INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT to the TRUSTEES of FUTURE HAWICK Scottish Charity Number SC039141

I report on the Accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 March 2020, which are set out on the attached pages.

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The charity trustees are responsible for the preparation of the Accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investments (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006.

The charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1)(a) to (c) of the Accounts 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 these 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

R Scott Elliot FMAAT

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
 - I) to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 44(1)(a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations and
 - II) to prepare Accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 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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A Regeneration Group for Hawick's Future

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(Scottish Charity No. SC039141)

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT for the period 01.04.19 to 31.03.20

Registration: Future Hawick is a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation registered as such with OSCR, effective from 1^{st} April 2015. The registration number is SC039141.

Principal Address: 2 Kirkwynd, Hawick, Scottish Borders, TD9 0AL

Principal Contact:

Derick

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Trustees: Stuart Beck (appointed 24/06/19), Frank Booth, Brian Bouglas, Tina Holley, Cameron Knox (appointed 24/06/19), Derick Tait, Colin Telfer, Ian Turnbull (appointed 29/04/19), Graeme Webb

Members: Membership of the Group currently stands at 133 individual members and 6 group members.

Governance: Future Hawick is governed bu its Constitution, and its policies on Equal Opportunities, Environment, Financial Management, Data Protection, Trustee Recruitment, Trustee Code of Conduct, Conflict of Interest, Health and Safety, and Volunteering. An effective management Board of Charity Trustees is recruited through local media advertising, and awareness promotion. Unfair discrimination in selection is not employed. Management meetings are held on a monthly basis.

Objectives: Future Hawick is a non-profit making distributing voluntary organisation which aims to improve the well-being, quality of life, and opportunities of the people of Hawick and its environs by bringing together local community and voluntary organisations to work with public agencies to

enhance the town's social, cultural, recreational, and educational facilities, environment, and economy. To help achieve these objectives, Future Hawick provides a resource centre for administration, information support, equipment hire, and meetings, and is involved in local regeneration works and projects.

Main Achievements for 2019/20:

- 1. Promotion and administration of Council Shop Front Grant Scheme to completion of phase 3 of a 3 year project involving a total of 33 properties.
- 2. Development and promotion of the "Made in Hawick " initiative, a project involving local manufacturers and retailers in promoting the trademarked quality aspect of goods produced in the region through product labelling, a dedicated website, and social media outlets.
- 3. Continued administration and operation of the annual Hawick Welcome, a tourist initiative which employs Welcome Hosts over the summer months to meet, greet, and provide relevant information to visitors to the town.
- 4. Instigation and promotion of a grant scheme to permit major external repairs to property in the central area (principally High Street) of the town.
- 5. Continued work on a project to develop Hawick as "The Town of the Horse" developing the feasibility study for the use of Common Land in the town for equestrian and recreational purposes.
- 6. Procurement of a Community Enterprise Manager to assist the promotion and development of projects and to assist local organisations to develop their own ideas and projects.
- 7. Commitment to a membership drive to encourage the community to participate in and contribute to the various issues affecting the town and projects being developed.
- 8. Representation on two other bodies:
 - Ride Scottish Borders tourist initiative
 - Hawick Flood Group stakeholders

In addition to its main initiatives, the group continues to meet with local politicians, councillors, community councillors, and officials to discuss local issues, has had representation at meetings and seminars to discuss the establishment of SoSE, and provides meeting facilities for several community groups.

This Trustees Report and Annual Accounts were approved at the Annual General Meeting of Future Hawick, held on Monday 17th August 2020.

Chairman

FUTURE HAWICK (Scottish Charity No SC039141) RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2020

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2019/20 £	Total 2018/19
RECEIPTS	L	Ľ	£	£
Membership Income	300		300	320
General Income	730		730	0
Bank Interest	25		25	17
SBC Regeneration Grants:		0	0	0
Hawick Action Plan		3100	3100	39300
Town of the Horse		8500	8500	2000
Hawick Welcome:				
Donations		1050	1050	2485
Grants		5588	5588	6500
Brochure Advertisements		5630	5630	6115
Fund Raising Activities		2175	2175	2882
CAR Property Improvements	0	40000	40000	0
Community Manager	0	12500	12500	0
TOTAL RECEIPTS	1055	78543	79598	59619
PAYMENTS				
Hawick Regeneration		951	951	209
Hawick Action Plan:				
Made in Hawick		23527	23527	13982
Film Services Project		0	0	4800
Town of the Horse		6000	6000	72
Hawick Welcome		12186	12186	19599
CAR Property Improvements	0	5212	5212	0
Community Manager	0	160	160	0
Sundries:				
Clear Rights of Way	450		450	0
Membership Subscriptions	253		253	15
Electricity	528		528	163
Insurance	114		114	111
TOTAL PAYMENTS	1345	48036	49381	38951
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) FOR YEAR	(290)	30507	30217	20668
STATEMENT OF BALANCES as at 31st MARCH 2020				
Bank balance brought forward	1955	28214	30169	9501
Movement in Year	(290)	30507	30217	20668
Bank balance carried forward	1665	58721	60386	30169
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MOVEMENT OF FUNDS	At 01/04/19 £	Receipts £	Payments £	At 31/03/20 £
Unrestricted Funds	1955	1056	1346	1665
Restricted Funds:				
Hawick Regeneration	3771	0	951	2820
Hawick Action Plan	20518	3100	23527	91
Town of the Horse	1928	8500	6000	4428
Hawick Welcome	1997	14443	12186	4254
CAR Property Improvements	0	40000	5212	34788
Community Manager	0	12500	160	12340
	28214	78543	48036	58721
TOTAL FUNDS	30169	79599	49382	60386

NOTES TO ACCOUNTS

- 1. Trustees & Related Parties Transactions
 - a. No Trustee or person connected to a Trustee received any remuneration
 - b. No Trustee received any expenses
 - c. There were no transactions between the Charity and any Trustee or person connected to a Trustee

2. Purpose of Restricted Funds

- a. Hawick Regeneration: An initial grant of £30,000 from Scottish Borders Council to be spent on dedicated regeneration projects, with the underspend now authorised for the purposes of Future Hawick.
- b. Hawick Action Plan: A grant from Scottish Borders Council for the development and promotion of the "Made in Hawick" Iniative.
- c. Town of the Horse: Grants received from Scottish Borders Council to develop Hawick as the "Town of the Horse" initially through a feasibility study for the use of Common land.
- d. Hawick Welcome: A tourism initiative funded by grants and fundraising initiatives to employ Hosts over the summer months to welcome visitors to the town and provide information in respect of attractions, retail outlets, hotels, ans restaurants.
- e. CAR Property Improvements: A grant from Scottish Borders Council to promote and encourage the upgrading and renovation of business properties in the central area of the town, currently delayed due to the Covid-19 outbreak.
- f. Community Manager: A grant from Scottish Borders Council for a pilot scheme to employ a consultant on a contract basis to promote and encourage town initiatives, currently delayed due to the Covid-19 outbreak.