

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31ST JANUARY 2026
FOR
THE NORTH EAST SCOTLAND CRICKET SCIO**

CHARITY NUMBER: SC048890

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Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31st January 2026

Reference and administration details

Charity Name	The North East Scotland Cricket SCIO
Registered Charity Number	SC048890
Charity's Principal Address	c/o Bain Henry Reid 4 West Craibstone Street Bon-Accord Square Aberdeen, AB11 6YL

Charity Trustees

R. Taylor (appointed during the year)	Chair
B. Lynas (resigned during the year)	Vice Chair
A. Burnett	Treasurer
P. Gray (appointed during the year)	Secretary
L. Watson (resigned during the year)	Secretary
T. Malik	
R. Swiergon	
A. Ajazi	
P. Tenneti	
H. Konda (resigned during the year)	
R. Chandu (resigned during the year)	
R. Ramadas (resigned during the year)	
S. Bedaar (appointed during the year)	

Other officials

P. Gray	Administrator
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Charitable Status

The North East Scotland Cricket (NESC) SCIO have been a registered charity from 6th December 2018.

Governing Document

The organisation operates under a SCVO constitution.

Charitable Purpose

The purposes of the NESC SCIO, as stated in its constitution, are:

- the advancement of public participation in cricket within the North East of Scotland
- 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, and only in relation to recreational or activities which are available to members of the public at large.

Trustee Remuneration and expenses

There were no transactions between the SCIO and the trustees or their interests during the year.

Financial Review

The accounts show an overall surplus for the year of £8,895 (2025: £6,263), made up of: a surplus of £8,895 on unrestricted funds and a surplus of £nil on restricted funds.

Reserves

At the end of the year the SCIO held total unrestricted reserves of £24,708.

The SCIO will retain reserves which are commensurate with the activities & aims of the organisation. These will be reviewed annually to ensure that there are sufficient funds for the SCIO to continue to operate throughout the coming year with any funds over and above that level being available for strategic development opportunities.

There are no restricted funds at the year end.

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Activities and achievements

The North East Scotland Cricket SCIO saw many positive initiatives across all categories of participation in 2025, with continuing focus on Women's cricket, all abilities cricket and junior cricket led by the paid personnel of Cricket Scotland. The SCIO is particularly encouraged by its member clubs showing willingness to engage with Disability cricket projects.

The SCIO held a successful annual cricket dinner in November and thank Aberdeenshire Cricket Club for providing access to the Bradman Suite. The dinner was an opportunity to raise funds for the SCIO and for the cricketing community to come together and celebrate achievements. Our special guest at the Dinner was current Scotland international Michael Leask and we inducted the second and third members to the North East Scotland Cricket Hall of Fame, former Grades Secretary David Jones and former Scotland international Frank Robertson.

The 2025 senior league season saw an increase in teams to 40 with Grade 4 being re-introduced. While there were a few scheduling issues, including the re-introduction also of league games scheduled for Sundays, the season was successfully completed by the end of September. We saw an increase in the number of juniors playing senior cricket and also an increased number of female participants, which is a real positive.

As was stated last year, the availability of grounds and facilities remains a persistent challenge in terms of meeting demand. While the availability of the SCIO managed Inverdee facility with its two artificial pitches continues to be a major positive, we have lost use of the Links. Aberdeen City Council have assisted by making some of the existing grounds available on Sundays and efforts are continuing to secure realistic alternative venues. The SCIO is extremely grateful to Sport Aberdeen for their support and assistance with the Inverdee project which facilitated a large number of weekend and evening matches in 2025. The SCIO continues to work with partners including Sport Aberdeen and Aberdeen City Council to maintain existing grounds and seek out opportunities to increase venue provision.

The SCIO acknowledges the continued efforts by Tony McKenna our Cricket Scotland Regional Development Officer to promote junior cricket, Women's and Girls, and All Abilities cricket in the region. It is hoped that we will see increased participation in women's cricket at Premier and Challenger league levels. The new availability of courses online for umpiring and child protection are a positive, as are work with schools and clubs to nurture young players. We thank the club volunteers such as those from Inverurie, Stoneywood Dyce, Aberdeenshire, Gordonians, Banchory, Stonehaven, Fraserburgh, Methlick, Aberdeen Grammar and others for their efforts, and giving up their time so generously for the development of junior players.

The SCIO is grateful to the Cricket Scotland Match Officials Association for the provision of umpires when available. Our local umpires continue to perform well at the higher levels of the Scottish game.

The SCIO is delighted that the cricket charity Chance to Shine continues to partner with Cricket Scotland to take cricket into schools in Aberdeen through its 'Schools' cricket programme. This gave children the opportunity to play, learn and develop through cricket, teaching key life skills and supporting their physical, social, and mental wellbeing.

The SCIO continues to have a healthy financial position that we hope will allow the SCIO to develop new and existing venues and increase participation across the board in 2026. We continue to look for funding streams that will support our short and long term aims.

As Chairman, I would like to thank all the trustees for their time and work over the last year, and to the SCIO's administrator and Trustee - Paul Gray, who has been instrumental in organising the cricket related activities of the SCIO and supporting the SCIO and its sub-committees work towards it's objectives.

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf:

Robin Taylor

Robin Taylor

Chair – NESC SCIO (Charity Number SC048890)

02/03/2026

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Receipts and Payments Account for the year ended 31st January 2026

		Unrestricted	Restricted	2026	2025
	Notes	Funds	Funds	Total	Total
		£	£	Funds	Funds
				£	£
Receipts					
Donations	1	-	-	-	-
Grants	2	-	-	-	-
Fundraising	3	762	-	762	928
Bank Interest		-	-	-	-
Receipts from Charitable Activities	4	29,890	-	29,890	22,400
Other Income		-	-	-	-
Total receipts		30,652	-	30,652	23,328
Payments					
Governance Costs	5	-	-	-	892
Charitable activities	6	21,757	-	21,757	16,173
Total payments		21,757	-	21,757	17,065
Surplus/(Deficit) for year		8,895	-	8,895	6,263

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Statement of Balances as at 31st January 2026

		Unrestricted	Restricted		
	Notes	Funds	Funds	2026	2025
		£	£	£	£
Bank and cash in hand					
Opening balances		15,813	-	15,813	9,550
Surplus/(Deficit) for year		8,895	-	8,895	6,263
Closing balances		<u>24,708</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>24,708</u>	<u>15,813</u>
 Debtors					
None		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
 Stock					
Red matchballs		2,165		2,165	-
Pink matchballs		909		909	-
		<u>3,074</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,074</u>	<u>-</u>
 Creditors					
None		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf:

Alan Burnett

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Trustee

Date: 05/03/2026

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Receipts and Payments Account Notes for the year ended 31st January 2026

		Year to 31/01/2026 £		Year to 31/01/2025 £	
Receipts	Note				
<u>Donations:</u>	1				
Various re dinner		-		-	
Charities Aid Foundation		-	-	-	-
<u>Grants</u>					
Common Good Fund	2	-		-	
Cricket Development Trust Scotland		-	-	-	-
<u>Fundraising</u>	3				
Annual Dinner		762		928	
Other		-	762	-	928
<u>Bank Interest</u>			-		-
<u>Receipts from Charitable Activities</u>	4				
Membership Fees		3,485		3,020	
Cricket Scotland recharges		-		1,393	
Pitch Hire recharges		11,701		6,718	
Match Ball recharges		14,604		11,064	
Other recharges		-		30	
Player Transfer fees/ Protest fees		100	29,890	175	22,400
<u>Other Income</u>					
None			-		-
TOTAL			30,652		23,328

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Receipts and Payments Account Notes for the year ended 31st January 2026

	Note	Year to 31/01/2026 £	Year to 31/01/2025 £
Payments			
<u>Governance Costs:</u>	5		
Admin Honoraria		-	892
<u>Charitable activities:</u>	6		
Cricket Scotland subscriptions		60	1,453
Cup finals/ Representative Games etc		344	407
Pitch Hire costs		4,798	3,020
Match Ball costs		15,240	10,215
Inverdee costs		-	-
Cost of meetings etc		92	-
Website costs		120	120
Insurance (PL & Trophy)		283	283
Trophy engraving & upkeep		820	675
Other misc expenses		-	-
		<u>21,757</u>	<u>16,173</u>
TOTAL		<u>21,757</u>	<u>17,065</u>

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of The North East Scotland Cricket SCIO

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st January 2026 which are set out on pages 5 to 8.

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. 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 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 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

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 Regulationshave 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.

Signed:	Geoff Morrison
Name:	Geoff Morrison
Relevant professional body:	ACCA
Address:	C/o 27 Albyn Place, Aberdeen

Date: 22/09/26