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Trustees' Annual Report for the period							
	Period start date			Period end date		date	
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
From	1	April	2024	То	31	March	2025

Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator

Reference and administration details

Charity name	East Kintyre Community Fund		
Other names charity is known by			
Registered charity number	SC050650		
Charity's principal address	Kildonan		
	Campbeltown		
	Argyll		
	Postcode PA28 6QR		

Names of the charity trustees on date of approval of Trustees' Annual Report

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Russ Baum	Secretary/Chair		
2	Alasdair Bennett	Treasurer/Chair		
3	Ian Brodie			
4	Audrey Willan			
5	Shelagh Cameron			
6	Jennifer Conley		From 27 March 2025	EKCF Trustees

Reference and administration details

Names of all other charity trustees during the period, if any, (for example, those who resigned part way through the financial period)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
N/A	

Structure, governance and management

Type of governing document

Constitution of a single tier SCIO

Trustee recruitment and appointment

The board may at any time appoint any person to be a charity trustee by way of a resolution passed by a majority vote. Policy is to have 3 elected community councillors on the board along with 3 other trustees representative of the area. The board seeks, where possible, to maintain a gender balance among trustees.

Objectives and activities

Charitable purposes

The SCIO's purposes are to benefit the communities of East Kintyre and the objects are:

The distribution of Community funds from windfarms, and funds from other sources, to community groups or organisations within the area of East Kintyre to undertake projects that meet the public benefit criteria agreed by the SCIO and the donors and which fall within the purposes of;

- the advancement of community development and sustainability (including rural regeneration),
- the advancement of education, the advancement of arts, heritage, culture or science,
- the provision of recreational facilities or the organisation of recreational activities with the object of improving the conditions of life for the persons for whom the facilities or activities are primarily intended,
- the advancement of environmental protection or improvement,
- the relief of those in need by reason of age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage,

EKCF also acts as the East Kintyre Community's Anchor Charity member in the Community Benefit Societies that interact with the Kintyre windfarms

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Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects

The trustees promote the fund through the local newspaper and social media seeking applications from charities and other community groups for grant funding. The board then meets twice a year to consider applications and award funds that satisfy its charitable purposes. Throughout the year the office bearers manage the awards, making payments and ensuring all criteria have been met.

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the financial period

EKCF seeks, where possible, to be the single local funding group for East Kintyre and, in this regard, was pleased to secure community benefits from the Cour Windfarm for disbursement. These funds, in addition to those already received from the Beinn an Tuirc 3 wind farm and a local fish farm, make up the donations currently received.

With one of fund's purposes being the advancement of education, trustees agreed to amend their grant making policy to allow them to award student and apprenticeship bursaries. At the tranche meeting in March 2025, trustees awarded 5 apprenticeship bursaries, which will start to be paid in the next financial year.

The greatest achievement of EKCF during the year is probably the outcomes from the community projects it helped deliver (over £113,000 of grants disbursed to assist community groups with 16 projects). The largest grants helped support Carradale Community Shop and Post office and Carradale Village Hall, both of which are essential in maintaining a sustainable and vibrant community in a remote area of Argyll. Other grants benefitted heritage and health & wellbeing projects while some supported services for older people.

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

As EKCF has no contingent liabilities, other than grants not yet paid, its reserve policy is simply to ensure the funds held meet outstanding awards. At each tranche meeting, a financial summary is provided to inform trustees of the funds available for awards.

Details of any deficit

N/A