections!).

Over the course of the year, the Society was involved in what started as “The Mural Project”, a proposal that a mural illustrating something of the history of our area on a prominent tenement gable end. Funding was available but sadly the problems of permissions and insurances were insurmountable – at least for a mural. The project became a possible Bungo art project but was unfortunately unable to proceed in 2020 after lock-down began.

The start of 2019 saw the Society successfully cooperate with Network Rail over the refurbishment of our own pedestrian railway bridge. By the end of 2019 we were in negotiations about their plans for “vegetation clearance” along the embankment along the railway line through Moray Place. While acknowledging that safety on the railway is paramount, many Strathbungo residents had seen the results of the “scorched earth” policy employed by Network Rail on previous forays through the area, resulting in denuding the area of trees and plants. The Society drew together a considerable body of evidence on the subject and entered into a period of negotiations with the Network Rail experts, aided by Nicola Sturgeon (as our local MSP) who convened a meeting of Network Rail and the Society. These negotiations resulted in an agreement on how the work should proceed (available on the Bungo blog). The success or otherwise of this will be seen by all of us when the vegetation clearance begins shortly.

As a society, we are often in the position of needing the assistance of the elected representatives of the area whether on the council, the Scottish Parliament or Westminster. As chair, I want to thank all those who respond to our pleas for help and assistance and provide support when we need it.

I also want to thank my fellow committee members, who have kept the society going in recent months. We have members who tackle everything from litter picking to social media posting, who provide specialist advice on Planning applications or keep the magazine in circulation or who keep us financially solvent.

All voluntary organisations always need volunteers – that is one of the laws of the universe. So if you feel that you have something to offer, please contact chair@strathbungo.co.uk.

Jane Carolan, Chair

Financial Review

The Society operates an unrestricted current account, through which it runs its ongoing activities. Trustees receive no remuneration for any of the work that they do.

As shown in the following receipts and payments account, the Society made a surplus of £1,140 on its activities in the year ending 30 April 2020, compared to a surplus of £740 in the year ending 30 April 2019. The surplus this year was higher than anticipated, helped by increased income from Bungo in the Back Lanes in 2019. This is in large part due to the measures taken to increase the revenue received by the Society from the bars operating on the day. Window Wanderland 2020 continued to receive a grant support from Glasgow City Council, via the Pollokshields Area Partnership, albeit at a reduced level. The Society has continued to maintain tight controls over expenditure.

The Society continues to rely on voluntary donations via its “Friends of Strathbungo” scheme. This helps to provide self-generated funds for the Society and to enable it to fund its activities and publication of The Strathbungo News.

Donations from Friends have stabilised this year at £882. Almost all our Friends have been so for years and only stop paying when they leave the area or die. The challenge the Society faces is persuading new people to sign up in these difficult financial times, but the Trustees continue to wish to see voluntary giving to the Society extended.

The Society received funding of £2,475 in this period from Glasgow City Council, via Pollokshields Area Partnership, to help contribute to the costs (and risks) of staging Bungo in the Back Lanes and Window Wanderland. The Society gratefully acknowledges the Council’s continued support of these Society events.

As at 30 April 2020, the Society had unrestricted funds in hand of £5,935.

During the year, the Society received donated facilities and services from the local community and businesses, particularly in terms of support for Bungo in the Back Lanes, for which the Society is very grateful as they contribute enormously to the success of the events the Society runs. These are credited in full in the Strathbungo News.

Steven Good, Treasurer

The Trustees’ declare that they have approved the Trustees’ report above.

Signed on behalf of the Society's Trustees

Signed.....*Jane Carolan*.....
Date:*18/11/20*.....

Jane Carolan, Chair



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Statement of receipts and payments

Year ending 30 April 2020

		2019-20	2018-19
		Total funds	Total funds
		Current Period	Previous Period
		£	£
Income			
Donations	Friends	882.00	875
Grants	Window Wanderland/BIBL Grants	2,475.63	3,000
Fundraising Activities	Bungo in the Back Lanes	3,038.43	2,297
	Bungo at the Bells	-	20
	Merchandise Sales	182.00	305
	Spring Fling	198.50	-
Other Income		-	150
Total income		6,776.56	6,647
Expenditure		£	£
Fundraising activities	Spring Fling	41.75	227
	Bungo in the Back Lanes	1,436.59	1,075
	Merchandise Stock	-	497
Other activities	Newsletters	1,020.00	339
	Brighter Bungo	129.00	108
	AGM/public meetings	-	97
	Window Wanderland	2,002.74	1,950
	Bungo at the Bells	144.61	-
Street Closure		-	122
Event Insurance		660.80	661
Technology & Website		174.99	-
Equipment		-	791
Affiliations		-	40
Miscellaneous		25.70	-
Total expenditure		5,636.18	5,907
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year		1,140.38	740

Statement of balances

As at 30 April 2020 & 2019

	Total current	Total previous
	period	period
	£	£
Cash Funds (unrestricted)		
Opening cash balance	4,794.91	4,054
Surplus/Deficit for the year	1,140.38	740
Closing cash balance	5,935.29	4,794

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Notes to the accounts - year ended 30 April 2020

1. Basis of Accounting

The accounts have been prepared on the Receipts and Payments basis in accordance with the Charities & Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006.

2. Funds

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

3. Trustee's Remuneration

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

4. Grants Received

	2019-20	2018-19
	£	£
Glasgow City Council - Bungo in the Back Lanes	1,200.00	1,200
Glasgow City Council - Window Wanderland	1,275.63	1,800
	2,475.63	3,000.00

5. Bungo in the Back Lanes Income

At the end of the year there was income still to be received of £476 for Bungo in the Back Lanes 2019. This has subsequently been received and will be reflected in the 2020-21 accounts.

6. Bungo in the Back Lanes Costs

	2019-20	2018-19
	£	£
Equipment Hire	651.12	602
Music	400.00	0
Printing (Posters & Leaflets)	206.00	240
First Aiders	128.00	128
Tombola	41.47	31
Other	10.00	74
	1,436.59	1,075.00

7. Window Wanderland Costs

	2019-20	2018-19
	£	£
Music & Cinema	700.00	650
Lighting	635.74	900
Design & Printing	292.00	250
Video/Photography	300.00	150
Miscellaneous	75.00	0
	<u>2,002.74</u>	<u>1,950.00</u>

8. Insurance

The Society's Insurance is paid annual in January and now covers all events within the calendar year – specifically Window Wanderland, Bungo in the Back Lanes and Bungo at the Bells. It thus runs over two financial years.

Independent examiner's report
The Strathbungo Society – Registered charity number SCO38276
on the accounts of the Society for the year ended 30th April 2020

I report on the accounts of The Strathbungo Society for the year ended 30th April 2020.

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) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. The Society trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (d) of the 2006 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) Regulations 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

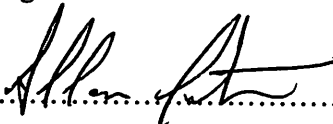
In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention

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.......... 29th June 2020

Allan Hunter
Chartered Certified Accountant