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Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator

Trustees' Annual Report for the period							
Period start date				Period end date			
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
From	16	Nov	2020	To	19	Mar	2021

**Reference and administration details**

<b>Charity name</b>	Laich of Moray Active Travel Routes
<b>Other names charity is known by</b>	LoMATR
<b>Registered charity number</b>	SC050571
<b>Charity's principal address</b>	Lossiemouth Community Development Trust 10 James Street Lossiemouth Moray <b>Postcode: IV31 6DD</b>

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

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Malcolm Campbell	Chairman and Treasurer		
2	Melanie Newbould	Trustee		
3	Adam Csenki	Secretary		

**Reference and administration details**

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

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

## Structure, governance and management

### Type of governing document

The Laich of Moray Active Travel Routes, a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (SCIO) incorporated on 16 Nov 2020 and governed by a Constitution

### Trustee recruitment and appointment

All Trustees stand down at the Annual Members Meeting (AMM) but can stand for reselection  
Appointment to trusteeship is open to members of the LoMATR who wish to become a trustee (subject to scrutiny)  
Trustees are appointed at the AMM by those members present at the meeting or subsequently by the Board of Trustees in accordance with the Constitution.

## Objectives and activities

### Charitable purposes

The purposes of the LoMATR are to:

1. provide outdoor recreation facilities and activities for the local community and its visitors
2. advance citizenship and community development
3. advance heritage and education by informing the public about the natural environment and heritage

### Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects

establish a recognised walking and cycling route between Lossiemouth & Hopeman as an Active Travel Route suitable for all abilities

organise and support public events using the Lossiemouth to Hopeman ATR for recreational or sporting activities

establish and promote other ATR routes in and around Lossiemouth and North Moray

work with landowners, land occupiers and volunteers from the local community to maintain and improve ATR routes and the environment alongside

promote the use of the Lossiemouth to Hopeman ATR as a strategic route for active travel

advance heritage and education by informing the public about the natural environment and heritage

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### Achievements and performance

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

The LoMATR gained charitable status on 16 Nov 20.

Prior to that date, the effort to build an Active Travel Route (ATR) between Lossiemouth and Hopeman had been driven over several years by a sub committee of the Lossiemouth Community Development Trust (LCDT). The LCDT provided office, secretarial support and meeting facilities at a local hotel. Feasibility studies had been commissioned and these recommended a route primarily alongside the B9040, the most direct route between the communities of Hopeman and Lossiemouth. However, virtually all the land between Covesea Road junction on the B9040 and Hopeman is owned by one individual who would not support the construction of an ATR on that route. He indicated initially that he would support an ATR route along the northern boundary of Gordonstoun School between Duffus and the Covesea Road and on that basis, Sustrans was able to support initial design for the complete route. Completing the route was perceived as a 2-Phase project: one, the section between Lossiemouth and Covesea Road and two, the section between Covesea Road and Duffus.

Phase 1 was initially planned to follow the RAF Lossiemouth perimeter fence between Lossiemouth and the Covesea Road. As a result of landowner objections/comments in January, it was agreed a better routing for Phase 1 would be to plan the route alongside the B9040 past the Silver Sands Campsite and Café/Lighthouse to the turn junction with the Covesea Road. That change required additional funding which has been requested. The change is supported by Sustrans but not yet formally approved. As soon as it is, funds will be released to complete the concept design, start Community Engagement and initiate fundraising to meet the costs of developing the route.

Phase 2 is currently on hold because the landowner is no longer willing to release land unconditionally for an ATR. However, it will still be possible for most users to get from Lossiemouth to Duffus because there is an existing Core Path (LM06) known as "the Green Road" between Covesea Road and Duffus. However, the surface is of loose rock and not ideal for wheelchairs or road bikes.

### Financial review

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

The Trustees will strive to maintain funds in its bank account by ensuring donations and grants have been secured before committing to contract.

#### Details of any deficit

None

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

None

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**Other optional information**

**Declaration**

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

<b>Signature(s)</b>		
<b>Full name(s)</b>		
<b>Position (e.g. Chair)</b>		
<b>Date</b>		