ANNAN PLAYPARK STEERING GROUP

2026 TREASURERS REPORT

(COVERING PERIOD FROM 1ST JANUARY 2025 THROUGH TO 31ST DECEMBER 2025)

This report presents a summary of APPS financial position, including key receipts and disbursements for the calendar year 2025.

It should be noted that with regards to the preceding years financial accounts (those relating to the calendar year 2024), these were independently certified as a true record of the financial position of the Group on 18 August 2025, by Saint & Co. chartered accountants.

HEADLINE SUMMARY:

A busier year in comparison to the recent past reflecting fundraising and a spree of donations following the well publicised arson attack and damage to the Park in March 2025. The Group are grateful for the generosity of the town's people and a number of businesses who rallied quickly to donate, enabling the Group to be in a position to pursue repairs.

At the year-end a modest but diminishing budget remains, likely sufficient to cover core operating costs for another year or two.

A longer term funding strategy needs to be developed to help generate additional funds to cover future operating costs as well as repair and maintenance costs associated with the ongoing upkeep of the Park.

A review of the Group's banking arrangements, including authorised signatures, also remains to be conducted but is in hand.

FINANCIAL OVERVIEW:

Account Opening Balance (1st Jan 2025)	£1,788.05
Account Closing Balance (31st Dec 2025)	£11,536.84

ACCOUNT RECEIPTS:

Date	*Amount*	*Source*
14-02-25	£2,000	Dumfries & Galloway Council Common Good Award
19-03-25	£500	Private Donation
27-03-25	£500	Donation (Councillor Marshall Ward Allowance)
24-04-25	£82	Donation (C Grimley BOS Annan Raffle)
28-04-25	£4,812.90	APPs Go Fund Me Deposit (W. Hamilton)

14-05-25	£50	LA Active Fund Raising Donation
11-06-25	£1,150	BOS Foundation
06-11-25	£253.83	Donation - Tesco In-Store Cash Collection
17-11-25	£1,125	Groundwork UK Fund Award (Tesco Blue Tokens)
TOTAL	**£10,473.73**	

ACCOUNT DISBURSEMENTS:

Date	***Amount***	***Recipient***	***Purpose***
05-01-25	£484.94	Keegan & Penny Kid	Annual Insurance
26-03-25	£120.00	Saint & Co Accountants	Review of 2023 Accounts
01-10-25	£120.00	Saint & Co Accountants	Review of 2024 Accounts
TOTAL	**£724.94**		

CLOSING BALANCE OBSERVATIONS:

£1,313.11	Un-ringfenced balance
£250	Grant Funding awarded specifically for the purposes of consultation on Phase 3 of the Park (Skate Park).
£1,125	Groundwork UK Grant Fund Award – Specific to Equipment Replacement and subject to a number of grant conditions
£8,848.73	Not subject to formal conditions but donated in goodwill towards park repairs.

2026 OUTLOOK:

The Group's annual insurance premium for 2026, due in January 2025, has been confirmed as £498.59

Saints & Co. have been instructed to undertake an independent review of the 2025 financial accounts and records at a cost of £120.

A number of quotations have been received in relation to replacing the tunnel damaged via the arson attack, ranging from c.£8k - £9.5k including associated works.

Income of £325 is expected upon the completion of park repairs, when a further draw down of grant funding from the Groundworks Grant Fund Award is enabled.

In the absence of any other known commitments, and assuming park repairs are at the higher end of the quotations received, there would be a residual balance of c.**£1,768**.

CONCLUDING ACTIONS:

- The need remains for the Group to develop a strategy to generate additional funds to maintain a healthy operating balance / reserve, required to cover ongoing operating costs and future repairs.
- A review of the Group's banking arrangements remains outstanding and a priority. An attempt to open a Bank of Scotland account was declined on procedural grounds in mid 2025 (the time for Trustees to confirm expired). A renewed application is now being progressed and is hoped to be concluded in Q1 of 2026.