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Trustees' Annual Report for the period							
	Period start date				Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
From	01	04	2025	To	31	03	2026

Reference and administration details

Charity name	Fife Steel Basketball Club
Other names charity is known by	
Registered charity number	SC050337
Charity's principal address	27a Alexandra Street
	Kirkcaldy
	Postcode KY1 1HG

Names of the charity trustees on date of approval of Trustees' Annual Report

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Ross Hugh	Chairperson		
2	Malc Foy	Secretary		
3	Stephen Foy	Men Player Lead		
4	Willie Thomson	Development Officer		
5	David Bellfield	Treasurer		
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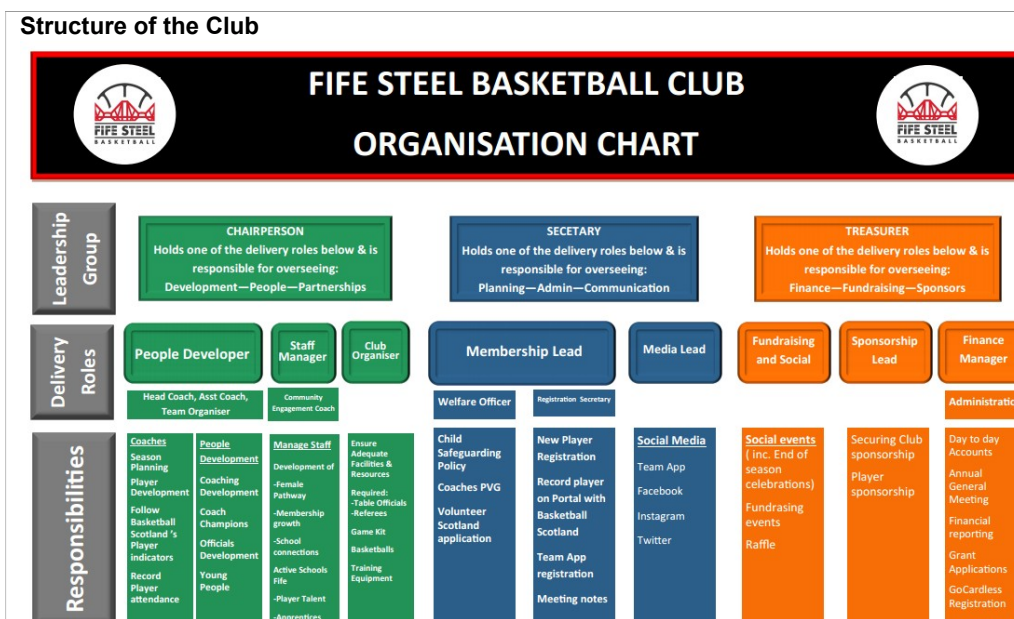
Reference and administration details

Names of all other charity trustees during the period, if any, (for example, those who resigned part way through the financial period)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Structure, governance and management

Type of governing document



Our Vision

To be the forefront of competitive basketball development, across all ages, while ensuring a focus that maintains our core values, on and off the court, contributing to serving the social good of our members and the community throughout Kirkcaldy and Central Fife.

Our Mission

To be an ambitious basketball club with enthusiastic membership. We aim to main a strong co-operative relationship with local community, with a vie to ensure we contribute to be a successful community-based sports club.

Our Values

S portsmanship, T eamwork, E njoyment, E nthusiasm, L eadership

With a strong focus on respect and value for diversity we seek to encourage a broad-based participative membership, so that existing (and former) club player, coaches, officials, family and friends can contribute to the club's success. With a commitment to developing players of all ages, while also providing an environment where more recreational and senior players can enjoy their game, the club aims to capitalise on its broad base membership to build a stronger presence and able to 'give back' to these communities.

Trustee recruitment and appointment

Members of the Management Committee are appointed from within the club's membership. Candidates for election are normally elected by paper ballot at the Annual General Meeting and, once elected, serve as Charity Trustees from the close of that AGM until the close of the following AGM. All nominations for election must be submitted in writing, seconded, and made with the consent of the nominee. Nominations must be received by the Secretary no later than fourteen days before the AGM. Where a position is uncontested, it may be filled by nomination and election at the AGM. The Secretary will circulate a list of all valid nominations to members no less than 21 days before the AGM.

Objectives and activities

Charitable purposes

Fife Steel Basketball Club's charitable purpose is to advance public participation in sport and healthy recreation by providing structured, accessible and inclusive basketball opportunities for people of all ages, backgrounds and abilities. The club supports this purpose through coaching, player development, school engagement, community outreach and wider participation programmes which encourage physical activity, improve health and wellbeing, and promote positive social connections. Through basketball, the club aims to develop confidence, teamwork, leadership, discipline and resilience, while creating pathways for children, young people, adults and families to participate, progress and contribute to their community. The club is committed to providing a safe, welcoming and inclusive environment that promotes equality, strengthens community cohesion and delivers lasting benefit across Kirkcaldy, Central Fife and the wider area.

Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects

During the 2025–2026 financial period, Fife Steel Basketball Club continued to deliver a broad and inclusive programme of activities aligned with its charitable purposes of increasing participation in sport, promoting healthy recreation, supporting personal development and strengthening community connections.

The club provided regular basketball coaching and training opportunities for children, young people and adults, supporting players of different ages, abilities and experience levels. These sessions helped improve physical fitness, confidence, teamwork, discipline and resilience, while creating a safe and welcoming environment for members and their families.

Working with local schools and community partners remained a key part of the club's work. The club delivered school-based taster sessions, community engagement activities, holiday basketball camps, girls-only sessions and walking basketball opportunities, helping to reduce barriers to participation and encourage wider access to basketball across Kirkcaldy, Central Fife and the surrounding area.

The club also supported competitive and recreational pathways, enabling players to develop their skills, take part in organised fixtures and competitions, and remain actively involved in positive sporting activity. These opportunities contributed to improved health and wellbeing, positive social interaction and a stronger sense of belonging within the club community.

In March 2026, the club will further its charitable aims through a cultural and sporting visit to Ingolstadt in Germany, Kirkcaldy's twin town. This international visit will provide players, coaches and volunteers with the opportunity to experience basketball in a different cultural setting, build friendships, share learning and strengthen links between the two communities. The visit reflects the club's commitment to using sport as a means of promoting inclusion, education, cultural understanding and wider community engagement.

Overall, the club's activities during the year supported its objectives by providing accessible basketball opportunities, encouraging active lifestyles, developing life skills and creating meaningful connections for members, families, schools and the wider community.

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the financial period

During the 2025–2026 financial period, Fife Steel Basketball Club continued to make strong progress in delivering inclusive basketball opportunities across Kirkcaldy, Central Fife and the wider community. The club demonstrated resilience, commitment and adaptability while continuing to provide high-quality coaching, school engagement and community-based activities for children, young people and adults.

A key achievement during the year was the club's continued work with local schools. This included curriculum basketball sessions at Balwearie High School and a range of four-week taster programmes in local primary schools. These activities introduced more young people to basketball, encouraged participation in sport and helped build confidence, teamwork and positive attitudes to physical activity.

The club also secured external support from sportscotland for the fourth and final year of its funding programme. This enabled the club to continue funding its Community Engagement Officer role, strengthening links with communities across Kirkcaldy, Glenrothes, Leven and surrounding areas. Through this role, the club delivered holiday camps, community sessions and walking basketball, broadening access to the sport for people of different ages, abilities and experience levels.

The club's free girls-only basketball sessions were another important success, helping younger players develop skills, confidence and friendships in a supportive environment. Seasonal events, including the Christmas Festive Fun Event, brought together players, families and volunteers through basketball activities, mini-games, shooting challenges and fundraising activities, reinforcing the club's welcoming and family-centred approach.

Competitive and recreational participation remained central to the club's achievements. Players took part in training, fixtures and end-of-season activities, culminating in final competition games and the Annual Awards Ceremony at the June AGM. The ceremony recognised the efforts and achievements of more than 100 players and parents, celebrating progress on and off the court and the strong sense of belonging within the club.

During the year, the club also progressed plans for a cultural and sporting trip to Ingolstadt in Germany, Kirkcaldy's twin town. This visit will provide players, coaches and volunteers with the opportunity to experience basketball in an international setting, learn about another culture and build positive links between the two twinned communities. The trip supports the club's wider aims of promoting inclusion, education, friendship and personal development through sport.

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Fife Steel Basketball Club aims to maintain an appropriate level of unrestricted reserves to support the ongoing stability, resilience and effective management of the charity. The Trustees recognise the importance of holding sufficient funds to meet essential operating costs, manage cash flow, respond to unforeseen expenditure and protect the continuity of the club's charitable activities in the event of delays or reductions in income.

The target level of reserves is reviewed annually by the Trustees, having regard to the club's planned programmes, financial commitments, grant funding arrangements, operating risks and future development priorities. Reserves are not held unnecessarily; where funds are available above the level required for prudent financial management, they are applied to further the club's charitable purposes, including basketball development, community engagement, school programmes and activities which benefit members and the wider community.

This reserves policy enables the charity to remain financially responsible and sustainable, while ensuring that resources continue to be used effectively to maximise public benefit and support participation, inclusion and development through basketball.

Details of any deficit

The funds are currently in deficit as a result of the club's continued investment in high-quality programmes, community activities and essential operating costs during a period of rising expenditure and reduced grant income. The Club and Trustees recognise the importance of maintaining close financial oversight and will continue to monitor expenditure carefully, review costs regularly and ensure that resources are used effectively in support of the charity's objectives.

Additionally, the Trustees agreed that maintaining programme continuity for children, young people, and families was a priority, even if it required drawing slightly on reserves. This approach ensured that no sessions were cancelled, community engagement remained strong, and participation continued to grow.

Alongside this careful control of expenditure, the Club and Trustees will work to generate a steady and sustainable income through membership, fundraising, grants, community support and other appropriate income streams. This approach is intended to address the current deficit, strengthen the club's financial position and support future growth while continuing to deliver positive outcomes for members, families and the wider community.

Donated facilities and services (if any)

During the year, the club continued to make a positive contribution to the local community by providing accessible basketball opportunities for children and young people across the area. Working in partnership with Active Schools, the club supported the delivery and development of basketball within both primary and secondary schools, helping to enhance school sport provision, introduce more pupils to the game and encourage regular participation in physical activity.

Through school taster sessions, structured coaching, girls' basketball opportunities and wider community engagement, the club has helped build confidence, teamwork and enjoyment among young participants. This work has strengthened links between the club, local schools, families and community partners, while supporting healthier lifestyles and creating clear pathways for pupils who wish to continue playing basketball beyond the school environment.

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Other optional information

The resilience and dedication shown by the Basketball Club throughout a challenging financial year have been truly inspiring. Despite obstacles, the club powered forward, continuing to deliver high-quality training programmes thanks to the unwavering commitment of our incredible Committee volunteers and coaches. These remarkable individuals, who freely give their time, energy, and expertise, are the heartbeat of the club. Their passion ensures that players and the wider community continue to enjoy fun, meaningful, and enriching basketball experiences.

Their efforts do far more than build athletic skill, they create friendships, confidence, and a strong sense of belonging. The club's gratitude for these volunteers is immense; they are the true MVPs who make everything possible. Their contribution shines as a powerful example of how sport unites people, even in the toughest of times.

The club's achievements this year reflect their hard work and the positive influence they have on everyone involved. It's a vivid reminder that with determination and teamwork, any challenge can be overcome, and the Basketball Club has proven that time and time again. The passion of our volunteers and the support of our community have created an environment where sportsmanship, unity, and joy thrive, firmly establishing the club as a pillar of the local area.

This is a story of triumph over adversity, one that will continue to inspire new players, families, and volunteers to join our journey. The club looks ahead with excitement, ready to build on this legacy of excellence and community service for many years to come, supported by our dedicated volunteers and ongoing financial backing.

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s) <i>OSCR will accept digital or typed signatures</i>	<i>Ross Hugh</i>	
Full name(s)	Ross Hugh	
Position (e.g. Chair)	Chairperson	
Date	09 th August2026	