

**FALKIRK TEMPERANCE TRUST**

**REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER – SC001904**

**AUDITED ANNUAL REPORT & ACCOUNTS**

**for the year ended 31 March 2022**

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## Trustee's Annual Report for the year ended 31 March 2022

Falkirk Temperance Trust is a registered charity, **Scottish Charity Number SC001904**.

### Principal contact address

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### Governing document

Falkirk Temperance Trust originates from 1919 as part of an estate of a Falkirk gentleman. Its original purpose was to help people refrain from alcohol. A revision to the Trust was approved by the Court of Session on 1 February 1991. This allowed the Trust to not only help assist organisations and people in dealing with alcohol abuse but also other forms of drug addiction.

### Charitable purposes

The Trustees hold the Trust fund and apply the income to assist mainly organisations operating within Falkirk dealing with alcohol abuse and other forms of substance addiction.

### Recruitment and appointment of Trustees

The Trust is administered by Falkirk Council, with the Chief Finance Officer appointed as Treasurer. Following the elections held in May 2017, Councillor David Grant and Councillor Laura Murtagh were appointed as Trustees, representing wards in the former Falkirk Burgh area. Councillor Grant and Councillor Murtagh remain Trustees at 31 March 2022.

### Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and auditor

The Trustees are responsible for

- preparing financial statements in accordance with the 2006 Regulations
- making judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- keeping adequate accounting records which are up to date
- taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities

The auditor's responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) as required by the Code of Audit Practice approved by the Accounts Commission for Scotland.

### Activities and achievements

There were no grant applications made to the Trust in the financial year.

## Reserves

The assets of the Trust are currently held by the Bank of Scotland and two accounts are in operation. The Treasurer's Account is used for the daily operations of the Trust and retains a working balance. A Guaranteed Fixed Deposit Account pays interest and is used for the larger balance. This has a six month repayment period, whereby, the interest rate offered for the next period is reviewed. There are no restrictions on the use of funds held in either of these accounts.

## Conclusion

The Trust didn't make any grant payments in 2021/22.

## Surplus/Deficit

The Trust returned a surplus in the year. In principle bank interest earned in the year is used to fund grant payments in the same year. However, due to the limited number of grant applications in previous years this has not always been possible, and Reserves have increased over time. Therefore, applications are approved where possible, regardless of timing, and this may result in a surplus in some years but a deficit in other years.

## Public benefit statement

The Trustees have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator in exercising their powers or duties.

## Audit Arrangements

In response to section 106 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 and the provisions of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulation 2006, it was agreed that from 2013/14, each Local Authority auditor should cover the registered charities for which the Authority is sole Trustee. The appointed auditor of Falkirk Council is Ernst & Young.



**Laura Murtagh**  
Trustee

**2 November 2022**

## Statement of Receipts and Payments from 1 April 2021 – 31 March 2022

2020/21 Unrestricted Funds £		2021/22 Unrestricted Funds £	Note
	<b><u>Receipts</u></b>		
274	Bank interest	31	
<b>274</b>			
	<b><u>Payments</u></b>		
30	Bank Fee	30	6
-	Grants	-	7
<b>30</b>		<b>30</b>	
<b>244</b>	<b>Surplus/(Deficit) for Period</b>	<b>1</b>	

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf:



Laura Murtagh  
Trustee

2 November 2022



Amanda Templeman  
Treasurer

2 November 2022

## Statement of Balances as at 31 March 2022

2020/21 Unrestricted Funds £		2021/22 Unrestricted Funds £	Note
	<b><u>Current Assets</u></b>		
156,092	Bank of Scotland Guaranteed Fixed Deposit	156,123	<b>2</b>
5,682	Bank of Scotland Treasurer's Account	5,652	<b>2</b>
<b>161,774</b>		<b>161,775</b>	
	<b><u>Current Liabilities</u></b>		
-		-	
<b>161,774</b>	<b>Net Assets</b>	<b>161,775</b>	
	<b><u>Represented by:</u></b>		
161,530	Surplus brought forward	161,774	
244	Surplus/(deficit) for period	1	
<b>161,774</b>	<b>Surplus carried forward</b>	<b>161,775</b>	

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf:



Laura Murtagh  
Trustee

2 November 2022



Amanda Templeman  
Treasurer

2 November 2022

## 1. Basis of Accounting

These accounts have been prepared on the Receipts and Payments basis in accordance with the Charities & Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended).

## 2. Fund Accounting

Unrestricted funds are those that may be used at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the objectives of the Charity, being the surplus carried forward. There are no restricted funds.

## 3. Taxation

The Charity is not liable to income or capital gains tax on its charitable activities.

## 4. Trustee Remuneration, Expenses and Related Party Transactions

No remuneration or expenses were paid to the Charity Trustees or persons connected to a Trustee during the year (2020/21: Nil).

## 5. Administration Fee

No fee was charged by Falkirk Council and therefore no costs were incurred by the Charity for the administration of the funds on behalf of the Trustees.

## 6 Audit Fee

The expected audit fee for 2021/22 was £2,090. This was included in the Falkirk Council audit fee and as such was paid by Falkirk Council and does not appear on the Statement of Receipts and Payments.

## 7. Grant Payments

There were no grant payments made in the year.

# Independent Auditor's Report

## Independent auditor's report to the trustees of Falkirk Temperance Trust and the Accounts Commission

### Report on the audit of the financial statements

#### Opinion on financial statements

We certify that we have audited the financial statements in the statement of accounts of Falkirk Temperance Trust for the year ended 31 March 2022 under Part VII of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 and section 44(1)(c) of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005. The financial statements comprise the Statement of Receipts and Payments, the Statement of Balances and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and a receipts and payments basis.

In our opinion the accompanying financial statements:

- properly present the receipts and payments of the charities for the year ended 31 March 2022 and their statement of balances at that date; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005, and regulations 9(1),(2) and (3) of The Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006.

#### Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)), as required by the Code of Audit Practice approved by the Accounts Commission for Scotland. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charities in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK including the Financial Reporting Council's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### Responsibilities of the trustees for the financial statements

The trustees are responsible for the preparation of financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with the financial reporting framework, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.



# Independent Auditor's Report

## Independent auditor's report to the trustees of Falkirk Temperance Trust and the Accounts Commission (continued)

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities outlined above to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. Procedures include:

- obtaining an understanding of the applicable legal and regulatory framework and how the charities are complying with that framework;
- identifying which laws and regulations are significant in the context of the charities;
- assessing the susceptibility of the financial statements to material misstatement, including how fraud might occur; and
- considering whether the audit team collectively has the appropriate competence and capabilities to identify or recognise non-compliance with laws and regulations.

The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud, is affected by the inherent difficulty in detecting irregularities, the effectiveness of the charities' controls, and the nature, timing and extent of the audit procedures performed.

Irregularities that result from fraud are inherently more difficult to detect than irregularities that result from error as fraud may involve collusion, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. The capability of the audit to detect fraud and other irregularities depends on factors such as the skilfulness of the perpetrator, the frequency and extent of manipulation, the degree of collusion involved, the relative size of individual amounts manipulated, and the seniority of those individuals involved.

A further description of the auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website [www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities](http://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities). This description forms part of our auditor's report.

## Reporting on other requirements

### Other information

The trustees are responsible for the other information in the statement of accounts. The other information comprises the Trustees' Annual Report.

Our responsibility is to read all the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon except on the Trustees' Annual Report to the extent explicitly stated in the following opinion prescribed by the Accounts Commission.

# Independent Auditor's Report

## Independent auditor's report to the trustees of Falkirk Temperance Trust and the Accounts Commission (continued)

### Opinion prescribed by the Accounts Commission on the Trustees' Annual Report

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit, the information given in the Trustees' Annual Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements and that report has been prepared in accordance with The Charities SORP (FRS 102).

### Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We are required by The Charity Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 to report to you if, in our opinion:


- proper accounting records have not been kept; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

We have nothing to report in respect of these matters.

### Use of our report

This report is made solely to the parties to whom it is addressed in accordance with Part VII of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 and for no other purpose. In accordance with paragraph 120 of the Code of Audit Practice, we do not undertake to have responsibilities to members or officers, in their individual capacities, or to third parties.

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Ernst & Young LLP is eligible to act as an auditor in terms of section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006.

Date: **24 November 2022**