

(A Company Limited by Guarantee)

Report and Financial Statements

For the Year Ended

31 March 2025

Company Number: SC339217

Charity Number: SC039643

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Reference and Administrative Information

Company registration:

SC339217

Company Limited by Guarantee

Charity registration:

SC039643 Scottish Charity

Registered office and principal office address:

2nd Floor Thorn House 5 Rose Street Edinburgh EH2 2PR

Directors

Current Directors:
Simon Anderson
Claire Daly – appointed 05/11/2024
Gillian Davies
Jim Densham – appointed 27/09/2024
Sarah Foster-Fulton – appointed 01/11/2024
Helen Greene – appointed 21/10/2024
Jamie Livingstone
Elizabeth Murray
Mike Robinson
Rochana Sheward – appointed 21/04/2025
Kirstie Shirra
Ben Wilson

Also serving in the year:

Mary Church – resigned 26/09/2024 Angus Hardie – resigned 03/06/2024 Lexi Parfitt – resigned 26/09/2024 Jason Rose – resigned 26/09/2024

Bankers:

Co-operative Bank P. Box 101

1 Balloon Street Manchester M60 4EP

Independent Examiner:

Anna Chworow

Craigart Ladybank KY15 7PA

Report of the Directors For the Year Ended 31 March 2025

The Directors are pleased to present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31st March 2025.

Structure, Governance and Management

Stop Climate Chaos Scotland is a company limited by guarantee, with the liability of members limited to £1 each. The company is governed by the terms of its Memorandum and Articles of Association and is a registered Scottish charity.

The company comprises of Guarantor Members and Directors.

The Guarantor Members, that is members with voting rights, can be individuals, organisations, institutions and other bodies. Each Member, who is not an individual, appoints a representative to act on its behalf. The minimum number of guarantor members is four.

The company is managed by between three and twelve Directors. The Directors are appointed for a term not exceeding three years, and are eligible for reappointment for a second and subsequent terms not exceeding three years each.

The names of those who were members of the Board during the year are shown on page 2 together with other reference and administrative information.

Objectives and Review of Activities

The object of the company are:

- a) the promotion for the benefit of the public of the conservation, protection, rehabilitation and improvement of the physical and natural environment, and
- b) the relief of poverty and the improvement of the conditions of life and socially and economically disadvantaged communities, and
- c) to advance the education of the public in relation to
 - i. sustainable development, and
 - ii. the prudent use of natural resources, and
 - iii. sustainable means of achieving economic growth and regeneration, and
- d) to promote study and research into aforementioned objects making the useful results available.

For the purposes of these objects sustainable development means "development that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs".

General context and activity overview

The incredibly long list of outputs during 2024/25 and our growing membership is testament to the urgency of the issue, but also to the continued impact and effectiveness of the coalition. However, this year will be remembered for the news that was confirmed in April 2024 - the Scottish Government announcing it was scrapping the 2030 target to reduce emissions by 75% by 2030. SCCS and others have been calling out the lack of progress being made for many years, so although this wasn't a great surprise, it was still a devastating blow after years of campaigning, and with climate impacts continuing to escalate.

The fact that Scottish Ministers felt they had no choice but to shift Scotland's climate goal posts was the inevitable and damaging consequence of the Government and Parliament's abject failure to agree or deliver the speed and depth of climate action needed since the 2030 target was set. Robust climate action needs cross party unity and we have not seen the collaboration required. The Climate Change Committee had always said the targets were stretching but they only declared them 'beyond credible' in 2024 after 5 years of inaction and delays, and a failure by the Scottish Government to deliver a detailed policy plan, let alone enact any of it.

Our focus had to switch so during the year we developed a new strategic framework, which aims to give

Report of the Directors (continued)

Objectives and Review of Activities (continued)

clarity to our members, stakeholders and supporters about our areas of focus over the next 3 years – the middle of the 'decade of delivery', that hasn't yet materialised.

It identifies the Scottish elections in 2026 as a critical moment to work towards, and that our diverse and growing coalition has an important role to play to respond to build and demonstrate public support for climate action and ensure all parties feel pressure to act.

It also recognises the increasingly challenging global political context, and commits SCCS to doing as much as we can to promote the positive impacts climate action will bring and the opportunities to bring real benefits to people's lives through warmer homes, cleaner air, and healthy and sustainable food.

We remain focused on demonstrating the support for action and mobilising the 1m+ supporters of our members. By bringing together faith, scientific and civil society leaders to make a joint statement in 2024 we created a positive moment and powerful call for action, and we will continue to do this in new and creative ways. We need to find ways to express that overwhelming support for positive action and to reinforce the fact that whether it is from a moral, scientific or economic perspective, this is not optional.

I am continually inspired and motivated by the dedication and expertise of our growing and diverse membership and the brilliant staff and volunteers that choose to work for and on behalf of NGOS, committing their energies and efforts to do good. I am grateful for the continued and growing support from all the members of SCCS and look forward to working with every one of you to deliver our new strategy at this critical time. More than ever we need to behave, to look and to sound like the majority that we are because we need everyone to step up and act on climate change.

Key outputs, lobbying and campaigns this year

- Press Release: Weakening Scotland's climate legislation an 'abject failure' and Scottish Government's response 'wholly inadequate'
- An overview of climate policy and political changes Spring 2024
- Analysis of 18th April 2024 policy package
- Letter to Scotland's new First Minister, John Swinney MSP
- Letter to the new Minister for Climate Action
- Bringing representatives from civic society, faith and scientific communities came together to make a joint statement
- Blog: Five years on from the Scottish Parliament declaring a climate emergency what has happened since?
- Press release: Campaigners warn that Scotland's climate plans are 'doomed to fail' without robust public scrutiny
- UK general election 2024 information and resources
 - Policy briefing
 - o Climate questions to ask candidates
 - o Climate hustings listings
- Letter to new Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero
- Response to 2022 greenhouse gas emissions data and a summary of the results
- Blog: The 2024 Programme for Government will it be the turning point for climate action we urgently need?
- SCCS proposals for the 2024 PfG
- Press release: Programme for Government fast delivery and fair funding needed or climate action will again fall far short
- ERCS joint briefing: Scotland's Climate Change Plan emerging implementation issues
- Briefing: Proposed legislation to revise framework for emissions reduction targets
- Briefing in advance of the debate on "Scottish Government Priorities: Tackling the Climate Emergency"

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Objectives and Review of Activities (continued)

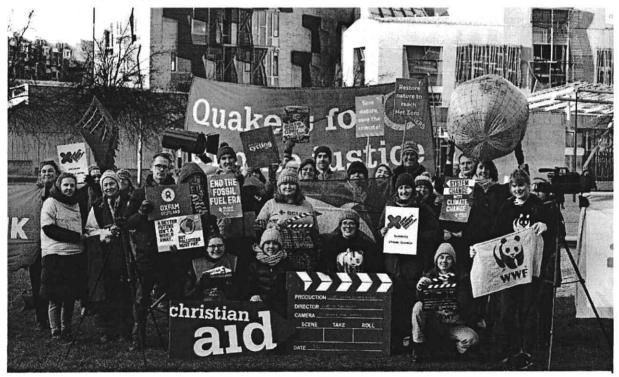
- Press release: However carbon emissions are measured is meaningless without action response to new Scottish Government Emission Reduction Targets Bill
- Partnered with the Scottish Communities Climate Action Network to host a series of three online lunchtime workshops to explore what's happening with climate action in Scotland and how we can work together for climate justice.
- Blog: What are the key issues at COP29, and what would progress look like?
- Briefing: Key issues and priorities for COP29
- SCCS submission: Pre-legislative scrutiny of proposed Climate Targets Bill by the Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee
- Press release: MSPs vote on scrapping Scotland's climate targets
- Briefing in advance of the stage 1 debate on the Climate Change (Emissions Reduction Targets)
 (Scotland) Bill
- Briefing in advance of the stage 2 consideration of the Climate Change (Emissions Reduction Targets) (Scotland) Bill
- Briefing in advance of stage 3 of the Climate Change (Emissions Reduction Targets) (Scotland)
 Bill
- Briefing: Scottish budget 2025/26
- Open letter to the First Minister end of Emission Reduction Targets Bill must be a turning point for action from 74 organisations
- Blog: Rethinking Scotland's road map: Making cleaner, greener travel easier for everyone
- Briefing in advance of the debate on "Programme for Government Growing Scotland's Green Economy"
- Review of the Scottish Government's Aviation Statement and policy
- Consultation response: draft supplementary EIA guidance for assessing the effects of scope 3
 emissions on climate from offshore oil and gas projects
- Consultation response: National Marine Plan 2 Planning Position Statement
- Consultation response: UK ETS scope expansion maritime sector
- Press release: Campaigners deliver damning verdict on climate action in 2024
- Press release: Holyrood urged to make a Hollywood climate action blockbuster in 2025 to get Scotland's emission cuts back on track
- Scotland United for Climate Action campaign
 - E-action
 - Stories about climate action
- Hosted a reception at the Scottish Parliament on 7th January 2025, sponsored by Ben Macpherson MSP.
- Published new SCCS strategic framework for 2025-2027
- Time for Action: Policies for a greener, fairer, healthier Scotland: assessment of the Scottish Government's progress on delivering key climate commitments, alongside the coalition's priorities for policies
- Scotland's new Climate Change Plan: an updated briefing
- Response to Inshore Fisheries Management Improvement Programme: Call for evidence
- Marine Carbon Briefing update March 2025
- Submission to Finance and Public Administration Committee inquiry into the Scottish budget process in practice
- Media breakfast briefing with Scottish Environment LINK
- Hosted an event with Climate Outreach to feed into their new research
- Attended SNP and Green party conferences, hosted an event at Labour party conference with LINK and Oxfam
- Updated our Climate Manifesto

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Objectives and Review of Activities (continued)



Faith, scientific and civil society leaders gathered to make a joint statement about the need for action in May 2024. Photo credit: Holly Mcnair, RSGS



Our 'lights, camera, climate action' stunt outside the Scottish Parliament in January 2025 Photo credit: Colin Hattersley photography



SCCS Chair Mike Robinson with speakers (I-r) Emma James at Climate Outreach and Zarina Ahmad at Women's Environment Network and (I-r) Minister for Climate Action, Alasdair Allen and event sponsor Ben Macpherson MSP at our parliamentary reception in January 2025 Photo credit: Colin Hattersley photography

Staff/consultancy/volunteering updates

- Becky Kenton-Lake continued in the role of Coalition Manager
- Fiona Buchanan continued in the role of Campaigns Coordinator
- Lloyd Austin continued to work with us as a part time freelance Policy Advisor
- We worked with Richard Dixon on our 'Time for Action' policy priorities report.
- Alex Leatham started as Policy and Advocacy volunteer

Board member updates

- Angus Hardie resigned from the board in April 2024
- Imogen Dow resigned from the board in January 2025
- Jason Rose, Lexi Parfitt and Mary Church resigned from the board at the AGM
- Simon Anderson, Jamie Livingstone and Kirstie Shirra were re-elected to the board at the AGM
- Claire Daly, Jim Densham, Helen Greene and Sally Foster-Fulton were nominated and elected to the board at the AGM

Membership

- During 2024/25 we were delighted to welcome the following new members to the coalition:
 - o Climate Action Strathaven
 - Community Transport Association
 - o East Lothian Climate Hub
 - o Eco-Arts
 - o Glasgow Eco-Trust
 - Local Storytelling Exchange
 - o SAMH
 - Scottish Ecological Design Association
 - Uplift
 - West Lothian Climate Action Network
 - Young Sea Changers Scotland

Report of the Directors (continued)

Financial review

At the end of the financial year the carry forward sum was £16,521. All of the funds were unrestricted. This represents a decrease of total funds by £16,521 compared with previous year due to reduction in income while core expenses remained stable.

It is the Directors' policy to maintain unrestricted reserves equal to at least three months expenditure, with a minimum of £15,000. This target was met at the year end.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions in Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

Date: 17/11/25

By order of the Board of Trustees

Name: Mike Robinson

Chair

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Independent Examiner's Report To the Directors of Stop Climate Chaos Scotland

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2025 which are set out on pages 10 to 16.

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. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under section 44(1) (c) 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) (a) 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 Regulations

have 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.

Date: 26/11/2025

Anna Chworow

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Stop Climate Chaos Scotland

Statement of Financial Activities

For the Year Ended 31 March 2025

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Income from:					
Donations and legacies	1	2,181	15,000	17,181	21,864
Charitable activities	2	56,193	-	56,193	64,633
Other income	3	321	-	321	n
Total		58,695	15,000	73,695	86,497
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	4	75,382	15,000	90,382	128,764
Total		75,382	15,000	90,382	128,764
Net income / (expenditure)		(16,687)	0	(16,687)	(42,267)
Transfers between funds				-	
Net movement in funds		(16,687)	0	(16,687)	(42,267)
Funds brought forward		33,208		33,208	75,475
Funds carried forward		16,521	-	16,521	33,208

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account under the Companies Act 2006.

Balance Sheet at 31 March 2025

	Note	2025 £	2024
Fixed assets:		L	£
Tangible assets	7	117	475
Current assets:			
Debtors	8	1,600	8,285
Cash at bank and in hand		20,549	34,986
		22,149	43,271
Liabilities: Amounts due within one year	9	5,745	10,538
Net current assets		16,404	32,733
Total net assets		16,521	33,208
Funds			
Unrestricted funds	10	16,521	33,208
Restricted funds	10	N=	
Total Funds		16,521	75,475

For the year there 31 March 2025 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 Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and preparation of accounts.

The accounts have been prepared and delivered in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

The accounts on pages 10 to 16 were authorised for issue by the directors and are signed on their behalf by:

Director

Mike Robinson

Name

Date

17/11/25

The notes on pages 13 to 16 and the accounting policies on page 12 form part of these financial statements.

Accounting policies

Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005, the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended) and 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)' – referred to as 'the Charities SOPR'. The charity is a public benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity has applied the alternative structure for smaller charities allowed under paragraph 4.2 of the Charities SORP and has not reported on activity basis. Similarly, as a smaller charity, a cash flow statement has not been prepared.

Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

Income

Income from annual grants is recognised in the period to which the grant relates. Any annual grants received in advance are included as deferred grants in creditors. Income from other grants and donations is recognised on receipt.

Where a grant or donation is received for a specific purpose, it is included in restricted income and any unexpended portion carried forward as a restricted fund.

Expenditure

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis.

Debtors

Debtors are recognized at the settlement amount due.

Creditors

Creditors and provisions are recognized, at settlement amount, where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event, which is likely to result in the transfer of funds to a third party, and the mount due can be measured or estimated reliably

Fixed assets

Fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses. Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the costs or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following basis:

Fixtures and fittings

25% straight line

Expenditure below £500 pounds is not capitalised. the gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and carrying value of the asset, and is recognised and net income expenditure for the year.

Taxation

The company is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities. The company is not registered for VAT and expenditure includes VAT where relevant.

Fund accounting

Restricted funds may only be used for particular purposes within the objects of the charity as specified by the donor or by the terms of an application for the funds.

The *Unrestricted general fund* is available to be used for any of the charitable objects at the discretion of the Directors.

Notes to the Accounts

1.	Donations and legacies		Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
	Paristamen Charity		1,250	1,000
	National Lottery		-	9,600
	Frederick Mulder Foundation		= 2	3,000
	Other donations		-	1,914
	Donations from members		931	6,350
	Total donations receivable		2,181	21,864
2.	Charitable activities income		Total	Total
			2025	2024
			£	£
	Membership fees		56,193	64,633
	Total income from charitable a	ctivities	56,193	64,633
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3.	Other income		Total	Total
			2025	2024
			£	£
	Other income		321	-
	Total donations receivable		321	1 = 7
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4.	Charitable activity costs		2025	2024
	-		£	£
	Staff costs	5	54,315	66,486
	Events, projects and training		31,023	57,506
	Stationery, office and website		3,993	3,771
	Governance	6	1,051	
		•		1,001
	Total charitable activity costs		90,382	128,764

Notes to the Accounts (continued)

5.	Staff costs	2025	2024
		£	£
	Salaries	48,820	59,605
	Social security costs	2,941	3,739
	Pension costs	2,554	3,142
	Total staff costs	54,315	66,486

As part of an agreement between Friends of the Earth Scotland and Stop Climate Chaos Scotland, FoES hosts 1 SCCS employee (2024: 1) within its organisation, employs the individual directly and provides office space. SCCS reimbursed FoES for all employment costs incurred.

The company employed its own employees directly during the year. 1 employee was employed directly (2024: 1).

No employees received employee benefits of more than £60,000.

6.	Governance costs	2025	2024
		£	£
	Accounts and independent examination	700	700
	Other accountancy services		90
	Board and AGM costs	351	211
		1,051	1,001

7. Fixed assets

Cost	
At 1/4/2024	3,060
Additions	-
Disposals	:-
At 31/3/2025	3,060
Depreciation	
At 1/4/2024	2,586
Depreciation	357
Disposals	
At 31/3/2025	2,943
Net book value at 31/3/2025	117
Net book value at 1/4/2024	475

8. Debtors

Notes to the Accounts (continued)

Accrued income	-	£ 1,600 1,600	£ 8,285 8,285			
9. Creditors		2025 £	2024			
Other creditors	-	5,045 5,045	£ 10,475 10,475			
10. Movement on Funds	Note	At 1/4/24	Incoming resources	Outgoing resources	Transfers	At 31/3/25
Restricted funds:		£	£	£	£	£
Oxfam: SUFCA campaign	(a) ₋		15,000	(15,000)		
Total restricted funds			15,000	(15,000)		

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Notes on Funds

Unrestricted funds:

Total unrestricted funds

General fund

Total funds

(a) Funding from Oxfam GB to support Scotland United for Climate Action campaign.

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11. Related party transactions

None of the trustees received any remuneration or benefits in the year (2024: nil). No travel expenses were reimbursed (2024: nil).

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Stop Climate Chaos Scotland Notes to the Accounts (continued)

12. Statement of Financial Activities - Comparative figures by class for the prior year

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £
Income from:				
Donations and legacies Charitable activities Other income Total		9,264 64,633 - 73,897	12,600 - - 12,600	21,864 64,633 - 86,497
Expenditure on:				
Charitable activities Other		105,537	23,227	128,764
Total		105,537	23,227	128,764
Net income / (expenditure)		(31,640)	(10,627)	(42,267)
Transfers between funds				
Net movement in funds		(31,640)	(10,627)	(42,267)
Funds brought forward		64,848	10,627	75,475
Funds carried forward		33,208		33,208

