CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period:

From 1st January 2025 Period start date
To December 31st 2025 Period end date

Charity name: Supporting The Future

Charity registration number: 1188603

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The purpose of our charity is to uplift and improve the lives of children and young people in Africa through sports and opportunities. By providing clothing and equipment, education, and various opportunities, we aim to empower them, increase participation, boost self-belief, and help shape successful future adults in African societies.

Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	The charity's main activities revolve around football training sessions conducted for teams and schools located in economically disadvantaged areas. During these sessions, the charity provides donations of clothing, footwear, and sports equipment to benefit the participating schools, teams, and individuals. In addition to football training, the charity is actively involved in offering coaching courses to coaches and teachers within local communities. These courses aim to enhance their skills in effectively communicating with and motivating children, ensuring a positive and constructive learning environment. Furthermore, the charity organises career days specifically targeting young adults aged 13-16. These events provide valuable exposure to various professional fields and industries, assisting the youth in making informed decisions about their future career paths. By offering insights into the working world, these career days empower young individuals to make informed choices regarding their future aspirations. In summary, the charity's core activities encompass football training sessions, donations of essential sporting gear, coaching courses for educators, and career guidance events for young adults. These efforts align with the overarching goal of positively impacting the lives of children and young people in the three countries where the charity operates.

Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The trustees of our charity have diligently adhered to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit throughout our work. Here are specific examples demonstrating this commitment: 1. **Charitable Purpose**: Our primary objective is to uplift and improve the lives of children and young people in Africa through sports and educational opportunities. By focusing on initiatives in Kenya, South Africa, and Lesotho, we ensure our activities align with our charitable purpose. 2. **Identifiable Benefit**: We provide clear and measurable benefits by organising football training sessions for teams and schools in deprived areas. During these sessions, we donate clothing, footwear, and equipment, directly enhancing the participants' ability to engage in sports. This helps increase participation, boost self-belief, and foster the development of successful future adults. 3. **Public Access**: Our activities are designed to be accessible to a broad section of the public. For example, we conduct free life-skills workshops, coaching courses, and English lessons. By holding events in schools and community centres, we ensure that these benefits reach a wide audience, including children and young adults from deprived areas. 4. **No Private Benefit**: Any private benefits arising from our activities, such as the personal development of coaches and teachers through our coaching courses, are incidental and necessary for achieving our charitable aims. These courses enhance the skills of local educators, ultimately benefiting the children and young people they support. 5. **Balancing Benefits Against Harm**: We carefully assess our activities to ensure that the benefits outweigh any potential harm. For instance, our career days for young adults aged 13-16 provide valuable insights into potential career paths and the working world, equipping them with the knowledge to make informed decisions about their futures. 6. **Reporting:** Our trustees have ensured transparent reporting on our public benefit activities. In our annual report, we detail how our initiatives, such as providing sports equipment and organising educational workshops, contribute to our charitable purposes and benefit the public.

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	At present, the charity does not seek grants as it funding exclusively relies on contributions from individuals. A grant application policy will be established at a later stage when the charity decides to pursue grant opportunities
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	Currently, the charity does not possess any policies related to social investment.
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	With the exception of the founder, James Murray all volunteers are responsible for covering their flight expenses for the trip. These flights are typically direct, and volunteers often travel together with the donated items in their luggage. Additionally, volunteers are responsible for the cost of their accommodation while traveling with the charity. They are also expected to provide for their own meals. Transportation for volunteers will be arranged and paid for by the charity. Volunteers are required to participate in daily activities that have been pre-arranged for them. The standard volunteer commitment is up to 35 hours per week, excluding travel time, with most volunteers contributing 20-25 hours per week (excluding travel)
Other		**N/A**

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	

Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	During the 2025 financial year, the charity was not operational and did not undertake any charitable activities or programmes. This was due to the founder and principal person responsible for the charity's activities suffering a major injury, which prevented the charity from operating during the year. As a result, there were no significant charitable achievements or direct benefits provided to beneficiaries during this reporting period, and no wider societal benefits arising from the charity's activities during the year. The charity remains committed to its aims and intends to resume its charitable activities when circumstances allow.

Additional information (optional)
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Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	During the 2025 financial year, the charity was not operational and did not undertake any charitable activities or programmes. This was due to the founder and principal person responsible for the charity's activities suffering a major injury, which prevented the charity from operating during the year. As a result, there were no significant charitable achievements or direct benefits provided to beneficiaries during this reporting period, and no wider societal benefits arising from the charity's activities during the year. The charity remains committed to its aims and intends to resume its charitable activities when circumstances allow.

Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	During the 2025 financial year, the charity was not operational and did not undertake any charitable activities or programmes. This was due to the founder and principal person responsible for the charity's activities suffering a major injury, which prevented the charity from operating during the year. As a result, there were no significant charitable achievements or direct benefits provided to beneficiaries during this reporting period, and no wider societal benefits arising from the charity's activities during the year. The charity remains committed to its aims and intends to resume its charitable activities when circumstances allow.
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	No investment was made into the charity from business organisations in the year of 2023.
Other		**N/A**

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	At the end of the reporting period, the charity held funds of £489.45. The charity was inactive during the year due to the major injury suffered by its founder, and therefore there was limited financial activity during the period. The remaining funds are retained by the charity and will be available to support its charitable objectives and activities when the charity resumes operations.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Our charity holds reserve funds in our account to fulfil various essential purposes: **Repayment of Outstanding Bills:** A portion of the reserve funds is allocated to settle any outstanding bills promptly, ensuring the smooth operation of our programs and services. **Reoccurring Minor Bank Fees:** We maintain a portion of the reserve funds to cover reoccurring minor bank fees, ensuring uninterrupted banking services. **Future Fundraising Events and Marketing Fees:** Reserve funds are earmarked for financing future fundraising events and covering marketing expenses to promote our initiatives and attract support. **Support during Off-Season:** A portion of the remaining reserve funds is set aside to sustain the charity during off season periods when operations may slow down, ensuring continuity in our mission-driven work. **Preparation for Upcoming Tours:** We allocate funds to prepare for upcoming tours, allowing the charity to be proactive and adequately plan for impactful initiatives in the communities we serve. By maintaining reserve funds for these purposes, we ensure the stability, sustainability, and effectiveness of ou charity's operations, enabling us to continue making a positive difference in the lives of those we serve.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	**£489.45**
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	**N/A**
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	The deficit in funds for the charity primarily stemmed from unmet fundraising goals. Unfortunately, volunteers were unable to support the trip due to work commitments, leaving the responsibility of fundraising solely to James Murray. Despite his commendable efforts, the charity struggled to raise sufficient funds to finance all planned activities.

Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	The charity's activities were paused during the reporting period due to the founder, James Murray, suffering a major injury which prevented him from continuing to manage and deliver the charity's activities. The charity remains committed to its charitable objectives and currently intends to resume its activities once James Murray has made a full recovery and is able to recommence his responsibilities. The charity has sufficient remaining funds to maintain its position during this period of inactivity.

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	Currently, the principal sources of funding for the charity are exclusively from friends and family of the founder, as well as dedicated volunteers. We are fortunate to receive support from individuals who are familiar with our work and are deeply passionate about its continuation. Their ongoing commitment and belief in our mission play a pivotal role in sustaining our efforts to make a positive impact in the communities we serve.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	The charity does not currently have an investment policy or social investment policy.
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	Our most significant annual risk lies in the potential failure to secure adequate funding for our international initiatives, which could hinder our ability to travel and carry out our vital work. Additionally, we encounter challenges in recruiting volunteers, primarily due to the financial commitments involved for the volunteers.
Other		**N/A**

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		**N/A**
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	**N/A**
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	**CIO**
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Chosen by the founder, James Murray, through a meticulous and thoughtful selection process, trustee candidates must present their qualifications, background, and reasons for seeking the position. They also undergo a DBS (Disclosure and Barring Service) check, ensuring a comprehensive evaluation before being considered for the role. This thorough approach ensures that individuals selected for trustee positions are well-qualified, suitable for the responsibilities, and have passed necessary background checks, ultimately serving the charity effectively.

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	Our charity is dedicated to providing training to our trustees, ensuring they possess the knowledge and skills necessary for effective governance and oversight. Our training policies encompass the following key areas: 1. **Financial Management:** We provide training on financial oversight, budgeting, and financial reporting, empowering trustees to monitor our financial health. 2. **Safeguarding:** We prioritise safeguarding training to protect vulnerable individuals connected to our charity, such as children or vulnerable adults. 3. **Induction pack:** Providing new trustees with an induction pack containing essential documents such as the charity's constitution, strategic plan, financial reports, and policies and procedures.

The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	The charity consists of three trustees, including its founder, James Murray, alongside part-time volunteers. James Murray holds the responsibility for decision-making on behalf of the charity, subject to approval or rejection by the trustees during regular trustee meetings, which occur monthly or bi-monthly. These meetings serve as platforms to address ongoing issues, consider proposals, and assess decisions put forth by James Murray. The other trustees are Jean Murray, Sarah Upton, and Ryan Hoult. Part-time volunteers contribute to the charity's activities annually, with their involvement varying based on availability and commitment to the charity's trips. Our success is greatly influenced by our extensive network of partners, who play a vital role in facilitating our overseas operations. These global collaborators assist us in various areas such as translation, navigation, beneficiary identification, safety measures, and more. Our relationship with these individuals and organisations is mutually beneficial, as they rely on us for support just as we depend on their assistance. As we continue to expand our work in the countries we serve, our network continues to grow. We are dedicated to nurturing and expanding our network in all the regions we operate, even before initiating our first visits to these areas. This collaborative approach lies at the core of our mission, enabling us to make a meaningful impact on the communities we serve.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	Supporting the Future has established partnerships with various organisations in different countries. These partnerships range from ongoing day-to-day collaborations to annual events and visits. Here is a list of the organisations with which we have established relationships: England Kitlocker Lesotho Kick4life LFA Makhoakhoa FC Mafeteng Sistas South Africa Sports Stepping Stones Academy Kenya Wire Soccer Academy Care Support Organisation (CASO AFRICA)

Other		**N/A**

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Supporting The Future
Other name the charity uses	STF
Registered charity number	1188603
Charity’s principal address	40 Beech Avenue, Beeston, Nottingham, NG9 1QH

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Jean Murray			James Murray
2	Ryan Hoult			James Murray
3	Sarah Upton			James Murray

Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
N/A	**N/A**	**N/A**

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
N/A	**N/A**	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	N/A
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	N/A
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	N/A

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
N/A	N/A	N/A

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

N/A

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

N/A

Other optional information

N/A

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Name	Signature	Date
Jean Murray	J.Murray	01/09/2025
Ryan Hoult	Ryan Hoult.	01/09/2025
Sarah Upton	S.Upton	01/09/2025

FROM THE DESK OF

Jean Murray

24th September 2025

Jean Murray
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Below is the trustees annual financial report from the financial year of 2025 from January 1st until December 31st 2025.

Yours sincerely,

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Signed by trustees:

Jean Murray:



Sarah Upton:



Ryan Hoult:



Supporting The Future annual financial report for the year end December 31st 2020

Incoming report

Incoming resources	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds	Remaining funds
Generated funds	£0	£0	£0	£0
Charitable activities	£0	£0	£0	£0
Donated funds	£120	£0	£0	£0
Government subsidies	£0	£0	£0	£0
Total incoming	£120	£0	£0	£0
Total funds carried forward into next financial year	£489.45	£0	£489.45	£489.45

Outgoing report

Outgoing resources	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds	Remaining funds
Spend on volunteers	£0	£0	£0	£0
Spend on trustees	£0	£0	£0	£0
Spend on international tour	£0	£0	£0	£0
Spend pre tour	£0	£0	£0	£0
Spend post tour	£0	£0	£0	£0
Miscellaneous spending	£235	£0	£0	£0
Total outgoing	£235	£0	£0	£0
Total funds carried forward into next financial year	£489.45	£0	£489.45	£489.45