



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From

Period start date

01 April 2024

To

Period end date

31 March 2025

Section A

Reference and administration details

Charity name

Free Kicks Foundation

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

1121073

Charity's principal address

5, Gorse Green

Peterborough

Postcode

PE1 3XB

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Stephen Thorpe			
2	Sam Downing			
3	Leigh Porter			
4	Damon Williams			
5	Nilesh Patel			
6	Christopher King			
7	Mark Dowling			
8	Christopher Dowsett			
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

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Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	n/a
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointed by trustees

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

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Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

THE PROMOTION OF COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION IN HEALTHY RECREATION PARTICULARLY FOR SERIOUSLY ILL, DISABLED OR RECENTLY BEREAVED CHILDREN, TEENAGERS AND YOUNG ADULTS BY THE PROVISION OF FACILITIES FOR PLAYING FOOTBALL AND PARTICIPATING IN FOOTBALL RELATED EXPERIENCES.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

We raise funds to give disadvantaged children and young adults football experiences. Most of the recipients go to the matches as mascots and get to meet the players and lead the team out. The majority of the work is undertaken voluntarily, funds are raised through donations and fundraising events. The recipients are nominated by other charities, and football club foundations or via email contact form on our website.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

We provided opportunities to be mascots or tickets at the following clubs Leyton Orient, Walsall, England Women, Grimsby Town, Burton Albion, Accrington Stanley, Barrow AFC, Peterborough United, Port Vale, Wrexham, Glasgow Celtic, Mansfield Town, Manchester City, Huddersfield Town, Altrincham, Manchester United, Salford City, England Men, Hibernian, Ross County, Cardiff City, Kilmarnock, Arsenal, Preston North End, Ipswich Town, West ham United, Fulham, Charlton Athletic, Arsenal Women, Portsmouth, Derby County, Rotherham United, Chesterfield, Doncaster Rovers, Scotland, Southend United, Watford, Plymouth Argyle, Stoke City, Torquay United, Tottenham Hotspur Women, Norwich City, Aston Villa, Leicester City, Exeter City, Glasgow Rangers, Wolverhampton Wanderers, Hereford United, West Bromwich Albion, Colchester United, Wales Women, Brighton & Hove Albion, Chelsea,

263 experiences in total.

We provided tickets and coach travel for over 100 people who may not have been able to afford to attend the EFL trophy Final between Peterborough United and Wycombe Wanderers at Wembley Stadium.

We also provided tickets for football and music events with Club Wembley.

Our main fundraising events were Golf day and Quiz Night.

We increased the number of clubs we run our multiple mascots schemes, working with Club Foundations and Trusts.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

No reserves policy

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Section F Other optional information

Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

Stephen Thorpe

Full name(s)

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Trustee

Date

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Free Kicks Foundation
Income and Expenditure
31/03/2025

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	2025	
	£	£
<u>Income</u>		
Donations and Fundraising		
Cycle rides	1,889.39	
Quiz night	2,628.24	
Runs	6,391.94	
Other	12,780.02	
Golf	9,574.30	
Charities Trust	0.00	
CAF	1,035.85	
Amazon	0.00	
In Memory	12,224.38	
Other Fundraisers	10,986.31	
Dry January	0.00	
24 Hour Radio Show	1,125.70	
Posh at Wembley	7,591.72	
Crowdfunder	7,168.98	
Total Donations and Fundraising		73,396.83
Bank Interest received		-
Total Income		<u>73,396.83</u>

<u>Expenditure</u>		
Events	5,392.09	
Legal & Ins	546.93	
Marketing	354.00	
Kicks	64,231.59	
Admin	967.11	
Just Giving	561.60	
Misc	1,970.90	
Telephone	793.83	
Salaries	5,333.88	
PAYE	1,333.00	
Total Expenditure		81,484.93
Net Income		<u>(8,088.10)</u>

<u>Cash at Bank</u>		
Balance B/fwd		112,247.25
Net Income		(23,533.80)
Balance C/fwd		<u>88,713.45</u>



Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
Free Kicks Foundation

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31-03-25

**Charity no
(if any)**

1121073

Set out on pages

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

**Respective
responsibilities of
trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of independent
examiner's statement**

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 seeking 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 no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

**Independent
examiner's statement**

In connection with 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 130 of the Charities Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act 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.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

Date: 31/12/2025

Name:

Clare Kearns FCCA

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

Fellow member of the Association Certified Chartered Accountants

Address:

4 Darnes Close

Bourne

Lincs, PE10 9GP.

Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material problems.

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

Expenses included Trustees Remuneration. This amounted to £5,334 in salary and £1,333 in PAYE. The Trustees who received payment were Steve Thorpe and Sam Downing.

There was an error in the bank carried forward number at the end of FY24. The value was original stated as £88,713 and has been restated to £89,360. This was due to an error netting income against expenditure for telephone reimbursement and refunds.