# **TRUST BOARD AGM**



Date: 18 September 2018

Location: Reception Room, Grand Hall

Start time: 6pm

AGENDA						
AGENDA ITEM	FOR NOTING	FOR DISCUSSION	FOR APPROVAL/ DECISION			
I. Apologies for Absence	✓					
2. Declarations of Interest	✓					
3. Minutes of previous AGM 3.1 19 September 2017	✓					
4. 2017/18 Annual Report and Accounts			✓			
5. Trust Board Meeting Schedule 2018/19			✓			
6. East Ayrshire Leisure Trust Sub- Committees			✓			
7. AOCB						
8. Demise of office bearers			✓			

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# TRUST BOARD AGM



# 2017/18 ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

Date: 18 September 2018

Agenda Item: 4

Report By: John Griffiths, Chief Executive

### Summary

This report presents the 2017/18 Report and Accounts for approval.

The report shows that the Trust established sound procedures for financial management and our external auditors, Scott-Moncrieff, are satisfied with accuracy of our accounts and the procedures that are in place to manage our finances.

#### I. BACKGROUND

1.1 The purpose of this report is to present the 2017/18 Report and Accounts for approval.

#### 2 CONSIDERATIONS

- 2.1 East Ayrshire Leisure is required to submit its audited annual accounts to the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR). Scott-Moncrieff are our External Auditors and their audit has been produced following an intensive audit programme which required support and input from both Trust and East Ayrshire Council staff.
- 2.2 The 2017/18 Report and Accounts is attached as Appendix I. The format of the Report and Accounts meets the requirements of the Charities Financial Reporting Standard (FRS) 102 Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP). The Annual Accounts will be submitted to OSCR once approved by the Trust Board. The report will also be published via the East Ayrshire Leisure website.
- 2.3 Scott Moncrieff's Audit Management Report for 2017/18 is attached as Appendix 2 with the Management Representation Letter, which will be signed by the Chair of the Performance and Audit Sub-Committee if the Report and Accounts are agreed by the Board, included on page 18.
- 2.4 The Annual Report and Accounts were considered and approved by the Performance and Audit Sub-Committee on 20 August 2018. However, since the meeting a national issue has arisen with regard to the valuation of the pension asset/liability provided by the Actuary and the Accounts have been updated. Scott-Moncrieff have confirmed that they intend to issue an unqualified opinion on the updated annual accounts

### 3 IMPLICATIONS

3.1 The approval and publication of the 2017/18 Report and Accounts will satisfy the ongoing requirements of OSCR and the Charities FRS 102 SORP.

#### Recommendation/s:

It is recommended that the Board:

i. Approve the 2017/18 Report and Accounts;

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ii. Approve the Letter of Representation to accompany the accounts; and

iii. Otherwise note the content of this report.

Signature:

Designation: Chief Executive

Date: 11 September 2018

# East Ayrshire Leisure Trust A Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation

Annual Report and Accounts For the year ended 31st March 2018

Charity Number SC043987

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# East Ayrshire Leisure Trust Message from the Board

I am delighted to introduce the fifth Annual Report and Accounts for East Ayrshire Leisure Trust, covering the financial year 2017-18. The Trust has once again shown a strong financial performance whilst also receiving an excellent report from our External Auditors, with no issues reported.

Our visual arts programme has continued to excel, with exhibitions of national significance being showcased at the Dick Institute in Kilmarnock. I AM HERE, a Crafts Council Touring Exhibition, featured stunning pieces of contemporary jewellery and wearable art by the most significant European makers from the last 5 decades.

Rachel Maclean, one of the country's most exciting, young, contemporary artists, was also featured in the Dick Institute programme with her stunning and thought-provoking exhibition, "Feed Me".

Another particular highlight in the cultural calendar was "Pop Art in Print" which brought together over 70 iconic Pop Art works from the Victoria & Albert Museum and featured artists such as Andy Warhol, Roy Lichenstein and Ed Ruscha.

Our in-house performing arts programme continues to go from strength to strength with our fabulous East Ayrshire Youth Theatre (EAYT). Our talented youngsters brought all-time favourites "Oliver" and "The Wizard of Oz" to the stage in first-class productions. And, as ever, our annual pantomime attracted sell-out audiences, with Dick Whittington ensuring families from far and wide got their festivities off to a spectacular start!

The Grand Hall rocked with 1,300 visitors for The Libertines in September and Manchester's legendary rockers, Happy Mondays brought their "Twenty Four Hour Party People – Greatest Hits Tour" to Kilmarnock's Grand Hall for an unforgettable sell-out gig in December.

Our Imprint Book Festival celebrated its 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year. Over the past decade we have welcomed literary heavyweights such as Val McDermid, Kirsty Wark, Sandy Toksvig, Tony Robinson, James Kelman, Christopher Brookmyre to name but a few, and this year was no exception with a fabulous line-up including Kilmarnock's own Booker nominated Graeme Macrae Burnet, John Niven and Graeme Obree.

We have continued to participate in VisitScotland's Quality Assurance Scheme which officially grades our tourist attractions and facilities and helps us to meet, and exceed, the high standards which our customers and visitors expect. In 2017-18 we were delighted to not only maintain all previous ratings, but also to expand our portfolio of 4-star rated facilities with the addition of the Ayrshire Athletics Arena, our premier athletics and sports training facility, which was accredited for the first time.

As well as introducing a new Fitness Membership Scheme, we also began a brand new Sports Coaching programme for children aged 3-14 years old. Sessions including badminton, gymnastics, football and athletics were hugely popular and took place across our range of leisure centres. Once again the Ayrshire Athletics Arena hosted the West Districts Championships, in partnership with Scottish Athletics. We also welcomed back Roon The Toon, the 10k road race, to the Ayrshire Athletics Arena for a 2<sup>nd</sup> year. A jogging group and a Strength and Flex fitness class were established to support participation in the lead up to the event. Numbers of participants increased from the inaugural year and it looks set to become a regular and popular feature in the race calendar.

Dean Castle Country Park officially reopened to the public in October after an extensive redevelopment project. Working in partnership with East Ayrshire Council and funded by the Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) and East Ayrshire's Renewable Energy Fund, the redevelopment included a major refurbishment of the visitor centre which houses the café and shop, a new residential centre, redesigned playpark, extended path networks, landscape redevelopment and rural life centre.

We celebrated the reopening of the Country Park with Illuminight; a truly spectacular fire and light show with stunning visuals, state of the art lighting, installations and music. Illuminight, brought to us by Unique Events and Black Light productions, welcomed over 38,000 visitors to the Country Park and will help to put Kilmarnock firmly on the tourism map.

# East Ayrshire Leisure Trust Message from the Board

The extended closure of the Dean Castle Country Park impacted on our target for attendance figures, however, a full programme of events and activities are in place to address this over the coming year.

Staff at Dean Castle Country Park have been working with Alzheimer Scotland on a Growing Memories project which involved working with local people with dementia to create a wildflower meadow in the Country Park. For people who can no longer tend their own garden, this was a wonderful opportunity for them to re-connect with nature.

We look forward to the next phase of redevelopment works scheduled for the Castle which will help establish the Dean Castle Country Park as a 5 star visitor attraction. The project, due to run between 2018 and 2021 also secured funding from Historic Environment Scotland, with the remainder of the costs being met by East Ayrshire Council. The funding will allow essential stonework restoration to the external fabric of the castle buildings to be carried out, alongside the internal modernisation and redisplay of our world class museum collections and exhibition areas.

Councillor Elena Whitham

Chair, East Ayrshire Leisure Trust

# East Ayrshire Leisure Trust Message from the Chief Executive

Welcome to East Ayrshire Leisure's Annual Report and Accounts for 2017/18. This report summarises progress in our fifth year of operation. Significant progress has been made by East Ayrshire Leisure to ensure we are providing quality facilities, venues and programmes for the benefit or locals and visitors alike, whilst also ensuring our staff are provided with the opportunity to develop, learn and grow with the organisation.

The results for 2017/18 show that once again East Ayrshire Leisure is operating well and achieving its targets. The effects of reducing budgets has meant that we continue to operate in a challenging environment, with Culture, Countryside and Sports departments undergoing service reviews which have included changes to remits and opening hours.

2017/18 was the 2<sup>nd</sup> year of our 2016-19 Business Plan which focusses on 4 key strategic objectives:

- To be recognised as a provider of high quality / valued services and facilities
- To enhance people's health and wellbeing through participation
- To enhance the tourism offer to East Ayrshire
- To be recognised as an employer of choice

We have already made great strides in meeting these objectives and will continue to drive forward new initiatives and developments which will continue to enhance the organisation and the services we provide for the people of East Ayrshire and beyond. A summary of our achievements to date is provided within this report.

Set within the context of reducing budgets, East Ayrshire Leisure has begun to adopt a more commercial focus and service reviews, alongside programming, will take account of this requirement and new direction. However, as a charitable organisation and provider of culture, countryside and sport facilities for the benefit of East Ayrshire residents, we remain committed to providing services which are affordable or free of charge.

In 2017 we received the results of our first ever Customer and Staff satisfaction surveys. It is clear from the results that our customers greatly value the services we provide and our staff continue to be a credit to the organisation. Ratings for all our venues were extremely high with satisfaction rates of more than 90% recorded for most of our facilities. The response rate for our staff satisfaction was also very good, and great strides have been made in addressing some of the issues which were raised, including better communication and a stronger commitment to professional development.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our staff for their ongoing dedication to East Ayrshire Leisure. Many services areas have experienced significant changes to staff teams, opening hours and remits but the passion and enthusiasm the staff continue to show in the delivery of our services is a credit to the organisation.

None of our achievements would be possible without the support of our partners, of whom there are many, and in particular our main funder, East Ayrshire Council (EAC). We will continue to work closely with them all to ensure the continued provision of new and innovative services, events, opportunities and high quality services across the range of Culture, Countryside and Sport remits.

I would also like to thank our Board of Trustees for their continued support, commitment and dedication given to East Ayrshire Leisure throughout the year.

John Griffiths

Chief Executive

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The Trustees are pleased to present their Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2018. The financial statements comply with the 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).

# **East Ayrshire Leisure Trust - The Organisation**

East Ayrshire Leisure Trust is a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation recognised by the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR), registration number SC043987. The organisation took responsibility for a wide range of cultural, countryside, sports and community facilities and services across East Ayrshire on 1st July 2013.

# **Governing Document**

The East Ayrshire Leisure Trust Constitution was approved by the Board of Trustees on 13th March 2013.

East Ayrshire Leisure's initial Business Plan covered the period 2013-16, and during this period the Trust became established as an independent organisation. Our current Business Plan covers the period 2016-19 and will be subject to regular monitoring and review including the submission of an Annual Performance Report to East Ayrshire Council.

# **Our Purpose**

- To advance the arts, heritage, culture and science;
- To advance public participation in sport;
- To provide recreational facilities and organise recreational activities with such facilities/activities being made available to the whole community with the aim of improving the aim of improving quality of life;
- To advance education:
- To advance health:
- To advance citizenship and/ or community development (which may include the promotion of civic responsibility, volunteering, the voluntary sector and/ or and the efficiency and effectiveness of charities);
- To relieve those in need by reason of age, ill health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage;
- To promote, establish, operate and/or support other similar schemes and projects which further charitable purposes;

# **Our Vision**

East Ayrshire Leisure's vision reflects the vision of the Community Planning Partnership i.e. to help East Ayrshire become: "An area full of life, with a strong cultural, sporting and natural identity which reflects the unique character of the place and its people; an area where cultural, sporting and countryside activities play a central role in social, economic and urban/rural development; an area where new and creative initiatives across the cultural, sporting and countryside fields flourish, for the benefit of both residents and visitors."

# **Our Mission**

"To provide and support high quality, innovative, cultural, sports, countryside and community services for the benefits of East Ayrshire residents and visitors to the area, which meet the Council's social, cultural, environmental and economic objectives."

#### **Our Values**

East Ayrshire Leisure's core values are based on being:

- Collaborative and Creative
- Innovative and Inspirational
- Proactive and Professional
- Open and Honest
- Passionate and Proud

The principles by which we operate and carry out our business are driven by a desire to do what is best for the community and in so doing:

- We will be driven by a commitment to deliver high quality services for the people of East Ayrshire
- Creativity and innovation will be at the heart of our thinking
- We will build partnerships and thrive on collaboration
- We will invest in the formation of highly motivated, customer-focussed and skilled work force
- We will promote equality, access and diversity across our programmes
- We will deliver safe services and manage finances efficiently and effectively

#### **EAST AYRSHIRE LEISURE SERVICES**

East Ayrshire Leisure is responsible for managing a range of facilities and services across a broad Culture, Countryside, Sport and Community Venues remit.

The range of facilities managed by East Ayrshire Leisure has been subject to change since July 2013 as the Council has undertaken a programme of Community Asset Transfer and Asset Rationalisation.

#### **Brief Service Descriptions**

### - Cultural Services

This service manages Libraries, Museums and Heritage, Galleries, the Palace Theatre/Grand Hall Complex and Cumnock Town Hall. The service is responsible for museum collection management, arts and cultural development including visual and performing arts, reader development including Imprint Book Festival and local and family history services.

#### - Countryside Services

 This service manages Dean Castle Country Park, the River Ayr Way and footpath networks across East Ayrshire. The service is responsible for Countryside Access, events, programme development at Dean Castle Country Park outdoor education and golf.

# - Sport & Community Venues

This service manages Sports and Leisure Centres, Games Hall, Community Halls, Sports Pitches and the Ayrshire Athletics Arena. The service is responsible for programme development, community sports hubs, sports development and events encompassing athletics, swimming and fitness.

### - Marketing & Development

This service manages all publicity and promotional activity, communications, public relations, branding, corporate identity, web development and digital communication and strategy, market research, customer feedback and complaints handling.

# - People & Finance

 This service is responsible for administration, OSCR compliance, financial management/budget monitoring, Human Relations, Information Management, Health and Safety, Freedom of information, credit control, cash receipting and staff training and development.

# **Agreements with East Ayrshire Council**

A series of agreements underpin East Ayrshire Leisure's relationship with the Council. Services Agreements are in place to cover support services that the Council provides for East Ayrshire Leisure i.e. Health and Safety, Internal Audit. Payroll etc. A Services and Finance Agreement is in place to cover the services which the Council expects us to deliver, including the facilities for which East Ayrshire Leisure is responsible.

In addition, a Collections Agreement covers how the Council's museum collections will be managed by East Ayrshire Leisure and an Asset Transfer Agreement covers the ownership of assets required to support the delivery of services which are the responsibility of East Ayrshire Leisure.

#### Key venues and visitor attractions

We manage a wide range of facilities across East Ayrshire; our key venues and tourist attractions are highlighted below:

# **Annanhill Golf Course**

Situated on the outskirts of Kilmarnock in scenic surroundings, this parkland course, with tree lined fairways has a par of 71 measuring 5954 yards.

#### Ayrshire Athletics Arena

Designed and built to the highest standard, this premier athletics and sports training facility boasts a UK Athletics Class A outdoor athletics facility with Mondo surface and 6 lane 63m indoor training area with strength and conditioning area. It has been designed to meet the highest of training and competition requirements for a wide range of athletes, sports clubs, schools and community groups and our athletics event calendar has grown year on year.

#### Baird Institute (4 star visitor attraction)

First opened in 1891, the Baird Institute has world class collections of Mauchline Ware, Cumnock Pottery, artefacts of local and social history and contemporary exhibitions. The Keir Hardie Room presents the life and career of the founder of the Labour Party with an interactive audio-visual screen, a large collection of his personal belongings and souvenirs of his travels

# Burns House Museum and Library (4 star visitor attraction)

The Burns House Museum and Library is in the centre of historic Mauchline, where stories of Robert Burns and his friends and family can be found in every nook and cranny. The Burns House Museum offers the chance to visit the room where Burns and his wife Jean Armour lived, see original Burns manuscripts and objects that tell the story of his life and work.

#### Cumnock Town Hall

Designed by Robert Ingram and built in 1883/4, Cumnock Town Hall has undergone extensive restoration, designed to restore it to its former glory using traditional materials and to update facilities to cater for the needs of its 21st century users. The newly refurbished facility hosts a variety of shows as well as being available to hire for meetings, shows, weddings and parties.

# Dean Castle & Country Park (4 star visitor attraction)

The newly redeveloped Dean Castle Country Park is East Ayrshire's only Country Park and provides a great day out all year round with woodland walks, an urban farm, adventure playground, visitor centre with shop and tearoom and a fantastic 14th century castle housing world class collections. The Country Park also hosts a number of large scale events every year as well as a programme of outdoor learning activities. The Country Park received HLF funding with major redevelopment taking place to turn it into a 5 star visitor attraction.

## Dick Institute (4 star visitor attraction)

The Dick Institute is one of the most important cultural venues in the south-west of Scotland, featuring the largest museum, galleries and Library in Ayrshire with a range of arts and literary events throughout the year. With a programme of nationally important exhibitions, events and innovative works by leading and contemporary artists, filmmakers and young people as well as permanent displays of the museum's diverse collections including natural sciences, archaeology and local and social history.

# Leisure Centres: Auchinleck, Doon Valley, Grange, Loudoun, Stewarton and St Joseph's

Our Leisure Centres offer a wide range of activities and facilities for all the family including fitness suites with a wide range of equipment, FIFA \*I synthetic grass pitches, swimming pools and a range of fitness classes and activities. Many of our venues also house a variety of versatile halls suitable for staging competitions and larger events as well as badminton, football, netball as well as seated events such as shows, presentations, conferences and events.

#### Palace Theatre & Grand Hall Complex (4 star arts venue)

Ayrshire's premier entertainment venue offers a wonderfully varied programme throughout the year including comedy, music, drama, dance, variety and much more.

#### River Ayr Way

The River Ayr Way is designated as one of Scotland's Great Trails and is included in the family of long to medium distance routes in Scotland. It is 44 miles from the source of the River Ayr in Glenbuck to the sea at Ayr. 22 miles of the route is managed by East Ayrshire Leisure, with the rest being managed by South Ayrshire Council.

#### **Education and Outreach**

As well as our public events and activities, we also offer a range of outreach events for schools and educational establishments.

Highlights this year included the I AM HERE engagement programme for young people aged 16-25 years which was delivered in partnership with National Museums of Scotland. Participants were given the opportunity to experiment with the processes and techniques used to create the wearable art and portable objects in the exhibition, using alternative materials such as plastics, wood and paper.

The Imprint schools programme continues to provide our pupils with the fantastic opportunity to meet renowned authors and learn more about their work and the writing process. This year we welcomed a fantastic mix of authors

- from Ross Collins and storytimes for the little ones, to Spy Quest with David Goutcher and a writing masterclass for senior pupils with Martin Stewart.

The annual Pantomania Day gives primary children the opportunity to explore how panto is produced and to learn the traditions of panto, dress up, create slapstick routines and explore theatrical make-up.

As well as special events and activities, schools are invited to engage with us through a year-long programme such as 'Discover Stories' at the library, tours of our galleries and museums, and environmental education and outdoor learning. Approximately 900 pupils participated in our Burns, Romans and Egyptian themed workshops.

We also continue to host sports days at Ayrshire Athletics Arena and Stewarton Sports Centre, offering pupils the opportunity to experience sports in a fun, yet competitive, environment. Qualified coaches and staff provide a positive experience for all participants and those showing an interest and talent can develop their skills through our additional activities, many of which have direct links to sports clubs throughout East Ayrshire.

#### **EAST AYRSHIRE LEISURE'S STRUCTURE**

#### THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

A Board of up to 13 Trustees is responsible for providing strategic direction for the organisation. The 13 Trustees comprise:

- 6 Independent Trustees one of whom is a Trade Union nominee
- 5 Councillor Trustees, nominated by East Ayrshire Council
- 2 Council Officer Trustees nominated by East Ayrshire Council to act as Trustees, but without voting rights.

Trustees Partner Tr	ustees	Appointment date	Resignation date	
	Elena Whitman (Chair)	18th May 2017		
	Neil McGhee	13th March 2013 (reappointed	d 18 <sup>th</sup> May 2017)	
	lain Linton	25 <sup>th</sup> June 2015 (resigned 18 <sup>th</sup> May 2017) and reappoir 2 <sup>nd</sup> November 2017		
	lan Grant	18th May 2017		
	Clare Maitland	18th May 2017		
	Jim Roberts	18th May 2017	2 <sup>nd</sup> November 2017	
	Douglas Reid (Chair until May 2017)	13th March 2013	18th May 2017	
	Eoghann MacColl	25 <sup>th</sup> June 2015	4th May 2017	
	Hugh Ross	27 <sup>th</sup> October 2015	4th May 2017	
	Chris McAleavey (ex officio)	27 <sup>th</sup> August 2015	Resigned 17th May 2018	
	Joe McLachlan (ex officio)	27th August 2015		
	Robert McCulloch (ex officio)	17 <sup>th</sup> May 2018		
Independe	nt Trustees			
	Robin Hume	13th June 2013 (Re-appointed	27th August 2015)	
	Jean Brown	13 <sup>th</sup> June 2013		
	June Minnery	13th June 2013 (Re-appointed	27th August 2015)	
	Jackie Livingston	Ist July 2015		
	Robbie Mann	8th September 2016		
	Elizabeth Young (Vice Chair)	13th June 2013 (Re-	Resigned 19th	

The Board meets regularly throughout the year and is supported by a Performance and Audit Sub-Committee made up of 5 Trustees. In addition, development sessions are also held to support Trustee training and to allow discussion to focus on key issues i.e. Business Planning and specific service areas.

appointed 27th August 2015) September 2017

Trustee training is available on an as required basis in addition to induction training for new Trustees. Development sessions to enhance Trustees knowledge of service areas are organised throughout the year.

### **Management Arrangements**

The Chief Executive and Senior Management Team are responsible for the day to day management of East Ayrshire Leisure's operations. A Scheme of Delegation is in place to allow responsibilities for key tasks to be allocated to appropriate staff. Staff salaries and terms of conditions of employment follow those of East Ayrshire Council and this is expected to continue.

#### **SENIOR MANAGEMENT TEAM**

John Griffiths (Chief Executive)

Jackie Biggart (People & Finance Manager)

Anneke Freel (Countryside Services Manager)

Adam Geary (Cultural Services Manager)

Dianne Reid (Marketing & Development Manager)

Chris Murphy (Sport & Community Venues Manager)

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

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#### **FINANCIAL REVIEW**

The period to 31st March 2018 was the Trust's fifth year of activity. In the period, East Ayrshire Leisure reported an unrestricted deficit of £617.160.

At 31st March 2018, the actuarial valuation of the pension scheme resulted in a net pension asset of £450,000 this being recognised in the Balance Sheet. The valuation has resulted in an actuarial gain of £4,659,000 being recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities in the period. The balance on the pension fund will change annually according to economic conditions and the trustees will keep the position under review.

#### **RESERVES POLICY**

The Board approved a revised Financial Reserves Policy in 2016. The policy was amended from 5% of incoming resources (approx. £400k) to a range of 3-5% (approx. £210k – 350k) as the target for unrestricted funds not committed. This target has been achieved and the appropriate level of reserves is now in place.

#### **FINANCIAL PROFILE**

East Ayrshire Leisure receives funding from East Ayrshire Council to support the delivery of an agreed range of services. Significant savings have been generated since the inception of the Trust and a Best Value Review has confirmed savings required during the term of our new Business Plan for 2019-22.

East Ayrshire Leisure also generates income from charges for services and has the ability to submit bids for funding from a wide range of external bodies. Trust staff will bid for funds to support and develop service quality and delivery wherever appropriate opportunities and resources are available.

The agreed baseline budget for 2018/19 is set out below:

	2018/19
	£
Baseline Budget (excl Savings)	4,684,420
Savings Target (following Best Value Review)	(190,750)
Baseline Budget (after Savings)	4,493,670

### **RISK MANAGEMENT**

East Ayrshire Leisure has well-established Risk Management procedures which allow the Board to manage risk in a pro-active manner and priorities areas of concern. The Risk Register is reviewed regularly as part of the Trustees consideration of the quarterly performance report.

Key risks in 2017/18 included: significant reduction in funding received from East Ayrshire Council, partners and external stakeholders not seeing East Ayrshire Leisure as a partner of choice, failure to deliver Business Plan targets and the loss of external funding, a lack of capital investment or maintenance, reduction in facilities and loss of income.

Managing our risk effectively is essential in achieving our strategic outcomes and targets, creating confidence among service users and the public, and ensuring effective governance. Effective Risk Management will also enable us to deliver service improvements taking account of prevailing circumstances.

#### **PROPERTIES**

East Ayrshire Leisure has 25 year leases in place for each of its properties. These properties continue to be in the ownership of East Ayrshire Council and the Council remain responsible for repair and maintenance.

The stock of properties is currently under review and the Council's Asset Rationalisation and Community Asset Transfer programmes, alongside East Ayrshire Leisure's own service review and redesign proposals will see the number of properties managed by East Ayrshire Leisure reduce through 2016-19.

The Council has a major capital investment programme and there are projects being developed, particularly new school campuses that may see new community facilities built that will become the responsibility of East Ayrshire Leisure in due course.

# **EQUIPMENT**

East Ayrshire Leisure has access to a wide range of specialist equipment and vehicles that support service delivery, including mobile libraries, grounds maintenance equipment, computers and sports equipment.

Ownership of equipment did not transfer in July 2013 and rests with East Ayrshire Council. Inventories that clearly show ownership of equipment are now being kept, as items purchased by East Ayrshire Leisure belong to East Ayrshire Leisure, not the Council.

#### **MUSEUM COLLECTIONS**

East Ayrshire Council owns significant museum collection assets which are held within its museums, libraries and archives and is responsible for the management and maintenance of any assets given on loan. East Ayrshire Leisure has been granted licence to use these assets through the Collections Agreement and will maintain and preserve them on behalf of the Council.

#### **ACHIEVEMENT & PERFORMANCE**

Our current Business Plan covers the period of financial years 2016-2019 and the Board's priorities are highlighted in the Action Plan. Progress towards the targets set in the Action Plan is reviewed on a quarterly basis and fully reported annually.

Our Business Plan for 2016-19 outlines 4 key strategic objectives with specific actions to address them. Details of how we have achieved our objectives to date, or initiatives we are currently developing, are outlined below:

# I. TO BE RECOGNISED AS A PROVIDER OF HIGH QUALITY SERVICES AND FACILITIES THAT ARE WELL USED.

Actions to achieve this:

- I.I Increase customer satisfaction
- 1.2 Increase attendance levels/ticket sale through programme development both in person and online
- 1.3 Achieve new quality standards and/or maintain current accreditation standards
- 1.4 Maintain and sustain high level partnerships that support service delivery and improvements
- 1.5 Introduce a system to audit, monitor and improve environmental efficiency across our core facilities

#### **KEY POINTS:**

Results from the Customer Satisfaction Survey in 2017 formed our baseline:

#### Ratings of 'very good' or 'good'

	Quality of staff	Range of facilities available	Quality of facilities/locations	Opening hrs	Programme of activities
Culture	95%	96%	96%	77%	83%
Countryside	69%	95%	93%	82%	70%
Sport	95%	92%	90%	83%	87%

Overall audience figures have shown a reduction against targets. This has been due to reductions in opening hours that were introduced as a result of recent service reviews. We have, however, continued to provide a high quality service and attracted new audiences. Highlights included Lloyd Cole at Cumnock Town Hall, Happy Mondays at Grand Hall and Question Time being filmed in the Grand Hall and Cumnock Town Hall played host to the opening night of the Cumnock Tryst. Our first ever Killie Comic Con attracted 2,000 people and our Burns Birthday event in Mauchline saw 600 people attending during weekend. Sports coaching activities, fitness class attendances and membership activities continue to grow.

Dick Institute was shortlisted as *Best Family Venue* at the Scottish Hospitality Awards 2017. It was also nominated by customers and has been shortlisted as one of Scotland's Six Hidden Gems as one of 28 selected from across Scotland. This initiative is managed by the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland.

Dean Castle Country Park was shortlisted as Best Family Day Out at the Scottish Hospitality Awards 2017.

East Ayrshire Leisure and the Galleon Leisure Centre have established a joint initiative to appoint Keep Scotland Beautiful to carry out an audit of all core venues. This audit will provide detailed information of existing environmental performance and an action plan to carry out improvements. The work with Keep Scotland Beautiful will also provide training on how to complete our Climate Change Declaration Report and provide us with on-line resources to improve our energy efficiency

East Ayrshire Leisure is represented on the East Ayrshire Council Climate Challenge Group who co-ordinate and lead environmental best practice across the service areas.

#### 2. TO ENHANCE PEOPLE'S HEALTH & WELLBEING THROUGH PARTICIPATION.

Actions to achieve this:

- 2.1 Increase general participation /attendance levels across service areas
- 2.2 Increase opportunities for/numbers of young people (12-25) using our services.
- 2.3 Maximise access to our facilities and programmes for people with physical, sensory or learning disabilities.
- 2.4 Increase opportunities for/numbers of older people (60+) using our services.

A wide range of participatory programmes including library learning programmes and art workshops at our galleries have been developed this year. Talks and workshops are an increasingly important element of our programme. We developed new Gaelic Visual Art workshops which were attended by 25 young people; funded by Bord Na Gaidhlig the participants engaged in a year-long visual art programme. Bookbug and writing workshops continue to feature strongly in our programmes. Our Homewords Library service continues to increase its reach with more than 1,450 people now using the service regularly. Action on Hearing Loss Sessions took place across various libraries.

EventScotland funding was awarded to develop the Year of Young People cross art form and libraries programme in 2018.

2 new partnerships and initiatives for young people were established in 2017/18 within the Country Park. Both of these initiatives involved young people who have become disengaged from school and a behavioural change evaluation has taken place will be used to expand the scope of future projects.

We have continued to review the accessibility of our venues and looking to start major improvements at Dean Castle, look to improve stage access at Cumnock Town Hall and make accessibility improvements to how people access and engage with the library at the Dick Institute. Our new mobile libraries were also introduced which received national coverage for ease of access.

An accessibility audit was carried out at the Country Park to inform the development project which now includes many facilities to improve access to the Visitor Centre and Rural Life Centre. This includes a changing places toilet and an accessible bedroom.

We work with community groups and schools to provide opportunities for cycling at the AAA through use of the All Ability Bikes for those that have additional support needs. We also offer concessionary discount on our gym and fitness memberships for adults with a disability which allows access to our gyms, swimming pools, athletics track and fitness classes. The first Frame Football match took place this year at Grange Leisure Centre with Grange Frame Football Club playing against Partick Thistle Frame Football Club from Glasgow.

#### 3. TO ENHANCE THE EAST AYRSHIRE TOURISM OFFER

- 3.1 Increase visitor attendance at our key tourist attractions
- 3.2 Work with local groups to add value to the tourism offer

Illuminight 2017 was an overwhelming success. 18% of ticket sales were from outwith Ayrshire from locations across the UK, establishing the event as an important addition to the national calendar of events. Illuminight 2017 was also rated 'top thing to do in Scotland this weekend' by the Herald.

Our Accredited tourism venues and Leisure facilities have all achieved 4 Star status with the addition of Ayrshire Athletics Arena this year. VisitScotland carried out an advisory visit to Dean Castle Country Park to provide an action plan to enable the venue to reach the 5\* status at its next scheduled assessment in 2018.

East Ayrshire Leisure has provided support to Kilmaurs Community Council in the organisation of their annual walking festival in September. More than 300 people attended the walks and activities over the weekend

Cultural Services worked with Kilmarnock Engineering and Science Society to develop an exhibition for the Baird Institute which opened in September. Artwork by Netherthird Primary School and Cumnock Academy will also be exhibited.

#### 4. TO BE RECOGNISED AS AN EMPLOYER OF CHOICE

- 4.1 Increase levels of staff satisfaction from 2016/17 baseline.
- 4.2 Increase the number of volunteering, placement and apprenticeship opportunities.

We carried out our first Staff Satisfaction survey in 2017 and an action plan was produced to address any areas of concern. The action plan is reviewed quarterly by SMT and the Extended Management Team, with progress being updated and monitored regularly.

We continue to work with a large number of volunteers across all service areas, take part in National Volunteer Week and school placements are supported on an ongoing basis throughout the school year. The Dean Castle Country Park 'Friends of Dean' Group was launched in as part of National Volunteer Week and now meet regularly throughout the year.

£10,000 was secured from the Heritage Lottery Fund as part of the 2017 year of History, Heritage and Archaeology. This grant was used to appoint 2 volunteer apprentices who will benefit from training and support in traditional rural skills.

We have facilitated work placements at Dean Castle Country Park and Annanhill Golf Course and hosted 2 volunteer conservation holidays with 17 young people from across Europe. 15 people continue to actively volunteer through our highly successful Textile Team based at Dean Castle.

Cultural Services work with a small group of volunteers who assist on a weekly basis with the visual art classes and with EAYT.

Young Hub Leaders have been volunteering through the Community Sports Hubs (Auchinleck, Grange, St Joseph's, Stewarton and The Academy, i.e. Ayrshire Athletics Arena and Kilmarnock Academy) supporting clubs and programmes and generating ideas to engage their peers in activities. Volunteers assist with the delivery of Run, Jump and Throw and Easter holiday programme as well as the promotion of our athletics pathway for children to access club athletics.

### **ONLINE VISITORS**

# Eastayrshireleisure.com

Our website was launched early 2014 and has continued to attract a significant number of visitors throughout the life of our Business Plan. Sessions have been decreasing however during the 2017-18 period, and reviews of the site, including the customer journey have taken place. Plans to redevelop the site and make it more mobile responsive and easy to navigate are underway.

#### Social Media

Our East Ayrshire Leisure and additional facility Facebook pages have continued to attract significant increases, as has our Twitter account. Engagement levels across all platforms is extremely high.

#### **Partnerships**

We continue to work with a huge number of partners, all of whom help contribute to the wonderful programmes and projects we deliver. A selection of partners we have worked with throughout 2017-18 are highlighted below:

• Creative Scotland to support major Nathan Coley commission

- National Galleries of Scotland to develop Rachel MacLean exhibition
- Kilmarnock Harriers to deliver community athletics programme at the Ayrshire Athletics Arena and Roon the Toon
- Kilmarnock Harriers and Active Schools to co-ordinate and deliver East Ayrshire Schools Sportshall Athletics competition and annual East Ayrshire Schools Cross Country at Ayrshire Athletics Arena
- East Ayrshire Council and Golazo to host the First Tour of Ayrshire
- Scottish Sporting Futures, Xchange Scotland and NOMADs to support funding for staff training and volunteering opportunities.
- EAC Revenues and Benefits Team and DWP as part of Universal Credit Working party for the roll out of UC providing access for work coaches and customers to access computers in libraries
- Supported 44 sports clubs across 5 Community Sports Hubs
- University of the West of Scotland (UWS) sports coaching students to support our Sports Coaching Programme

#### **FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS**

In the remaining year of our current Business Plan there will be several major initiatives that will impact on the Trust and the services we deliver.

- The Council's Best Value Review of Leisure Services will be implemented bringing a more commercial focus
  to the Trust's work and amalgamation with the Kilmarnock Leisure Centre Trust which operates the Galleon
  Centre in Kilmarnock.
- New community and sports facilities will be available for public use at the William McIlvanney Campus in Kilmarnock and the Trust will manage usage outside school hours.
- The Library facilities at the Dick Institute will be updated and modernised along with the provision of a coffee outlet for library and museum visitors.
- Dean Castle will close to the public to allow a major programme of internal and external improvement and refurbishment to take place.

#### TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES STATEMENT

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

The law applicable to charities in Scotland requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- · make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended) and the provisions for the charity's constitution. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

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

### **Disclosure of Information to Auditors**

To the knowledge and belief of each of the persons who are Trustees at the time the report is approved:

- So far as the Trustee is aware, there is no relevant information of which the charity's auditor is unaware; and
- He/she has taken all the steps that he/she ought to have taken as a Trustee in order to make himself/herself aware of any relevant audit information, and to establish that the charity's auditor is aware of the information.

# **Trustees' Report**

Approved by the Board on 18th September 2018 and signed on its behalf by:					
	John Griffiths				
Trustee	Chief Executive				

#### **Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of East Ayrshire Leisure Trust (the charity) for the year ended 31st March 2018 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Statement of Cash Flows and the notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 31st March 2018 and of its income and expenditure for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice;
   and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and regulation 8 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended).

## **Basis for opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the United Kingdom, including the Financial Reporting Council's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

#### Conclusions relating to going concern

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in which the ISAs (UK) require us to report to you where:

- the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is not appropriate; or
- the trustees have not disclosed in the financial statements any identified material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the charity's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting for a period of at least twelve months from the date when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

#### Other information

The trustees are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our Auditor's Report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work

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we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

### Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended) require us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the information given in the financial statements is inconsistent in any material respect with the Trustees' Report; or
- proper accounting records have not been kept; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

## Responsibilities of the trustees

As explained more fully in the trustees' responsibilities statement set out on page 17, the trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

#### Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

We have been appointed as auditor under section 44(1)(c) of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and report in accordance with the Act and relevant regulations made or having effect thereunder.

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an Auditor's Report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: <a href="https://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities">www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities</a>. This description forms part of our Auditor's Report.

#### Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with regulation 10 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended).

Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity's trustees, as a body, those matters we are required to state to them in an Auditor's Report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law,

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we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's trustees, as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Nick Bennett
Senior Statutory Auditor
For and on behalf of Scott-Moncrieff, Statutory Auditor
Chartered Accountants
Eligible to act as an auditor in terms of Section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006
Exchange Place 3
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Edinburgh
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	Notes	Unrestricted Fund 2018	Restricted Funds 2018	2018	2017
		£	£	£	
Income from:					
Charitable activities Investments	3	6,839,900 521	612,960	7,452,860 521	7,338,098 2,948
Total income		6,840,421	612,960	7,453,381	7,341,046
Expenditure on: Charitable activities Other (net interest defined benefit pension scheme)	4 8	7,353,581 104,000	623,132	7,976,713 104,000	7,844,302 32,000
Total expenditure		7,457,581	623,132	8,080,713	7,876,302
Net income/(expenditure)		(617,160)	(10,172)	(627,332)	(535,256)
Other recognised gains/(losses): Actuarial gains/(losses) on defined benefit pension schemes	8	4,659,000	-	4,659,000	(2,548,000)
Net movement in funds		4,041,840	(10,172)	4,031,668	(3,083,256)
Reconciliation of funds: Total funds brought forward		(3,038,895)	153,832	(2,885,063)	198,193
Total funds carried forward	16	1,002,945	143,660	1,146,605	(2,885,063)

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. None of the charity's activities were acquired or discontinued during the above period.

The notes on pages 24 to 40 form part of these financial statements.

	Notes	2018	2017
		£	£
Fixed assets	_		
Tangible assets	9	71,572	103,082
Heritage assets	10	34,920	34,920
		106,492	138,002
Current assets		<del></del>	
Stocks and work in progress	11	17,592	12,161
Debtors	12	879,726	851,278
Cash at bank and in hand		1,342,070	852,069
		2,239,388	1,715,508
Liabilities			
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	13	(1,649,275)	(1,131,573)
Net current assets		590,113	583,935
Net assets excluding pension scheme asset/(liability)		696,605	721,937
Defined benefit pension scheme asset/(liability)	8	450,000	(3,607,000)
Total net assets/( liabilities)		1,146,605	(2,885,063)
The funds of the charity:			
Restricted income funds	16	143,660	153,832
Unrestricted funds	16	552,945	568,105
Pension reserve	-	450,000	(3,607,000)
Funds		1,146,605	(2,885,063)

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Board on

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Trustee Chief Executive

The notes on pages 24 to 40 form part of these financial statements

# East Ayrshire Leisure Trust Statement of Cash Flow for the year ended 31st March 2018

	Notes	2018 £	2017 £
Cash flows from operating activities:  Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	17	489,480	(893,079)
Cash flows from investing activities: Investment income Purchase of property, plant and equipment		52I -	2,948 (64,395)
Net cash provided by/(used in) investing activities		521	(61,447)
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		490,001	(954,526)
Cash at the beginning of the reporting period		852,069	1,806,595
Cash at the end of the reporting period		1,342,070	852,069

# East Ayrshire Leisure Trust Notes to the Accounts For the year ended 31st March 2018

East Ayrshire Leisure Trust is a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation, recognised as a charity for tax purposes by HMRC and registered with the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR) under charity number SC043987. Details of the principal address can be found on page 10 of these financial statements.

These financial statements are presented in pounds sterling (GBP) as that is the currency in which the charity's transactions are denominated.

# **Basis of accounting**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention unless otherwise specified within these accounting policies and in accordance with United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland' ("FRS 102") (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)', the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended).

East Ayrshire Leisure Trust meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy.

The preparation of financial statements requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires trustees to exercise their judgement in the process of applying the accounting policies. Use of available information and application of judgement are inherent in the formation of estimates. Actual outcomes in the future could differ from such estimates. The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements are disclosed in note 2.

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are noted below. These policies have been applied consistently to all the years presented in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the charity's financial statements unless otherwise stated.

#### I. Accounting Policies

# **Incoming resources**

Income from leisure, cultural and related activity is recognised in the period in which the charity is entitled to receipt and the amount can be measured with reasonable certainty. Income is deferred only when the charity has to fulfil conditions before becoming entitled to it.

Revenue grants, including those from government, are recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) in the period in which the charity is entitled to receipt and the amount can be measured with reasonable certainty. Such income is deferred when the charity has to fulfil conditions before becoming entitled to it.

Management fees and other incoming resources are recognised in the period to which they relate.

Investment income is recognised in the period in which it is receivable.

#### Expenditure recognition and allocation of expenditure

Expenditure is recognised when a liability is incurred.

Where possible, expenditure has been charged direct to charitable expenditure or governance cost. Where this is not possible the expenditure is allocated on the basis of time spent by staff on each activity.

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Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity and include the audit fees.

# **Allocation of support costs**

Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities. Support costs are provided by East Ayrshire Council and include HR, legal, finance. The bases on which support costs have been allocated are set out in note 5.

### **Tangible Fixed Assets and Depreciation**

It is the policy of the charity to capitalise expenditure of a capital nature in excess of £5,000.

Assets donated to the charity are included in the Balance Sheet and Statement of Financial Activities at cost.

Depreciation is charged to write off the cost less the estimated residual value of fixed assets by equal instalments over their estimated useful lives as follows:

Furniture and equipment: 5 years

# **Heritage Assets**

Heritage Assets includes tangible fixed assets which are of historic, artistic or scientific importance that are held to advance preservation and conservation objectives of the charity. Heritage Assets are presented separately in the Balance Sheet from other Tangible Fixed Assets. Heritage Assets are reported at cost. Depreciation has not been provided on heritage assets due to these assets having indefinite long useful lives.

#### Lease commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities as incurred.

#### Stock

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value in the ordinary course of activities.

Net realisable value is based on estimated selling price less further costs to completion and disposal.

### **Debtors**

Trade debtors are amounts due from customers for services performed. Trade debtors are recognised at the undiscounted amount of cash receivable, which is normally invoice price, less any allowances for doubtful debts.

# **Creditors**

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired. They are recognised at the undiscounted amount owed to the supplier, which is normally the invoice price.

# Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents consist of cash on hand and balances with banks and are measured at fair value.

#### Financial assets and financial liabilities

Financial instruments are recognised in the statements of financial activities when the charity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. Financial instruments are initially measured at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction which includes transaction costs for financial instruments not subsequently measured at fair value. Subsequent to initial recognition, they are accounted for as set out below. A financing transaction is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at the market rate of interest for similar debt instrument.

Financial instruments are classified as either 'basic' or 'other' in accordance with Chapter 11 of FRS102.

At the end of each reporting period, basic financial instruments are measured at amortised cost using the effective rate method. All financial instruments not classified as basic are measured at fair value at the end of the reporting period with the resulting changes recognised in income or expenditure. Where the fair value cannot be reliably measured, they are recognised at cost less impairment.

Financial assets are derecognised when the contractual rights to the cash flows from asset to expire, or when the charitable company has transferred substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership. Financial liabilities are derecognised only once the liability has been extinguished through discharge, cancellation or expiry.

#### **Pensions**

East Ayrshire Leisure Trust operates a defined benefit scheme in respect of its employees. The assets of the scheme are held in external funds managed by professional investment managers.

The cost of providing benefits is determined using the Projected Unit Credit Method, with actuarial valuations being carried out at each reporting date. Actuarial gains and losses arising from experience adjustments and changes in assumptions are recognised immediately in the Statement of Financial Activities. All costs related to the defined benefit scheme are recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities.

The retirement benefit obligation recognised in the balance sheet represents the present value of the defined benefit obligation as reduced by the fair value of plan assets. Any asset resulting from the calculation is limited to the present value of available refunds and reductions in future contributions to the plan.

#### **Termination benefits**

Termination benefits are payable when employment is terminated before the normal retirement date, or whenever an employee accepts voluntary redundancy in exchange for these benefits. Termination benefits are recognised in the statement of financial activities when it is demonstrably committed to either (i) terminating the employment of current employees according to a detailed formal plan without possibility of withdrawal, or (ii) providing termination benefits as a result of an offer made to encourage voluntary redundancy.

#### **VAT**

The charity is partially exempt from VAT. Irrecoverable VAT is charged to the Statement of Financial Activities as an expense.

# **Unrestricted funds**

Surplus revenue funds held within unrestricted funds are carried forward to meet the cost of future activities mainly of a revenue nature.

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Commitments for specific activities and needs in the future are dealt with by making allocations to designated funds.

#### **Restricted funds**

Restricted funds are to be used for specific purposes as laid down by the donor. Expenditure which meets these criteria is charged to the appropriate fund, together with a fair allocation of management support costs where this is considered appropriate.

#### **Taxation**

The charity has charitable status and is therefore exempt from taxation under Sections 466 to 493 Corporation Tax Act 2010 (CTA 2010).

### Going concern

The financial statements have been prepared on the basis of accounting policies that are consistent with the treatment of the charity as a going concern. The current funding agreement with East Ayrshire Council covers up to the 31st March 2019. In the Trustee's opinion, the charity will be able to continue for the foreseeable future. East Ayrshire Leisure participates in a defined benefit retirement scheme, excluding this scheme, the charity reported unrestricted funds of £552.945.

# 2. Critical judgements and estimates

In preparing the financial statements trustees make estimates and assumptions which affect reported results, financial position and disclosure of contingencies. Use of available information and application of judgement are inherent in the formation of the estimates, together with past experience and expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. Actual results in the future could differ from such estimates.

The estimates and assumptions with a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are:

# Defined benefit pension and other post-employment benefits

The present value of the defined benefit pension and other post-employment benefit obligations depends on a number of factors that are determined on an actuarial basis using a number of assumptions. The assumptions used in determining the net cost (income) for pension and other post-employment benefits include the discount rate. Any changes in these assumptions will have an effect on the carrying amount of pension and other post-employment benefits.

After taking appropriate professional advice, management determines the appropriate discount rate at the end of each reporting period. This is the interest rate that should be used to determine the present value of estimated future cash outflows expected to be required to settle the pension obligations. In determining the appropriate discount rate, consideration is given to the interest rates of high-quality corporate bonds that are denominated in the currency which the benefits are to be paid and that have terms to maturity approximating the terms of the related pension liability.

#### 3. Income

#### Investment income

Investment income comprises bank interest. In 2018 bank interest received £521 (2017: £2,948).

#### Income from charitable activities is as follows:

	2018 Operating Fund	2018 Restricted Fund	2018 Total	31st March 2017
	£	£	£	£
Chief Executive & People & Finance	5,114,797	-	5,114,797	5,205,563
Marketing & Development	617	-	617	363
Cultural	535,886	-	535,886	511,406
Countryside services	118,589	-	118,589	159,441
Sport & Community Venues	1,070,011	-	1,070,011	1,119,213
Projects	-	612,960	612,960	342,112
Total income from provision of facilities and services	6,839,900	612,960	7,452,860	7,338,098

A management service fee of £5,111,940 was received from East Ayrshire Council for the year (2017: £5,202,840).

Income on charitable activities was £7,452,860 (2017: £7,338,098) of which £6,839,900 was unrestricted (2017: £6,995,986) and £612,960 (2017: £342,112) was restricted. All other income was unrestricted.

# 4. Charitable expenditure

	Chief							
	Executive				Sport &			
	& People	Marketing &		Countryside (	Community			
	& Finance	Development	Cultura	I Services	Venues	<b>Projects</b>	Total	2017
	£	£	£	•	£	£	£	£
Employee costs	1,202,484	232,125	1,799,357	624,871	1,621,820	46,570	5,527,228	5,617,579
Property costs	17,273	-	255,464	141,957	326,941	7,060	748,694	717,022
Supplies and								
Services	65,029	64,193	490,867	7 116,525	126,432	569,502	1,432,548	1,237,922
Transport Costs	1,834	-	10,340	25,421	424	-	38,018	45,80 I
Support Services	212,400	-	-	-	-	-	212,400	212,400
Governance	17,825	-	-	. <u>-</u>	-	-	17,825	13,578
Total	1,516,844	296,318	2,556,028	908,774	2,075,617	623,132	7,976,713	7,844,302

Expenditure on charitable activities was £7,976,713 (2017: £7,844,302) of which £7,353,581 was unrestricted (2017: £7,582,823) and £623,132 (2017: £261,479) was restricted.

# 5. Analysis of governance and support costs

General Support	Governance	2018 £	2017 £
4,400	-	4,400	4,400
-	4,000	4,000	4,000
65,000	-	65,000	65,000
40,000	-	40,000	40,000
54,000		54,000	54,000
10,000	35,000	45,000	45,000
	11,000	11,000	11,000
-		-	1,128
6,825		6,825	1,450
180,225	50,000	230,225	225,978
	4,400 	4,400 - 4,000 65,000 - 40,000 - 54,000 10,000 35,000 11,000	Support       2018 £         4,400       -       4,400         -       4,000       4,000         65,000       -       65,000         40,000       -       40,000         54,000       54,000       54,000         10,000       35,000       45,000         11,000       11,000       -         6,825       6,825

East Ayrshire Leisure receives support services from East Ayrshire Council. The total cost of support services provided by the Council in 2018 was £212,400 (2017 £212,400). The governance element of the support costs provided by the Council are calculated based on time spent throughout the year on governance activities.

The costs associated with trustee indemnity insurance are met by East Ayrshire Council.

#### 6. Staff Costs and Numbers

	2018	2017
	£	£
Wages and salaries	3,853,846	4,133,123
Social security costs	298,504	313,387
Other pension costs	1,130,293	874,903
Other staff costs	244,585	296,166
	5,527,228	5,617,579

14 members of staff were made redundant during the year (2017: 9). The cost of these redundancies is fully funded by East Ayrshire Council.

Employees receiving salaries, including benefits in kind, of more than £60,000 were are follows:

	2018	2017
£70,000 - £79,999	-	-
£80,000 - £89,999	I	1

The senior management team comprises six staff members (2017: 6 staff members). The total employee benefits (including employers contributions) of the senior management team were £375,118 (2017: 364,174).

# The average number of employees during the period was made up as follows:

	2018 Number	2017 Number
East Ayrshire Leisure Trust		
Full-time (permanent)	106	116
Part-time (permanent)	86	112
	192	228
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During the year trustees received no remuneration (2017: nil). Trustee expenses totalled £81 (2017: 95). No trustees received payment for professional or other services supplied to the charity (2017: nil).

# 7. Operating Surplus

	2018	2017
	£	£
The operating surplus is stated after charging/(crediting)		
Auditors' remuneration (including expenses)	11.000	11,000
for audit	11,000	11,000
for other services	6,825	750
Operating lease rentals	11,496	10,941

#### 8. Pension Costs

East Ayrshire Leisure Trust is an admitted body of the Strathclyde Pension Fund. The Superannuation Fund is a defined benefit scheme into which employee' and employer's contributions, and interest and dividends from investments are paid and from which pensions, lump sums and superannuation benefits are paid out. Employees' contributions are tiered and employer's basic contributions are assessed every three years by an actuary and are fixed to ensure the fund remains solvent and in a position to meet its future liabilities. The actuarial method used is known as Projected Unit Credit Method. The last actuarial valuation was at 31st March 2017 and following this valuation employer's contributions have been set at 19.3% for the years ended 31st March 2019, 2020 and 2021.

As sponsoring authority, East Ayrshire Council has guaranteed to accept liability for any unfunded costs which may arise with regard to the Trust relating to their membership in the Strathclyde Pension Fund, should they cease to exist.

#### The movement in the defined benefit obligation over the year is as follows:

	31st March 2018 £'000	31st March 2017 £'000
Opening defined benefit obligation	23,242	16,195
Current service cost	1,178	862
Past service cost (including curtailments)	34	58
Interest cost on defined benefit obligation	642	597
Contributions by members	196	200
Actuarial losses/(gains)	(3,270)	5,624
Benefits paid	(320)	(290)
Unfunded benefits paid	(I)	(4)
Closing defined benefit obligation	21,701	23,242

The movement in the fair value of plan assets in the year is as follows:

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The major categories of plan assets as a % of the total plan assets are as follows:

	31st March 2018 %	31st March 2017 %
Equities	62	73
Bonds	23	12
Property	11	10
Cash	4	5

The estimated employer contributions for the year to 31 March 2019 are £637,000.

### East Ayrshire Leisure Trust Notes to the Accounts For the year ended 31st March 2018

The principal actuaria	assumptions used ir	n the calculations are:
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	31st March 2018 % per annum	31st March 2017 % per annum
Pension Increase Rate	2.3	2.4
Salary Increase Rate	3.5	4.4
Discount Rate	2.7	2.7

### **Mortality**

As at 31st March 2018

Life expectancy is based on the Fund's VitaCurves with improvements in line with the CMI 2016 model with an allowance for smoothing of recent mortality experience and long term rates of 1.5% p.a for males and 1.25% p.a. for females. Based on these assumptions, the average future life expectancies at age 65 are summarised below:

Males

**Females** 

71,572

71,572

Current Pensioners Future Pensioners	21.4 years 23.4 years	23.7 years 25.8 years	
9. Fixed Assets	Furniture & Equipment £	Total £	
Cost As at 1st April 2017 Additions	157,582 -	157,582	
As at 31st March 2018	157,582	157,582	
<b>Depreciation</b> As at 1st April 2017 Charge	54,500 31,510	54,500 31,510	
As at 31st March 2018	86,010	86,010	
Net book value As at 31st March 2017	103,082	103,082	

### 10. Heritage Assets

In 2014/15, the Trust procured a silver gilt sculpture of Lord Eglinton. This asset was fully funded by external providers.

	Heritage Assets	Total
	L	£
Cost As at Ist April 2017 Additions	34,920 -	34,920
As at 31st March 2018	34,920	34,920
Net book value	24.020	24.020
As at 31st March 2017 As at 31st March 2018	34,920 34,920 ————	34,920 34,920
II. Stock		
	2018 £	2017 £
	_	_
Goods for re-sale	17,592 ————	12,161
12. Debtors		
	2018	2017
	£	£
Amounts due from East Ayrshire Council	714,089	737,879
Trade debtors	61,233	53,300
Other debtors and prepayments	104,404	60,099
	879,726	851,278
13. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year		
-	2018	2017
	£	£
Amounts owed to East Ayrshire Council	697,183	149,804
Trade creditors	71,998	97,992
Accruals and deferred income	610,640	525,430
Taxation and social security	269,454	358,347
	1,649,275	1,131,573

### 14. Deferred income

Deferred income comprises advanced ticket sales.

	2018	2017
	£	£
Balance as at Ist April 2017	91,460	65,480
Amounts released to income during 2017/18	(91,460)	(65,480)
Amounts deferred in year	Ì 45,67 Í	91,460
Balance as at 31st March 2018	145,671	91,460
15. Financial assets and liabilities		
	2018	2017
	£	£
Financial assets at amortised cost	2,137,777	1,649,654
Financial liabilities at amortised cost	(1,234,150)	(681,766)
	903,627	967,888

Financial assets comprise amounts due from East Ayrshire Council, trade debtors, other debtors and cash and bank balances.

Financial liabilities comprise amounts owed to East Ayrshire Council, trade creditors and accruals.

### 16. Reserves

Funds	Unrestricte d Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2018 Total £	2017 Total £
Balance at 31st March 2018				
Represented by:				
Fixed assets	106,492	-	106,492	138,002
Net current assets	446,453	143,660	590,113	583,935
Retirement benefit scheme asset/(liability)	450,000	-	450,000	(3,607,000)
	1,002,945	143,660	1,146,605	(2,885,063)
Unrestricted				

Fund	Opening Balance at Ist April 2017 £	Incoming £	Outgoing £	Transfers £	Actuarial Gain £	Closing Balance at 31st March 2018 £
Unrestricted fund	282,525	6,840,421	(6,741,711)	(45,000)	-	336,235
Designated funds	285,580	-	(113,870)	45,000	-	216,710
Pension reserve	(3,607,000)	-	(602,000)	-	4,659,000	450,000
	(3,038,895)	6,840,421	(7,457,581)	-	4,659,000	1,002,945

### East Ayrshire Leisure Trust Notes to the Accounts For the year ended 31st March 2018

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-	-	(7,360)	7,360	-
-	-	(1,100)	25,000	23,900
-	-	-	2,500	2,500
-		(3,750)	5,000	1,250
-			6,350	6,350
-	10,000	(10,000)	-	_
-	15,000	(12,480)	-	2,520
-	10,000	(1,570)	-	8,430
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Restricted Funds	Opening Balance £	2018 Incoming Resources £	2018 Resources Expended £	2018 Transfers	2018 Closing Balance £
Creative place	24,571	15,000	(39,571)	_	_
Ayrshire Libraries forum	4,426	· -	(90)	-	4,336
Wifi	11,500	-	(11,500)	-	-
Textile team	771	-	(132)	-	639
Burns Birthday in Mauchline	_	8,000	(8,000)	-	-
The McKie Collection	2,847	14,878	(20,214)	-	(2,489)
Irvine Valley Trails	59,614	41,527	(23,930)	-	77,21 Í
Make Some Noise	17,529	-	(4,350)	-	13,179
Dean Castle Countryside Park (DCCP)-			,	-	
Development Project	-	400,000	(400,000)		-
DCCP Opening Events	-	81,232	(81,232)	-	-
GLAIF	2,998	700	(3,698)	-	-
I AM HERE	11,027	2,168	(Ì3,195)	-	-
Kilmarnock Green Infrastructure	15,000	-	-	-	15,000
River Ayr Way	1,549	-	-	-	1,549
Wild About the Farm	2,000	(10)	(1,990)	-	· =
Bat Bothy	-	2,000	(1,309)	-	691
Traditional Rural Skills	-	10,000	(7,918)	-	2,082
Growing Memories	-	9,903	(1,631)	-	8,272
WWI Memorial Artwork	-	2,000	-	-	2,000
Museums Database	-	6,480	-	-	6,480
Year of Young People	-	9,370	(60)	-	9,310
Gaelic Visual Arts	-	5,400	-	-	5,400
Youthlink	-	1,257	(1,257)	-	-
Woodland Management	-	3,055	(3,055)	-	-
Totals	153,832	612,960	(623,132) ======		143,660

Creative Place is funded from Creative Scotland to bring high quality events and exhibitions to Kilmarnock, supporting regeneration and tourism.

Ayrshire Libraries Forum is a network partnership of the three Ayrshire councils, Ayrshire NHS, school, prison and higher education libraries to be used towards the upkeep of Ayrshire Working Lives website.

The WiFi project is funded by the Scottish Library and Information Council. Additional funding was awarded in the year to complete the library Wifi rollout across our part-time libraries not covered by Phase I of the project, including Newmilns, Bellfield and Drongan.

Textile team is a team of volunteers that were originally funded by HLF to carry out restoration and repair of textiles. The remaining funding supports the group to continue with its work.

The Burns Birthday in Mauchline was funded by Eventscotland to provide a celebration of Burns in our Burns House Museum and Library in Mauchline. The event enabled us to present workshops, events and educational activities for schools.

### East Ayrshire Leisure Trust Notes to the Accounts For the year ended 31st March 2018

The McKie Collection funded by Museum Galleries Scotland is to support the digitisation of the McKie collection. A new post will be appointed for 18 months to deliver the project.

Read Write Count is a Scotland wide initiative to improve literacy and numeracy skills for young people.

Funding was received from the Renewable Energy Fund to appoint a project officer to implement the Irvine Valley Trails Project over a 3 year period.

Make Some Noise is a music project funded by Creative Scotland and aimed at young people in a foster, lookedafter, kinship or young caring environment and designed to help build self-esteem and provide a range of creative learning opportunities.

DCCP Development Project received funding from the Renewable Energy Fund. This will be drawn down annually for 3 years. This funding is specifically targeted at the biodiversity, paths, volunteering and activities aspects of the project.

Gaidhlig Gailearaidhean at the Dick Institute is a new set of visual art workshops led in Gaelic, and funded by Bòrd Na Gaidhlig

I AM HERE is a major retrospective exhibition of European studio jewellery from the Crafts Council in London. The Dick Institute is the only Scottish venue to host the exhibition, and it is funded by Creative Scotland. The significant engagement programme with 600 Primary 7 pupils, is developed and delivered in partnership with the National Museum of Scotland.

Kilmarnock Green Infrastructure Project has received a funding package of £50,000 to design and development stage of the 18 mile cycle route in and around Kilmarnock. A project officer is being recruited for 1 year to take this forward. The initial £15,000 has been received from East Ayrshire Council's Parks Development Fund with the outstanding being confirmed from the Central Scotland Green Network Fund.

Following the completion of the Countryside Festival in 2015, there was an outstanding balance of £1,549 from the Awards for All grant. Awards for All have agreed that this money can be retained and used as part of the funding package for the upgraded River Ayr Way Signage and Interpretation project. This is scheduled for completion in 2017/18.

As part of a public vote, Wild About the Farm has received £2,000 from the Tesco Bags of Help. This grant will be used to introduce hedges, lades and reed beds into the Urban Farm at Dean Castle Country Park. This work will be carried out with volunteers and students from Ayrshire College.

The Bat Bothy Project has secured £2000 through the Tesco Bags of Help scheme. Working with Xchange Scotland, this unique facility to encourage roosting and hibernating bats with the Country Park will be built by volunteers from across Europe.

As part of the Year of History, heritage and Archaeology, a grant of £10,000 was secured from the Heritage Lottery Fund. This grant will be used to create 2 volunteer apprenticeships, provide a range of rural skills training for volunteers and to purchase tools and equipment to enable traditional rural skills to be carried out at the Country Park.

£9,903 has been awarded to East Ayrshire Leisure to develop a remote volunteering project in partnership with Alzheimer's Scotland. This project will provide all the equipment necessary for people suffering from dementia to grow wildflowers within their own homes. These will then be used to create a wildflower meadow at the Country Park. A celebration day will be organised in Summer 2018 where all volunteers and their families will be invited to a tea party at the Country Park.

£2,000 has been awarded to support the purchase and planting of trees and shrubbery associated with the WWI memorial artwork, which has been developed by Pidgin Perfect in collaboration with Scottish makar Jackie Kay, Loanhead Primary School and adults who took part in a poetry workshop.

Museums Database - East Ayrshire Leisure cares for approximately 250,000 objects within the museums it manages on behalf of East Ayrshire Council. Currently these collections are documented on a mixture of ageing and basic database systems. As we progress through the actions outlined within our Accreditation plan, including a full, basic inventory of all collections, plus our work with our Recognised collections, it is clear that we require a modern, future-proof database for use across the museum service, with opportunities for working with external partners in a more co-ordinated and efficient way. The total project cost is £21,600, of which Museums Galleries Scotland has awarded 75% of project costs. The task to procure, install and begin to populate the new database will be complete by the project end-date of 31 Dec 2019.

GENERATION Z - A co-designed programme of events throughout 2018. The launch event features Tom Foster of Judge Dredd fame, fully immersive Virtual Reality experiences, an interactive gaming tournament and a host of other drop in activities, GENERATION Z is a FREE festival for fans of all ages. GENERATION Z is funded by EVENTSCOTLAND.

Magic at the Museum – TIME TRAVELLERS -Time travellers from all frontiers are invited to join us for an exciting multi-sensory arts experience on the theme of TIME TRAVEL! Travellers will arrive at the Dick Institute in the year 2018, to undertake an EPIC journey through storytelling, drama, puppet making and film. Meet award winning children's author Janis MacKay who will tell you all about 'The Reluctant Time Traveller'. Funded by Museums Galleries Scotland.

GAELIC VISUAL ARTS - The Dick Institute's *Gaidhlig Gailearaidhean* will see a second series of workshops facilitated in Gaelic in the galleries, aimed at promoting the use of Gaelic and the development of Gaelic language skills utilising visual arts and culture. Funded by Bord Na Gaidhlig and Creative Scotland

### 17. Reconciliation of net income/(expenditure) to net cash flow from operating activities

	2018 £	2017 £
Net income/(expenditure) for the reporting period (as per the SOFA)	(627,332)	(535,256)
Adjustments for:		
Interest received	(521)	(2,948)
Depreciation	31,510	31,510
Net cost in respect of pensions	602,000	259,000
(Increase)/decrease in stock	(5,431)	(3,770)
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	(28,448)	280,491
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	517,702	(922,106)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	489,480	(893,079)

Analysis of cash and cash equivalents	2018	2017
	£	£
Cash in hand	1,342,070	852,069
Notice deposits (less than 3 months)	-	-
Overdraft facility repayable on demand	-	-
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Total cash and cash equivalents	1,342,070	852,069

### 18. Operating lease commitments

At 31st March 2018, the Trust had future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases as follows:

	2018 Land and buildings			7 Other
	£	£	buildings £	£
Within one year	1,000	2,464	2,000	8,370
Within two to five years	-	1,673	1,000	1,125
	1,000	4,137	3,000	9,495

### 19. Related parties

East Ayrshire Council (EAC) made a contribution in line with the Services Agreement of £5,111,940 (2017: £5,202,840). Facilities were leased to East Ayrshire Leisure for a peppercorn rent. East Ayrshire Council also provided various support functions including Legal, Finance and IT for which the charity was charged £212,400 (2017: £212,400).

The relevant transactions and balances with East Ayrshire Council were:

2017/18				2016/17			
Income from EAC	Payments to EAC	Due from	Due to	Income from EAC	Payments to EAC	Due from	Due to
£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
6,016,027	989,962	714,089	697,183	5,556,784	812,933	737,879	149,804

### 20. Contingent Liabilities

There are four employer liability cases ongoing and one public liability case outstanding. (2017: one employer liability case and no public liability cases).

Employer and public liability cases are handled via East Ayrshire Council's insurer (Zurich). If it is determined that the Trust is liable, it will need to pay the first £500 and the remainder will be covered by the insurer. Until the Assessor has completed its work, the Trust accepts no liability for these claims.

### 21. Post Balance Sheet Event

None

### East Ayrshire Leisure Trust Notes to the Accounts For the year ended 31st March 2018

### 22. Non-Audit Services

In common with many other charities of a similar size, the charity's auditor assists with the preparation of the financial statements.



## **East Ayrshire Leisure**

Audit management report for the year ended 31 March 2018

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# 1 Introduction

### Introduction

- In recognising the importance of effective twoway communication in an audit of financial statements, we have prepared this report to provide you with constructive observations arising from the audit process.
- 2. International Standards on Auditing (UK) 260, "Communication with those charged with governance" and 265 "Communicating deficiencies in internal control to those charged with governance" require Scott-Moncrieff to report to those charged with governance the significant findings from our audit.
- This report aims to provide the trustees with constructive observations arising from the audit process. We set out in this report details of:
  - any expected modifications to our audit reports;
  - any unadjusted items in the financial statements (except any unadjusted items which are clearly trivial) including the effect of unadjusted items related to prior periods on the current period;
  - any material weaknesses in systems we have identified during the course of our audit work and our views about the quality of accounting practices and financial reporting procedures; and
  - any other relevant matters.
- Qur procedures are carried out solely for the purpose of our audit so that we can form and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK). Our audit does not necessarily disclose every weakness and for this reason the matters referred to may not be the only shortcomings which exist. Communication in this report of matters arising from the audit of the financial statements or of risks or weaknesses does not absolve management from its responsibility to address the issues raised and to maintain an adequate system of control.
- 5. We take this opportunity to remind you that:
  - This report has been prepared for the sole use of the Board of East Ayrshire Leisure (the Trust);

- It must not be disclosed to any third party without our written consent; and
- No responsibility is assumed by us to any other person who may choose to rely on it for his or her own purposes.
- 6. The report has been discussed and agreed with John Griffiths (Chief Executive), Jackie Biggart (People and Finance Manager) and Lorraine Russell (Senior Accountant).
- We would like to thank the John, Jackie, Lorraine and the rest of the staff for their kind co-operation and assistance during our audit.

# 2 Financial statements

### **Financial statements**

### **Audit conclusion**

- In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view and comply with the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended), the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and all relevant accounting standards.
- 9. We are pleased to report that our audit report, which is included in the financial statements, is unqualified. In our opinion, from information provided to us during the audit, no events or conditions appear to exist which cast doubt on the Trust's ability to continue as a going concern. We are therefore satisfied with the disclosure in the financial statements.
- 10. Our audit opinion is based on your approval of the financial statements and signing of the letter of representation, a draft of which is included as an appendix to this report. Within the letter, you

confirm that there are no subsequent events that require amendment to the financial statements.

### Our assessment of risks of material misstatement

11. The assessed risks of material misstatement described below are those that had the greatest effect on our audit strategy, the allocation of resources in the audit and directing the efforts of the audit team. Our audit procedures relating to these matters were designed in the context of our audit of the financial statements as a whole, and not to express an opinion on individual accounts or disclosures. Our opinion on each set of financial statements is not modified with respect to any of the risks described in Exhibit 1 below.

### Exhibit 1: Our assessment of risks of material misstatement and how the scope of our audit responded to those risks

### 1. Management override

In any organisation, there is a risk that management and trustees have the ability to process transactions or make adjustments to the financial records outside of the normal financial control processes. Such transactions could lead to a material misstatement in the financial statements. We treat this as a presumed risk area in accordance with International Standard on Auditing (UK) 240, "The auditor's responsibilities relating to fraud in an audit of financial statements".





2. We have not identified any indications of management override in the year. We have reviewed the Trust's accounting records and obtained evidence to ensure that transactions outside the normal course of business were valid and accounted for correctly. We have also reviewed management estimates and the journal entries processed in the period and around the year end. We did not identify any areas of bias in key judgements made by management and judgements were consistent with prior years.

**Conclusion:** Satisfactory assurance has been gained in respect of the mitigation of this risk.

### Exhibit 1: Our assessment of risks of material misstatement and how the scope of our audit responded to those risks

### 2. Revenue recognition

Under International Standard on Auditing (UK) 240, "The auditor's responsibilities relating to fraud in an audit of financial statements" there is a presumed risk of fraud in relation to revenue recognition. The presumption is that the Trust's could adopt accounting policies or recognise income in such a way as to lead to a material misstatement in the reported revenue position.

### Noted in 2017/18 External Audit Plan



13. While we did not suspect incidences of material fraud and error we have evaluated each type of income transaction and documented our conclusions. We have gained reasonable assurance over the completeness and occurrence of income and we are satisfied that income is fairly stated in the financial statements. To inform our conclusion we considered the Trust's revenue recognition policy and carried out testing to ensure this is appropriate and has been applied consistently throughout the year.

**Conclusion:** We have gained satisfactory assurance in respect of the completeness and occurrence of revenue transactions in the year.

### Other risk factors

14. Further to the identification of significant audit risks (Exhibit 1), we also identified in our External Audit Plan risk factors which could potentially result in a material misstatement to the financial statements. An update on these risk factors is outlined below:

### Best value review of services

- 15. In 2017, East Ayrshire Council in conjunction with East Ayrshire Leisure and the Galleon Centre carried out a best value review of leisure, sport and cultural services. Work has commenced on the implementation of recommendations from this review; including initial work on the integration of East Ayrshire Leisure and the Galleon Centre.
- 16. We considered the Trust's progress in implementing the recommendations from the best value review as they would impact on the 2017/18 financial statements. We concluded that there was no impact on the financial statements. We will continue to monitor progress in 2018/19.

### **General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)**

17. The General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) (Regulation (EU) 2016/679) is a regulation by with the European Parliament, the

- Council of the European Union, and the European Commission intend to strengthen and unify data protection for all individuals within the European Union (EU).
- 18. The regulation came into force in the UK on 25 May 2018 and there are significant financial penalties for non-compliance.
- 19. During our audit we noted that East Ayrshire Leisure has taken steps to ensure compliance with these Regulations.

### Our application of materiality

- 20. The assessment of what is material is a matter of professional judgement and involves considering both the amount and the nature of the misstatement. This means that different materiality levels will be applied to different elements of the financial statements.
- 21. Our initial assessment of materiality for the annual accounts was £130,000. We revised our assessment, following review of the draft annual accounts, to £149,000 and it remained at this level throughout our audit. Our assessment of materiality is set with reference to incoming resources. We consider this to be the principal consideration for the users of the financial statements when assessing the performance of East Ayrshire Leisure.

- 22. Performance materiality is the amount set by the auditor at less than overall materiality for the financial statements as a whole to reduce to an appropriately low level the probability that the aggregate of the uncorrected and undetected misstatements exceed materiality for the financial statements as a whole.
- 23. We set a performance (testing) materiality for each area of work based on a risk assessment for the area. We perform audit procedures on all transactions, or groups of transactions, and balances that exceed our performance materiality. This means we perform a greater level of testing on the areas deemed to be of significant risk of material misstatement. Performance testing thresholds used are set out in the following table:

Area risk assessment £						
High	Medium	Low				
74,500	89,400	111,750				

24. We noted within our External Audit Plan that we would report all audit differences in excess of 5% of the overall materiality figure, as well as differences below that threshold that, in our view, warranted reporting on qualitative grounds. We also report on disclosure matters that we identified when assessing the overall presentation of the financial statements.

### **Audit differences**

- **25.** We identified two audit adjustments; the details of which are disclosed in appendix 2.
- 26. We did not identify any unadjusted items.

### An overview of the scope of our audit

27. The scope of our audit was detailed in our External Audit Plan. The plan explained that we follow a risk-based approach to audit planning that reflects our overall assessment of the relevant risks that apply to the Trust. This ensures that our audit focuses on the areas of highest risk. Planning is a continuous process and our audit plan is subject to review during the course of the audit to take account of developments that arise.

- 28. At the planning stage we identified the significant risks that had the greatest effect on our audit. Audit procedures were then designed to mitigate these risks.
- 29. Our standard audit approach is based on performing substantive tests and detailed analytical procedures. Tailored audit procedures, including those designed to address significant risks, were completed by the audit fieldwork team and the results were reviewed by the audit manager and audit partner. In performing our work we have applied the concept of materiality, which is explained earlier in this report.

### Accounting systems and internal controls

- 30. During the course of our audit of the financial statements, we examined the principal internal controls which trustees have established to enable them to ensure, as far as possible, the accuracy and reliability of the Trust's accounting records and to safeguard its assets.
- 31. It should be noted that our audit was planned and performed in order to allow us to provide an opinion on the financial statements and it should not be relied upon to reveal all errors and weaknesses that may exist.
- **32.** We are pleased to report that our work did not identify any system weaknesses.

### Fraud and irregularity

- fraud and other irregularities lies with the trustees. We are not required to search specifically for such matters and our audit should not be relied upon to disclose them. However, we planned and conducted our audit so as to give a reasonable expectation of detecting any material misstatements in the financial statements resulting from improprieties or breach of regulations.
- 34. We are pleased to report that we did not identify any issues of concern in relation to fraud and irregularity.

### Legality

35. We planned and performed our audit recognising that non-compliance with statute or regulations may materially affect the financial statements.

- 36. We are pleased to report that we did not identify any instances of concern with regard to the legality of transactions or events.
- 37. Under Section 46 of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005, auditors have a responsibility to report items of material significance to the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR).
- 38. We did not identify any areas of material significance during our audit that required reporting to OSCR.

### Going concern and subsequent events

- 39. We are required under International Standard on Auditing (UK) 570, "Going Concern" to consider the appropriateness of the trustees' use of the going concern assumption in the preparation of the financial statements, and to consider whether there are material uncertainties about the Trust's ability to continue as a going concern which needs to be disclosed in the financial statements.
- 40. The term "subsequent events" is used to refer to events occurring between the year-end date of the financial statements and the date of the auditor's report. International Standard on Auditing (UK) 560, "Subsequent events" requires us to assess all such matters before signing our audit report.
- 41. In order to gain assurance on these matters our work has included (where applicable):
  - reviewing bank facilities;
  - a review of budgets covering a period of 12 months from the expected signing of the audit report, together with post year end management accounts;
  - a review of minutes of post balance sheet Board meetings;
  - enquiring of senior management and the Trust's solicitors concerning litigation, claims and assessments; and
  - performing sample testing of post balance sheet transactions.
- 42. We confirm that there are no issues affecting the Trust's ability to continue as a going concern. As highlighted in the financial statements, the current funding agreement with East Ayrshire Council covers up to 31 March 2019. In the Board's opinion, the Trust will be able to continue for the foreseeable future.

43. No subsequent events were identified requiring amendment to or disclosure in the financial statements. We will update this review at the date of signing the financial statements.

### Other matters identified during our audit

44. We have no other matters to report.

### Qualitative aspects of accounting practices and financial reporting

45. During the course of our audit, we consider the qualitative aspects of the financial reporting process, including items that have a significant impact on the relevance, reliability, comparability, understandability and materiality of the information provided by the financial statements. The following observations have been made:

Qualitative aspect considered	Audit conclusion
The appropriateness of the accounting policies used.	We have reviewed the significant accounting policies, which are disclosed in the financial statements, and consider these to be appropriate to the Trust.
The timing of the transactions and the period in which they are recorded.	We did not identify any concerns over the timing or the period in which transactions were recognised.
The appropriateness of the accounting estimates and judgements used.	We are satisfied with the appropriateness of accounting estimates and judgements used in the preparation of the financial statements. The principal area of accounting estimate and judgement is the valuation of pension assets/liabilities. The valuation of the defined benefit pension liability is provided by the Trust's actuary, Hymans Robertson. We evaluated the competence, objectivity and capability of management experts in line with the requirements of ISA (UK) 500 and concluded that use of the expert is appropriate.
The appropriateness of the going concern assumption.	We have reviewed the financial forecasts for 2018/19. Our understanding of the legislative framework and activities undertaken provides us with sufficient assurance that the Trust will continue to operate for at least 12 months from the signing date.
The potential effect on the financial statements of any uncertainties, including significant risks and disclosures such as pending litigation that are required to be disclosed in the financial statements.	There are no uncertainties, including any significant risk or required disclosures, which should be included in the financial statements.
The extent to which the financial statements have been affected by unusual transactions during the period and the extent that these transactions are separately disclosed in the financial statements.	From our testing performed, we identified no unusual transactions in the period.
Apparent misstatements in the trustees' annual report or material inconsistencies with the financial statements.	There are no misstatement or material inconsistencies between the trustees' annual report and the financial statements.
Any significant financial statement disclosures to bring to your attention.	There is no significant financial statement disclosures that we consider should be brought to your attention. All disclosures made are required by relevant legislation.
Disagreement over any accounting treatment or financial statement disclosure.	There was no disagreement during the course of the audit over any accounting treatment or disclosure.
Difficulties encountered in the audit.	There were no difficulties encountered in the audit.

# 3 Appendices

### **Appendix 1: Respective responsibilities**

### **Responsibilities of the Trustees**

Under legislation relating to charities in Scotland, the trustees are required to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its surplus or deficit for that year, and which have been properly prepared from and are in agreement with the accounting records of the Trust and comply with relevant disclosure requirements.

In preparing those financial statements, the trustees 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;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Trust will continue its activities.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the Trust's financial position and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the requirements of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and Regulation 8 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended). The trustees also have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the Trust's assets and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

### Responsibilities of the auditor

Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK). Those standards require us to comply with the Financial Reporting Council's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

The audit includes the consideration of internal controls relevant to the preparation of the financial statements but we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control. The matters being reported are limited to those deficiencies in control that we have identified during the audit and that we have concluded are of sufficient importance to merit being reported to those charged with governance.

### **Confirmation of independence**

International Standard on Auditing (UK) 260, "Communication with those charged with governance" requires us to communicate on a timely basis all facts and matters that may have a bearing on our independence.

In addition to the audit of the financial statements, Scott-Moncrieff provides accounts preparation services to the charity (previously commissioned by East Ayrshire Council). Preparation of the financial statements is not considered to impact on the Firm's independence due to the presence of informed management. We prepare the financial statements from the final trial balance provided by East Ayrshire Leisure. No significant disclosures, adjustments or estimates are decided by Scott-Moncrieff.

Scott-Moncrieff also provides tax and VAT services to the charity. All tax services are provided by independent partners and staff who have no involvement in the audit of the financial statements.

During 2017/18 we were instructed by East Ayrshire Leisure to undertake financial due diligence on the Galleon Centre. This work was delivered by staff who have no involvement in the audit of the financial statements.

We can confirm that we have complied with the FRC's Revised Ethical Standard 2016. In our professional judgement the audit process is independent and our objectivity is not compromised.

For part of 2017, an employee of Scott-Moncrieff, Elizabeth Young, served as vice chair of the board and sat on the Performance & Audit Sub Committee. In accordance with the FRC's Revised Ethical Standard 2016, in our professional judgement the audit process is independent and our objectivity is not compromised, as the following safeguards were in place:

- She did not accept any invitation to chair the Performance & Audit Sub Committee
- She was absent from any committee meetings at which the performance or remuneration of the auditor was discussed; and
- She took no part in any meetings with us and the directors to discuss the planning or results of the audit.
- We confirm that we implemented internal safeguards to ensure Elizabeth had no involvement in our audit work and that no members of staff working on the audit discussed any aspects of the audit with her.

Elizabeth resigned from her post as a Trustee of East Ayrshire Leisure in September 2017.

### **Appendix 2: Audit differences**

We identified the following adjustments during the audit. We have discussed these adjustments with management have agreed that they should be incorporated into the financial statements.

		Balance S	heet	Stateme Financial A		and lo	ised gains sses per OFA
		Dr	Cr	Dr	Cr	Dr	Cr
		£	£	£	£	£	£
1	Charitable Expenditure			(498,000)			
	Other (net interest on defined benefit pension scheme)			(104,000)			
	Actuarial gains/losses						4,273,000
	Pension liability	(3,671000)					
	Being incorporation of actuarial inform	nation into the fi	nancial s	tatements.			
2	Creditors		10,172				
	Income			(10,172)			
	Being adjustment to remove deferred	l income in 2017	7/18 and	adjust for 2016,	/17 deferre	ed income.	
	Net impact on income/(expenditure) in year			(612,172)			
	Net expenditure per the Trust's management accounts			(15,160)			
	Revised net (expenditure) per audited financial statements			(627,332)			

audited financial statements

# **Appendix 3: Review of financial performance**

The table below summarises the financial performance of the Trust for the year ended 31 March 2018.

	2018 £	2017 £	Commentary		
Total income	7,453,381	7,341,046	The management fee received from the Council in 2017/2018 was lower than the prior year (£5,111,940 in 2016/17 in comparison to £5,202,840 in 2016/17). This is offset with an increase in restricted funds received in the year (2017/18 £612,960 in comparison to £342,112 in 2016/17).		
Total expenditure	8,080,713	7,876,302	Overall expenditure has increased in comparison with the previous year. The net interest in the defined benefit scheme has increased, £104,000 in 2017/18 in comparison to £32,000 in 2016/17).  Staff costs have decreased. Pension costs however have increased in the year; this is largely as a result of the adjustment for actuarial information:		
				2018	2017
				£	£
			Superannuation	632,293	647,903
			Adjustment for actuarial information	498,000	227,000
			Pension costs	1,130,293	874,903
Net income/ (expenditure)	(627,332)	(535,256)			

	2018 £	2017 £	Commentary
Funds:			
General Fund	336,235	282,525	The Board has approved an unrestricted reserve of between 3-5% of incoming resources to be set aside to provide some protection and mitigate against future economic conditions. This target has been achieved.
Designated	216,710	285,580	
Pension reserve	64,000	(3,607,000)	At 31 March 2017, East Ayrshire Leisure showed a net liability of £3,607k. By 31 March 2018 this had decreased to a net pension asset of £64k. Both the fair value of employer assets and the present value of the scheme liabilities have improved.  Strathclyde Pension Fund's triennial valuation was conducted as at 31 March 2017. The triennial valuation sets contribution rates for the next three years commencing 1 April 2018 for which the contributions have remained the same for East Ayrshire Leisure.  The triennial valuation also informs the annual actuarial valuation as at 31 March 2018. This can result in larger movements caused by other experience which is driven by the use of updated membership data.  As sponsoring authority, East Ayrshire Council has guaranteed to accept liability for any unfunded costs which may arise with regard to the Trust relating to their membership in the local government pension scheme, should they cease to exist.
Restricted funds	143,660	153,832	Includes transfer between unrestricted and restricted funds of £324,000.
Total funds	760,605	(2,885,063)	

# **Appendix 4: Management representation letter**

### LETTER OF REPRESENTATION: EAST AYRSHIRE LEISURE

This representation letter is provided in connection with your audit of the financial statements of East Ayrshire Leisure for the year ended 31 March 2018 for the purpose of expressing an opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view in accordance with UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

By a resolution of the board, passed today, I am directed to confirm to you, in respect of the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2018, the following:-

### Financial statements and accounting records

- We have fulfilled our responsibilities under the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 for preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view in accordance with UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice including FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" and for making accurate representations to you.
- 2. We have provided you with:
  - access to all information of which we are aware that is relevant to the preparation of the financial statements such as records, documentation and other matters;
  - additional information that you have requested from us for the purpose of the audit; and
  - unrestricted access to persons within the entity from whom you determined it necessary to obtain audit evidence.
- 3. All transactions have been recorded in the accounting records and are reflected in the financial statements.
- 4. Except as disclosed in the financial statements, the results for the year were not materially affected by:
  - any change in accounting policies;
  - transactions of a type not usually undertaken by the Trust;
  - · circumstances of an exceptional or non-recurrent nature; or
  - charges or credits relating to prior periods.
- 5. All grants, donations and other incoming resources, the receipt of which is subject to specific terms and conditions, have been notified to you. There have been no breaches of terms or conditions in the application of such incoming resources.
- 6. All income has been recorded, all restricted funds have been properly applied and all constructive obligations have been recognised.
- 7. We confirm that there were no restrictions over the donations received and applied to the purchase of the Eglinton Statue.
- 8. We have reviewed going concern considerations and are satisfied that it is appropriate for the financial statements to have been drawn up on the going concern basis. In reaching this opinion we have taken into account all relevant matters of which we are aware and have considered a future period of at least one year from the date on which the financial statements are to be approved.
- 9. We have also considered the adequacy of the disclosures in the financial statements relating to going concern and are satisfied that sufficient disclosure has been made in the financial statements in order to give a true and fair view.

10. We confirm the financial statements are free of material misstatements, including omissions.

#### Fraud

- 11. We acknowledge as trustees our responsibilities for the design and implementation of internal control in order to prevent and detect fraud and to prevent and detect error.
- 12. In our opinion, the risks that the financial statements may be materially misstated as a result of fraud are low for the following reasons:
  - Measures have been put in place by management to reduce the risk of fraud and the improper use, or misappropriation of assets.
  - The board undertakes a formal risk review at least once a year, covering a wide range of risks associated with governance, operations, finance and compliance. The risk of fraud and misuse of assets is specifically included in that review.
- 13. We have disclosed to you all information in relation to fraud or suspected fraud of which we are aware and that affects the entity and involves:
  - management
  - employees who have significant roles in internal control
  - others where the fraud could have a material effect on the financial statements.
- 14. We are not aware of any allegations of fraud or suspected fraud with a potential effect on the financial statements which have been communicated to us by employees, former employees, regulators or other third parties.

### Compliance with laws and regulation, and contractual agreements

- 15. We have disclosed to you all known instances of non-compliance or suspected non-compliance with laws and regulations whose effects should be considered when preparing the financial statements.
- 16. The Trust has complied with all aspects of contractual agreements that could have a material effect on the financial statements in the event of non-compliance.

### **Accounting estimates**

17. In our opinion the significant assumptions used by us in making accounting estimates are reasonable.

### Related parties

- 18. We have disclosed to you the identity of the charity's related parties and all related party relationships and transactions of which we are aware.
- 19. Related party relationships and transactions have been appropriately accounted for and disclosed in accordance with the requirements of UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.
- 20. In particular, no trustee, shadow trustee, their connected persons or other officers had any indebtedness, agreement concerning indebtedness or disclosable interest in a transaction with the Trust at any time during the year.

### **Assets and liabilities**

- 21. The following have been properly recorded and, when appropriate, adequately disclosed in the financial statements:
  - losses arising from sale and purchase commitments;
  - agreements and options to buy back assets previously sold;
  - assets pledged as collateral.

- 22. We have disclosed to you all known actual or possible litigation or claims whose effects should be considered when preparing the financial statements and that they have been accounted for and disclosed in accordance with UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.
- 23. We have no plans or intentions that may materially alter the carrying value or classification of assets and liabilities reflected in the financial statements.
- 24. We have no plans to abandon activities or other plans or intentions that will result in any excess or obsolete stocks, and no stock is stated at an amount in excess of net realisable value.
- 25. The Trust has satisfactory title to all assets and there are no liens or encumbrances on the charity's assets, other than as disclosed in the financial statements.
- 26. We have recorded or disclosed, as appropriate, all liabilities, both actual and contingent, and all guarantees that we have given to third parties.

### Subsequent events

Vours faithfully

27. All events subsequent to the date of the financial statements and for which UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice require adjustment or disclosure have been adjusted or disclosed. Should any material events occur which may necessitate revision of the figures included in the financial statements or inclusion in the notes thereto, we will advise you accordingly.

We confirm that the above representations are made on the basis of enquiries of management and staff with relevant knowledge and experience (and, where appropriate, of inspection of supporting documentation) sufficient to satisfy ourselves that we can properly make each of the above representations to you.

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Signed on behalf of the board
On(date)
The above trustee is signing this letter on behalf of all trustees confirming that:

- a) so far as each trustee is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Trust is unaware; and
- b) each trustee has taken all the steps that ought to have been taken as a trustee, including making appropriate enquiries of fellow trustee and of the Trust for that purpose, in order to be aware of any information needed by the Trust's auditor in connection with preparing their report and to establish that the Trust's auditor is aware of that information.



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### TRUST BOARD AGM



### TRUST BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE

Date: 18 September 2018

Agenda Item: 5

Report By: John Griffiths, Chief Executive

### Summary

The purpose of this report is to submit for approval the schedule of Board and Performance and Audit Sub-Committee meetings for the coming year.

### I. PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 The purpose of this report is to submit for approval the schedule of Board and Performance and Audit Sub-Committee meetings for the coming year.

### 2 PROPOSED SCHEDULE

- 2.1 The recent Internal Audit of Governance identified that the schedule of meetings should be presented to the Board for approval at the AGM. Trust Board meetings are now established on Tuesday evenings with Performance and Audit Sub-Committees taking place on Monday evenings, both meetings commence at 18:00. Trustees are asked to consider whether or not changes are required to these arrangements.
- 2.2 Arrangements for amalgamation with the Kilmarnock Leisure Centre Trust are currently being developed and it is expected that additional meetings will be scheduled in due course.
- 2.3 It is therefore proposed that Board meetings are initially scheduled on a quarterly basis to allow consideration of Performance Reports by both the Performance and Audit Sub-Committee and the Trust Board following a timetable that is appropriate for the Trust's financial procedures. The initial quarterly meetings schedule will be supplemented by additional Board meetings during the coming year.

### **Proposed Schedule**

**Development Session** 23 October 2018 Performance and Audit Sub-Committee 12 November 2018 Trust Board 27 November 2018 Performance and Audit Sub-Committee 11 February 2019 26 February 2019 Trust Board **Development Session** 15 April 2019 Performance and Audit Sub-Committee 20 May 2019 Trust Board 4 lune 2019 Performance and Audit Sub-Committee 19 August 2019 Trust AGM/Board 17 September 2019

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### Recommendation/s:

It is recommended that the Board:

- i. Approve the schedule of meetings as described in this report; and
- ii. Otherwise note the content of this report.

Signature:

Designation: Chief Executive

Date: 13 August 2018

### **LEISURE TRUST BOARD MEETINGS CALENDAR: OCTOBER 2018 - SEPTEMBER 2019**

DATE/TIME/ VENUE OF MEETING	LODGEMENT DATE	*PRE-AGENDA MEETING DETAILS	ISSUE AGENDA	
OCTOBER				
DEVELOPMENT SESSION TUES 23/10/18 1800 HOURS KILMARNOCK				
NOVEMBER				
PERFORMANCE & AUDIT SUB-COMMITTEE MON 12/11/18 1800 HOURS KILMARNOCK	MON 29/10/18	THURS 01/11/18	MON 05/11/18 2 <sup>ND</sup> QUARTER (July – Sept)	
TRUST BOARD TUES 27/11/18 1800 HOURS KILMARNOCK	TUE 13/11/18	MON 19/11/18	TUE 20/11/18 2 <sup>ND</sup> QUARTER (July — Sept)	
FEBRUARY				
PERFORMANCE & AUDIT SUB-COMMITTEE MON 11/02/19 1800 HOURS KILMARNOCK	MON 28/01/19	THURS 31/01/19	MON 04/02/19 3 <sup>RD</sup> QUARTER (Oct - Dec)	
TRUST BOARD TUES 26/02/19 1800 HOURS KILMARNOCK	TUE 12/02/19	MON 18/02/19	TUE 19/02/19 3 <sup>RD</sup> QUARTER (Oct - Dec)	
APRIL				
DEVELOPMENT SESSION MON 15/04/19 1800 HOURS KILMARNOCK				

<sup>\*</sup> Chief Executive and Chair to determine time and venue of Pre-Agenda.

DATE/TIME/ VENUE OF MEETING	LODGEMENT DATE	*PRE-AGENDA MEETING DETAILS	ISSUE AGENDA
MAY			
PERFORMANCE & AUDIT SUB-COMMITTEE MON 20/05/18 1800 HOURS KILMARNOCK	TUES 07/05/18	THURS 09/05/18	MON 13/05/18 ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REPORT
JUNE			
TRUST BOARD TUES 04/06/18 1800 HOURS KILMARNOCK	TUES 21/05/18	MON 27/05/18	TUES 28/05/18 ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REPORT
AUGUST			
PERFORMANCE & AUDIT SUB-COMMITTEE MON 19/08/18 1800 HOURS KILMARNOCK	MON 05/08/18	THURS 08/08/18	MON 12/08/18 ANNUAL ACCOUNTS/REPORT IST QUARTER (April - June)
SEPTEMBER			
TRUST AGM/BOARD TUES 17/09/18 1800 HOURS KILMARNOCK	TUES 03/09/18	MON 09/09/18	TUES 10/09/18 ANNUAL ACCOUNTS/REPORT IST QUARTER (April - June)

### TRUST BOARD AGM



### **EAST AYRSHIRE LEISURE TRUST SUB-COMMITTEES**

Date: 18 September 2018

Agenda Item: 6

Report By: John Griffiths, Chief Executive

### I. PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 The purpose of this report is to allow the Board to review and approve arrangements for sub-committees to support the work of the Board.

### **2 CURRENT ARRANGEMENTS**

2.1 The current arrangements for sub-committees are detailed in the Trust constitution and have been in place since 2013. While there have been no significant issues with the current arrangements, the recent Internal Audit of Governance recommended that it would be good practice for the Board 'to review arrangements for the sub-committees and groups that are in place (including the membership and quorum arrangements) and update the suite of documentation to ensure this is recorded consistently'. It is proposed that this process is now completed annually and considered at the AGM.

### 3 NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

- 3.1 The Trust's Constitution currently includes the following paragraphs:
  - 95. The Board shall establish a committee (referred to in this constitution as "the Nominations Committee") to make recommendations to the Council in relation to the selection of appropriate individuals for appointment as Charity Trustees under paragraph 18.3 (independent Charity Trustees).
  - 96. The members of the Nominations Committee shall comprise:
    - 96.1 Three Charity Trustees appointed in terms of paragraph 18(1); and
    - 96.2 Two further individuals (not being Charity Trustees) with specialist expertise (one of whom shall have expertise in HR matters and the other shall have expertise in the leisure and/or culture sectors).
- 3.2 The Nominations Committee has been established wherever necessary to recruit Independent Charity Trustees and has worked effectively, however, Trustees may wish to review membership of the group.

### 4 PERFORMANCE AND AUDIT SUB-COMMITTEE

- 4.1 The Performance and Audit Sub-Committee was established by the Trust Board in August 2013 and its remit was reviewed by the Board in September 2016. The current membership of the Sub-Committee is 5 Trustees with 2 Substitute Trustees who would attend meetings if any of the 5 initial nominations cannot attend for any reason. The quorum for a meeting is 3 Trustees. Nominations are reviewed and approved annually and the latest nominations were made in September 2017.
- 4.2 The sub-committee has worked effectively and provides robust scrutiny for the Trust Performance reports prior to submission to the main Board amongst other key tasks.
- 4.3 The remit of the Performance and Audit Sub-Committee as approved by the Board on 13th September 2016 is as follows:

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- To consider reports and information provided by the Trust's Internal and External Auditors.
- To review performance information prior to submission to the Trust Board and East Ayrshire Council.
- The request and receive reports into specific areas of East Ayrshire Leisure's operational and financial performance.
- To monitor performance against the Business Plan priorities and assist with setting performance targets in future Business Plans.
- To consider the annual Internal Audit Programme to be agreed between the Chief Executive and the Internal Audit Service.
- To review the content and format of both the Business Plan and Performance reports, making recommendations for change to the Trust Board as appropriate.

In the last year this remit has been expanded to include:

- Consider and approve awards under the Trust's Staff Recognition Scheme.

### Recommendation/s:

It is recommended that the Board:

- Consider and approve the make up and remit of the Nominations Sub-Committee;
- ii. Consider and approve the updated remit of the Performance and Audit Sub-Committee; and
- iii. Otherwise note the content of this report.

Signature:

Designation: Chief Executive

Date: 18 July 2018