

SkatePAL (SCIO)

Scotland · Charity number SC044815

Details

Status	Active
Legal form	SCIO (Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation)
Registered	2014-04-23
Register	View on the OSCR register

Contact

Address	89/1 McDonald Road Edinburgh EH7 4NA
Website	www.skatepal.co.uk

Activities

Activities: 'It carries out activities or services itself'

Purposes: 'the advancement of public participation in sport', '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', 'the relief of those in need by reason of age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage'

What the charity does: We support the local skate scene in Palestine through a number of ways. We work with new local skateboard organisations that we have helped develop. These groups run sessions at our locations across the West Bank. We also build skateparks and are working towards our new one next year. We showcase the skatescene through putting on events, films, and fundraising activities in the UK. We also sell merchandise collaborating with artists in the region, some of which is educational and cultural (for example: language book and cook book) to give more exposure to Palestinian cultural heritage.

Beneficiaries: 'Children or young people'

Objectives: The organisation is established for charitable purposes only, and in particular, the objects are the advancement of public participation in sport (skateboarding) for Palestinians living on the West Bank, and the provision of free recreational facilities primarily in areas where sporting facilities are not readily available to young people, with the object of improving the conditions of life for the persons for whom the facilities or activities are primarily intended. The secondary area of work is London, where SkatePal has its office, serving underprivileged young people in North London

Geography

- **Main operating location:** Outwith Scotland
- **Geographical spread:** UK and overseas

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£294,706	£311,876	-	6
2024-03-31	£184,467	£168,350	-	6
2023-03-31	£165,112	£167,909	-	6
2022-03-31	£139,649	£159,138	-	7
2021-03-31	£137,738	£115,116	-	7

Accounts

SkatePal SCIO

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**Trustees' Annual Report and Accounts
for the year ended 31 March 2025**

SkatePal SCIO

Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31 March 2025

The Trustees have pleasure in presenting their report and accounts for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Reference and administrative information

Principal address



Structure, governance and management

Governing Document

SkatePal was registered as a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation on 23 April 2014 and is governed by Constitution.

Recruitment and appointment of Trustees

Trustees are appointed or reappointed by the members at our AGM which is held in August each year.

Objectives and activities

Charitable Purposes

Our purposes are the advancement of public participation in sport (skateboarding) for Palestinians living on the West Bank, and the provision of free recreational facilities primarily in areas where sporting facilities are not readily available to young people, with the object of improving the conditions of life for the persons for whom the facilities or activities are primarily intended.

Activities and achievements

Continuation of Partnership with Skateboarding.PS and Gaza Skate Team

We had already been supporting Skateboarding.PS (SB.PS) and Gaza Skate Team (GST) before this year but we began regular monthly stipends to both organisations in 2024 to help them grow and have more independence. These two organisations carry out all the skateboard sessions / classes that happen in both the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

We stay in regular contact with both [REDACTED] who founded GST, and [REDACTED] who founded (SB.PS) and help them in terms of identifying and applying for capacity building, and equipment and hardware sourcing.

We also have regular weekly calls with [REDACTED] SB.PS to manage and assess all our programs in the West Bank, as well as his organisation.

Workshops at our office in Ramallah

SB.PS has run sessions in our office in Ramallah, both in woodworking and general boot camps where the local skaters come together to discuss how they can grow the skate scene in various ways. We have also managed to successfully ship directly to our office in Ramallah although not all shipments arrive.

New Skatepark site in Ramallah

We have finally secured land to build our flagship skatepark in Istiqlal park, Al-Bireh / Ramallah. We have been working with the Istiqlal park board over the past 6 months to agree on the scope and location of this skatepark, which will also include a basketball court, green space, and a container for a cafe / skate shop. SB.PS has started skateboard sessions in the park, preparing the young people for the opening of what will be our biggest skatepark yet.

Focus on shop income

We were unable to have any international volunteers head to Palestine this year for our programs and so we were not able to raise any funds through our usual volunteer fundraising again this year. We have continued to focus on our online shop, taking on an ex-volunteer, Tom Bird, as our creative director in April 2024. He made the Sahten Cookbook and has been working on designs and collaborations for new products in our shop. This has allowed us to make up a significant part of our budget without having to search out and apply for further grants.

Financial Review

We are pleased to report that our finances have remained steady again this year thanks to our shop sales.

We were not able to have volunteers out in Palestine for most of the year so the volunteer fundraising has decreased this year but we have made up for it with an increase in merchandise sales.

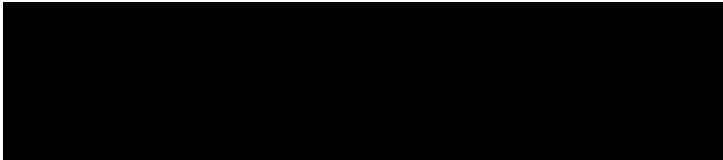
We are also grateful to those who have awarded us grants this year, which has made up 18% of our overall income. Our major grant givers were: the Berfred Foundation, and Betong Skateparks.

Reserves

SkatePal held unrestricted funds of £9,467.75 at the year end. SkatePal holds reserves primarily for the following reasons:

- 1) Unforeseen emergencies both in Palestine and in UK
- 2) If the funding budget for the year is not able to be met e.g. having to cancel the international volunteer program which would lead to a loss of fundraising for the charity.

Approved by the trustees on (16/12/25) and signed on their behalf by:



Date 07/12/25

APPENDIX 3



		Independent examiner's report on the accounts v2						
Report to the trustees/members of	Charity name	SkatePAL (SCIO)						
Registered charity number		SC044815						
On the accounts of the charity for the period	Period start date	Day	Month	Year	to	Day	Month	Year
		1	APRIL	2024		31	MARCH	2025
Set out on pages		(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 in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) 2005 Act 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 2006 Accounts Regulations. 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 view given by the accounts.							
Independent examiner's statement	In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention [other than that disclosed on the attached page*]							
	- 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							
	to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper account to be reached.							
Signed:						Date:	13 December 2025	
Name:								
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):	CHARTERED MEMBER OF THE INSTITUTE OF INTERNAL AUDITORS (CMIIA)							
Address:								

*Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply. If the words do apply, set out those matters which have come to your attention on the following page.

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Disclosure section

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material problems.

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

I have reviewed Skate 'AL' accounts and attached income and expenditure on a sample of receipts and invoices.

No issues identified and I am happy to sign off the accounts.

Receipts and Payments Account for the year ended 31 March 2025

		General Fund	Restricted Fund	Total funds 2025	Total funds 2024
Receipts	Note			£	£
Donations		23 812		23 812	37 872
Fundraising activities		5 325		5 325	11 754
Merchandise sales		203 589		203 589	86 846
Grants		8 567	1 366	9 933	31 244
Gift Aid		3 736		3 736	1 251
Reimbursements		4 780		4 780	4 677
Office Sublet					0
Fundraising for Gaza		13 531		13 531	0
Loans		30 000		30 000	0
Total Receipts		293 340	1 366	294 706	173 644
Payments				2025	2024
Fundraising expenses		3 813		3 813	4 045
Salaries and contractor fees		88 454		88 454	70 996
Pension Contributions		1 714		1 714	1 714
National Insurance		6 644		6 644	6 871
Staff expenses		6 000		6 000	7 913
ATM withdraws		120		120	662
Equipment, tools and materials		1 501		1 501	3 661
Project Engineering Services		0		0	2 831
Volunteers expenses		0		0	1 292
Volunteer housing		0		0	6 606
Merchandise Printing		94 820		94 820	32 349

Printing	100		100	130
Postage and Packaging	43 206		43 206	14 177
Customs	250		250	0
Office Equipment	712		712	1 428
Administration expenses	3 699		3 699	3 072
Office rent	18 789		18 789	8 182
Card / ATM transaction fees	26		26	59
Petty cash	0		0	0
Reimbursements	1 776		1 776	328
Loan Repayments	19 996		19 996	0
Gifts	555		555	406
Gaza Donations	19 701		19 701	0
Other Dontions	0		0	678
Olympic trip	0		0	950
Visa expenses	0		0	0
Total payments	311 876	0	311 876	168 350
Surplus (Deficit) for the year			17167	16118
Funds brought forward at 1 April 2024			26635	
Funds carried forward at 31 March 2025			9 468	

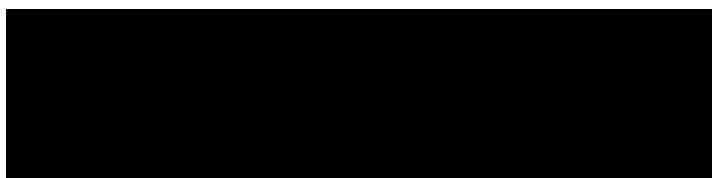
Statement of Balances as at 31 March 2025

	Note	Total funds 2025 £	Total funds 2024 £
<u>Bank and cash in hand</u>			
Bank		9 468	26 635
Cash		0	0
		9 468	26 635
<u>Other assets</u>			
Debtors		-	
<u>Liabilities</u>			
Creditors			

All funds are unrestricted.

The notes on page 7 are an integral part of these accounts.

Approved by the trustees on 16/12/25 and signed on their behalf by:



ate 16/12/25