



Minutes of the Tarland Development Group Annual General Meeting

Tarland Tearoom

9th October 2024

1. Attendees

Trustees (8): C Redmond, D Hirst, D Muirhead, S Williams, S van Heusden, H Lockerbie, F Paterson, K Webb.

Members and non-Members (18).

Minutes: K Dale.

2. Welcome and Apologies

Chris Redmond (TDG Chair) welcomed everyone to the AGM and introduced the Trustees.

Apologies (2): J Nichol (Trustee), L Cunningham (Member).

3. Chairperson's Report

Chris Redmond presented the Chair's Report. The full report is included in Appendix 1.

The Chair was asked if there was data on the use of the trails to compare with the first year, to see if there was falloff after the novelty of the first year. As the counters were only installed in October 2023 then there is no data as yet. The gut feeling is that there has been no drop off.

4. Report of Accounts

Dave Hirst (TDG Treasurer) gave a summary of the financial situation of the Group. The accounts are dominated by Tarland Trails. All groups ended with a positive balance. The full OSCR accounts are currently being inspected and will be uploaded soon. The full report is included in Appendix 2.

5. Election of Trustees

No nominations were received for new Trustees. Nine existing Trustees decided to remain as Trustees.

Nine Trustees were **proposed for election by D Hirst and seconded by H Lockerbie**. They were approved and duly elected. The full list of current Trustees now stands as follows:

C Redmond
S van Heusden
K Webb

D Hirst
F Paterson
D Muirhead

S Williams
J Nichol
H Lockerbie





Three Trustee vacancies remain. The Trustees could co-opt additional Trustees over the year to fill these vacancies. At the next TDG meeting office bearer roles will be decided.

6. Composting Toilet Planning Application - Drummy Woods

Dave Hirst presented the current situation.

In the past there was a problem with toileting in the woods, so a toilet was investigated. Planning permission has now been granted. However, TT2 has diverted people away from TT1, which is now quieter.

There are four main issues:

1. Flooding of houses. The proposed location is damp and there is pooling of water. Some water has been diverted into the ditch by the side of the track, which had been seen as a potential flood risk for houses on Burnside Road. However, the culvert nearest the car park is deliberately undersized so excess water floods the field and the woods. This diversion therefore poses no flood risk. There is a problem unrelated to the development in Drummy Woods, which is that the grille protecting the culvert under the road gets blocked and needs to be cleared. The MacRobert Trust (MRT) have been approached about this.
2. Flooding of the toilet. It is not possible to re-site it. Through this winter records of where it floods will be kept and the risk evaluated. Water can't get into the vault but it could get into the soakaway. If there is any risk of this happening then it won't be built.
3. Is the soil stable enough for a relatively heavy vault?
4. Is it going to affect trees?

The demand has come down but not disappeared entirely. Need will be evidenced next year and the above issues will be addressed.

There are three possible outcomes:

1. If the site is not suitable then the toilet won't be built.
2. If there is no need then the toilet won't be built.
3. If the site is suitable and there is a need then it will be built.

There was then a discussion and questions were raised.

Could there be a public toilet built in the village? The Comfort Scheme is currently not working very well. This is a separate issue and not for TDG to address. Small children cannot make it to a toilet further away, and neither can some adults. How will need be evaluated? This could be through a number of methods, starting with trail users. Is the priority bikers or locals? There is no priority.

One person said that TDG has no respect for the community. There is a petition against the toilet that has over 200 signatures. The majority of the people are suggesting another location but there are difficulties with this. There was a comment about the proposed process being good,



although it would have been better done earlier. The responses were mixed – no toilet or move toilet. However, how was the question framed?

One person expressed the opinion that TT2 should be run as a business separate from TDG. He added that there should be closure of the gates at dusk and a sweep of the trails to avoid serious injury or a fatality and that TT2 management is viewed as undermining the other good work that TDG is doing.

Drummy Woods is used by other users following the Scottish Outdoor Access Code.

H Lockerbie apologized for the communication in the past and promised to improve it in the future. D Muirhead suggested that the group needs to reflect on all that has been said.

The lack of a Secretary has been an issue and now that the turnover is so great a Secretary is vitally important. Kathy Dale has been appointed as a Minutes Secretary. The minutes were requested in paper copy on the noticeboard.

7. Tarland Trails Pittenderich - Hub Developments

There was a consultation in June and the documents are on the website. A compromise plan (without a cafe) was proposed to MRT, which they would be prepared to proceed with. They asked for Cromar Community Council (CCC) buy-in too (this is being considered and the CCC have asked further questions for their meeting at the end of the month). MRT considers that CCC represent the community so they felt another consultation event was not required.

There was a comment that accusations made against TDG are rather harsh – the volunteers have done some very remarkable things to add to Tarland that the community should be grateful for.

Reports should be put in the noticeboard too. This is for the older generation. Something better needs to be done, such as a place where documents can be lodged and read.

8. Questions

There were no more questions.

9. Any Other Business

F Paterson said that the Food Group uses the Pavilion a lot but it would be useful if they had the use of the services. There is no water but there is electricity. Other groups also use it, so the toilets would be very useful. The Council were contacted in September about asset transfer being an option, so Frank is starting an Expression of Interest (EoI). The building is deteriorating and there is vandalism but it is currently in good condition. Are TDG and the community interested in taking this on? It would possibly be a liability. Lease or purchase? The council would sell it for one pound. It was suggested that this opportunity would test the new improved TDG communication methods so it is not imposed on the community. One person offered their



support. It would need at least 10 people on a Working Group (a sub-group of TDG). Funding might then be available for the process of asset transfer as it could be complicated. Legal advice has to be sought. The Scottish Government is keen on community ownership so can provide support. One person asked for the research to date to be shared with the community. The council do not know how much the maintenance programme is so a Quantity Surveyor would need to value the building. How is it ensured that it is running in ten years or more time? The Need and Use Cases need to be built up as it has to be a sustainable proposition. It might be worth asking Lumphanan community about their experience. Similarly, Tarland also has a hall that must be used, but some activities, like a repair shop, would be better at the pavilion. To be discussed further at the next Trustees meeting.

10. **Date of Next Trustees Meeting**

Wednesday 30 October at 7.30pm.



Appendix 1

Chair's Report 2023 - 2024

Introduction

Tarland Development Group met eight times within the last year not to mention many more individual meetings, steering group meetings, events, chats, discussions and emails.

With no secretary currently in post this has been challenging in producing minutes. We had hoped one of our existing employees would have taken it on but we have recently appointed Kathy Dale to become a paid secretary.

Since our last AGM we co-opted Kenn Webb as Paths trustees and Jonquill Nicoll (Seedswap). We said goodbye to Julian Davies as a trustee but he will continue to produce the Tarland Calendar. We also said goodbye to Ana Pena del Valle as trustee for gardens but Sheila Williams has joined the Trustees now too. Thank you for their time supporting TDG projects.

TDG now employs six individuals on a very part time basis. The bee group employ Rebecca Van Heusen as a gardener. The trails recruited a 2nd maintenance staff member, Mark to work alongside Mike. We said goodbye to Will Redpath who looked after the social media (for TDG and the Trails) however Jamie Price took on the role since. Carol Anderson keeps the toilets in order and Shona Donaldson returned to take the reins at the festival

Throughout the past year we have secured funds from a range of sources. We are very grateful to all trustees and steering group members for their work on completing these applications to support the wide range of TDG projects. Also we are very grateful to all the volunteers who support our projects.

Chris Redmond, Chair, 9th October 2024

Project Updates: Thanks to all the trustees for their reports to summarise the year for TDG. A full copy will be sent with minutes / added to Tarland Website.

- **Tarland Bee Group (Lead Trustee: Dave Muirhead)**

Tarland Bee Group has seen a steady year overall in 2024, with most major works on apiaries now complete and things running as planned. We now have over 40 members, a mixture of individuals and families, which is a super number to level out at given the size of our apiaries and the region we cover for supporting and mentoring new members. We did not run a beginners course this year and are reviewing over the winter the demand for this course, with the intent on running another in Spring 2025 if there is enough interest. The main apiary at Oldtown has seen a great increase in usage this past year, from regular winter talks, community





honey extraction, hosting beekeeping exams and through to use by other groups in TDG such as the Apple Pressing Group. Our revised parking guidance for Oldtown is available on request. We came to the end of another successful year with an interview on BBC Radio Scotland, showcasing our apiary with key contributions from our own beekeepers, including our youngest 8yr old beekeeper! This was subsequently picked up by BBC Sounds' Picks of the Week!

- **Tarland Paths Group (Lead Trustee: Ken Webb)**

Ken was appointed the TDG trustee with responsibility for the Tarland Path network at the board meeting on 28th February this year. Since the post had been vacant for some time, Ken spent the first few months familiarising himself with what was needed by way of path maintenance and connecting with the McRobert Trust (MRT) factor to see if they were prepared to help us with maintenance work.

Since then Ken has walked all the paths and noted where work needs done and have counted the number of way markers (14) and finger posts (6) that have fallen over and need to be replaced and noted that there are gates that have been repaired. Hamish McIntyre has also helped do a detailed survey of the black circular path noting all work that needs to be done on it.

Path Maintenance: The TDG strimmer and accoutrements were handed over and are now stored at the TT storage container. It has proved harder than Ken thought to organise work parties to help trim grass and cut back bushes that are growing across some paths, notably the upper section of the Corrachree path. The inclement summer weather hasn't helped. Thus, the board agreed to use some of the paths budget to pay for this to be done, and Jim Prince has agreed to tackle the Corrachree path.

Way markers and finger posts: We have sourced a company that can manufacture finger posts and way markers from recycled plastic that will last longer than the originals made from larch. We applied for a grant to pay for 6 finger posts (needed on the Tarland Way) from the Coull Hall Trust, but we were unsuccessful with this application.

Gates: A number of gates need to be repaired, and this really should be tackled by the MRT. So far, requests to do maintenance work have not been actioned. However, Ken plans to meet with the MRT to see what we can do about this and to discuss the matter of replacing fallen way markers,

Tarland Way: Chris Redmond continued to oversee the project to create a diversion on the Tarland Way around the property where there are dogs that bother some walkers. A route has been agreed with landowners but funding is required to design and create the diversion. Meanwhile, fencing has been repaired and the Heughhead Bridge to the track has been repaired but additional material is required.

- **Tarland Wetlands Group (Chair: Kathy Dale. Lead Trustee: David Hirst)**

The group's vision is to develop a set of natural wetlands fitting within the farming system, for the benefit of wildlife, the environment and local people. The group has undertaken upkeep and





management of the Waste Water Treatment Works (WWTW) hide and wetland, with The MacRobert Trust (MRT) and the tenant farmer. This includes signage, vegetation management, and water level management for birds in the adjoining field. A meeting was held on site with Scottish Water (SW) on 1 August 2024 and they have agreed to cut the wetland annually using their own contractor. SW comms team are planning to make a video on the site with the group's involvement, to promote its biodiversity and water quality value. Bird records continue to be collated and shared with the local Recorder. Camera trap footage is available to view here: Tarland Development Group - YouTube. The Viewfield Wetland in the village is also being managed by the group. The ponds have been de-silted by (MRT). An interpretative sign to explain the functioning of the wetland is now in place. Another scrape has been created on the Ordie wetland (Green Moss) by MRT. A small dam is also in place to create more open water and hold back its release to the drain. The Community Council are now leading on upper catchment works, with the aim of alleviating flooding in Tarland. The Wetlands Group will be involved in these discussions and actions on the ground, along with other groups and interested parties. The Tarland Burn Restoration project will not be progressed any further until these works have been completed. If anyone has an interest in wetland creation or wetland restoration as well as potentially any specific locations do get in touch and we can discuss possibilities. In the meantime the group can advise on small wetlands such as garden ponds - it has recently been awarded a grant from the Coull Hall Trust to build a raised pond in the Community Garden.

- **Community Composting (Lead Trustee: Dave Hirst. Organiser: Densie Hansford)**

The composting group has more members than ever this year - 63 households. The volunteer pool is healthy too at 20 but we can always do with more. Davie Scott Rosin is managing the heaps well but as always we have an excess of compost. Thanks to the MacRobert Trust for moving it to the Community Garden. We are charged for the tractor hire and give free refreshments at the Tearooms to volunteers so we may need to put fees up a little next year.

- **Cromar Food Waste Project (Lead Trustee: Frank Paterson) :**

Aims of the project:

In recognition of the negative impacts food provision can have on the ecosphere and that a reported 900 million tones, or 30% of produced food, becomes waste, which in itself is environmentally destructive, the primary aim of our project is to carry out measures that would reduce food waste in Cromar.

Currently there are three measures we employ.

1. Rescuing and redistributing food intended for waste.
2. Providing an outlet for businesses and organisations wishing not to waste surplus or dated food items.
3. Providing Education and training in the preparation of nutritious food with the minimum of waste.

Resources:





The project now has 10 dedicated volunteers providing several hours of their time weekly to the project. The Tarland Pavilion as food store and location for food pop-ups and project events such as fun days. Aberdeenshire Council have given us permission to make use of the pavilion, without charge. A chest freezer for storing perishable foods between food distribution pop-ups. The Tarland Welfare Trust have allowed us to site the freezer in the MacRobert hall basement,; again without charge for electricity consumed. Various items for food preparation including ceramic hobs, utensils, soup pot, pressure cooker and dehydrator obtained via various funding applications and donations. The Paper Shop donated a dehydrator.

1. Rescuing and distributing food intended for waste:

Volunteers at least on a weekly basis pick up food from Aboyne Co-op that would exceed sell by date on the following day. Food items that can be frozen are stored in the chest freezer.

Fortnightly a visit is made to the Aboyne Food depot to collect any out of date foods. Monthly, we hold afternoon food distribution pop-ups at the Tarland pavilion on Mondays and at Logie Coldstone Community Hall on Tuesdays, where people are free to uplift food items.

2. Serving as an outlet for surplus food:

We have been gratefully receiving donated food items from individuals, businesses and organisations. E.g. the Caravan Site providing drinks and confectionery beyond sell by date, the Co-op Food Waste Country Food Trust donating boxes of vacuum packed ready meals, Bachory 'Number One' Community Cafe has donating surplus food items, MacRobert Trust donating fresh fruit and veg.

3. Providing Education and Training

On occasions we provide packs of ingredients with the cooking recipes enclosed. This September we held our first 'Cook-In' event where we advised and supervised 19 Brownie Guides in the preparation of a

nutritious three course meal using food rescued from waste. The event was a brilliant success mainly through the enthusiasm of the Brownies who were awarded their Grow and Explore badge.

Achievements:

From January to September we have dispensed approximately 2,900 food items to estimated 350 recipients. Using research data of the Oxford University affiliated 'Our World in Data', we estimate the CO2 equivalent gas emissions saved by the project since January to be 111 tonnes, the equivalent of the carbon footprint of 40 individuals. We hold a regular 'Food Kitchen' event at the Tarland Food and Music Festival where there is a food waste pop-up and serving of soup bread and ice cream. Again this year it was well attended resulting in a warm community atmosphere despite the disappointing lack of local musicians but aided by the story teller, Pauline.

Development Potential:

It is possible to prevent much more Co-op food from going to waste. However we are limited by the number of volunteers and our freezer storage capacity. These are two areas we intend to tackle. Also it has been raised by the Office of National Statistics that households contribute up to 70 percent of food waste in the UK. This is another aspect of waste that we will consider addressing through education.





Acknowledgements:

The success of this project is dependent on all supporting bodies. Our thanks in this respect go to Aboyne Co-operative, Aboyne Food Depot, MacRobert Trust, Tarland Camping and Caravanning Club, The Paper Shop, The Country Food Trust, Banchory Number One, Tarland Welfare Trust, Aberdeenshire Council and many individual donators.

- **Food and Music Festival (Lead Trustee: Dave Hirst)**

The 11th Tarland Food and Music Festival should have kicked off on Thursday the 19th September with a film put on by the film club. Unfortunately, there was a power cut in the village and it had to be postponed. After that however, everything went to plan and the festival started on Friday with basket making with Deeside Willow followed by a music session in the Aberdeen Arms. Then after a double booking last year meant he couldn't come to Tarland, Kris Drever finally made it, ably supported by Paul Anderson and Hamish Napier. The gig had the biggest Friday turnout in the festival's history. We had a remarkable 19 events on the Saturday, some free (the morning market, storytelling, a mushroom walk, food waste sessions, a pipe band, the Banchory Morris Men, a scything course, a farming talk, the Kintra choir, a nature and cultural heritage walk, another session at the Arms) and some paid for (Scots singing workshop, Hamish Napier at Migvie Kirk, making a hairst knot at the garden, an Indian cookery class, Paul's musical walk, cocktails and canapes at Douneside House, the toddlers duck race) with the day being brought to a fantastic conclusion by Ross Ainslie, Tim Edey and friends, supported by the Paddy Buchanan Band. Most events were sold out, including the evening concert for the 4th year in a row. Food throughout the day was provided by the cafe, Commercial, Fired Up Pizzas, Caroldsons Coffee, the senior citizens and (in the evening) the golf club. Sunday was much quieter as usual, with a yoga session, Pete Craig's history walk, a Scots service in the kirk, a talk by Alastair Scott, another by Francis Clark then the festival was brought to a finish by Fiona Kennedy, first being interviewed by Paul Anderson, then singing with Nils Elders.

We have to thank our paid administrator Shona Donaldson for doing all the organisation, the committee (myself, Jonquil Nicholl, Laura Muirhead, Julian and Jackie Davies) and the very many volunteers without whom nothing would have happened. Feedback has been very positive on all the events, but we are always looking for new ideas and ways in which the festival can be improved. Financially the festival has only survived through a variety of grants, which have become harder to get in recent years. This year with most of the bills in it looks as if we will lose around £1,500 though we are still hoping for a grant from the Coull Hall Trust. We have enough in reserve for the next 2 or 3 years, but will eventually have to look for more funding.

- **Tarland Trails (Drummy Woods and Pittenderich) (Lead Trustee: Chris Redmond)**

Tarland Trail, Pittenderich had seen an estimated 44,000 visits in year one (April 2023 to March 2024). Water was connected this year for drinking water and a bike wash (Yet to be installed). A consultation event was held on the possibility of hub buildings and both the CCC and TDG reports are available online for these.





An application was made for planning permission for a composting toilet at Drummy Woods which was granted recently. Throughout the year, Tarland Trails used social media to keep riders and locals updated on events, developments, and opportunities to engage with the trails (volunteer maintenance).

The trails hosted a round of the Scottish National Cross Country series, another successful demo day and on (This) Sunday 13th October an enduro event.

We opened our remaining trail 'Rip Tide' at the start of August and CRC Trails are back at the moment completing the last connection of this.

From the proceeds of the trails we have been able to support Dr Bike Sessions at Tarland School and provide MTB coaching free of charge. We are just in the process of provided bike locks for businesses following a business meeting held in late August after the consultation event.

- **Apple Group (Lead Trustees: Dave Hirst, Sandra Van Heusen)**

Several of our regular volunteers reported a poor harvest of apples this year, due to the unseasonably cold and wet summer. This resulted in the following:-

- Fewer volunteers at the first pressing (but more at the second)
- Skin blight on a significant portion of the apples
- Sharper apple juice from our first pressing.

Key results to date:-

- 150 bottles re-used thanks to the recycling initiative led by Peter Craig
- Cost savings of £225 from recycled bottles (based on £1.50 cost per bottle)
- 75 bottles produced from our first pressing in 2024 and 122 from the second

Financials:-

- Sales 2023 - 460 bottles sold. 406 to volunteers at £2 and 54 sold at the market at £4. Surplus of £850, but no major expenditure in 2023
- Sales 2024 - £240 to date. We will need a new pallet of bottles - estimated cost £1000. Current balance £2000 which will cover bottles and potentially any equipment replacement (another pasteuriser is needed).

What's New?:-

- Free tasting samples at Market during Food and Music Festival. This created great PR and converted several new customers.
- Selling Apple Juice at the bar on Saturday evening was successful and should be repeated for next year's concerts.
- Offering private supervised pressing at the apiary, with home pasteurising. The customers were delighted with the 21 bottles they produced.
- PR from Tullochbeg Turkeys for the donation of apple pulp

What's next?:-

- More Pressings to generate further sales
- Review new ways to market/sell finished product. Increased social media/link up with a local business



- **Gone to Seed (Lead Trustee: Jonquil Nicoll: Organiser: Lizzie Shepherd)**

Last year the seed saving workshop took place in November in the Upper Hall. A new winnowing machine – made by the Inchmarlo Men’s Shed to specifications provided by Lizzy Shepherd - was pressed into service with great results. Masses of seeds were bagged by our willing volunteers and swapped at the Seed Swap and Potato Day at the End of February. The day was a success - lots of people from Tarland and further afield came and bought seed potatoes! Left over seed potatoes were donated to the local schools and gratefully received. Income above expenses was £322 and the reserves stand at £3188. The seed saving workshop will take place on Sunday 24th November!! 2-4pm, next month – in the Bee Bothy and the Seed swap is scheduled for 22 February 2025 – same format as the last one.

- **Tarland Community Garden (Lead Trustee: Sheila Williams)**

1 We held Scotland garden open day in August, it was well attended and will be joining next year again.

2 The Tarland Food and Music Saturday at the garden was very successful, a very busy afternoon with plenty of visitors.

3 Doctor Caroll, Aboyne and Tarland doctor, brought 1st year medical students along to the garden again this year. This was to show them how a project like ours can help with mental health and wellbeing.

4 Marie Lerche, A Danish market gardener over here for the summer, kindly gave us practical classes on planting, garden pests and green manure amongst other helpful tips.

5 We are still holding our Monday morning work party's, members, keeping on top of jobs around the garden and enjoying a cuppa and sometimes cake, and always a good few laughs, a lovely sociable morning.

6 There are currently no beds available.

- **Tarland Calendar (Lead Trustee: Sandra Van Heusen, Organiser: Julian Davies)**

Calendars sold well last year. More planned for this year with the pictures chosen and calendar in production for earlier release and purchase. It should be ready next week.

- **Tarland Lego Club (Lead Trustee: Hayley Lockerbie)**

Lego club was set up in December 2022 and year one was a huge success. We meet once a month in MacRobert Hall between 3.30pm and 5.30pm. Year two has seen continued success with more set sets added, donations of lego received and over 600 people enjoying coming together at the club between October 2023 - September 2024 (this includes repeat visits but there are new members every time). Lego club was cancelled in April 2024 due to volunteer illness, and the club didn't meet in August due to the Tarland Show.





Representatives from the club were invited to meet with Prince Edward in March 2024 to share Lego clubs success along with other TDG projects and initiatives funded by MacRobert Trust. In September 2024 Lego club was visited by a representative from Enterprising Aberdeenshire who spoke to numerous adult club attendees about accessing funding and support to start or grow their businesses.

Our volunteers continue to be the reason Lego club is such a success, with Fiona, William and Jonquil being the best brick organisers and break-downers, Duncan and Douglas making sure everyone has snacks and drinks to keep the creativity going, and, Fergus and Lewis being all round good brickers who help younger ones and display tremendous speed building skills. Special thanks to Alec and Finn who help with judging the monthly challenges. We have a small group of volunteers are helping with Lego inventory between sessions, which involves taking sets and meticulously checking them to ensure all pieces are present. The donation of boxes from Peter Craig is greatly appreciated.

Calum and Duncan Lockerbie's running fundraising activities raised £1190 which enabled the purchase of new lego sets, chosen by attendees of the club. Two iPads have been purchased using funding from Marr Area which are used each month for 3D instruction and for making stop motion animation. Lego club was awarded £350 from the Coull Hall Trust to support the purchase of some Lego coding sets. These will be used at club and at family focussed pop up sessions in the hall. Future funding will be sought from MacRobert Trust to keep the club running in its current form - being free to attend. Next Club meet - This Friday!

- **Film Club: (Lead Trustees: Hayley Lockerbie, Organiser: Charlie Ritchie)**

Tarland Film Club was restarted in September 2023, and has steadily grown its audience by showing a variety of films from around the world. Charlie Ritchie has taken the lead on organising film club, liaising with NEAT to book and collect equipment and films, booking the hall and setting up for the films. Film Club have worked with Cromar Future Group, Tarland Climate Change Group, Tarland Food and Music Festival and Tarland Trails to co-facilitate events across the year. A massive thank you to Charlie for his work.

Final Word:

We are a bunch of volunteers who all have other groups we are involved in and our own lives to lead too. We do our very best to keep about 15 projects going, all of which have in my opinion made Tarland a much better place over the last 20 years or so.

There is always room for improvement about how we can do things better and do more. This relies on new people coming on board with ideas, getting involved to make a difference and help out, to develop Tarland further for locals and visitors alike.





Appendix 2

Treasurer's Report 2023 - 2024

The accounts for the financial year to end June 2024 were inspected by Susan Zappart and the report will be submitted to OSCR after the AGM. The summary is as follows:

Total income £299,919
Total expenditure £298,114
Net income £1805
Cash in bank £122,792

As has become usual in recent years the accounts are dominated by income and expenditure on Tarland Trails. The bike trails had total income of £249,000 and expenditure of £246,000. Other groups have relatively small income and expenditure, the biggest being the festival (income £18,250, expenditure £20,400). All the groups ended the year with a positive balance.