

South Lanarkshire Council Educational Trusts
Trustees' Annual Report – for the year ended 31 March 2023

The Trustees present their annual report together with the financial statements and Independent Auditors' report for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Reference and Administration Information

Charity Name:	South Lanarkshire Council Educational Trusts
Charity Number:	SC028135
Principal Office:	Finance Services
	Council Offices
	Almada Street
	Hamilton
	ML3 0AA
Trustees:	Finance and Corporate Resources Committee, South Lanarkshire
	Council
Independent	Audit Scotland
Auditors:	

Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document

South Lanarkshire Council Educational Trusts comprised 18 Charitable Trust Funds / Bequests established under previous local authorities. Each Trust Fund / Bequest is restricted for the purpose which it was set up.

Charity Trustees

The trustees of the charities are elected members (Councillors) of South Lanarkshire Council. Trustees are appointed through their election to the Finance and Corporate Resources Committee of South Lanarkshire Council. The current trustees of South Lanarkshire Council Educational Trusts are detailed below:

Councillor Alex Allison	Councillor Graeme Horne
Councillor Walter Brogan (Depute Chair)	Councillor Martin Hose
Councillor Matthew Buchanan	Councillor Katy Loudon
Councillor Andy Carmichael	Councillor Hugh Macdonald
Councillor Maureen Chalmers	Councillor Catherine McClymont
Councillor Margaret Cooper	Councillor Lesley McDonald (Chair)
Councillor Andrea Cowan	Councillor Elaine McDougall
Councillor Maureen Devlin	Councillor Mark McGeever
Councillor Colin Dewar	Councillor Gladys Ferguson-Miller
Councillor Mary Donnelly	Councillor Richard Nelson
Councillor Joe Fagan (Ex Officio)	Councillor Mo Razzaq
Councillor Grant Ferguson	Councillor John Ross
Councillor Celine Handibode (Depute Chair)	Councillor Graham Scott



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Organisational Structure

The trustees delegate the day-to-day administration of the charities to officers of the Council through the Scheme of Delegation as approved by South Lanarkshire Council on 18 May 2022.

The trustees (as elected members of the Council) meet to consider and approve the Annual Accounts for South Lanarkshire Council which includes the financial statements for all South Lanarkshire Council Trust Funds. An annual report on Governance of Trust Funds is presented to the Finance and Corporate Resources Committee. This report details expenditure for the preceding financial year.

Related Parties

Trustees hold this position because they are elected members of South Lanarkshire Council. South Lanarkshire Council provides administration services to the Trust.

Risk Management

It is recognised that there is a risk that the funds of the Trusts are not used for the purpose that they were intended. To mitigate this risk, the governance arrangements in place ensure that the Finance and Corporate Resources Committee are advised of the balance and distribution of funds. In addition, OSCR also receive an annual report on the Trusts and their purpose.

Management of Funds and Investment Policy

The trustees rely upon the expertise of South Lanarkshire Council to manage the investments to ensure the maximum return at least risk to the charity is achieved.

The funds of the charity are held with South Lanarkshire Council. The interest received from South Lanarkshire Council and HM Treasury is shown in the Statement of Receipts and Payments.

Trustee Indemnity Insurance

No such insurance has been taken out.

Reorganisation of South Lanarkshire Council Trust Funds

South Lanarkshire Council established The South Lanarkshire Educational Trust (Charity Number SC049823) in December 2019 for the purposes of reorganising existing trust funds, including those held under South Lanarkshire Council Educational Trusts (Charity Number SC028135).

The constitution of The South Lanarkshire Educational Trust (SC049823) is a Trust Deed granted by South Lanarkshire Council. It provides a modern constitution with appropriate purposes, powers and governance arrangements.

The process of transferring the funds from South Lanarkshire Council Educational Trusts (SC028135) to The South Lanarkshire Educational Trust (SC049823) was approved by OSCR during 2022/2023. Assets totalling £126,574 were transferred in 2022/2023.

Objectives and Activities

The objectives of the funds are mainly to provide prizes for school prize givings. Many of the bequests relate to certain areas within South Lanarkshire Council and the schools within those catchment areas. A few of the bequests may be used to support educational projects during the school year, if meeting the specific requirements of the bequests.

Achievements and Performance

During the year to 31 March 2023, the charity did not pay out any grants as a result of the ongoing reorganisation of the Trust (2021/2022: £0).

Financial Review

Overview

There was no income received during 2022/2023 due to the transfer of the funds to the new charity (2021/2022: £58).

The trust held no cash and bank balances as at 31 March 2023 (2021/2022: £126,574), due to the transfer of assets to The South Lanarkshire Educational Trust (SC049823).

Reserves Policy

Following the transfer of assets to The South Lanarkshire Educational Trust (SC049823) the trust holds no reserves.

External Audit

The auditor with responsibility for the audit of the accounts of South Lanarkshire Council Educational Trusts for the year ended 31 March 2023 is:

Audit Scotland 4th Floor 102 West Port Edinburgh EH3 9DN



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Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s):

Full Name(s): LESLEY MCDONALD

Position: CHAIR OF FINANCE AND CORPORATE RESOURCES

COMMITTEE

Date: 27 JUNE 2023



South Lanarkshire Council Educational Trusts Statement of Receipts and Payments for the year ended 31 March 2023

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Expendable Endowment Funds	Permanent Endowment Funds	Total Funds (current year)	Total funds (last year)
		£	£	£	£	£	£
Receipts							
Grants and Donations	4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Income from investments other than land and buildings	5	-	_	-	-	-	58
Sub Total		-	-	-	-	-	58
Receipts from Assets and Investments sales							
Proceeds from sale of investments	5	-	_	-	-	-	0
Sub Total		-	-	-	-	-	0
Total Receipts		-	-	-	-	-	60
Payments							
External Audit Fee	7	-	-			-	616
Administration Charge	8	-	_	-	-	-	295
Grants and Donations	4	-	-	-	-	-	0
Total Payments		-	-	-	-	-	911
Net (Payments) / Receipts		-	-	-	-	-	(853)
Surplus / (Deficit) for the year		-	-	-	-	-	(853)



South Lanarkshire Council Educational Trusts Statement of Balances as at 31 March 2023

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Expendable Endowment Funds	Permanent Endowment Funds	Total Funds (current year)	Total funds (last year)
		£	£	£	£	£	£
Cash and Bank Balances							
Opening Balance		-	126,574	-	-	126,574	127,427
Deficit shown on receipts and payments account		-	-	-	-	1	(853)
Transfer of funds to new Charity			(126,574)			(126,574)	
Closing Balance		-	0	-	-	0	126,574
Investments							
Market Value of Investments in South Lanarkshire		-	-	-	-	-	-
Council							
Market Value of Government Bonds		-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Investments		-	-	-	-	-	-

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s):

Full Name(s): LESLEY MCDONALD

Position: CHAIR OF FINANCE AND CORPORATE RESOURCES

COMMITTEE

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South Lanarkshire Council Educational Trusts Notes to the Financial Statements

1. Basis of Accounting

These financial statements 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

Restricted funds are those funds that can only be applied for particular purposes.

3. Taxation

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

4. Grants and Donations

In the year to 31 March 2023, no donations were received. In the year to 31 March 2023, no grants were paid out (2021/2022: £0).

5. Trustee Remuneration, Expenses and Related Party Transactions

- No remuneration or expenses were paid to charity trustees or persons connected to a trustee during the year.
- No income was received during 2022/2023 (2020/2021: £58) from South Lanarkshire Council.
- There were no transactions between the charity and any trustee or any connected person during the year.

6. Cash and Bank Balances

During the year the Trust's balances were held by South Lanarkshire Council, which manages the administration of the funds on behalf of the Trustees. No costs were incurred by the Trust for this administration. South Lanarkshire Council also acts as the banker for the charity and as detailed above, all transactions incoming and outgoing are made via the Council's accounts. The balance was transferred to The South Lanarkshire Educational Trust (SC049823) during 2022/2023.

7. External Audit Fee

There was no charge for external audit fee for 2022/2023 (2020/2021: £616).

8.

Administration Charge
There was no charge for administration of the Trust Fund for 2022/2023 (2021/2022: £295).