

**Report and Accounts**

**For the year ended 31 December 2025**

**For**

**The Angus Talking Newspaper Association**

**Scottish Charity Number SCO037562**

**The Angus Talking Newspaper Association, Scottish Charity No: SCO37562**

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## **The Angus Talking Newspaper Association, Scottish Charity No: SCO37562**

### **Trustees' Annual Report Year ended 31 December 2025**

The trustees present the annual report and receipts and payments accounts for The Angus Talking Newspaper Association for the year ended 31 December 2025.

#### **Reference and Administrative Information**

Charity Name: The Angus Talking Newspaper Association

Charity Registration Number: SCO37562

Charity's principal address: 142 Kinloch Street  
Carnoustie  
Angus  
DD7 7JQ

**Trustees:** Ian Scott (Chairman)  
Elizabeth Mountford (Secretary)  
John Falconer (Treasurer)  
Susan Lindsay  
Staci King (Vice-Chairman)

**Bankers:** The Royal Bank of Scotland  
Forfar Branch  
65 East High Street  
Forfar  
DD8 2EP

**Independent Examiner:** Mr E Oswald  
17 Ireland Street  
Carnoustie  
DD7 6AS

## **The Angus Talking Newspaper Association, Scottish Charity No: SCO37562**

### **Trustees' Annual Report (cont) Year ended 31 December 2025**

#### **STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

##### **Governing Document**

The Association was set up by a group of volunteers in Angus and was recognised as a Scottish Charity with effect from 26<sup>th</sup> October 2006. The Association is governed by its constitution.

##### **Recruitment and Appointment of Trustees**

The Trustees are the Office Bearers and the Management Committee. The Office Bearers and the Management Committee are appointed at the Annual General Meeting. Appointment and removal is in accordance with the Association constitution, which requires agreement by a quorum. The quorum will consist of the chairman or vice chair plus 4 others. The Trustees who held office during the year are shown on page 3.

#### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

##### **Charitable Purpose**

The purpose of the charity is to provide, free of cost to the visually impaired recipients, local news on a monthly basis, as reported in the appropriate local newspapers.

##### **Summary of Main Activities and Achievements**

This has been another year of consolidation after a long period of change and adaptation which started with the aftermath of Covid. With two recorders producing alternate monthly editions but cooperating closely together and with a settled and enthusiastic group of readers working on a monthly rota, we have continued to produce a single edition of the Newshound for the whole of Angus each month. In the course of this year we shall review our system to see how we can improve it and also look at a problem we share with other Talking Newspaper groups, namely a gradual decline in numbers of listeners

#### **FINANCIAL REVIEW**

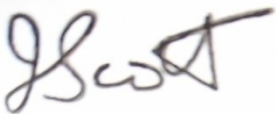
##### **Reserves policy**

The Association is operated by volunteers and incurs no salary related costs. There are no debts to be met by the Association; therefore a policy on reserves is not currently required. However, at the AGM the members are advised of both the year end reserves and the current position, and these are discussed as part of the plans for the forthcoming year. The reserves in hand at 31 December 2023 are £5741.56 which the Association considers to be appropriate.

##### **Donated Facilities/Services**

Brechin City Football Club provide accommodation for the recording and distribution of CD's at their ground of Glebe Park.

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by



**The Angus Talking Newspaper Association, Scottish Charity No: SCO37562**

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of The Angus Talking Newspaper Association**

**Year ended 31 December 2025**

I report on the accounts of The Angus Talking Newspaper Association for the year ended 31 December 2025 as set out on pages 6 -7.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and independent examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations (2006) (as amended).

The charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1)(d) of the accounts regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under section 44(1)(c) of the act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of independent examiner's statement**

My examination is carried out in accordance with regulation 11 of the charities Accounts(Scotland) Regulation 2006 (as amended).An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records.

It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeks explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently, I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

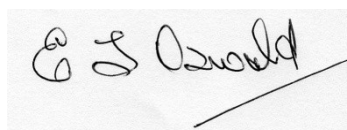
**Independent examiner's statement**

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

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 44(1)(a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations, and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations have not been met, or

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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'E S Oswald', is written over a horizontal line.

**Mr E Oswald**

**17 Ireland St**

**DD7 6AS**

**The Angus Talking Newspaper Association Scottish Charity No: SCO37562**

**Receipts and Payments Account**

**Year ended 31 December 2025**

	Unrestricted	Unrestricted
	Total	Total
	2025	2024
	£	£
<b>Receipts</b>		
Donations	20	0
Income from investments other than land or buildings	67	78
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<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>78</b>
<b>Payments</b>		
Payments relating directly to charitable activities	320	196
Governance costs	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	<b>320</b>	<b>196</b>
<b>Deficit for the year</b>	<b><u>233</u></b>	<b><u>118</u></b>

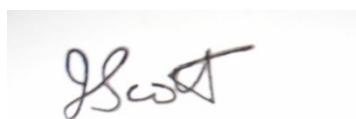
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**Receipts and Payments Account**

**Year ended 31 December 2025**

	Unrestricted Total 2025 £	Unrestricted Total 2024 £
<b>Bank &amp; Deposit Balances</b>		
Cash & bank balances at start of year	5624	5742
Deficit shown on receipts and payments account	<u>233</u>	<u>118</u>
Cash & bank balances at end of year	<u>5392</u>	<u>5624</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Independent Examination Fees	Nil	Nil
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The Accounts were approved by The Angus Talking Newspaper Association on May 27<sup>th</sup> 2026 and signed for and on behalf of the board by:



Ian Scott chairman:

**Notes forming part of the financial statements**

**For the year ended 31 December 2025**

**1. Trustee Remuneration and Related Party Transactions**

(a) No trustee or connected person received remuneration during the year

(b) No trustee received expenses during the year.

**2. Nature and purpose of funds**

All of the funds held are unrestricted. The balance in hand at 31 December 2024 is £5624

**3. Analysis of Payments**

	Unrestricted	Unrestricted
	Total	Total
	2025	2024
	£	£
<b>Charitable activities</b>		
Printing		12
Postage		15
Website expenses		
Recording materials	320	169
Total	320	196

**Governance costs**

Independent examination fee	<u>Nil</u>	<u>Nil</u>
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