

## OSCR Reporter - July 2024

Welcome to the OSCR Reporter newsletter, your regular update of the latest charity sector news from the Scottish Charity Regulator.



### **Four ways to improve your charity's annual report and accounts**

We recently reviewed the accounts of 60 charities, selected at random to represent the full scope of the Scottish charity sector, and have found four key areas where charities can improve their annual reports and accounts:

- Trustees' Annual Report
- Comparative information
- Reserves policy
- Governing documents

Read our "Lessons learned from reviewing charity accounts" report for more information and tips on how to improve in these areas



## **Katriona Carmichael appointed as OSCR's new Chief Executive**

We are delighted to announce Katriona Carmichael has taken up her appointment as OSCR's new Chief Executive.

Katriona joins OSCR from the Environment & Forestry Directorate of the Scottish Government, where she was the Deputy Director for Circular Economy. She brings with her significant experience in leadership roles and a clear understanding of the positive impact of regulation done well.

[Read about OSCR's new CEO](#)

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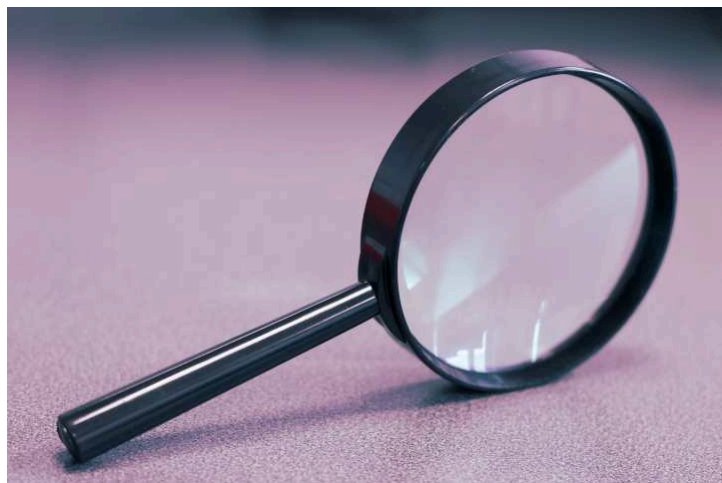
## **New Sector Overview Report published**

The latest Sector Overview Report is now available, providing an outline of the charity sector in Scotland over the last three months.

Based on the information provided by charities on the Scottish Charity Register, the report details the scale and scope of the charity sector in Scotland and highlights some of the key facts and figures.

[Read the Sector Overview Report](#)

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## **Inquiry report: SC042623 The Great Scottish Tapestry Charitable Trust**

We have published an inquiry report into the Great Scottish Tapestry Charitable Trust (SC042623),

detailing our decision to remove the charity from the Scottish Charity Register.

The charity has fulfilled the purposes it was set up to achieve and is now inactive, but it has not been wound up by the trustees. Following our inquiries, we are satisfied that the charity does not provide, or intend to provide, public benefit and as such they no longer meet the charity test and should be removed from the Register.

[Read the inquiry report](#)



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