



# Chairman's Report – for the year ending 31 May 2025

## Our Purpose

- To develop their individual and team football skills, and to develop their self-awareness, confidence, fitness and general social skills.
- We want to ensure that football remains inclusive and accessible to all children in Lauder.
- Furthermore, the health and well-being of our children is the club's paramount consideration.

## Our Objectives

- To provide a structured and safe environment for children and young people to learn and develop football skills.
- Promote personal, professional, and social well-being through football experiences, regardless of an individual's socio-economic status, age, gender, race ethnicity, national origin, religion, disability, or sexual orientation.
- To make football more accessible to girls and boys.
- To help children and young people learn skills and values for later life.
- To support our local community by taking part in events and making use of the resources and skills that we have available.

## Priorities for 2025

1. Secure the financial viability and future of the club
2. Grow the number of players and coaches
3. Create a sense of the pride in the club
4. Have good governance and controls in place

These priorities are managed through the Club Improvement Plan which has been updated for 2025.

## Key Highlights and Challenges in 2025

| HIGHLIGHTS   | CHALLENGES  |
|--|---|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Club has secured significant funding for projects</li><li>• Subscriptions are consistent and payments regular</li><li>• Regular income from solar panels</li><li>• Cash management is effective and bills paid on time</li><li>• Successful taster sessions for new girls players (P1/P2)</li><li>• Leadership of the club has been simplified</li><li>• Winter training plan is in place</li><li>• Better social media awareness</li><li>• Successful Cash 4 Kids fundraising</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• We lost some teams and created gaps in the pathways</li><li>• Still some property challenges (electricity, pumps)</li><li>• We need more people interested in coaching and helping</li><li>• Reliance on a small number of people for leadership</li><li>• We need more players in some groups</li><li>• There is no consistency in the team coaching approach</li><li>• Funding opportunities are harder to find</li></ul> |

## Financial Highlights



During the financial period of this report, the accounts have been managed effectively and maintained in credit.

- Total receipts for the year were £52,455 and payments of £63,173.
- The club recorded a deficit of £10,718 for the year, which was expected due to the completion of the pitch renewal project. This was a one-off cost and represents an investment in the long-term future of the club rather than an operational shortfall.
- Day-to-day income increased compared with the previous year, reflecting strong community and member support. The trustees are confident that the club remains in a stable financial position and will continue to rebuild reserves over the coming year.
- The Bank account is with Bank of Scotland with Border Accounting Services appointed as our accountants.

The Chairman is proposing these priorities for the new year.

**Proposed Priorities for 2026**

1. Grow the number of players, helpers and coaches
2. Create a sense of the pride in the club
3. Continue to manage the financial viability of the club
4. Have good governance and controls in place

  
 Chairman and signed on behalf of the Trustees (5 December 2025)

# Lauderdale Football Club

A Charity registered in Scotland

Scottish Charity Number **SC048349**

## Receipts and Payments Account Year ended 31 May 2025

|                              | <u>Note</u> | <u>2025</u>     | <u>2024</u>   |
|------------------------------|-------------|-----------------|---------------|
| <b><u>Receipts</u></b>       |             |                 |               |
| Fundraising                  | 1           | 37,833          | 18,096        |
| Charity Other                | 2           | 14,622          | 12,295        |
| <hr/>                        |             |                 |               |
| <b>Total Receipts</b>        |             | <b>52,455</b>   | <b>30,391</b> |
| <br><b><u>Payments</u></b>   |             |                 |               |
| Charity Other                | 3           | 63,173          | 23,220        |
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| <b><u>Total payments</u></b> |             | <b>63,173</b>   | <b>23,220</b> |
| <br>                         |             |                 |               |
|                              |             | <b>(10,718)</b> | <b>7,171</b>  |

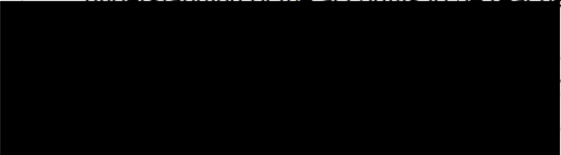

## Statement of Funds as at 31<sup>st</sup> May 2025

|                                      | <u>2025</u>  | <u>2024</u>   |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|---------------|
| Opening Bank                         | 16,745       | 9,579         |
| Surplus(-Deficit)                    | (10,718)     | 7,171         |
| <hr/>                                |              |               |
| Closing Bank at 31 <sup>st</sup> May | <b>6,027</b> | <b>16,745</b> |

Sign  
Club

on behalf of Lauderdale **Football**

Date **24/02/2025**

|  |   | Independent examiner's report on the accounts <span style="float: right;">v2</span> |      |    |                 |            |   |
|--|---|---|------|----|-----------------|------------|---|
| Report to the trustees/members of                        | Charity name  | Lauderdale Football Club  |      |    |                 |            |   |
| Registered charity number                                |   | SC048349  |      |    |                 |            |   |
| On the accounts of the charity for the period            | Period start date   |   |      |    | Period end date |            |   |
|  | Day   | Month   | Year |    | Day             | Month      | Year  |
|  | 01  | June  | 2024 | to | 31              | 05         | 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                         | <p>In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>to keep accounting records in accordance with section 44(1) (a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations, and</li> <li>to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations</li> </ul> </li> </ol> <p>have not been met, or</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.</li> </ol> |   |      |    |                 |            |   |
| Signed Name  |    |   |      |    | Date:           | 26/10/2025 |   |
| Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any): |   |   |      |    |                 |            |   |
| 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.

## 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**