

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

For

Laich of Moray Active Travel Routes



Year Ending 30 November 2024

The Laich of Moray Active Travel Routes is a Scottish Incorporated Charitable Organisation (SCIO) Scottish Charity No: SC050571

Trustees' Annual Report for the period							
Period start date				Period end date			
From	Day	Month	Year	To	Day	Month	Year
	1	12	2023		30	11	2024

Reference and administration details

Charity name	Laich of Moray Active Travel Routes
Other names charity is known by	LoMATR
Registered charity number	SC050571
Charity's principal address	8A Pitgaveny Street
	Lossiemouth
	Moray
	Postcode IV31 6NS

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	Malcolm Campbell	Chair		
2	Melanie Newbould			
3	Paul Duke			
4	Karen Cox	Secretary	20 Mar 24	Appointed at AMM
5	Clare Stoddart	Deputy Secretary	20 Mar 24	Appointed at AMM
6	Jolene Young	Treasurer	20 Mar 24	Appointed at AMM
7	Jo Napier		20 Mar 24	Appointed at AMM
8	Paul Duncan		20 Mar 24	Appointed at AMM
9	Lorna Walker		20 Mar 24	Appointed at AMM
10	Peter Brash		20 Mar 24	Appointed at AMM
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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

Structure, governance and management

Type of governing document

The Laich of Moray Active Travel Routes (LoMATR) is a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (SCIO) incorporated on 16 November 2020 and governed by a Constitution

Trustee recruitment and appointment

All Trustees standdown at the Annual Members Meeting (AMM) but can stand for reselection.
Appointment to trusteeship is open to members of the LoMATR who wish to become a Trustee. (Subject to scrutiny)
Trustees are appointed at the AMM by those members present at the meeting or subsequently by the Board of Trustees in accordance with the Constitution.

Objectives and activities

Charitable purposes

The organisation's purposes are to provide outdoor recreation facilities and activities for the local community and its visitors by:

- a. Establishing a recognised walking and cycling route between Lossiemouth and Hopeman initially to be known as the "Lighthouse Links"
- b. Promoting those sections of the Lighthouse Links suitable for equestrians or accessible by mobility scooter;
- c. Establishing and promoting other ATR routes in and around Lossiemouth and North Morav.

Summary of the main activities in relation to these purposes

- Further develop initial Business Case and engage with local communities
- Confirm route of Lighthouse Links and negotiate necessary access and permissions with landowners
- Raise funds required
- Deliver ATR by managing design, construction and maintenance of ATR
- ID other potential ATRs in and around Lossiemouth and North Moray and repeat as above for each

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Achievements and performance

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

The BoT agreed that the focus for the year should be to progress the Lossiemouth to Hopeman Active Travel Route (ATR) between Muirton Road, Lossiemouth and the Junction of Covesea Road and the B9040 which is roughly half the overall distance between the towns. The section from Covesea Road to Hopeman would likely require a Compulsory Purchase Order because the key landowner was known to be against the idea of an ATR across his land. This would be progressed after the initial phase was underway.

The BoT also agreed to raise the profile of the charity by participating in local events and to use those opportunities to raise funds to provide working capital. These events included Seafest, RAF Lossiemouth Open Day and the Hopeman Gala.

Competitions were held for local primary school children to name the proposed ATR and design a logo for it. The name chosen is "Lighthouse Links" and a striking logo was developed from the winning entry.

Other Community Engagement activity included a presentation to the Elgin Rotary Club and offers have been made to address other local organisations.

In early November, the Charity finally met with the Golf Club and has now been invited to present to the Golf Club Council in early 2025. Assuming a successful meeting with the Council, the proposed route for the Lighthouse links would be presented to Moray Golf Club Members for formal approval in 2025.

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The Charity did raise funding sufficient for day to day expenses through donations and through activities at events during the year.

Once there is financial activity related to significant expenditure and income, the charity will hold reserves to cover known annual liabilities and will set aside money to cover unforeseen events

Details of any deficit

The £7/month bank charges were cancelled and then repaid when the type of Bank account was changed to a Treasure's Account where no charges are levied.
The Charity started with a balance of £2 on 1 Dec 23. Over the year, it received donations, bank refund and cash from events totalling £580 while the costs were £305.60. The closing balance on 30 Nov 24 was £276.40

Donated facilities and services (if any)

Nothing to report

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Other optional information

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)



Full name(s)

MALCOLM CAMPBELL

Position (e.g. Chair)

CHAIR

Date

20 March 2025

Section B Statement of balances

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Expendable endowment funds to nearest £	Permanent endowment funds to nearest £	Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
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	Cash and bank balances at end of year	276	-	-	-	276	2
	(Agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))						

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		Total	-	-

B3 Other assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (if available)	Current value (if available)	Last year
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		Total	-	-	-

B4 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due	Last year
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		Total	-	-

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