# REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: SC595859 (Scotland) REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 049191

Report of the Trustees and Unaudited Financial Statements For The Period 1 May 2018 to 31 May 2019 for Finderne Development Trust

> The Long Partnership Park House Centre South Street Elgin IV30 1JB

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## Report of the Trustees For The Period 1 May 2018 to 31 May 2019

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the period 1 May 2018 to 31 May 2019. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015).

## **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

#### **Objectives and aims**

The company has been formed principally to benefit the community of the area of Moray covered by the Finderne Community Council as defined by the boundaries of Moray community councils from time to time (the "Community") with the following objects:

- 1. The advancement of community development (including the advancement of rural regeneration) within the Community;
- 2. To provide, or assist in providing, recreational facilities and/or organising recreational activities, which will be available to members of the Community and public at large with the object of improving the conditions of life in the Community;
- 3. The advancement of education of the Community about its environment, culture, heritage and/or history;
- 4. The advancement of environmental protection or improvement including preservations, and conservation of the natural environment, the promotion of sustainable development and the maintenance, improvement or provision of environmental amenities for the community;

But only to the extent that the above purposes are consistent with furthering the achievement of sustainable development.

The vision of Finderne Development Trust (FDT) is built around Finderne's special sense of place and outstanding environmental and cultural qualities together with our ambition to help nurture these qualities whilst at the same time helping to make it socially attractive and economically possible for people of all ages to live and make their livelihoods in the area for the long term.

To achieve this we will concentrate our efforts on a number of fundamental strategic themes:

- 1. Rural economic development
- 2. Recreation, health and well-being
- 3. Protecting and enhancing Finderne's natural assets
- 4. Supporting skills and capacity building in the community

The underlying values and principles that we will hold to as we set about pursuing our vision are:

- 1. Staying community focused
- 2. An emphasis on long-term investment and benefits
- 3. Sustainability
- 4. Supporting other groups and partners in achieving their goals through collaboration and empowerment.

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#### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

## Significant activities

During the summer and autumn of 2018, FDT carried out a community engagement programme facilitated by consultants Athena Solutions and StrategyStory and sponsored by Local Energy Scotland.

The programme comprised a postal survey to all households within Finderne plus follow up interviews, and a series of workshop and "drop-in" events at Rafford, Edinkillie, and Logie Steading. The purpose of the programme was to gain a better understanding of peoples' views of living in Finderne, find out what were felt to be key issues and challenges together with identifying opportunities that might be taken to address them and thereby provide an evidenced basis for developing our Plan.

The community survey, which had 168 responses from 400 households, asked people about how they felt about living in Finderne including what was considered to be good about living in Finderne and what were the communities' concerns.

People's choices about what could be improved matched the concerns raised about living in Finderne.

40 out of 158 people thought "the area is fine as it is". The three top choices for improvements were:

- 1. Better public / community transport
- 2. Support for vulnerable people
- 3. More activities for younger people.

To build on the "choices for improvement" articulated above, attendees at the workshops were invited to ask our StrategyStory consultant (the "Fairy Godfather") for three wishes for the future of Finderne that he would grant if he could! These are summarised below under some general themes:

- 1. Community vibrancy & sustainability
- a. A major shift in population profile more young families.
- b. A community that people want to come and live in with a strong community spirit.
- c. Fast broadband as an enabler for the whole community.
- c. Affordable housing, schooling, recreation.
- d. Village shop.
- e. Transport options for more senior residents who are otherwise isolated.
- 2. Infrastructural support for local enterprise
- a. A dedicated well resourced facility for supporting fledgling businesses that can't afford full-time offices and that promotes social interaction and expertise.
- b. Community art gallery.
- c. Facilities for local artisans and producers.
- 3. Access, recreation and tourism
- a. Good quality bunkhouse on the Dava Way.
- b. Improved connectivity between cycle and walking routes
- 4. Opportunities for younger people
- a. New entrants / apprenticeships to Finderne's rural industries farming & forestry.
- 5. Local arts and culture
- a. Strengthen connections with Glasgow School of Art.
- b. Encouraging creative arts and other cultural events within Finderne.

## FINANCIAL REVIEW

#### **Financial position**

The company generated a surplus for the period which shall be carried forward and used to faciliate achieving the objectives of the company.

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#### FINANCIAL REVIEW

### **Principal funding sources**

FDT receives funding from the Logie Wind Farm community benefit fund to help with the operation of the Trust over the next 25 years, subject to periodic review.

This annual funding of £138,000 will be critical in supporting the Trust's core operating costs as well as providing feasibility, seed corn and match funding contributions for certain projects.

However, a key element in delivering the outcomes of the Strategic Plan will be the need to lever in significant "multipliers" of additional funding from a wide spectrum of public and other sources to help bring our project priorities to fruition.

## Reserves policy

The income and property of the company shall be applied solely towards promoting the company's objects and in particular (but without limiting the generality of that provision) any surplus funds or assets of the company must be applied for the benefit of the Community.

No part of the income or property of the company shall be paid or transferred (directly or indirectly) to the members of the company, whether by way of dividend, bonus or otherwise.

## **FUTURE PLANS**

FDT's next steps are to scope and where appropriate facilitate and enable projects that have been either specifically identified through the community engagement exercise or would help address one or more other key issues or challenges facing the Finderne area, to be prioritised over the next 5 years.

The generic project ideas have provided the framework for our Strategic Plan in which these have then been tabulated as more specific projects with identifiable phases, milestones and possible working partners as appropriate

The projects we have identified as being of highest priority over the next 5 years are summarised by strategic theme below.

- 1. Social
- a. Community communications strategy.
- b. Development of a multi-functional community hub.
- c. Scheme to help address fuel poverty.
- d. Community transport scheme.
- e. Community well being / home care programme.
- 2. Economic
- a. Fast broadband provision across Finderne.
- b. Community energy scheme.
- c. Facilitation of land-based apprenticeships.
- d. Provision of co-working / shared workspace.
- 3. Environment, Art and Culture
- a. New recreational routes/ enhanced connectivity and infrastructure.
- b. New opportunities for eco-tourism & environmental education.
- c. Arts and heritage promotion.
- d. Project to showcase enhancement / sustainability of Finderne's environment.

Our Strategic Plan will be taken forward initially through the recruitment by FDT of our full time Development Manager, Pery Zakeri, who has been in post since March 2019.

As individual projects progress through the scoping, feasibility and funding stages, it may become necessary to engage additional staff and/or Project Officers who will have responsibility for the planning and implementation of specific projects that require dedicated expertise.

Some Projects may be led directly by FDT, whilst others may be achieved more effectively through collaboration with other partners and to achieve mutual benefit.

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#### STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

### **Governing document**

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

Finderne Development Trust is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 1st May 2018 and registered as a charity. The company is governed by a Memorandum and Articles of Association, which establish the objects and powers of the charitable company. In event of the company being wound up the members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding  $\pounds 1$ .

## **Organisational structure**

The structure of the company consists of: -

- (a) The members comprising (i) Ordinary Members (who have the right to attend the annual general meeting (and any other general meeting) and have important powers under the articles of association and the Companies Act; in particular, the Ordinary Members elect people to serve as directors and take decisions in relation to changes
- to the articles themselves), (ii) the Associate Members and (iii) the Junior Members; and
- (b) the directors who hold regular meetings during the period between annual general meetings, and generally control and supervise the activities of the company; in particular, the directors are responsible for monitoring the financial position of the company.

#### **Kev management remuneration**

No director of the company shall be appointed as a paid employee of the company; no director shall hold any office under the company for which a salary or fee is payable.

No benefit (whether in money or in kind) shall be given by the company to any director except

- (a) repayment of out-of-pocket expenses; or
- (b) reasonable payment in return for particular services (out with the ordinary duties of a director) actually rendered to the company.

## REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

## **Registered Company number**

SC595859 (Scotland)

## **Registered Charity number**

049191

## Registered office

100 High Street

Forres

Moray

IV36 1PD

## Trustees

K E Astill - appointed 1.5.18 J A Cudworth - appointed 1.5.18 **B** Higgs - appointed 1.5.18 J F Mckay - appointed 1.5.18 C L Miele - appointed 1.5.18 C J Piper - appointed 1.5.18 P L Taylor - appointed 1.5.18 R H Dennis - appointed 4.4.19 J Laing - appointed 4.4.19

# **Company Secretary**

Grigor & Young LLP

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## REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

**Independent examiner** Anthony Palombo

BA FCCA
The Long Partnership
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# COMMENCEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

The company was incorporated on 1 May 2018 and commenced business on 20 August 2018 and obtained charitable status on 3 April 2019.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 27 September 2019 and signed on its behalf by:

C J Piper - Trustee

# **Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Finderne Development Trust**

I report on the accounts for the period 1 May 2018 to 31 May 2019 set out on pages seven to thirteen.

## Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended). The charity's trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1)(a) to (c) of the Accounts Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under Section 44(1)(c) of the Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

## Basis of the independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended). An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

## Independent examiner's statement

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 44(1)(a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with Regulation 8 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations

have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Anthony Palombo BA FCCA The Long Partnership Park House Centre South Street Elgin IV30 1JB

27 September 2019

# Statement of Financial Activities For The Period 1 May 2018 to 31 May 2019

INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
Donations and legacies		138,001	15,212	153,213
Investment income	2	130	<u>-</u>	130
Total		138,131	15,212	153,343
EXPENDITURE ON Charitable activities Other resources		17,519	1,500	19,019
Other		3,101	15,102	18,203
Total		20,620	16,602	37,222
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)  Transfers between funds	9	117,511 (1,390)	(1,390) 1,390	116,121
Net movement in funds		116,121	-	116,121
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		116,121		116,121

# Balance Sheet At 31 May 2019

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS Tangible assets	6	14,286	-	14,286
CURRENT ASSETS Debtors Cash at bank	7	552 105,643 106,195		552 105,643 106,195
CREDITORS Amounts falling due within one year	8	(4,360)	-	(4,360)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		101,835		101,835
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		116,121	-	116,121
NET ASSETS		116,121		116,121
FUNDS Unrestricted funds Restricted funds	9			116,121
TOTAL FUNDS				116,121

# Balance Sheet - continued At 31 May 2019

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the period ended 31 May 2019.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the period ended 31 May 2019 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 27 September 2019 and were signed on its behalf by:

K E Astill -Trustee		
J A Cudworth -Trustee		
B Higgs -Trustee		
J F Mckay -Trustee		
C L Miele -Trustee		
C J Piper -Trustee		

The notes form part of these financial statements

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# Balance Sheet - continued At 31 May 2019

**Finderne Development Trust** 

P L Taylor -Trustee

R H Dennis -Trustee

J Laing -Trustee

Notes to the Financial Statements For The Period 1 May 2018 to 31 May 2019

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

## Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

#### **Income**

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

#### **Expenditure**

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

#### **Tangible fixed assets**

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Plant and machinery - 20% on cost Fixtures and fittings - 20% on cost Computer equipment - 20% on cost

## **Taxation**

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities and on its grants and donations received for its non-trading activities.

## **Fund accounting**

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

## Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charitable company's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

#### 2. INVESTMENT INCOME

Deposit account interest £
130

# Notes to the Financial Statements - continued For The Period 1 May 2018 to 31 May 2019

# 3. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	£
Depreciation - owned assets	743

# 4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the period ended 31 May 2019.

## Trustees' expenses

During the year, the company repaid the trustees a total of £2,228 for out-of-pocket expenses.

## 5. STAFF COSTS

The average monthly number of employees during the period was as follows:

Administrative staff	<u>:</u>		1

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

## 6. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Plant and machinery £	Fixtures and fittings	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST	£	£	£	L
Additions	11,170	697	3,162	15,029
DEPRECIATION				
Charge for year	610	27	106	743
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NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31 May 2019	10,560	670	3,056	14,286
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## 7. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	£
Prepayments	552

## 8. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

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Trade creditors	1,077
Social security and other taxes	1,089
Other creditors	325
Accrued expenses	1,869
	4,360

# Notes to the Financial Statements - continued For The Period 1 May 2018 to 31 May 2019

# 9. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.5.19 £
Unrestricted funds General fund	117,511	(1,390)	116,121
Restricted funds Restricted fund	(1,390)	1,390	-
TOTAL FUNDS	116,121		116,121
Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:			
	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds General fund	138,131	(20,620)	117,511
Restricted funds Restricted fund	15,212	(16,602)	(1,390)
TOTAL FUNDS	153,343	(37,222)	116,121

# 10. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the period ended 31 May 2019.

# Detailed Statement of Financial Activities For The Period 1 May 2018 to 31 May 2019

	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS	
<b>Donations and legacies</b> Grants	153,213
Investment income	
Deposit account interest	130
Total incoming resources	153,343
EXPENDITURE	
Charitable activities	
Wages	9,686
Pensions Rates and water	330 110
Insurance	537
Telephone	275
Postage and stationery	2,291
Advertising	1,566
Sundries Repairs and maintenance	780 917
Travel expenses	1,171
Training	373
Rent	240
Plant and machinery	610
Fixtures and fittings	27 106
Computer equipment	
	19,019
Support costs	
Finance Bank interest	2
Governance costs	2
Accountancy fees	2,199
Legal and professional fees	16,002
	18,201
Total resources expended	37,222
Net income	116,121