

## **Edinburgh South Community Football Club SCIO**

### **Trustees' Annual Report and Accounts for the year ending 30 June 2025**

The trustees have pleasure in presenting their report together with the financial statements for the period from 1 July 2024 until the financial year end on 30 June 2025.

#### **Reference and Administrative information**

##### **Charity Name**

Edinburgh South Community Football Club SCIO (here in after referred to as ESCFC).

##### **Charity Number**

SCO48866

##### **Address**

Inch Park Community Sport Club, 227 Gilmerton Road, Edinburgh, EH16 5UD.

##### **Current Trustees**

Brian Waugh	Chair
Yusaf Sneddon	Chief Executive
Neil Hynd	Chief Financial Officer
Kelvin Hurd	Chief Operations Officer
Eilidh Carlisle	Child Protection Officer
Sean Barr	
Agne Celik	
John Paul Mason	
Gavin Edmonds	

### **Structure, Governance and Management Constitution**

ESCFC is a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (SCIO). It was registered in its current legal form on 23 November 2018. The Charity was previously an unincorporated association but changed its legal form to a SCIO. The assets of the unincorporated association were transferred to the SCIO on 23 November 2018. It has a two-tier structure which comprises members, junior members and the Board of Trustees.

### **Appointment of Trustees**

The management committee, who normally meet on the last Monday of each month, comprises the majority of the charity's trustees. Membership of the management committee is open to all full members of the charity who comprise Edinburgh South Community Football Club officials, adult players and all parents and guardians of children in the club.

Trustees are elected at the annual general meeting. There must be a minimum of seven and a maximum of fifteen trustees.

### **Objectives and Activities Charitable purposes**

The charity's objectives are to serve the Edinburgh South community and individuals by fostering and promoting educational, health, social and life skills, by working directly and laterally with peer organisations in these fields, and by using sport, exercise and leisure activities to achieve the charitable purpose of the:

- Advancement of Education
- Advancement of Community Development
- Relief of those in need by reason of age, ill health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage
- Advancement of public participation in sport
- Provision of recreational facilities

### **Activities**

Edinburgh South Community Football Club (ESCFC) provides inclusive football opportunities for boys and girls from age five upwards. With over 70 teams and more than 1,000 players, ESCFC is the largest youth football club in the East of Scotland and among the biggest in the country.

Beyond football training and matches, we continue to invest in community outreach through our dedicated Community Coach. This role focuses on increasing participation across girls' football, supporting elderly and disabled individuals, and building wider community connections, particularly through our partnership work with local schools and organisations.

### **Achievements and Performance**

Demand for places remains high across almost all age groups, and unfortunately many of our waiting lists remain closed. As a club, we remain committed to expanding capacity and increasing access wherever possible.

### **Facilities and Infrastructure**

We've made good progress on our long-term facilities ambitions. As part of its Inch Park masterplans, the City of Edinburgh Council has formally committed to allocating a full-sized floodlit astroturf pitch at the Nursery site to ESCFC, pending funding. And with our CAT of Morgans alongside taking on other sites and schools. Our facility at

Drum Park was selected for a kitchen upgrade as part of the Howden's Game Changer programme. This represents a huge step forward for the club and the community.

### **Community Wellbeing**

Our free Mental Health Counselling service continues to see strong demand, as does our free Physiotherapy support for members. Both services are vital in supporting player wellbeing on and off the pitch.

### **Education and Inclusion**

We continue to broaden access to football and development opportunities. Working with educational partners, a number of young people have completed Sports Participation and Performance qualifications. Our partnership with Team United continues to offer structured, supported football experiences for autistic children — all coaching staff involved hold the relevant training and qualifications. The club piloted an Employability Programme with 2 young people U18 coaches.

### **Holiday Camps and School Engagement**

Our community programme remains a key strength. Holiday camps — including multi-sport options — have run throughout the year and remain highly popular. Thanks to support from funders including Network Rail and the SFA, we've increased the number of fully funded places available to local children. We maintain strong links with local schools, supporting 10 primary schools and 3 high schools.

Our involvement ranges from delivering football activity at school events to hosting tournaments like the Primary P7 Girls Football Festival.

### **Access to Football**

Our free Soccer School for 5 to 7 year-olds continues to grow, with many children staying involved even before formal team places become available. Women's Recreational Football has gone from strength to strength, with several players now progressing into our competitive Women's team. We've also launched the SFA-supported Disney Playmakers Programme for younger girls, which is already creating a new pathway into the game.

### **Affordability and Support**

We're proud that, despite significant rising costs, we've held monthly subscription costs at the same level. For younger children, football remains entirely free, and our hardship fund continues to support families where needed. Discounts for siblings and multi-child households remain in place. All playing kit is provided as part of our standard membership and boot banks are available across our soccer school and community programmes — ensuring costs aren't a barrier to participation.

### **Charity and Outreach**

As part of our wider commitment to social impact, we continue to support a range of causes and initiatives:

- Foodbank collections supporting our local community
- Kits for Africa – donating used kit to grassroots clubs in Malawi
- Menopause Goals – hosted a course for club and community members, providing learning resources and support which can empower women experiencing perimenopause and menopause.

- Multi-Cultural Family Base – youth club sessions alongside our afterschool club to share resources & grow opportunities for young people
- Twilight programme & open community football sessions for young people afternoons and evenings after school across 3 High Schools
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### **Programme Highlights Summary (2024-25)**

Over the past year, ESCFC delivered more than 3,600 community sessions, reaching thousands of participants across youth programmes, holiday camps, and school activities. Average occupancy across programmes was around 70%, with several camps running at full capacity. Demand continues to exceed availability, reinforcing the need for expanded facilities.

### **Financial Review**

The Income and Expenditure accounts for the period 01 July 2024 to 30 June 2025 are reproduced overleaf. The auditors' certification is attached as an Appendix to this report.

### **Reserves Policy**

The Trustees' policy is to seek to ensure funds are sufficient to cover three months' worth of normal running costs in order to meet commitments and to cover any unexpected expenditure.

### **Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Edinburgh South Community Football Club**

I report on the accounts for the year ended 30 June 2025 set out on pages 3 to 4.

#### **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) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended). The charity's trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1)(a) to (c) 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 the independent examiner's report**

My examination was 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 seeking explanations from you as 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 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 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 to 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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Date: 31 March 2026

**Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) for the Year Ended 30 June 2025**

**Edinburgh South Community Football Club**  
**Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA)**  
*For the Year Ended 30 June 2025*

Description	2025 (£)			2024 (£)
	Unrestricted (£)	Restricted (£)	Total (£)	
Donations and legacies	19,346	-	19,346	5,034
Charitable activities – ESCFC	184,077	11,187	195,264	257,065
Grants and fundraising	-	145,156	145,156	147,831
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>203,423</b>	<b>156,343</b>	<b>359,766</b>	<b>409,930</b>
Raising funds	818	-	818	4,031
Charitable activities	327,375	97,837	425,212	340,620
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>328,193</b>	<b>97,837</b>	<b>426,030</b>	<b>344,652</b>
<b>Net income / (expenditure)</b>	<b>(124,770)</b>	<b>58,506</b>	<b>(63,715)</b>	<b>65,278</b>
Total funds brought forward	95,261	-	95,261	29,983
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>	<b>(29,509)</b>	<b>58,506</b>	<b>31,546</b>	<b>95,261</b>

The financial statements were approved by the executive committee the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026 and were signed on its behalf by:

*Kelvin Hurd*

Kelvin Hurd - Trustee 31 March 2026

Statement of Balances of 30 June 2025

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**Balance Sheet**

*As at 30 June 2025*

<b>Assets &amp; Liabilities</b>	<b>30.6.25 (£)</b>	<b>30.6.24 (£)</b>
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>		
Cash at bank and in hand	55,256	118,971
<b>CREDITORS</b>		
Creditors (due within one year)	(23,710)	(23,710)
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>	<b>31,546</b>	<b>95,261</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>	<b>31,546</b>	<b>95,261</b>
Unrestricted funds	(29,509)	95,261
Restricted funds	58,506	-
<b>Total funds</b>	<b>31,546</b>	<b>95,261</b>

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**Statement of Balances**

*As at 30 June 2025*

<b>Represented by cash at bank balances:</b>	<b>Unrestricted (£)</b>	<b>Restricted (£)</b>	<b>Total (£)</b>
Opening bank balances at 01 July 2024	118,971	-	<b>118,971</b>
Surplus / (Deficit) for the year 30 June 2025	(124,770)	58,506	<b>(63,715)</b>
<b>Closing bank balances at 30 June 2025</b>	<b>(5,799)</b>	<b>61,055</b>	<b>55,256</b>

## **Edinburgh South Community Football Club**

### **Notes to the Financial Statements** **for the Year Ended 30 June 2025**

#### **1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

##### **Basis of preparing the financial statements**

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) '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 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, with the exception of investments which are included at market value.

##### **Income**

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

##### **Expenditure**

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

##### **Taxation**

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.