



AFRISTYLE DANCE CLUB SCIO
Trustees' Annual Report
Period for the year ending 31st May 2026

Scottish Charity No - SC053364

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TikTok: <https://www.tiktok.com/@afristyledance.club>

OUR PROJECTS

Healthy Food Campaign and easy budget

Dance for health/ Health matters project

Youth mental health support awareness Project

Mentoring programme

Therapeutic care project

Teen support tips and Workshop/ project

Journey of Afristyle

Afristyle Dance Club was founded in 2019. Afristyle Dance Club emerged from a shared passion for dance and a commitment to fostering a vibrant, inclusive community. Our mission is to provide an accessible environment where young people are nurtured and encouraged to thrive through the transformative art of dance. What began as a simple vision has blossomed into a dynamic space where youth come together to express themselves, celebrate, and embrace the rich diversity of African and Afro-inspired dance styles. Our journey started with a group of dedicated dancers who united in a small church hall, driven by our love for African dance, from Afrobeat to Azonto, Kupe to Shaku, and beyond. We firmly believe in the power of dance to transcend boundaries and cultures, as we strive to build something truly special for our community.

Where We Are

What began as a small group of dance enthusiasts has grown into a thriving community of dancers from varied primary and secondary schools in Aberdeen, with other high skill levels. We have expanded our repertoire to include a wide range of dance styles, offering cooking and leadership classes and workshops that cater to dancers, even have extended to parents.

Afristyle dance club is a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (SCIO) based in Aberdeen Scotland, that provides recreational activities/facilities with the object of improving the life of the persons for whom the activities are primarily intended and encourages public participation and learning. We promote African culture, equality and diversity. We offer dance instructions and other services, work in partnership with community organisations, schools, teachers, GP, families, elderly in care homes and community groups.

Benefits- Afristyle uses dancing to support young people to overcome anxiety, low esteem hence to become more self-confident, connect and reduce cardiovascular diseases. Our therapeutic Dance Art with the elderly will bring dance art to the care home, improve their strength, mental health and relieve any stresses.

We believe that giving young people the experience of presenting their work to an audience (performing on stage) builds their self-esteem and confidence, reduces gangs and gaming addiction.

Our club has become a hub for cultural exchange, where friendships have blossomed, and creativity flourished. We've had the privilege of participating in numerous dance events, collaborating with other dance clubs, schools, council, children and counselling services and other organizations. We even showcase our talents at cultural festivals like at "Iwa ji", "Igba mgba" and other community events. Afristyle Dance Club has become a place where the joy of dance knows no boundaries. Afristyle currently travel around UK to perform.

Project Highlights

Afristyle Highlights from 2025/2026 – Events and Engagement

- **16 June** – *Trip to Glasgow with the stars– Young Scot Awards as Finalists – Entertainment and Culture Award*
- **23 June** – Afristyle opened the Diversity week with African Day at the St Joseph’s School Aberdeen. Dancing moment, storytelling, and education
- **28 June** - Afri-cultural Concert at the Aberdeen Art Gallery
A full-circle cultural celebration that closed the 2025 season. Launching of KidsEntrepreneu and Skill Club. Mini concert at different care homes...

August 2025

- **16 August** – *Our Stars as performing Artists at the Iwa ji festival.*
- **23rd August** – Celebrate Aberdeen Parade
- **Open Day with school resumption**

September 2025

- **10th September** – Food In Focus - Healthy food Campaign and Quick Budgeting
- **14th September** – *Omenala Ndi Imo Performance by Afristyle Stars*

October 2025

- **10th October** – Cultural Day African Workshop at Oldmachar School Aberdeen
- **18th October** – *Online Workshop All Lives Matter – Black History Month Celebration*
Celebrating unity, heritage, and Black excellence through dance.

December 2025

- **3 December** – *Career Day at St Peter RC School, Aberdeen*
Afristyle participates in inspiring future leaders.
- **5th December** – End of year Zumba and Afrobeat Dance for parents
- **6th December** – Performance at Crosby Care Home VSA
- **13 December** – *Afristyle Gala and Award Night 2024*
A glamorous evening celebrating our stars, achievements, and supporters.

2026 Events

- **12 January 2026** – *Emerge 3rd position for Tesco Strong Start Project*
- **12 February** - *Valentine Disco – Organised by Afristyle Stars*
- **11 February** – *Afristyle presenting a dance workshop promoting health and wellness on International Day of Women and Girls in Science.*
- **12 March** – Dance Diversity Workshop in collaboration with Grampian Regional Equality Council
- **29 March** – *Mums With Moves – Part 2 (Mother’s Day Edition)*
Honoring International Women Day with dance and community.
- **30 April** – *Performance at Norwood Hotels by the Stars*
Showcasing strength in culture, partnership and unity.
- **2 May** – Grampian Well Being Festival in collaboration with NHS, NIIA, AHSCP
- **3 May** – Performance at Airy Hall for Deput Uniform Fundraising with NIIA
- **23 May** - Performance at Bishops House for Birthday and Fundraising Event
- **2 June** – End of Dance session Disco
- **6 June** – Performance at Croydon, London Golden Jubilee Event

1.0 Structure, Governance and Management Constitution

Afristyle dance club is a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (SCIO) based in Aberdeen Scotland. As a charity, we have a single tier structure constitution and as such the trustees are the members of the organisation management board have agreed upon. Trustees are three and are elected at the annual general meeting every two years. Trustees who resign as per this policy may be re-elected. We offer the youths interactive supportive career development networking, coaching varied historical dance styles from different cultural heritage to develop varied dance skills, educate and promote self-esteem of individuals and improve health and wellbeing. We have the parents groups too and offer mini-concert to care homes.

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2.0 Objectives and Activities Charitable purposes

The organisation's purposes are The advancement of the Arts & Culture:

In order to further this purpose we;

4.1 Promoting and providing instruction in dance

4.2 Encouraging public participation of children and Young people and their families in dance performance

4.3 Working in partnership with other bodies to achieve the purposes.

4.4 Advancement of Health.

To Advance health, and relieve those in need by reason of ill health, particularly children, young people, women, and families in Aberdeen and surrounding areas, including African and minority ethnic communities and those experiencing isolation or financial hardship, by

a. Providing regular Afro dance and physical activity sessions to improve fitness and wellbeing.

b. Delivering culturally appropriate wellbeing programmes which reduce loneliness, anxiety, and low mood.

c. Offering healthy lifestyle workshops addressing nutrition, physical activity, and prevention of diseases affecting public health.

d. Providing accessible programmes, including subsidised or free provision, for those experiencing disadvantage.

4.5 Advancement of Education

To advance education for the public benefit, particularly in Aberdeen and surrounding areas, by promoting African arts, heritage, and culture, and by developing skills, creativity, and leadership among children and young people, by

a. Delivering structured dance and arts education programmes in schools and community settings.

b. Providing workshops on African history, culture, music, and storytelling.

c. Supporting personal development through leadership, volunteering, and structured progression opportunities

3.0 Our Organizational Vision

Creating an inclusive environment where young people thrive through dancing and artistry to build their self-esteem and develop skills.

Our Organizational Mission: To create wider opportunity to support our community by partnering to build a world where all young adults meet, have fun and share common interest and lighten our audience. Promoting equality, diversity and inclusion.

4.0 Challenges

All the not-for-profit organisation work is being conducted by volunteer organisation -work is being conducted by members of the management board (who are unpaid volunteers). The organisation is still has limited resource, there is fear of uncertainty of our ability to raise funds to continue serving our projects. As an organisation, the board of trustees shall continue to look at means to raise fund in as much as actively applying to organizations and government to seek for support towards our projects to meet our charitable purpose.

5.0 Referrals

Our service incorporates members of the local community from diverse background not limited to the BAME race. Young people are referred to the service through Self-Referral, Schools, General Practice Surgeries, and other relevant third sector organizations.

6.0 Belonging and Invigorating

Afristyle has succeeded in using dancing to support varied young people to overcome anxiety, low esteem hence to become more self-confident, connect, reduce isolation, break down personal barriers and to have fun and feel comfortable. We give the opportunities to engage emotionally and practically with both creating and performing dance arts. Our dance art has grown from Aberdeen to Aberdeenshire. Afristyle uses person centered care approach, and offering activity choices. The use of the cyclical process has helped us in managing our various initiatives, project development and policies to reach our goals...

7.0 Staffing

All the organisation management work is being carried out by volunteers some are members of the management board (who are unpaid volunteers). Afristyle SCIO hopes to employ staff – an operational Coordinators, funding permitting. This staff will work together with the trustees to direct Afristyle towards achieving its goals.

Our volunteers are over 30 helpers who understand their duty of care, protecting our users from abuse, harm and providing best practice by creating a safe environment for the children in their care and give parents and carers confidence that their child is in a safe activity. Participation in cultural activities such as dance is known to promote educational progress and achievement across curriculum.

We aspire to provide a place where young people are nurtured to be the best version of themselves by participating in cultural activities , thereby promoting inclusivity, equality and diversity, respect, tolerant, and self-awareness through mentoring, workshops and how the young people deal with their emotions and mental wellness.

Strengthening and worrying concerns of young adults' future that parents face, such as loneliness, social exclusion, negative stereotyping, bullying, and low self-esteem especially among the ethnic minority group. We are concern about parents and community losing teens to gangs due to anti-social behaviours.

Afristyle volunteers (under volunteer Scotland disclosure-services) agree to responsible constraints around providing emotional support, advice and mentoring to ensure we are clear about when and where to report concerns and/or ensure we have adequate competence for the support are delivering of care, with safeguarding in place.

Abiding with the Child Protection Policy and in compliance with the National Guidance for Child Protection in Scotland and Aberdeen City Council. Opportunities are designed around our organisational purpose however, open to all within the stated parameters in compliance with the Equalities Act 2010.

8.0 Office Space

We currently have an office space - Unit 2a (1st floor) Altec Centre, Minto drive, Aberdeen, AB12 3LW. Afristyle has had over free 4000 hours dance classes for the youths, and about 2500 for the parents. Our dance classes hold weekly from 18.00 to 19.00 pm every Tuesday, Thursday , and Saturdays @ 11:15 am with adult and children sessions at different times and days.. Other days for our different workshops like leadership and cooking skills,

9.0 Trainings

Our volunteers undergo disclosure Scotland and induction training prior to working with the young people. The young people get a buddy on joining the group. We promote peer-support group and coach them on leadership skills. Our charity provide Safeguarding training for the volunteers and Child protection policy is in place.

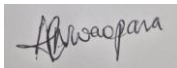
10.0 Plans and future Aspirations

While we celebrate our achievements and plan thus. Our aspirations are grand, and our vision very clear. We aim to continue expanding and advancing, offering even more diverse dance styles and opportunities for our members and community.

Future outlook includes;

1. To expand our reach to wider audience. This includes hosting frequent outreach programs in schools, educating on African day, care homes, community centers, and retirement homes, making dance accessible to all. We need more volunteers.
2. Aspire for diverse and deepen cultural exchange efforts by participating in other international dance festivals and progresses from traditional African dances to pop / contemporary fusion.
3. Committed to giving back to our community by working in partnership with other bodies to achieve the purposes such as NSPCC, CAMS, NHS Inform, Community planning, Aberdeen City Health and Social Care Services and Health and Wellbeing Board.
4. Committed to promoting healthy lifestyle and wellbeing by organizing charity events and fundraisers to support causes that matter to us.
5. Plan to invest in better State-of-the-Art Facilities in our new space: dance and other facilities, ensuring that our members have the best possible space to express themselves.

Assumpta Nwaopara



Chairperson Board of Trustee

31th July 2026

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Afristyle Dance Club SCIO

Receipts and payments accounts							
For the period from	Period start date			to	Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
	1	June	2025		31	May	2026

Section A Statement of receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Expendable endowment funds	Permanent endowment funds	Total funds current period	Total funds last period
	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
A1 Receipts						
Donations	2,300	2,500			4,800	2,000
Legacies					-	
Grants	4,000	7,200			11,200	7,200
Receipts from fundraising activities	5,000				5,000	1,800
Gross trading receipts	2,397				2,397	
Income from investments other than land and buildings					-	
Rents from land & buildings					-	
Gross receipts from other charitable activities	5,200				5,200	
					-	
A1 Sub total	18,897	9,700	-	-	28,597	11,000
A2 Receipts from asset & investment sales						
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets					-	
Proceeds from sale of investments					-	
A2 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	18,897	9,700	-	-	28,597	11,000
A3 Payments						
Telecommunication and office cost	540				540	648
Promotional cost	150				150	600
Insurance	350				350	350
Mileage/Travel	900				900	2,400
Bank charges	100				100	120
Computer/software cost	300				300	350
Professional subscription	200				200	350
Arts and crafts	250				250	350
Catering	948				948	4,650
Website / Marketing	500				500	450
Expenses for charitable activities / projects	200	1,000			1,200	1,800
Gross trading payments	100				100	
Investment management costs					-	
General Assistant hire					-	2,800
Payments relating directly to charitable activities	400				400	2,854
Volunteer costs	500				500	1,200
Grants and donations	700	7,650			8,350	2,300
Governance costs:	30				30	130
Audit / independent examination	100				100	150
Preparation of annual accounts	150				150	100
Legal costs					-	
Other		550			550	600
					-	
A3 Sub total	6,418	9,200	-	-	15,618	22,202
A4 Payments relating to asset and investment movements						
Purchases of fixed assets					-	
Purchase of investments					-	
A4 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	6,418	9,200	-	-	15,618	22,202
Net receipts / (payments)	12,479	500	-	-	12,979	(11,202)
A5 Transfers to / (from) funds						
					-	
Surplus / (deficit) for year	12,479	500	-	-	12,979	(11,202)

Afristyle Dance Club SCIO							
Section B Statement of balances							
Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Expendable endowment funds	Permanent endowment funds	Total current period	Total last period
		to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cash and bank balances at start of year	(11,202)				(11,202)	(11,202)
	Surplus / (deficit) shown on receipts and payments account	12,979				12,979	-
						-	
						-	
	Cash and bank balances at end of year	1,777	-	-	-	1,777	(11,202)