

Scottish Charity number: SC036895

Yusuf Youth Initiative SCIO

Trustees' report and financial statements

for the year ended 31 March 2025

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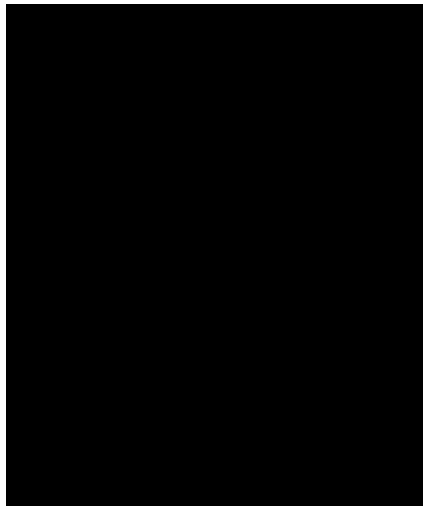
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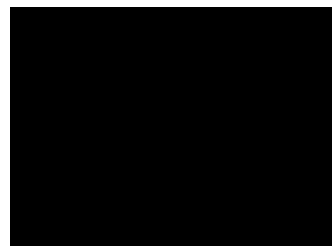
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Report of the trustees (incorporating the directors' report) for the year ended 31 March 2025

The Trustees present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025. The Trustees who served during the year and up to the date of this report are set out on page 3.

Constitution

The Charity is a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (a SCIO). It was registered in its current legal form on 14 May 2013. The charity was previously a limited company registered with Companies house however changed its legal form to a SCIO. The assets of the Company were transferred to the SCIO on 14 May 2013. It has a single tier structure and as such the Trustees are the members of the charity.

Structure, governance and management

The organisation is a registered Scottish Charity. The charity was set up under a Trust Deed, which established the objects and powers of the charity. As at the date of this report, the Board of Trustees has **six** members who are responsible for the strategic direction and policy of the organisation together with sound financial and operational control. The charity has an overall membership of 21 members. The Board receive a management board pack every month for review, comments and detailed discussion at meetings. The Board held four meetings during the year. The charity has assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed and is satisfied that systems and procedures are in place to mitigate our exposure to the major risks, although no formal risk assessment has taken place. The names of all the Board of Trustees throughout the period are listed on page three.

Objectives and activities

Objective

The organisation's purposes are: The advancement of education by organising a structured youth development programme; The advancement of health through a series of projects involving young people and by working in partnership with health agencies; The advancement of citizenship or community development by organising community events and inter-generational activity; The promotion of religious or racial harmony through integration and inter-faith work; The provision of recreational facilities, or the organisation of recreational activities with the object of improving the conditions of life for the persons for whom the facilities or activities are primarily intended and the advancement of public participation in sport with a particular focus on minority young people.

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Current Projects

Future Leaders Academy

The Future Leaders Academy is a complementary school that offers structured educational programmes for young individuals aged 4 to 15. The Academy concentrates on cultivating a Scottish-Muslim identity among young Muslims by providing courses in Quran, Arabic language, Islamic studies, and life skills. The programme actively promotes youth involvement in community initiatives, including aiding the local and international fundraising appeals. Through fostering a sense of belonging and responsibility, the Future Leaders Academy aims to equip young Muslims with the essential skills to become valuable contributors to Scottish society.

YYI Youth Clubs

The YYI Youth Development programme engages with over 90 young individuals, aged 5 to 18, from diverse backgrounds with over 14 nationalities. Through a wide range of activities encompassing sport, creative pursuits, and outdoor experiences, the programme nurtures personal growth, teamwork, and the building of friendships. The structured programme is tailored to various age groups, with specific areas of focus for each stage of development. The programme not only provides opportunities for skill development but also cultivates strong relationships between young people and dedicated mentors. Additionally, the programme's Pioneer Programme supports individuals aged 16 to 18 on their path to employment, offering assistance with curriculum vitae building, interview skills, job placement, volunteering, and training. Accreditation through programmes such as the Saltire and Duke of Edinburgh awards further acknowledges the achievements of the participants.

Change Makers

Change Makers is a youth development initiative designed to empower minority young individuals between the ages of 16 and 24 in Dundee. The programme focuses on delivering training, volunteering opportunities, and support that enhance their employability. Through tailored assistance in CV building, interview skills, and referral support for securing apprenticeships or job placements, Change Makers aims to equip young individuals with the necessary tools for successful entry into the workforce. The programme also facilitates work placements within the organisation to provide practical experience and mentorship. The complementary B-Strong initiative encourages minority young people aged 16 and above to participate in physical activity, engage in discussion groups, contribute to campaigns, and volunteer for community initiatives.

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Taught by Muhammad

Taught by Muhammad is an outreach project that seeks to promote understanding and bridge the divide between the Muslim and broader communities. Operating in Dundee, with a specific emphasis on areas undergoing regeneration, the project encompasses a range of initiatives. This includes providing support to schools through youth volunteering, addressing poverty-related issues, promoting community empowerment, and tackling inequalities. Through collaborative endeavours with schools, community interest groups, and partner organisations, Taught by Muhammad strives to foster an environment of inclusivity and harmony.

Engage Project

The Engage project prioritises the promotion of physical and mental well-being among ethnic minorities in Dundee. This objective is achieved through a wide array of weekly activities that encompass fitness programmes, language classes, and the development of soft skills. The project also offers general advice and support to its target group, including guidance on benefits. Through collaborative initiatives with faith groups, community interest groups, and partner organisations, the Engage project delivers a comprehensive and all-encompassing service. By providing a variety of opportunities, the project cultivates a sense of well-being and active community participation within the ethnic minority population.

Victoria Gardens

Victoria Gardens, is a 15,000 square foot area dedicated to promoting growth and social interactions among its users. This well-equipped space includes two polytunnels, raised beds, fruit trees and a pavilion. It serves as a platform for individuals to learn and participate in the organic cultivation of fruits and vegetables, fostering a sense of self-sufficiency and sustainable living. Additionally, the area provides a secure and inclusive environment for socializing, relaxation, and community gatherings. In alignment with its dedication to community involvement, Victoria Gardens welcomes events, collaborative activities, and the rental of its social space to local community groups. Most recently we have hosted programs facilitated by ScrapAntics, How It Felt, RSPB, and others. We also facilitate a regular program in partnership with Amina, and the Gardens host 4 groups each week with the NHS Occupational Therapy Team who use the space as a base for horticultural therapy programs which have a substantial positive impact on participants lives.

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The Future Leaders Academy currently support 105 students through a variety of weekly programmes tailored to their age group and developmental needs. In addition to the core educational programme, the students also engage in diverse weekly activities that promote their overall growth. These activities include cooking, cycling, gardening, sewing, and small charity programmes within the school setting.

For those aged 12 and above, the Academy offer dedicated classes and activities designed to provide a supportive and age-appropriate environment. This year, the Academy was pleased to welcome high school pupils (S3) for work experience placements, where they assisted teachers and gained valuable hands-on experience in a real classroom setting. In addition, students eligible for the Duke of Edinburgh Award programme had the opportunity to begin working toward their award as part of our provision, which will support them in their future education and personal development.

The 'Summer of Fun' programme organised by YYI in 2024 once again proved to be a remarkable success, with nearly 200 young individuals from the BAME community participating in engaging and enjoyable activities throughout a six-week summer holiday period. These activities were designed to provide primary school children with fun games, challenges, and dynamic sessions from Monday to Thursday. Additionally, high school children enjoyed sessions such as mountain biking, road cycling, hill walking, paddleboarding, games days and a visit to Ryze Trampoline Park. The programme successfully offered children a memorable and adventurous summer experience, while also providing summer employment opportunities to young people, fostering confidence, self-esteem, and valuable work experience. All the activities fully cater for the young people thank to our generous funders.

Throughout the year, YYI established a Girls Youth Panel, empowering young female to take an active role in steering and guiding youth work within the organisation. The panel successfully hosted several events, including social gatherings such as an Iftar (Ramadhan meal) and a Girls Pyjama Party, offering a safe and inclusive environment for girls of different ages.

Our core youth programmes continued to thrive, with football, basketball, badminton and arts groups running consistently throughout the year. A notable development in our badminton programme was the involvement of a dedicated coach, whose training efforts led several young people to participate in the Dundee Badminton Ladder Tournament at DISC, showcasing their growing skills and enthusiasm for the sport.

We also continued our commitment to developing life skills and outdoor confidence through the Duke of Edinburgh's Award programme. Currently, 13 young people are working towards their Bronze Award, while 9 are pursuing their Silver Award, reflecting the ongoing success of this valuable initiative.

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Bikeium has continued to make cycling accessible to the community, especially for new asylum seekers in Dundee. Through funding from Cycling UK, we purchased 20 new bikes equipped with panniers, locks, lights, and helmets to support sustainable transport. Adult cycling classes were conducted to teach the new residents how to cycle on UK roads and use cycling infrastructure safely. This initiative has significantly improved mobility and access to resources for asylum seekers.

ChangeMakers, a youth-led initiative, represents a pivotal project that guides the direction of our youth services within the organisation. Young individuals have championed the provision of a holistic service that considers mental health and creates safe spaces for them. These spaces should enable young people to grow, learn, socialise, and strive towards becoming the best versions of themselves. A key component is to offer support during their transition to adulthood, including employment.

Our Engage project supports over 50 minority adults on a weekly basis through a range of sports and fitness-based activities, weekly social events, and monthly trips and activities. Additionally, the project runs a weekly programme aimed at the elderly, encouraging physical activity and fostering friendships.

Victoria Gardens is an ever-evolving venue, with expanded indoor spaces for events, learning, and socialising. The garden hosts the "Summer Youth programme," local schools, community groups, and a diverse range of volunteers. The Gardens host groups with the NHS Occupational Therapy Team who use the space as a base for horticultural therapy programs which have a substantial positive impact on participants lives. Through our regular programming and volunteer opportunities we give around people 100 each week the opportunity to spend time in our outdoor space, volunteering, learning to grow, or simply relaxing and socialising. Our collaboration with external organisations further increases the number of people who learn of the benefits of nature contact on our site. Our community larder and fridge is open twice per week and has continued to expand during the current cost of living crisis. On average, the larder helps to feed around 180 individuals every week, and in 2024 we diverted just over **5 tons** of food from the waste stream by distributing surplus food from supermarkets, local bakeries, and with Fareshare deliveries. We also use sources of potential waste - such as arborist wood chips, cardboard packaging, and unsold plants from chain retailers as a resource in our garden to demonstrate how low waste living can look in the real world. This aligns with YYI's strategy of waste reduction and minimising carbon emissions.

Our four support cafes in the City continue to provide assistance to approximately 130 service users every week, offering hot meals and opportunities to receive support on matters such as financial advice, health, and other services. The support cafes also employ a befriender who engages users in games and fosters interpersonal connections. The food bank maintains its daily operations, ensuring ongoing support to clients. The foodbank continued to operate 5 days a week offering 3-day emergency food parcels delivered to homes of those who are elderly or

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vulnerable. During the year, Taught by Muhammad also supported asylum seekers and refugees with food donations to give them a head start in their journey in Dundee.

Financial review

Reserves policy

At the end of the financial year the charity had unrestricted funds of £11,352 (2024 – £8,990) and restricted funds of £370,000 (2024 - £345,000).

Trustees' remuneration

The trustees did not receive any remuneration or expenses during the year.

Plans for future period

YYI Youth Clubs

In the following year, we are hopeful of securing funding from The Robertson Trust to purchase a minibus, enabling the establishment of a new outdoor programme. This programme will include activities such as mountain biking, paddleboarding, and hill walking, expanding our ability to offer diverse, nature-based experiences to young people.

Change Makers

As we progress, the Change Makers project will be led by young people, who will actively steer its development. With a focus on training, development, employment support and volunteering opportunities, the project aims to equip young individuals with the necessary skills and opportunities to enhance their employability prospects.

Future Leaders Academy

We are committed to continuously enhancing the learning experience for young people in the Future Leaders Academy. This includes providing comprehensive life skills training and expanding opportunities for volunteering and employment, empowering them to become active contributors to society.

Taught by Muhammad

The Taught by Muhammad project will work closely with the local authority and city-wide partners to address underlying issues of poverty. By offering more effective solutions for service users, we aim to reduce their dependency on emergency food parcels. Recognising the anticipated challenges in the coming year, including potential job losses, our collaborative efforts seek to support individuals in breaking the cycle of poverty.

Engage

In the upcoming year, our focus in the Engage project will be on further expanding adult provision through various classes, encompassing fitness, cycling, and gardening. Additionally, we aim to develop and grow our Elderly Programme, specifically targeting minority adults

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aged 60 and above, to promote physical activity and foster meaningful friendships within this demographic.

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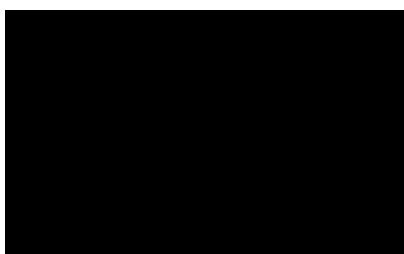
To maximise the utilisation of Victoria Gardens, we plan to incorporate the garden space into a multitude of adult and youth activities. This includes encouraging service users to engage in learning and cultivating their own produce. Furthermore, the continuation of a community larder and fridge at the garden will continue to provide additional services to our service users while supporting our overarching goals of waste reduction and decreased carbon emissions.

Bikeium

Bikeium remains committed to teaching Bikeability to groups of young people in the upcoming year. Moreover, we aim to introduce Family Essential Cycling Skills classes, empowering parents with the confidence and knowledge to engage in road cycling with their children on cycling networks. Recognising that road cycling may not be suitable for everyone, we also plan to offer mountain biking sessions as an alternative, providing a more enjoyable and challenging experience for those inclined towards off-road cycling. In the following year, we will continue with our Cycle Share Scheme with the MEARS group to support newly arrived asylum seekers with cycling training lessons and access to bikes for transport.

These future plans underscore our dedication to education, community development, employability, well-being, and inclusive recreational activities. Through collaboration with local authorities, partnerships with stakeholders, and the provision of diverse and structured programmes, we aim to make a positive and enduring impact on the lives of the individuals we serve. Our ambitions encompass expanding our activities, enhancing learning experiences, addressing social and economic challenges, and promoting resilience and growth among our service users.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees



Secretary

27 May 2025

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Independent examiner's report to the trustees on the unaudited financial statements of Yusuf Youth Initiative.

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2025 set out on pages 4 to 17.

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 (the Act) and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. The charity's trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (a) to (c) of the Accounts Regulations does not apply. Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to state, on the basis of my examination as required under section 44(1) (c) of the Act, whether particular matters have come to my attention.

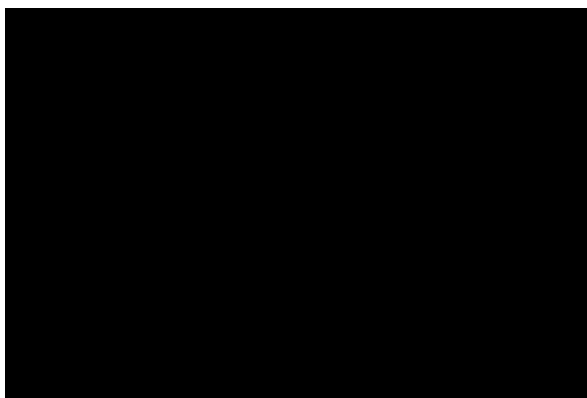
Basis of Independent examiner's statement

My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with 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 whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view'.

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 trustees have not met the requirements to ensure that:
 - proper accounting records are kept 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 8 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.



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Statement of financial activities for the year ended 31 March 2024

		Unrestricted	Restricted	2025	2024
		funds	funds	Total	Total
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Incoming resources					
Incoming resources from generating funds					
Voluntary income	2	65,207	180,971	246,178	261,940
Other incoming resources	3	34,643	-	34,643	29,381
Total incoming resources		99,850	180,971	280,821	291,321
Resources expended					
Costs of generating funds:					
Cost of generating voluntary income	4	97,488	155,971	253,459	259,366
Total resources expended		97,488	155,971	253,459	259,366
Net incoming resources for the year					
Net income for the year		2,362	25,000	27,362	31,955
Total funds brought forward		8,990	345,000	353,990	322,035
Total funds carried forward		11,352	370,000	381,352	353,990

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Balance sheet as at 31 March 2024

		2025		2024	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Current asset					
Debtors				-	
Cash at bank and in hand		381,352		353,990	
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		381,352		353,990	
Creditors: amounts falling					
due within one year		-		-	
		<u> </u>		<u> </u>	
Net current assets		381,352		353,990	
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Net assets		381,352		353,990	
		<u> </u>		<u> </u>	
Funds	7				
Restricted income funds	8	370,000		345,000	
Unrestricted income funds		11,352		8,990	
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Total funds		381,352		353,990	
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The notes on pages 14 to 17 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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Notes to the accounts

1. Accounting policies

The principal accounting policies are summarised below. The accounting policies have been applied consistently throughout the year and the preceding year.

1.1. Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with 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) (effective 1 January 2015) – (Charities SORP (FRS 102), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), and the Companies Act 2006.

YYI meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s).

1.2. Fund accounting

With the adoption of the Statement of Recommended Practice all income and expenditure are dealt with through the statement of financial activities (incorporating the statement of income and expenditure account). Funds are now classified as either restricted funds or unrestricted funds, defined as follows:

Unrestricted funds are expendable at the discretion of the board in furtherance of the objects of the charity.

Restricted funds are funds subject to specific restrictions, which may be declared by the donor or with their authority.

Transfers are made between funds to release capital grants and also to clear any funds in deficit.

1.3. Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when the charity is entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

Voluntary income is received by way of grants, donations and gifts and is included in full in the statement of financial activities when receivable. Grants where entitlement is not conditional on the delivery of a specific performance by the charity, are recognised when the charity becomes unconditionally entitled to the grant.

Grants, including grants for the purchase of fixed assets, are recognised in full in the statement of financial activities in the year in which they are receivable.

Income from investments is included in the year in which it is receivable.

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1.4. Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accrual basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates.

Costs of generating funds comprise the costs associated with attracting voluntary income and the costs of trading for fundraising purposes including the charity's shop. Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

1.5. Leasing

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged against income on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

1.6. Gift Aid

Tax recoverable in respect of gift aid payments is recorded in the year to which it relates.

2. Voluntary income

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2025	2024
	£	£	£	£
Donations	65,207	-	65,207	87,755
Grant – Dundee City Council	-	26,360	26,360	41,038
Grant – DC Thomson	-	10,000	10,000	-
Grant – Foundation Scotland	-	26,950	26,950	5,000
Grant – Robertson Trust	-	15,000	15,000	15,000
Grant – Rank Foundation	-	-	-	14,000
Grant - Other	-	5,350	5,350	6,223
Grant – Corra Foundation	-	-	-	6,000
Grant – NHS	-	10,000	10,000	9,750
Grant – Cycling UK	-	-	-	17,030
Grant – DVVA	-	-	-	6,994
Grant – Young Start	-	33,450	33,450	33,150
Grant – Gannochy Trust	-	10,000	10,000	-
Grant – HubHub Foundation	-	14,600	14,600	-
Grant – SW BStream	-	29,261	29,261	-
Grant – Youth Link	-	-	-	10,000
Grant – Northwood Trust	-	-	-	10,000
Total	65,207	180,971	246,178	261,940

3. Other incoming resources

	2025	2024
	£	£
Fees received - FLA	34,643	29,381

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4. Cost of generating voluntary income

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2025	2024
	£	£	£	£
Yusuf Youth Initiative	97,488	155,971	253,459	259,366

5. Employees

Employment costs

	2025	2024
	£	£
Wages and salaries	65,099	69,216

No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000 (2024: None).

Number of employees

The average monthly numbers of employees (including the trustees) during the year, calculated on the basis of full-time equivalents, was as follows:

2025	2024
Number	Number
9	9
9	9

6. Taxation

The charity's activities fall within the exemptions afforded by the provisions of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988. Accordingly, there is no taxation charge in these accounts.

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7. Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
Fund balances on 31 March 2025 as represented by:			
Current assets	11,352	370,000	381,352
Current liabilities	-	-	-
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	11,352	370,000	381,352
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8. Statement of Funds

	1 Apr 2024	Incoming resources £	Outgoing resources £	31 Mar 2025 £
Unrestricted Fund	8,990	65,207	62,845	11,352
Restricted Fund	345,000	180,971	155,971	370,000
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Restricted fund includes £250,000 strictly related to new building repair and maintenance fund.

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The following page does not form part of the statutory accounts.

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Detailed statement of financial activities

For the year ended 31 March 2025

	2025 £	2024 £
Incoming resources		
<i>Voluntary income</i>		
Donations	65,207	87,755
Grant – Dundee City Council	26,360	41,038
Grant – DC Thomson	10,000	-
Grant – Foundation Scotland	26,950	5,000
Grant – Robertson Trust	15,000	15,000
Grant – Rank Foundation	-	14,000
Grant - Other	5,350	6,223
Grant – Corra Foundation	-	6,000
Grant – NHS	10,000	9,750
Grant – Cycling UK	-	17,030
Grant – DVVA	-	6,994
Grant – Young Start	33,450	33,150
Grant – Gannochy Trust	10,000	10,000
Grant – HubHub Foundation	14,600	-
Grant – SW???	29,261	-
Grant – Youth Link	-	-
Grant – Northwood Trust	-	10,000
	246,178	261,940
Other income	34,643	29,381
Total incoming resources	280,821	291,321
Resources expended		
Wages and salaries	65,099	69,216
Rent payable	13,125	1,859
FLA sessional staff	24,695	22,840
Light & heat	39,114	28,516
Youth activities	19,984	19,694
Project development	76,577	98,349
Telephone & Internet	812	702
Office Expenses	3,576	5,827
Other costs	10,477	12,363
	253,459	259,366
Total cost of generating funds		
Charitable activities		
Net incoming resources for the year	27,362	31,955