

African Collaboration Group

Annual Account Report December 2025

Jerviston Community Centre, Coalhall Avenue

Motherwell,

ML1 4BU

Receipts and payments Account the year ending 31 December 2025

	Unrestricted Funds 25 £	Restricted Funds 25 £	Total Funds 25 £
Receipts			
NLC	0	33263.41	
Scottish Refugee Council	0	750	
Robertson Trust	14000	0	
A4A	0	20000	
Motherwell Redemption Church	3840		
NHS event payment	0	700	
Voluntary Action	2972		
Hall hire	6275		
Bank Interest Received	7	0	
Total Receipts	27094	54713.41	81807.41
Payments	£	£	£
A4A			
Centre Manager salary	0	6392.92	
Coffee Morning	0	0	
Parent fitness Exercise	0	1000	
Monitoring /Evaluation	0	0	
Total	0	7392.92	7392.92
NLC (GAP)			
Food Supply	0	7,875	
MH awareness	0	0	
Program costs	0	0	
Total	0	7875	7875
NLC (EMPLOYEMENT)			
Salary	0	19150.5	
Program costs	0	0	

NLC Consortium FUND	Total	0	19150.5	19150.5
		0	2750	
		0	0	
NLC empower	Total	0	2750	2750
	Business Plan	0	0	
	Condition survey	0	1000	
	valuation	0	0	
	Com Engagement	0	0	
Robertson Trust	Total	0	1000	1000
	Salary centre manager	2080	0	
		0	0	
S R C FESTIVAL	Total	2080	0	2080
	Hall hire	0	100	
	Refreshment	0	620	
	Publicity	0	30	
	Total	0	750	750
Ethin Min Dev Fund	Diversity pro co	0	8443.47	
	Volunteer Costs	0	0	
	Total	0	8443.47	8443.47
CENTRE Maintenance	Maintenance	12166	0	
	Alarm Cost	667.44	0	
	North Lanarkshire Rent	9360.45		
	Cleaning Mat	0	0	

	Plumbing	0	0	
	Internet	734.4	0	
	Telephone	628	0	
	Water	2324.47	0	
	Energy bill	6000	0	
	Total	31880.76	0	31880.8
Total Payment		33960.76	47361.89	81322.7
	Surplus/Deficit of the year	-6866.76	7351.52	484.76
Balance of the fund brought forward		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
Statement of balance as at 31-Dec-25		Fund	Fund	Fund
		2025	2025	2025
	Opening Balance	5721.54	15390.74	22112.28
	Surplus/Deficit of the year	-6866.76	7351.52	484.76
	Closing balance	-1145.22	22742.26	22597.04
	Cash in hands	0	0	0
Represented by	Cash in Bank	-1145.22	22742.26	22597.04

Notes for restricted fund:

The African Collaboration Group continues to strengthen community wellbeing through a range of inclusive, culturally responsive initiatives delivered at the Jerviston Community Centre. Indoor Sports Initiative for Adults and Parents, which provides accessible opportunities for people to stay active, socialise, and maintain their physical and emotional wellbeing. These sessions cater to diverse interests and create a welcoming environment where adults can build confidence, reduce stress, and enjoy lifelong fitness regardless of weather or time constraints.

Through our Grant Award Program, we address pressing community challenges such as mental health, environmental sustainability, and food insecurity. Our Mental Health and Wellbeing Awareness sessions offer a safe, supportive space for individuals to discuss personal challenges and access professional guidance. Our commitment to sustainability is reflected in the installation of a Zero-Emission Heating System, reducing our carbon footprint and contributing to a healthier environment. Meanwhile, the Morning Breakfast Initiative tackles food insecurity by providing nutritious, affordable meals for children and low-income families.

The EMDF Project Coordinator is developing a long-term plan to run the centre as a fully functioning Community Resource Hub, offering access to computer labs, digital support, and social spaces that encourage networking, relationship-building, and community learning. We also provide meaningful volunteer opportunities, including charity drives and community service roles that empower residents to give back and make a positive impact.

Awards for All; Funding a Centre manager post for Jerviston Community Centre to serve as a safe space where local communities and refugees come together for integration purposes, fostering community development.

It emerges as a vital resource, not only addressing immediate needs such as health and cultural integration but also promoting long-term community development. Through its diverse range of initiatives, the centre actively contributes to building a strong, inclusive, and culturally rich community in Jerviston.

The Scottish Refugee Festival grant strengthened our ability to foster cross-cultural understanding and connection.

Date 20/05/2026



Vatican Kayembe – Treasure

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DATE 31 December 2025

Governing document

African Collaboration Group is governed by its constitution, 20/11/2025.

Membership and management

List number of management committee members

The business of the **AFRICAN COLLABORATION GROUP** is directed by a management committee comprising between **3** and **5** members, appointed by the members at the Annual General Meeting to serve for one year, all being eligible for re-election. The committee meets not less than **4** times a year.

A chairperson, secretary and treasurer are appointed by the management committee; no person may hold any office for more than **3** years. The management committee may co-opt up to **3** further members, where deemed necessary, to serve until the following AGM.

List of all committee members and office bearers, with dates of appointment

Current trustees

Those currently serving as members of the management committee are:-

Aubin Mwenze Chairperson -- 31/12/2022

Mwamba Kande Secretary - 31/12/2022

Vatican Kayembe Treasure – 31/12/2022

Tracy Irvine Vice Secretary – 31/12/2022

Albert Mukeya Vice Treasure – 31/12/2022

Resignation

Anyone else? When did they resign?

No one resigned yet

Contact address

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Charitable purposes

The organisation's purposes are:

- 1 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.
- 2 The advancement of citizenship or community development.
- 3 The advancement of the arts, culture, heritage or science.
- 4 Advancing the prevention or relief of poverty, promoting education, and fostering equality and diversity.

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31/12/2025**

List of activities and achievements of the group

1. community engagement,
2. mental health and wellbeing,
3. poverty reduction,
4. Environmental initiatives.
5. Overhead costs and maintenance of the centre.

Finance

NLC Consortium – £2,750 (parent exercises): Supported weekly parent exercise sessions that improved physical wellbeing, reduced isolation, and created a safe, social space for families to connect and build confidence.

Scottish Refugee Council – £750 (refugee festival): Enabled participation in the Refugee Festival, showcasing cultural heritage, strengthening community pride, and increasing visibility of refugee voices through creative, inclusive activities.

NLC GAP – £7,875 (morning breakfast): Funded daily breakfast sessions offering nutritious food, routine, and a welcoming environment that reduced food insecurity and encouraged regular community engagement.

NLC Family Employability – £26,353.61 (employment placement): Supported tailored employability pathways, including placements, coaching, and skills development, helping families' progress toward stable work and increased financial independence.

Community Grant – £1,000 (community coffee): Enabled weekly community coffee gatherings that fostered connection, reduced loneliness, and created an accessible entry point for wider support and activities.

Robertson Trust – £1,400 (centre manager): Contributed to the centre manager role, strengthening coordination, safeguarding, and operational leadership to ensure high-quality, community-led service delivery.

EMDF – £1,250 (diversity coordinator): Supported a diversity coordinator to embed culturally responsive practice, improve inclusion, and ensure programmes reflect the needs of diverse community groups.

Room hire – £14,694.50 (maintenance and cleaning): Generated essential income to cover cleaning, repairs, and building upkeep, ensuring the centre remained safe, functional, and welcoming for all users.

Unrestricted

During the reporting period, funding from The Robertson Trust to support the Centre Manager post greatly increased the African Collaboration Group's ability to operate Jerviston Community Centre on a day-to-day basis. Having a dedicated manager allowed the Centre to remain open, well organised, and welcoming, providing a safe space where local residents and refugee communities could meet, build relationships, and support one another.

The Centre continued to respond to immediate community needs, including wellbeing support, reducing isolation, and encouraging cultural inclusion. A range of regular activities helped bring people together, strengthened relationships between different groups, and created more opportunities for local people to take part in community life. This support has contributed to a more connected and inclusive community in Jerviston.

Unrestricted income was also used to help sustain the Centre. Income from hall hire for community events, celebrations, and local councilor surgeries provided valuable flexible funding. Hosting partner services, including the Citizens Advice Bureau, helped residents' access essential advice locally and strengthened links between community organisations.

Trustees identified ongoing challenges linked to the building, particularly an outdated and inefficient electrical system. High energy costs continue to place pressure on limited

unrestricted funds. As a result, improving energy efficiency and moving towards a zero-emission heating and energy system has been identified as an important future priority to help keep the Centre affordable and sustainable.

Reserves and Risk Management

The Trustees monitor the organisation reserves to ensure the charity can meet its basic running costs and respond to unexpected issues. Unrestricted reserves are kept at a modest level to manage risks such as rising energy costs, changes in funding, and essential building repairs. Trustees regularly review key risks and take practical steps to reduce them, including seeking new funding, controlling costs, and planning for future improvements. These actions help ensure the charity remains stable and able to continue delivering public benefit.

The report was approved by the trustees on 20/05/2026

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Reserves

The balances held by the Group at 31/12/2025 comprise: -

Is £ 22597.04

The accounts for the year are attached and form part of this report.

The report was approved by the trustees on

and signed on their behalf

Aubin Mwenze.....

Name – Chairperson

Vatican Kayembe ...

Name - Treasurer

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF AFRICAN
COLLABORATION GROUP**

OPERATING AS CONSTITUTED COMMUNITY GROUP

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31/12/2025, which are set out on pages 2 to 3.

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 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

2. To which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the account to be reached.

Name: **Muhammad Nasir Siddique**

Professional Body: IFA

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10 Allison Street, Glasgow, G42 8NN

Signed: 

Date: 20/05/2026

