Co H-036

GLASGOW THE CARING CITY

REPORT
AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED
30 JUNE 2012

CHARITY NUMBER : SC029090
COMPANY NUMBER : SC324923

COMPANIES HOUSE
2013
EDINBURGH

THURSDAY
S252EC0A
SCT 28/03/2013 #122
COMPANIES HOUSE

GLASGOW THE CARING CITY

INDEX TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2012

	Page
Information	1
Directors' report	2
Independent Examiner's Report	5
Statement of Financial Activities	6
Balance Sheet	7
Notes to the Financial Statements	8

GLASGOW THE CARING CITY

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2012

Charity Name:	Glasgow the Caring City
Charity Registration:	SC029090
Company registration:	SC324923
Directors:	Rev. Neil Galbraith Dr. Mohammed Tufail Shaheen MBE Tom Harrigan MBE Kevin McGuckien FCCA Luciano Rebecchi
Company Secretary:	Tom Harrigan MBE
Bankers:	The Royal Bank of Scotland Glasgow Sauchiehall Street Branch 23 Sauchiehall Street Glasgow G2 3AD
Administrative and registered office:	Cathcart Old Parish Church 119 Carmunnock Road Glasgow G44 5UW
Accountants:	KAL Accountants Chartered Certified Accountants 3 Baird Gardens Blantyre G72 0WT
Independent Examiner:	Fiona McLaughlin Bacc FCCA 40 Strathcarron Drive Paisley PA2 7AW

The Directors present their report and the financial statements of the charity for the accounting period ended 30 June 2012.

Directors

The Directors of the charitable company are its Trustees for the purpose of charity law and throughout this report are collectively referred to as the Directors. The Directors serving during this period are detailed on page 1.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANACE, FINANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Objectives and Structure

The objectives of the Charity are defined in the Deed of Declaration of Trust and are as follows: -

- Relief of poverty
- Advancement of education.
- Advancement of health.
- Advancement of human rights
- Advancement of environmental protection or improvement
- Relief of those in need through age, ill health or disability.

The Charity is structured to meet its objectives by responding primarily with gifts in kind. The Charity has no desire to hold significant cash reserves and is structured in a way to ensure fiscal costs are minimal and seek grants to cover necessary expenditure.

The deficit for the year is shown on page 6, created in the main from fulfilling its commitments with no legacy or guaranteed income. The Charity perpetually struggles to meet costs. However there is no desire to accumulate cash reserves. Nevertheless we have taken measures and redoubled efforts to satisfy ourselves the financial position remains more stable and since the year end have secured the immediate position. We will continue to monitor and review expenditure with a view to ensuring that financial affairs are conducted in a prudent and effective manner. All restricted funds received in the year were spent as directed and required.

Achievements and future developments

The Charity continues to work at home and abroad on its projects. The international support effort is subject to its own full report that is available on request.

Our Charity continues to deliver exceptional results from the hard work and endeavour of our volunteers and workers. Finance remains a seemingly perpetual struggle but despite this the Charity continues to achieve these tangible, meaningful results in its work.

Over the last number of years the largest consignees of gifts in kind have been African countries through such projects as our Soap Aid and Baby Aid programmes. We remain hugely grateful to our partner organisations who make the achievements that are realised possible. Emerge Poverty Free (formerly World Emergency Relief), the police, fire service and Optical Express among our biggest supporters.

The charity has responded to many disasters over its lifetime. In the year to 30 June 2012 there was nothing on the scale of the earthquakes or tsunamis but we were pleased to visit and report on development projects. These are critical to long term relief and are always part of the strategy while the disaster effort gets more publicity.

In March/April 2012 James Dornan MSP, in his capacity as local elected member, visited Uganda and South Sudan as part of a knowledge building and empowerment project. The political community in both visited countries is very fresh, developing and socially active. Besides visiting various agricultural initiatives, health and education facilities supported by our charity James met with his political colleagues and expressed his support for our joint initiatives. The travel by both members of the team (our manager Ross Galbraith and James) was funded by Ross personally as the Charity were unable to meet the cost. On his return James has raised awareness of social challenges faced in both nations and the work of our charity.

The Charity continues its efforts at home in Scotland. Our 'Give a Kid a Goal' initiative grows by the year with around 3,000 school kids graduating through the scheme last year. Staffing the initiative is now a challenge, a real measure of its success and demand.

We continue our recycling initiatives and we are hugely appreciative of the support of Recatex with their donations becoming a solid base in pursuing financial sustainability for the Charity.

Our website, www.glasgowthecaringcity.com, gives our latest updates and we have a facebook page too which is even more current. The projects we have are all aimed at making real achievements while all having to self fund themselves.

Volunteers are the lifeblood of Glasgow the Caring City. As a charity, we could not afford the skills we have within our volunteer community; the medical staff, the engineers, the drivers, the packers, the loaders and every other skill that comes along with our crew. They are appreciated beyond words.

Risk management

The Directors have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, in particular those related to the operations and finances of the charity, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate our exposure to the major risks, while recognising this as a significant ongoing challenge.

Reserves policy

The General fund represents the unrestricted funds arising from past operating results. It also represents the free reserves. The Directors have examined the requirement to maintain free reserves and concluded that the most appropriate level is between 3 and 4 months of operational expenditure. This approximates to between £10,300 and £13,800. At 30 June 2012 the General fund balance was just £1,947. Funding is a perennial issue for the Charity. The current balance of the general reserve is inadequate to meet the needs of the Charity, however it will be continually monitored with a view to maintaining the minimum level required. It must also be borne in mind that the Charity is partly reactionary to international and national emergencies and donation and income can fluctuate substantially year to year. Running costs in terms of overheads and fixed costs are always kept as low as possible.

STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

The Directors are responsible for preparing the Directors' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;

- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;

- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;

- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;

- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The Directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006, the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

In so far as the Directors are aware:

- there is no relevant audit information of which the charitable company's auditors are unaware, and
- the Directors have taken all the steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditors are aware of that information.

The Directors are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Approved on behalf of the Directors.

Rev N W Galbraith

Dated: 21-3-13

GLASGOW THE CARING CITY

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2012

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the period ended 30 June 2012, which are set out on pages 1 to 10.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) 2005 Act and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under Regulation 10(1) (a) to (c) of the Accounts Regulations (Charity Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- review whether proper accounting records adequate for the purposes of the charity have been kept;
- examine the accounts and review whether they are in agreement with the accounting records; and
- to state whether the accounts comply with the terms of the Charity Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 and the body's founding deed.
- state whether particular matters have come to our attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the requirements of the Charity 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 seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently we do not express and audit opinion in the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

According to the best of my knowledge and belief and in accordance with the information and explanations given to us, the balance sheet and income and expenditure account and notes thereon have been properly prepared from the accounting records, are in agreement therewith and comply with the terms of the Charity Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 and the body's founding deed. No matter has come to our attention that gives us reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements to keep accounting records and prepare accounts in accordance with the 2005 Act and 2006 Accounts Regulations have not been met and there are no matters that would require additional disclosure or attention in gaining a proper understanding of the accounts.

F M. Laughlin

Fiona McLaughlin Bacc FCCA
40 Strathcarron Drive
Paisley
PA2 7AW

Date: 21-3-13

GLASGOW THE CARING CITY

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

INCORPORATING THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2012

	Notes	General Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2012 £	Total 2011 £
Incoming Resources					
Donations and legacies		18,772	11,425	30,197	48,433
Activities in furtherance of the charity's objects:					
Appeals	2	20,339	-	20,339	46,309
Activities for generating funds:					
Fundraising initiatives	3	-	-	-	25,380
Investment income					
Bank interest		-	-	-	-
Sundry income		-	-	-	-
Total incoming resources		39,111	11,425	50,536	120,122
Cost of generating funds		-	-	-	-
Net incoming resources available for charitable application		39,111	11,425	50,536	120,122
Charitable expenditure					
Costs of activities in furtherance of charitable objectives:					
Project expenditure	4	27,752	11,425	39,177	98,240
Management and administration	5	13,541	-	13,541	17,753
Total charitable expenditure		41,293	11,425	52,718	115,993
Total resources expended		41,293	11,425	52,718	115,993
Net Incoming/(Outgoing) Resources		(2,182)	-	(2,182)	4,129
b/f		4129	-	4,129	-
Fund balances at 30 June 2012		1,947	-	1,947	4,129

The accompanying accounting policies and notes form an integral part of these financial statements

GLASGOW THE CARING CITY

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 30 JUNE 2012

	Notes	2012 £	2012 £	2011 £
CURRENT ASSETS:				
Prepayments		-		-
Cash at bank and in hand		2,024		5,009
		2,024		5,009
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	6	77		880
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			1,947	4,129
NET ASSETS			1,947	4,129
FUNDS				
General funds	7		1,947	4,129
Restricted funds	8		-	-
			1,947	4,129

For the year ending 30 June 2012 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibility for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and for the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Directors on 21 March 2013 and signed on their behalf by:

K J McGuckien
Director

Rev N W Galbraith
Director

The accompanying policies and notes form an integral part of these financial statements

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of accounting
The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards. The accounts have been prepared to conform to the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006, the recommendations of the Statement of Recommended Practice - Accounting and Reporting by Charities (effective January 2007) and the Financial Reporting Standard for Small Entities (effective April 2008). The principal accounting policies are set out below.

Income
Donations and collections are included in the year in which they are receivable, which is when the charity becomes entitled to the resource. Interest receivable is included in the Statement of Financial Activities in the year in which it is receivable.

Expenditure
All expenditure is included on an accruals basis and is recognised when there is a legal or constructive obligation to pay for expenditure. All costs have been directly attributed to one of the functional categories of resources expended in the SOFA. The charity is not registered for VAT and accordingly expenditure is shown gross of irrecoverable VAT.

Fund Accounting
The nature and purpose of each fund are explained in note 8.

2. APPEALS

	2012 £	2011 £
General donations	20,339	46,309
	20,339	46,309

3 FUNDRAISING INITIATIVES

	2012 £	2011 £
Big Lottery - recycling	-	9,350
Pakistan projects	-	16,030
	-	25,380

4. PROJECT EXPENDITURE

	2012 £	2011 £
Emergency relief projects	26,117	38,289
Education and home projects	13,060	-
Haiti	-	34,571
Recycling projects	-	9,350
Pakistan	-	16,030
	39,177	98,240

The international work carried out by the Charity is included under the generic heading 'Emergency relief projects'. The work done on projects in Scotland focuses citizenship and education as well as poverty relief. Restricted funds are separately identified in note 8 to the accounts while the trustees' report gives a fuller explanation of the work carried out.

5. MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION

	2012 £	2011 £
Insurance	3,720	3,801
Heat, light and water	3,623	3,450
Computer costs	521	889
Phone and internet	941	1,069
Postage and stationery	889	1,432
Travel and accommodation	2,151	4,666
Repairs	1,100	2,126
Bank charges	596	320
	13,541	17,753

6. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2012 £	2011 £
Accruals and deferred income	-	-
Credit card	77	880
	77	880

7. FUNDS

	General funds £	Restricted funds £	Total £
At 1 May 2011	4,129	-	4,129
Income for the year	39,111	11,425	50,536
Expenditure for year	(41,293)	(11,425)	(52,718)
At 30 June 2012	1,947	-	1,947

8. RESTRICTED FUNDS

		Brought Forward	Income £	Expenditure £	Carry Forward £
Emerge Poverty Free	(a)	-	11,425	(11,425)	-
		-	11,425	(11,425)	-

(a) Emerge Pverty Free (formerly World Emergency Relief) have advanced funds restricted to providing personnel to oversee the running of the charity from its Glasgow base. During the year the charity paid fees to Ross Galbraith to fulfil this task and the fund was entirely utilised.

Unlike other years and in keeping with generally low income there were no other restricted funs received.

While other projects of the Charity are not technically restricted funds spend was directed as best fit with donors thoughts where this was indicated and we were delighted to receive every single donation nomatter the size .