

APPENDIX 1



Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator

Trustees' Annual Report for the period							
Period start date				Period end date			
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
From	30	11	2022	To	30	11	2023

**Reference and administration details**

<b>Charity name</b>	Comics Youth [SCIO]
<b>Other names charity is known by</b>	Comics Youth Scotland
<b>Registered charity number</b>	<b>SC051377</b>
<b>Charity's principal address</b>	10 Landale Gardens Cupar, Fife
	<b>Postcode KY15 4UE</b>

**Names of the charity trustees on date of approval of Trustees' Annual Report**

	<b>Trustee name</b>	<b>Office (if any)</b>	<b>Dates acted if not for whole year</b>	<b>Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)</b>
1	Rhiannon Griffiths	Chair		
2	Hailey Austin	Treasurer		
3	Rebecca Horner	Secretary		
4	Damon Herd		20/04/2023	
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**Reference and administration details**

Names of all other charity trustees during the period, if any, (for example, those who resigned part way through the financial period)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

**Structure, governance and management**

<b>Type of governing document</b>	Constitution Safeguarding Documents
<b>Trustee recruitment and appointment</b>	

**Objectives and activities**

<b>Charitable purposes</b>	4 In line with section 7(2) of the 2005 Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act, the organisation's purposes are: (a) To relieve the needs of marginalised young people aged 8 to 25 who are currently receiving or have received treatment in hospital by supporting the exploration of health and wellbeing through the creative lens of therapeutic comic book and zine-making thereby aiming to reduce isolation and increase confidence and self-esteem. (b) To advance the education of marginalised young people aged 8 to 25 through providing a structured learning programme, organisation of creative workshops, a forum for self-expressions and an environment to gain knowledge in publishing and the creative sector. (c) To educate the public on difficult subjects often experienced by young people through public information comics that give a young persons' perspective on subjects such as: transitioning from primary to secondary school, childhood bereavement or living in care homes.
<b>Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects</b>	Deliver sessions on creating comics to marginalised young people.

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### Achievements and performance

#### Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the financial period

Our first project as Comics Youth SCIO has been Building Stories: A Summer of Comics - a free two-week comics summer school delivered in collaboration with The McManus: Dundee's Art Gallery & Museum, kindly funded by The National Lottery Community Fund.

The summer school consisted of two age groups, and each group spent a week in the museum learning about all things comics. The young people explored different ways of telling stories and creating characters, collaborated on comics as a group, and toured the galleries gathering inspiration in their sketchbooks. The young people also reflected on what's important to them in their own lives through zine-making. We were delighted to watch the young people's confidence grow in leaps and bounds as the weeks progressed. We then published their work in two zines showcasing their talents, which we have presented at comics events across the UK.

We are continuing to grow our network with organisations across Dundee, and are developing collaborative projects around the city with a robust referral network. We are currently seeking further funding for these projects, which will build on the impactful work we have done so far.

### Financial review

#### Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

It is the intention of the charity to keep aside 3 months running costs at all times. However in common with most organisations reliant on grant income it is not always easy to maintain reserves at this level. This reserve fund will be maintained in case of the wind down of the charity or in the case of core running costs ever running out.

Unrestricted reserves at 30/11/2023 were £14.75 (2021-22 - £0).

Efforts will be made in the coming year to attain free reserves at the required policy level.

#### Details of any deficit

No deficit.

#### Donated facilities and services (if any)

N/A



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### Other optional information

### 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)	Hailey Austin	Damon Herd
Position (e.g. Chair)	Treasurer	Trustee
Date	19th March. 2024	19 March 2024

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**Receipts and payments account for the year ended 30 November 2023**

	Note	Unrestricted	Restricted	2023	2022
				£	£
<b>Receipts</b>					
Grants			10,000	10,000	-
Donations					
Trading		15		15	-
<b>Total Receipts</b>		<b>£ 15</b>	<b>£ 10,000</b>	<b>£ 10,015</b>	<b>£ -</b>
<b>Payments</b>					
Charitable Activities	2		7,330	7,330	
Fundraising Expenses			388	388	
Administration	3		1,317	1,317	
Travel			88	88	
Governance				-	
<b>Total Payments</b>		<b>£ -</b>	<b>£ 9,123</b>	<b>£ 9,123</b>	<b>£ -</b>
<b>Excess of receipts/(payments) over (payments/receipts in the year</b>		<b>£15</b>	<b>£877</b>	<b>£892</b>	<b>£0</b>

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**Statement of Balances as at 30 November 2023**

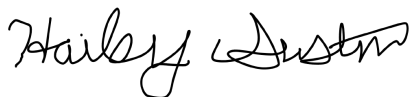
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
			£	£
<b>Cash at Bank and in hand</b>				
Bank and Deposit balances brought forward			-	
<b>Movement in year</b>				
Excess of receipts over payments for the year	15	877	892	£0
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Bank and Deposit balances carried forward	4	15	877	892 £ -
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<b>Represented by:</b>				
<b>Bank</b>			£ 892	£ -
<b>Cash</b>			£	-
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The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on

Signed for and on behalf of the Board of Trustees.



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**Notes to the financial statements**

**1 Accounting policies**

**Basis of accounting**

These financial statements have been prepared on the receipts and payments basis in accordance with the Charities & Trustees Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended).

**2 Trustee remuneration and expenses**

1 trustee received remuneration of £4020 (2022 nil) for sessional work undertaken and 1 trustee received reimbursement of expenses of £88 (2022 nil) in this year.

There are no Related party transactions

**3 Administration Costs**

Administration costs	800
Purchase of Computer	469
Prepayment for Insurance	48
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**Independent Examiners Report to the Trustees of Comics Youth SCIO,  
Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation SC051377**

I report on the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> November 2023, which are set out on the accompanying pages.

**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 trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (d) of the Account Regulations does not apply. 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 trustees 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 accounts.

**Independent examiner's statement**

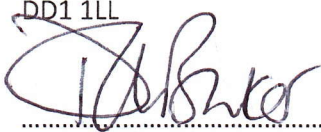
In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention

- 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 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations

have not been met, or

- to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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15<sup>th</sup> March 2024