

**EAST RENFREWSHIRE GOOD CAUSES  
FUNDRAISING CHARITY  
DIRECTORS REPORT AND FINANCIAL  
STATEMENTS  
For the year ended 30th September 2009**

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  
Keith D.B. Roberts

**SECRETARY**

Keith D.B. Roberts

**REGISTERED OFFICE**

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**COMPANY NUMBER**

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**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER**

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**EAST RENFREWSHIRE GOOD CAUSES FUNDRAISING CHARITY  
REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS  
For the year ended 30th September 2009**

The Board of Directors present their report and accounts for the year ended 30th September 2009.

**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".

- Helped provide a washing machine for grandparents who are having to care for 3 grandchildren due to serious addiction issues of single parent daughter.
- Provided a lawnmower and garden equipment to a widowed mother of 4 primary school age children (dad died of cancer) to help to maintain their own garden.
- Helped with specialist equipment to allow a severely disabled, full time wheelchair user, in their late teens, to be able to communicate more independently.
- Childcare deposit to allow a young mother of a child with disability, to train in hairdressing & become less reliant on state benefits.
- White goods for a mid 50's, long stay hospital discharge patient with complex mental health issues to move into the supported accommodation in the community.
- Helped with childcare grant to allow single parent mother (herself grown up with adopted parents) to gain work experience and return to work.
- Helped provide a powered orthopaedic double bed, for a late 40's MS, full time wheelchair user and his wife to make it easier for the carers and family to assist.
- Provided a specialised back support cushion for an early 60's lady with MS, that provides better support and enables her to sit more comfortably in bed.

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- Domestic equipment for a mid 30's blind person, recently orphaned, who is in full time employment, helping them to remain independent in their own home.
- Funding for a carer, in employment, to go with husband and children to Leuchie House, a respite centre for MS sufferers.
- Helped to provide a paediatric wheelchair for a child with a co-ordination disorder to undergo corrective surgery and rehabilitate.
- Help with decor for a late teens, autistic, epileptic sufferer who lives in supported accommodation within the community.
- A "quick reader" machine, that talks any printed letter, book etc allowing a blind, 80's widow to remain in own home.
- Safety equipment to allow a severely disabled, early 20's adult, to safely use a powered standing frame and get respite from wheelchair.
- Floor covering for a homeless family with 4 children who were given a local authority tenancy, without any carpeting or covering.
- Purpose built chair for a mid 30's MS sufferer with 4 school age children, allowing easier rising from a sitting position.
- Transport costs to allow 2 young children (from family fleeing domestic violence) to attend local recreation activities.
- Leaflets to help promote a new social group for adults with disabilities.
- A large screen laptop to allow a late teens orphan, with complex physical disabilities to use for communicating and independence.
- Help to a widowed grandmother, main kinship carer for early teen with behavioural issues, to access structured recreation.
- Epilepsy monitor and CCTV to allow the parents of an infant to get some sleep and respite from the constant supervision of their toddler.
- Ramp to allow a late eighties carer to push his wife's (serious stroke) wheelchair into the back garden.
- Powered standing frame into resource centre to allow wheelchair users to stand upright and weight bear on bones etc.
- Clothing for a teenage carer who has lived with her autistic mother (now with grandparents) who suffers from multiple mental health issues.
- A study buddy for a secondary school pupil with cerebral palsy to help with home study preparations for national exams.
- A recreation event for a secondary school pupil (whose mother died) and is cared for by his father (substance misuse recovery programme).
- Flooring for two teenage girls unable to get any financial help due to working, on low wages - too young for working tax credits.
- Washing machine for a single parent with two young children after fleeing from domestic violence and setting up new home.
- A 'quick reader machine' allowing an early 60's, widowed, blind lady (from macular degeneration) to remain independent within own home.
- Funded 2 expensive pieces of equipment, thus helping to establish a new 'Womens Aid Centre' within East Renfrewshire.

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- Enabled a family with an 8 year old (severe learning difficulties, non verbal) with transport costs to allow child to go to "SENSE" recreation activity.
- Help with the removal costs of a late 50's stroke/brain damaged person to move to a safer, more suitable accommodation.
- Two nearly new kids beds with full bedding, donated to us and then given out for use by two separate families on low incomes.
- An 11 year old, under home supervision order and in a domestic situation with severe financial hardship to go on school trip.
- 10 year old, under a home supervision order, due to a parents addiction issue, to encourage school attendance etc. by going on a school trip.
- Computer and college books for a 23 year old single mum, (having grown up in foster care) to try and better herself and sons life by going to college.
- A grant for 4 children from 4 to 9 years, who had no jumpers to go to school with, due to main earner leaving the family home 1 year prior.
- A strengthened pair of glasses for a 32 year old with learning difficulties, also suffering from dislocating kneecaps, resulting in breakages of glasses due to falls .
- Calming garden swing for 19 year old with severe autism, to help control their frustration without using medication and also get some enjoyment.
- A specialised trike for an 11 year old full time wheelchair user with complex physical disabilities to get exercise and join in with brothers and friends.
- Recreation equipment allowing a mother of 3 young kids to join in and interact. She in full time wheelchair and housebound with ongoing morphine based pain control infusion.
- Home computer for 16 year old full time wheelchair user, living with single parent, to allow homework to be done outwith school.
- An active/passive cycle for a spinal injuries, full time wheelchair user, who is a mid 50's widow and carer to help exercise her heart and cardiovascular system.
- A wheelchair power pack to allow the wife, of a mid 60's combined Dementia and MS sufferer, to prevent him being housebound.
- Computer and programmes for 19 year old, downs syndrome to allow homework from a mainstream higher education college course.
- Computer for an autistic 12 year old, living with single parent, to allow continued learning at home as a pupil at Isobelle Mair School.
- Two size 9 wheelchair footballs and four Jingle balls (partially sighted & blind) for use by a group of youngsters from 6 - 15 years.
- A specialised 3 wheeler trike for a 4 year old with severely disabled lower limbs, to power it using his arms and upper body.
- A young teenager, living at home with a single parent mother who is recovering from addiction issues, to enable this child to go on school trip.
- A high back specialised seat, (respite from wheelchair) for a 16 year old orphan, with severe disabilities who is a full time wheelchair user.

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**REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS (Cont/d)**  
**For the year ended 30th September 2009**

**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 year of £22,430 (2008 - £16,109) and reserves standing at £6,153 (2008 - £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  
Yvonne D. Macmillan  
Alastair I. Macqueen  
Keith D.B. Roberts

**Independent Examiner**

S.L. Aiton of Messrs. Aiton & Co. CA is proposed for reappointment as Independent Examiner for the ensuing year.

**Small Company Rules**

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to companies subject to the small companies regime within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

This report was approved by the Board on 8<sup>th</sup> January 2010.

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Keith D.B. Roberts  
Director

**EAST RENFREWSHIRE GOOD CAUSES FUNDRAISING CHARITY  
INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT  
TO THE DIRECTORS OF EAST RENFREWSHIRE GOOD CAUSES  
FUNDRAISING CHARITY**

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> September 2009 which are set out on pages 7 to 10.

**Respective responsibilities of directors and examiner**

The charity's directors 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. The charity directors 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) of the Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of independent examiner's statement**

My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. 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 seeks explanations from the directors 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) (1) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations, and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 8 of the 2006 Accounts Regulationshave 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.

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8<sup>th</sup> January 2010

**EAST RENFREWSHIRE GOOD CAUSES FUNDRAISING CHARITY**  
**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**  
**INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT**  
**For the year ended 30th September 2009**

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>2009</u> £	<u>2008</u> <u>Total</u> £
<b>INCOMING RESOURCES</b>			
<b>Incoming resources from generated funds:</b>			
Voluntary Income	2	22430	16052
Bank Interest		—	57
<b>Total Income</b>		<u>22430</u>	<u>16109</u>
<b>RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>			
Charitable Expenditure	3	20898	11405
Governance Costs	6	53	30
<b>Total Resources Expended</b>		<u>20951</u>	<u>11435</u>
<b>Net Incoming Resources</b>		1479	4674
<b>Funds at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2008</b>		<u>4674</u>	—
<b>Funds at 30 September 2009</b>		<u>6153</u>	<u>4674</u>



**EAST RENFREWSHIRE GOOD CAUSES FUNDRAISING CHARITY**  
**BALANCE SHEET**  
**As at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2009**

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>2009</u> £	<u>2008</u> £
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Debtors	8	1164	937
Cash at bank and in hand		4989	3737
<b>Net assets</b>		<u>6153</u>	<u>4674</u>
<b>Funds</b>			
General Reserves		<u>6153</u>	<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 477 of the Companies Act 2006. Members have not required the Company under Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006 to obtain an audit for the year ended 30th September 2009. The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which comply with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006, and for preparing accounts which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2009 and of its surplus for the year then ended in accordance with the requirements of Section 396, 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 7 to 10 which have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 applicable to small companies were approved by the board on 8<sup>th</sup> January 2010 and signed on its behalf.

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D. Duncan W. Dick  
Director

**EAST RENFREWSHIRE GOOD CAUSES FUNDRAISING CHARITY**  
**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**For the year ended 30th September 2009**

**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Accounting Convention**

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Companies Act 2006, the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005, the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006, the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2007) and Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities issued in 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>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
<u>Lump Sum Donations</u>	<u>12137</u>	<u>7428</u>
<u>Regular Donations</u>	<u>7854</u>	<u>6139</u>
<u>Gift Aid</u>	<u>2439</u>	<u>2485</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>22430</u></b>	<b><u>16052</u></b>

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<b>3. CHARITABLE EXPENSES</b>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Payments to beneficiaries (note 4)	20714	10728
Post, stationery, printing & general expenses	184	670
Bank charges	-	7
	<u>20898</u>	<u>11405</u>

- 4. PAYMENTS TO BENEFICIARIES**  
 The Charity supported 69 (2008 – 61) beneficiaries through its payments of £20,714 (2008 - £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.

<b>6. GOVERNANCE COSTS</b>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Fundraising Standards Board Membership	30	30
Independent Examiner Fee	<u>23</u>	-
	<u>53</u>	<u>30</u>

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

<b>8. DEBTORS</b>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Gift Aid Debtor	<u>1164</u>	<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 30<sup>th</sup> September 2009 was £- (2008 - £4508).

- 10. COMPANY INFORMATION**  
 East Renfrewshire Good Causes Fundraising Charity Limited is a company limited by guarantee and with no share capital.