



Scottish Football for Rwanda
ANNUAL REPORT
For the year ended 31 December 2025
Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (SCIO) SC051705



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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATION INFORMATION

TRUSTEES

Members of the Board during the year ended 31 December 2025 were:

Mark Fleming – Chairman
Carey McEvoy – Chief Executive Officer
Joyce Ho – Treasurer
John Hood
Mike Mackie – resigned January 2025
Clare Docherty – appointed October 2025

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REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DEC 2024

The Board of Trustees presents its annual report and financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st December 2025. The financial statements have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis and comply with the Charities Account (Scotland) Regulations 2006 and the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities published in 2005.

Scottish Football for Rwanda is a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (SCIO), registered in Scotland by the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR) under number SCO51705.

Scottish Football for Rwanda is mainly a children's charity, dedicated to:

- Furthering public participation in sport, namely football; and
- The relief of those in need, by reason of youth, age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage.

We help children in Rwanda by encouraging and facilitating football through our Scottish volunteers and our football network in Rwanda, and also as a grant-making charity.

Background

Scottish Football for Rwanda was founded as a registered charity (SCIO) to make an even greater impact than the good work that previous, more informal trips to Rwanda had achieved.

Organisational Structure

The structure of the organisation consists of the charity's Trustees, who are also the organisation's members and Board members.

The Board manages the operational running of the organisation, which is mainly led by Chief Executive Officer Carey McEvoy.

The Board meets at least 4 times a year and receives regular updates from the Chief Executive Officer.



Objectives and activities

The organisation's purposes:

- Furthering public participation in sport, namely football; and
- The relief of those in need, by reason of youth, age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage.

The main activities of the organisation are to:

- Organise regular trips to Rwanda, during which our volunteers (Scottish youth footballers and coaches) plan and deliver football sessions for children of all age, ability, gender and background; and
- Fund and govern Karongi Football Academy in Rwanda.

The majority of fundraising is mainly done by our trip volunteers, who each raise a recommended donation before they travel. Other fundraising activities include an Academy Player Sponsorship programme and occasional raffles and other competitions.

The two main charitable activity costs are:

- Funding three volunteer trips to Rwanda each year; and
- Funding Karongi Football Academy.

Financial Review

All revenue in the financial year related to the two trips to Rwanda in June and October 2025.

Total income for the year was £127,520 (2024: £65,253), including £2,410 of restricted funds (2024: £2,000). Payments relating directly to charitable activities for the year were £75,113 (2024: £29,262). Grants and donations for the year were £54,769 (2024: £17,030).

At 31st December 2025, the organisation had total net assets of £24,900 (2024: £28,924), of which £23,580 is unrestricted funds (2024: £26,924).

This balance carried forward provides the organisation with security to continue as a going concern.

Risks and Uncertainty

The Board regularly review the risks to which the charity is exposed and are satisfied that the appropriate processes are in place to mitigate these risks.



Trustee Appointments

Scottish Football for Rwanda has a small Board that offers a wide range of skills and experiences to the charity. Trustees with the appropriate experience are invited to join the Board and follow the guidance of Charity Trustees provided by OSCR, which sets out the duties and responsibilities of charity trustees in Scotland.

At the time of this report the Trustees are:

Mark Fleming (Chairman)
Carey McEvoy (Chief Executive Officer)
Joyce Ho (Treasurer)
John Hood
Clare Doherty

Scottish Football for Rwanda is governed in accordance with its constitution which is carefully drafted to reflect the aims of the charity and its activities.

Future plans of the charity

The charity aims to deliver three volunteer trips per year to Rwanda and to fund and develop Karongi Football Academy to directly benefit 300 children aged 8 to 18, and indirectly benefit the local communities of Karongi District.

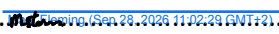
Volunteers

The Board of Trustees are all volunteers and receive no expenses, other than reimbursement of approved costs paid on behalf of the charity and repayment of loans made to the charity.

Grants and donations

During the year, the charity made numerous grants and donations, including a further £2,000 to Good News International, to continue the building development of the football pitch in the village of Bisesero. In addition, the charity has purchased and donated football kit and equipment totalling £41,524 and is sponsoring 4 football coaches' qualifications and very modest salaries. The charity believes this will help build solid football foundations at Karongi Football Academy.

Approved by the Trustees on 28/09/2026 and signed on their behalf by

Mark Fleming (Chair of Trustees) 



INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

Report to the trustees/members of	Scottish Football for Rwanda						
Registered charity number	SC051705						
On the accounts of the charity for the period	Period start date				Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
	01	01	2025	To	31	12	2025
Set out on pages	8 to 11					(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	In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention - 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 - to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.						
Signed:					Date:	29/10/2026	
Name:	Nelson Yiu						
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STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

For year ended 31 December 2025

				Year ended 31 Dec 2025	Year ended 31 Dec 2024
		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
Receipts	Notes	£	£	£	£
Donations	6	125,110	2,410	127,520	65,253
Gross receipts from other charitable activities	7	-	-	-	-
Total receipts		125,110	2,410	127,520	65,253
Payments					
Expenses for fundraising activities		1,222	-	1,222	200
Equipment		-	-	-	269
Admin and governance		440	-	440	282
Payments relating directly to charitable activities	8	75,113	-	75,113	29,262
Grants and donations	9	51,679	3,090	54,769	17,030
Total payments		128,454	3,090	131,544	47,043
Deficit for the year		(3,344)	(680)	(4,024)	18,210



STATEMENT OF BALANCES

As at 31 December 2025

	Unrestricted	Restricted	31 Dec 2025 Total	31 Dec 2024 Total
	£	£	£	£
Cash and bank balances at start of year	26,924	2,000	28,924	10,714
Deficit shown on receipts and payments account	(3,344)	(680)	(4,024)	18,210
Cash and bank balances at end of year	23,580	1,320	24,900	28,924



NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

(1) Accounting Policies

These accounts have been prepared on a Receipts and Payments basis in accordance with the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005, and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended).

Scottish Football for Rwanda's Reserves Policy is to maintain a sufficient level of reserves to enable normal operating activities to continue in the forthcoming year, namely flight deposits for the next trip, and to take account of potential risks and contingencies that may arise from time to time.

(2) Funds

Unrestricted Funds

Unrestricted funds are to be used (a) in the operational running of the charity, namely future trips and (b) to provide donations and grants.

Restricted Funds

At the end of the year, restricted funds totalled £1,320. The Charity received a generous donation from a Scottish company for use towards one of the Academy coach's salary. The Charity has also commenced a Sponsor a Child scheme, where donations contribute towards the well-being of Academy players.

(3) Grants

The brought forward restricted fund at the beginning of the year was to fund the pitch development at Bisesero. This was fully used during the year when droughts caused the need for reseeding and other maintenance requirements.

(4) Trustee expenses and remuneration policy

The Board of Trustees amended the Charity's constitution during the year to 31 December 2025 to pay Clare Docherty a consultancy fee of £520 per month. Her principal role is to ensure full promotion of the Charity to Scottish football clubs and schools, in ways that are not reasonably possible to other volunteers, including meeting and presentation attendances during normal working hours. The payment of this consultancy fee to Clare Doherty commenced on 1 January 2026.

Other than this, no remuneration or expenses are paid to the Board of Trustees, only the reimbursement of approved operational costs paid on behalf of the charity.

(5) Related Party Disclosure

During the year, Trustees were reimbursed £22,913 in total for approved operational charity costs paid personally by Trustees on behalf of the charity. These expenses were reimbursed at cost. No interest was paid.



NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (continued)

(6) Donations	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	YE 31 Dec 2025 Total £	YE 31 Dec 2024 Total £
Personal Donations	121,407	210	121,617	65,253
Corporate Donations	3,703	2,200	5,903	2,100
Total	125,110	2,410	127,520	67,353

(8) Payments relating directly to charitable activities	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	YE 31 Dec 2025 Total £	YE 31 Dec 2024 Total £
Flight payments	42,620	-	42,620	14,277
Accommodation & Meals	32,439	-	32,439	14,403
Sundries	-	-	-	582
Total	75,113	-	75,113	29,262

(9) Grants and donations	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	YE 31 Dec 2025 Total £	YE 31 Dec 2024 Total £
Good News football pitch	-	2,000	2,000	11,200
Galactique FC Festival	-	-	-	726
Coaching qualifications	1,838	-	1,838	3,562
Kit and equipment	41,524	-	41,524	1,542
Sponsorships	1,223	130	1,353	-
Seasonal gifts	1,356	-	1,356	-
Donations	2,779	-	2,779	-
Salaries for coaches at Karongi Football Academy	2,960	960	3,920	-
Total	51,679	3,090	54,769	17,030

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