

**EAST RENFREWSHIRE GOOD CAUSES
FUNDRAISING CHARITY
DIRECTORS REPORT AND FINANCIAL
STATEMENTS
For the period ended 30th September 2008**

Charity Number: SCO38233

EAST RENFREWSHIRE GOOD CAUSES FUNDRAISING CHARITY
(A Company Limited by Guarantee)

**East Renfrewshire Good Causes Fundraising Charity is a
Charity registered in Scotland Number SCO38233**

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

D. Duncan W. Dick
Yvonne D. Macmillan
Alastair I. Macqueen
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SECRETARY

Keith D.B. Roberts

REGISTERED OFFICE

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COMPANY NUMBER

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**EAST RENFREWSHIRE GOOD CAUSES FUNDRAISING CHARITY
REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS
For the period ended 30th September 2008**

The Board of Directors present their report and accounts for the period ended 30th September 2008.

Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document

The Charity is constituted as a company limited by guarantee, and is therefore governed by a Memorandum and Articles of Association.

Risk Management

The directors actively review the major risks faced by the Charity on a regular basis – financial, operational and business.

Organisational Structure

The day to day running of the Charity is undertaken by Russell Macmillan who is the unpaid Volunteer Co-ordinator. The Board of Directors oversee the operation through regular contact with the Co-ordinator.

Objectives & Activities

The objects of the Charity is the advancement of citizenship or community development as defined in S.7(3)(b) Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005.

In practice this means the Charity raises funds from individuals, businesses and groups so that it is able to give out grants to support good causes throughout East Renfrewshire.

Achievements and Performance

The following achievements were made possible by the support from "Friends of ER Good Causes".

- Provided a new wheelchair to the East Renfrewshire Carers Project for use in taking disabled carers out for some respite,
- Provided a grant to allow a local disabled young adult, to help crew a sailing ship called the “Tenacious “,
- Provided safety equipment to an almost blind, hyperactive autistic 2 year old, giving a safe area for him to play.
- Provide a wheelchair to East Renfrewshire Voluntary Action allowing equal access to volunteering
- Provided a personalised sat.nav system to a totally blind man which has prevented him being housebound in the absence of a sighted guide.
- A grant to allow a severely disabled young adult to access some recreation and give his full time carer some respite.
- Provided a furniture removal service allowing the resolution of a crisis situation involving a dementia sufferer, after an unfortunate family event.
- Provided equipment to Cosgrove Care to allow young, special needs adults to learn domestic tasks, gaining more independence and self sufficiency.
- Helped 15 teenagers go on an educational trip to promote charity work and volunteering within our east Renfrewshire community.
- Helped to finance a shortfall, to allow the completion of a downstairs wet-room & bedroom for a mobility impaired MS sufferer.

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- Repaired internal decor damage after an enforced break in by the police to ensure the safety of a resident with serious mental health problems.
- Provided a laptop to a young teenager, to encourage them on their long & painful physio based rehab after horrific, domestic, almost fatal crush injury.
- Leaflets to help launch a local networking group to discourage the potential of social isolation by joining groups with common interests.
- A therapeutic, public sector strength, garden swing, into the home of an 18 year old young adult with severe, non verbal autism spectrum disorder (ASD).
- Cover an insurance excess of £450, to allow 2 young support workers to buddy a severely disabled boy, 14 yrs, to go on his first ever weekend trip to a purpose built recreation centre - payout not required as no accident.
- Computer training at home for an MS, wheelchair user to learn how to access and use the internet for socialising, hobbies & interests.
- 90% of the cost to supply a computer to an adult stroke victim that suffers from dysphasia allowing better communication with doctors, and other people.
- Helped to provide a specialist car seat to enable safer transport of 3 year old with Microcephaly, & probable ADH Disorder (too young to diagnose).
- Helped with social work and others, to establish a new family home after 3 kids lost their single parent mother due to a bereavement.
- Electrical white goods to help a late 30's lady with learning difficulties to live independently in her own flat, within a supported living complex.
- Electrical white goods to help a man in his twenties with Aspergers syndrome to live independently, with support, in his own flat for the first time.
- Electrical white goods to help a man in his 30's with severe autism ASD to live independently, with a support package, in his own flat.
- Electrical white goods to help a young family with a mobility impaired child (induced by treatment for cancer) to live in accommodation more suitable.
- Electrical white goods to help a young lady, requiring 24/7 support, due to learning difficulties, establish her own independent flat.
- White goods to allow two local residents with special needs, to set up a shared tenancy with a support package provided by Cosgrove Care.
- Mattress cover for teenager that suffers from double incontinence with East Renfrewshire Council providing the new mattress.
- Clothes for a teenager, to try and prevent bullying. The single parent has mild learning difficulties and is recovering from serious addiction issues.
- 50% computer to allow cerebral palsy, non verbal autism, visually impaired child to communicate via switching and large television screen.
- Potentially fatal, seizure alarm for a child with cerebral palsy and severe epilepsy to allow the parents to get some sleep.
- Part funded with Eastwood Rotary and others, a specially designed new seat for a privately bought £12,000 wheelchair for a local school child.

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- Household repair for a severely disabled single mother with 3 school age children after domestic accident in a house with no insurance in place.
- Part funded a one day training course to allow a carer with tremendous caring responsibilities to gain experience in dealing with the issues.
- Sturdy therapeutic garden swing for a young adult with severe autism, allowing exercise which helps calm the individual down without using medication.
- Modified wheelchair to allow adult to remain independent without having to access carers for personal basic daily requirements.

Financial Review

Principal Funding Source

The principal source of funding for the charity is regular monthly and single donations.

Transactions and Financial Position

The statement of financial activities shows income for the period of £16,109 and reserves standing at £4,674 in total.

Reserves

The general reserves are in surplus but the Charity is committed to supporting future good causes. The directors would like to maintain general reserves at an adequate level.

Plans for Future Periods

The directors intend to continue to seek ways to maximise donations and to support as many good causes as funds allow.

Directors

During the financial year the board of directors was made up as follows:

D. Duncan W. Dick	(appointed 2 May 2007)
Yvonne D. Macmillan	(appointed 2 May 2007)
Alastair I. Macqueen	(appointed 1 August 2007)
Keith D.B. Roberts	(appointed 1 August 2007)

Small Company Rules

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

This report was approved by the Board on 5th January 2009.

Keith D.B. Roberts
 Director

**EAST RENFREWSHIRE GOOD CAUSES FUNDRAISING CHARITY
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON THE UNAUDITED
ACCOUNTS
TO THE DIRECTORS OF EAST RENFREWSHIRE GOOD CAUSES
FUNDRAISING CHARITY**

In accordance with the engagement letter and in order to assist you to fulfil your duties under the Companies Act 1985, we have prepared the accounts of the company on pages 6 to 9 from the accounting records and information and explanations supplied to us.

This report is made to the Company's Board of Directors, as a body, in accordance with the terms of our engagement. Our work has been undertaken to enable us to prepare the accounts on behalf of the Company's Board of Directors and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Company and the Company's Board of Directors, as a body, for our work or for this report.

We have carried out this engagement in accordance with best practice guidance issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Scotland and have complied with the ethical guidance laid down by the Institute relating to members undertaking the preparation of accounts.

You have acknowledged on the balance sheet for the period ended 30th September 2008 your duty to ensure that the company has kept proper accounting records and to prepare accounts that give a true and fair view under the Companies Act 1985. You consider that the company is exempt from the statutory requirement for an audit for the year.

We have not been instructed to carry out an audit of the accounts. For this reason, we have not verified the accuracy or completeness of the accounting records or information and explanations you have given to us and we do not, therefore, express any opinion on the accounts.

Aiton & Co.
Chartered Accountants
50 Wellington Street
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5th January 2009

EAST RENFREWSHIRE GOOD CAUSES FUNDRAISING CHARITY
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
For the period ended 30th September 2008

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>£</u>
INCOMING RESOURCES		
Incoming resources from generated funds:		
Voluntary Income	2	16052
Bank Interest		<u>57</u>
Total Income		<u>16109</u>
 RESOURCES EXPENDED		
Charitable Expenditure	3	11405
Governance Costs	6	<u>30</u>
Total Resources Expended		<u>11435</u>
Net Incoming Resources		
Funds at 30 September 2008		<u>4674</u>

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BALANCE SHEET
As at 30th September 2008

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>£</u>
CURRENT ASSETS		
Debtors	8	937
Cash at bank and in hand		3737
Net assets		<u>4674</u>
Funds		
General Reserves		<u>4674</u>

The directors consider that the company is entitled to exemption from the requirement to have an audit under the provisions of Section 249A(1) of the Companies Act 1985. Members have not required the Company under Section 249B(2) of the Companies Act 1985 to obtain an audit for the period ended 30th September 2008. The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which comply with section 221 of the Companies Act 1985, and for preparing accounts which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at 30th September 2008 and of its surplus for the period then ended in accordance with the requirements of Section 226, and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Act relating to the accounts so far as applicable to the company.

The financial statements on pages 6 to 9 which have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 applicable to small companies were approved by the board on 5th January 2009 and signed on its behalf.

D. Duncan W. Dick
 Director

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting Convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2007) and follow the recommendations in the Statement of Recommended Practice : Accounting and Reporting by Charities (issued March 2005).

Income

Voluntary income is received by way of donations and is included in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when received.

Grants Making Policy

The Charity seeks to support causes which are not covered by the statutory sector. Approaches are made by frontline professionals such as doctors, social workers and carers and applications can be made by individual members of the community.

The Board then considers each case on its own merits and can award grants of up to £500 in most cases. Where grants are in excess of the Charity's resources partner organisations maybe sought to support a larger grant on a case by case basis.

Resources Expended

Resources expended are included in the Statement of Financial Activities on an accruals basis, inclusive of any VAT which cannot be recovered.

Expenditure which is directly attributable to specific activities has been included in these cost categories.

Expenditure on Governance

Governance costs of the charity relate to the costs of running the charity such as accounting and other statutory requirements.

2. DONATIONS

The directors records their appreciation of donations received during the financial period as follows:

<u>Lump Sum Donations:</u>	<u>£</u>
East Renfrewshire Chamber of Trade Dinner	1114
Eastwood Mearns Taxis	1000
Eastwood Rotary Club	600
Other lump sum donations	<u>4714</u>
	<u>7428</u>
 <u>Regular Donations</u>	 <u>6139</u>
 <u>Gift Aid</u>	 <u>2485</u>
 Total	 <u>16052</u>

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3. CHARITABLE EXPENSES

	<u>£</u>
Payments to beneficiaries (note 4)	10728
Post, stationery and printing	670
Bank charges	<u>7</u>
	<u>11405</u>

4. PAYMENTS TO BENEFICIARIES

The Charity supported 61 beneficiaries through its payments of £10,728.
A detailed breakdown of these achievements are shown in the Director's Report on pages 2, 3 and 4 of these accounts.

5. DIRECTORS REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

The members of the Board as trustees and directors of the charitable company received no remuneration nor expenses from the charity.

6. GOVERNANCE COSTS

	<u>£</u>
Fundraising Standards Board Membership	<u>30</u>

7. TAXATION

The company has been approved by HM Revenue & Customs as having charitable status and is exempt from taxation.

8. DEBTORS

	<u>£</u>
Gift Aid Debtor	<u>937</u>

9. COMMITMENTS

Grants

The Board have authorised certain grants which are subject to acceptance by the recipient. The total amount authorised but not accrued as expenditure at 30th September 2008 was £4,508.

10. COMPANY INFORMATION

East Renfrewshire Good Causes Fundraising Charity Limited is a company limited by guarantee and with no share capital.