

FALKIRK TEMPERANCE TRUST

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER - SC001904

ANNUAL REPORT & ACCOUNTS

for the year ended 31 March 2015

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Falkirk Temperance Trust is a registered charity, **Scottish Charity Number SC001904**.

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Governing document

Falkirk Temperance Trust originates from 1919 as part of an estate of a Falkirk gentleman. Its original purpose was to help people refrain from alcohol. A revision to the Trust was approved by the Council of Session on 1 February 1991. This allowed the Trust to not only help assist organisations and people in dealing with alcohol abuse but also other forms of drug addiction.

Charitable purposes

The Trustees hold the trust fund and apply the income to assist mainly organisations operating within Falkirk dealing with alcohol abuse and other forms of substance addiction.

Recruitment and appointment of Trustees

The trust is administered by Falkirk Council, with the Chief Finance Officer appointed as Treasurer. Following the elections held in May 2007, Provost Pat Reid and Councillor John Patrick were appointed as Trustees, representing wards in the former Falkirk Burgh area. Councillor Craig R Martin replaced Councillor Patrick from 18 May 2012. Provost Reid and Councillor Martin remain Trustees at 31 March 2014.

Respective responsibilities of the trustees and auditor

The trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements which properly present the receipts and payments of the charity. The auditor's responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) as required by the Code of Audit Practice approved by the Accounts Commission for Scotland.

Activities and achievements

There were a number of grant applications made to the Trust in the financial year and 4 grant payments were made which came to £1,900 in total. Each of these payments were made to individuals recovering from drug and alcohol addictions and payments were made via their Social Workers in order to control the spend of the grant. The grants were used to purchase some very much needed furniture and furnishings for the family home.

Reserves

The assets of the Trust are currently held by the Bank of Scotland and two accounts are in operation. The Treasurer's Account is used for the daily operations of the Trust and retains a working balance. A Guaranteed Fixed Deposit Account, which offers a higher interest rate, is used for the larger balance. This has a 6 month repayment period, whereby, the interest rate offered for the next period is reviewed. There are no restrictions on the use of funds held in either of these accounts.

Public benefit statement

The Trustees have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator in exercising their powers or duties.

Audit Arrangements

In response to section 106 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 and the provisions of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulation 2006, it was agreed that from 2013/14, each Local Authority auditor should cover the registered charities for which the Authority is sole trustee. The appointed auditor of Falkirk Council is Audit Scotland. The audit fee for 2014/15 was £200. The fee was not paid in year and will be accounted for in 2015/16 because the accounts are compiled on a receipts and payments basis.

Conclusion

The charity made 4 grants to the total of £1,900 during 2014/15.

P Reid, Trustee
xx 2015

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RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

FOR THE PERIOD 1 APRIL 2014 TO 31 MARCH 2015

2013/2014 £		2014/2015 £
	<u>Receipts</u>	
1,956	Bank interest	1,275
1,956		1,275
	<u>Payments</u>	
50	Independent Examiner Fee	50
500	Grants	1,900
550		1,950
1,406	Surplus/(Deficit) for Period	(675)

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf:

P Reid, Trustee
xx 2015

B Smail, Treasurer
xx 2015

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STATEMENT OF BALANCES

AS AT 31 MARCH 2015

2013/14 £		2014/2015 £
	<u>Current Assets</u>	
154,426	Bank of Scotland Guaranteed Fixed Deposit	150,595
5,969	Bank of Scotland Treasurer's Account	9,125
160,395		159,720
	<u>Current Liabilities</u>	
-		-
160,395	Net Assets	159,720
	<u>Represented by:</u>	
158,989	Surplus brought forward	160,395
1,406	Surplus/(deficit) for period	(675)
160,395	Surplus carried forward	159,720

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

1. Basis of Accounting

These 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 (as amended).

2. Fund Accounting

Unrestricted funds are those that may be used at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the objectives of the Charity.

3. Taxation

The Charity is not liable to income or capital gains tax on its charitable activities.

4. Trustee Remuneration, Expenses and Related Party Transactions

No remuneration or expenses were paid to the Charity Trustees or persons connected to a Trustee during the year (2013/14: Nil).

5. Administration Fee

No fee was charged by the Council and therefore no costs were incurred by the Charity for the administration of the funds on behalf of the Trustees.