

# KEEPIE UPPIE

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SUPPORTING SCOTTISH FOOTBALL AT THE GRASSROOTS



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# Chairman's Report

Welcome to the summer edition of Keepie Uppie which precedes our 2018 AGM and is intended to give a flavour of events over the past year. As we fast approach our 20th year of existence, much has changed both for the Partnership and Scottish football.

- ✓ We have a combined League structure once more
- ✓ We have pyramid leagues
- ✓ We have an advanced coach education structure
- ✓ We have increased participation in the women's game
- ✓ We have an inclusive and progressive game
- ✓ We have health and community initiatives linked to football
- ✓ We have more people young and old playing than ever before
- ✓ We have a clearly defined development pathway for young players

The Scottish Football Partnership and SFP Trust tries to keep abreast of change and to develop new and innovative ways to help the game at all levels.

We are particularly proud of expanding our GoFitba Project to help children in deprived areas achieve a better understanding of good eating habits allied with exercise. These are life skills which we hope they will embrace into their adult life and we are indebted to The UEFA Foundation for Children, The Kilpatrick Fraser Charitable Trust and The Scottish FA for helping us make that happen.

Our work over the last year has not only been at the grassroots - We are pleased to have helped senior clubs such as Hibernian, St. Johnstone, Queen of the South and Rangers move forward with projects to help their supporters, community and players.

Other Interesting projects of note which have been established this year include our Club Development Grant scheme which we deliver in conjunction with The Scottish FA's Regional Football Development Team. This initiative will benefit 54 grassroots clubs like Mormond Thistle F.C. based in Strichen, near Fraserburgh to Loanhead Miners Welfare F.C. in the South East of the country.

Scottish Football is in good heart after what has been an exciting season with many games that will be talked about for years to come. We welcome Ian Maxwell to his new role as Chief Executive of The Scottish FA. It is a unique job in Scottish football and never seems to be without challenges. We offer Ian all our support and hope we can continue to maintain our good working relationship with The Scottish FA. Moving forward, community clubs will feature as a role model in linking football with involvement in our towns and cities. If delivered well, it should be a win win for the growth of the game and the wellbeing of the community at all ages.

None of this would be possible without the undying effort of Stuart and Laura. No task seems too big or too complicated and we continue to grow through their sustained effort. The SFP is extremely fortunate in having a Board with a huge breadth of knowledge and experience. They perform an excellent task in keeping us up to date and controlling the worst excesses of the Chairman's ideas.

Please remember, we do not know everything – if you have an idea that is good for football and you think we can help, speak to us!

**James Clydesdale, Chairman  
The Scottish Football Partnership**

## 2017/18 IN NUMBERS

**£784,814**  
74 AWARDS IN TOTAL

SFP AWARDS

**£466,816**

SFP TRUST AWARDS

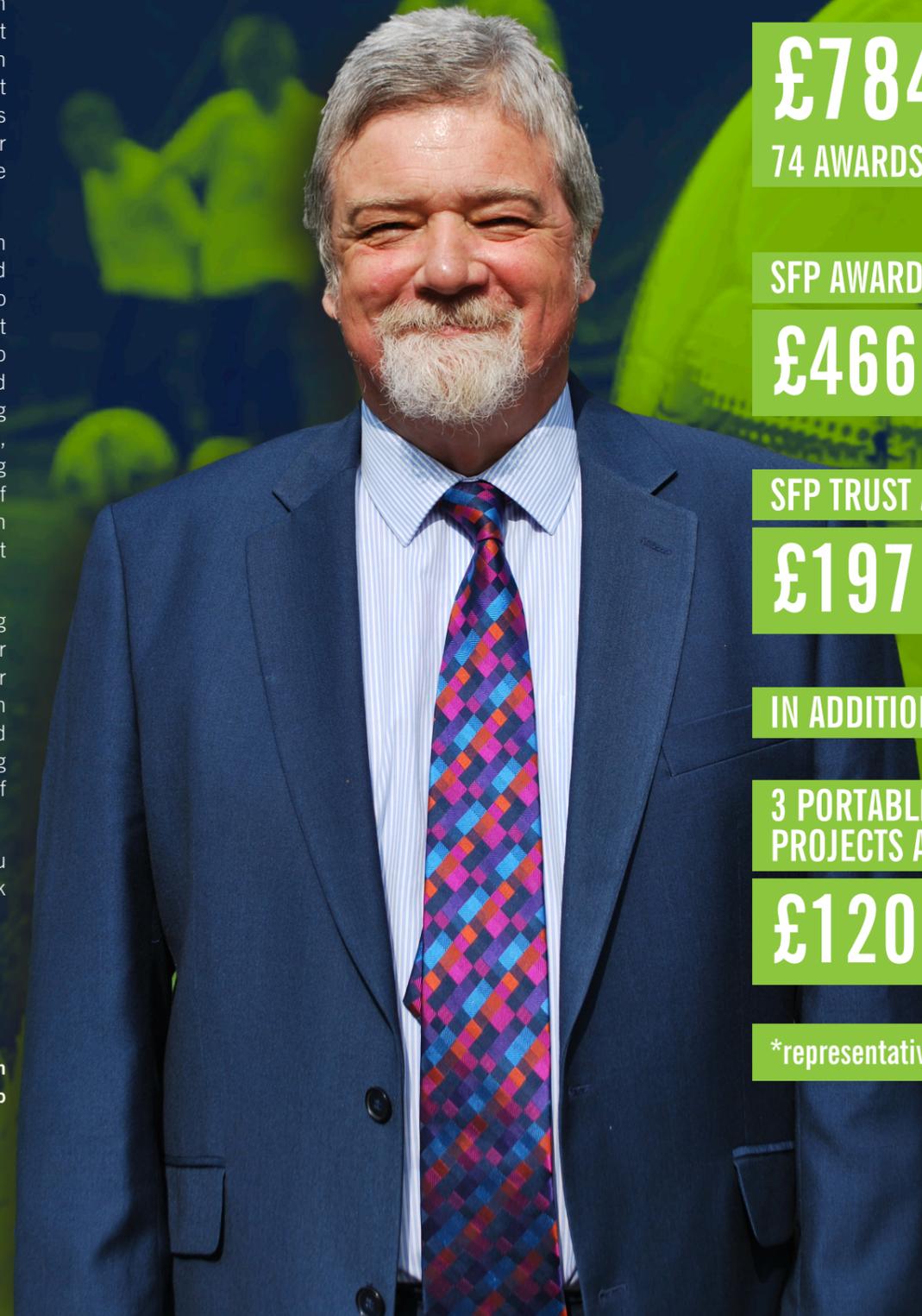
**£197,998**

IN ADDITION

**3 PORTABLE CHANGING ROOM  
PROJECTS AWARDED**

**£120,000\***

\*representative investment value



WE'VE HAD A REMARKABLE SEASON AND OUR FUNDING OF £784,814 HAS HELPED CLUBS AT ALL LEVELS IN ALL PARTS OF SCOTLAND

#PROUD TO SUPPORT OUR GAME!

3,568 

WE SUPPORTED THE PARTICIPATION OF 3,568 SCHOOLCHILDREN, BOYS AND GIRLS, IN THE SCOTTISH SCHOOLS FA NATIONAL CUP COMPETITIONS AT U-18, U-16 AND U-15 LEVEL.  
#SUPPORTING SCHOOLS FOOTBALL



£640,811

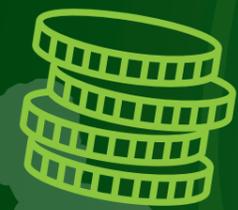
INVESTED TO HELP CLUBS ACROSS THE COUNTRY WITH NEW GOALPOSTS, FLOODLIGHTS, CLUBHOUSES, 3G PITCHES, TEAM SHELTERS, PORTABLE CHANGING ROOMS, GROUND ENTRY SYSTEMS, PITCH DRAINAGE, LICENSING PROJECTS, CCTV AND UPGRADES TO DISABLED SUPPORTER ACCESSIBLE FACILITIES.  
#IMPROVING FACILITIES

30

WE'VE FUNDED THE DELIVERY OF 30 EDUCATIONAL WORKSHOPS TO GRASSROOTS CLUBS TO COMBAT RACISM AND ENCOURAGE PLAYERS AND COACHES TO REJECT PREJUDICED ATTITUDES AND BEHAVIOUR  
#SAY NO TO RACISM

9

GRASSROOTS CLUBS HAVE RECEIVED CLUB DEVELOPMENT GRANTS AND WE WILL SHORTLY AWARD A FURTHER 45 GRANTS IN 2018  
#DEVELOPING THE GAME



916 

TRUST FUNDS PLEDGED TO SUPPORT SPORTS FIRST AID TRAINING FOR 916 COACHES FROM THE SCOTTISH WOMEN'S, SCOTTISH YOUTH AND SCOTTISH JUNIOR FOOTBALL ASSOCIATIONS  
#SAFER SPORT



£53,975

OUR FUNDED HEALTH CHECKS FOR MANAGERS AND COACHES AT THE PROFESSIONAL END OF THE GAME HAS MOVED INTO ITS 10TH YEAR WITH £53,975 INVESTED TO DATE.  
#MAINTAINING GOOD HEALTH

£72,000

HAS BEEN INVESTED IN OUR TRUST'S GOFITBA PROJECT WITH 12 PARTNER CLUBS DELIVERING FUN FOOTBALL ACTIVITIES, HEALTH EDUCATION AND HOT NUTRITIOUS MEALS FOR 480 PRIMARY SCHOOLCHILDREN.  
#HEALTHIER #HAPPIER #MORE ENGAGED #CHILDREN



£2,000  

STREET SOCCER SCOTLAND — TRUST AWARD OF £2,000 FOR KIT AND EQUIPMENT TO SUPPORT FOOTBALL THEMED TRAINING AND PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT SESSIONS FOR SOCIALLY DISADVANTAGED GROUPS ACROSS SCOTLAND.  
#POSITIVE CHANGE THROUGH FOOTBALL

£3,500

WALKING FOOTBALL SCOTLAND — £3,500 TRUST FUNDS PLEDGED TO SUPPORT NATIONAL WALKING FOOTBALL FESTIVAL AND STARTER KITS FOR NEW GROUPS.  
#FOOTBALL FOR LIFE



# Floodlight Upgrades



## QUEEN OF THE SOUTH F.C.

"The Scottish Football Partnership has helped the club maintain its floodlights to a high standard. The floodlight refurbishment has made them fit for purpose again after standing tall for 60 years and the completion of the work has now allowed us to be worry-free for another 60 years. The renovation to the structure has allowed the floodlights to become more secure and structurally sound. This has been a tremendous boost for us which has kick-started our aim to grow as a club moving into our centenary year. The addition of the fall arrest system is also a massive health and safety improvement, which has made access and general maintenance much simpler and safer. Without the funding, our constant desire to strive and move forward would have been very difficult in this economic climate, so we can't thank the SFP enough for this, not to mention that the new lavish look of our lights have now reinforced our record of having the tallest free-standing floodlights in Scottish football. We would like to send our thanks to the Partnership for helping us fulfil our ambition of having a modern, safe and eye-catching stadium." **Billy Hewitson, Queen of the South Chairman**



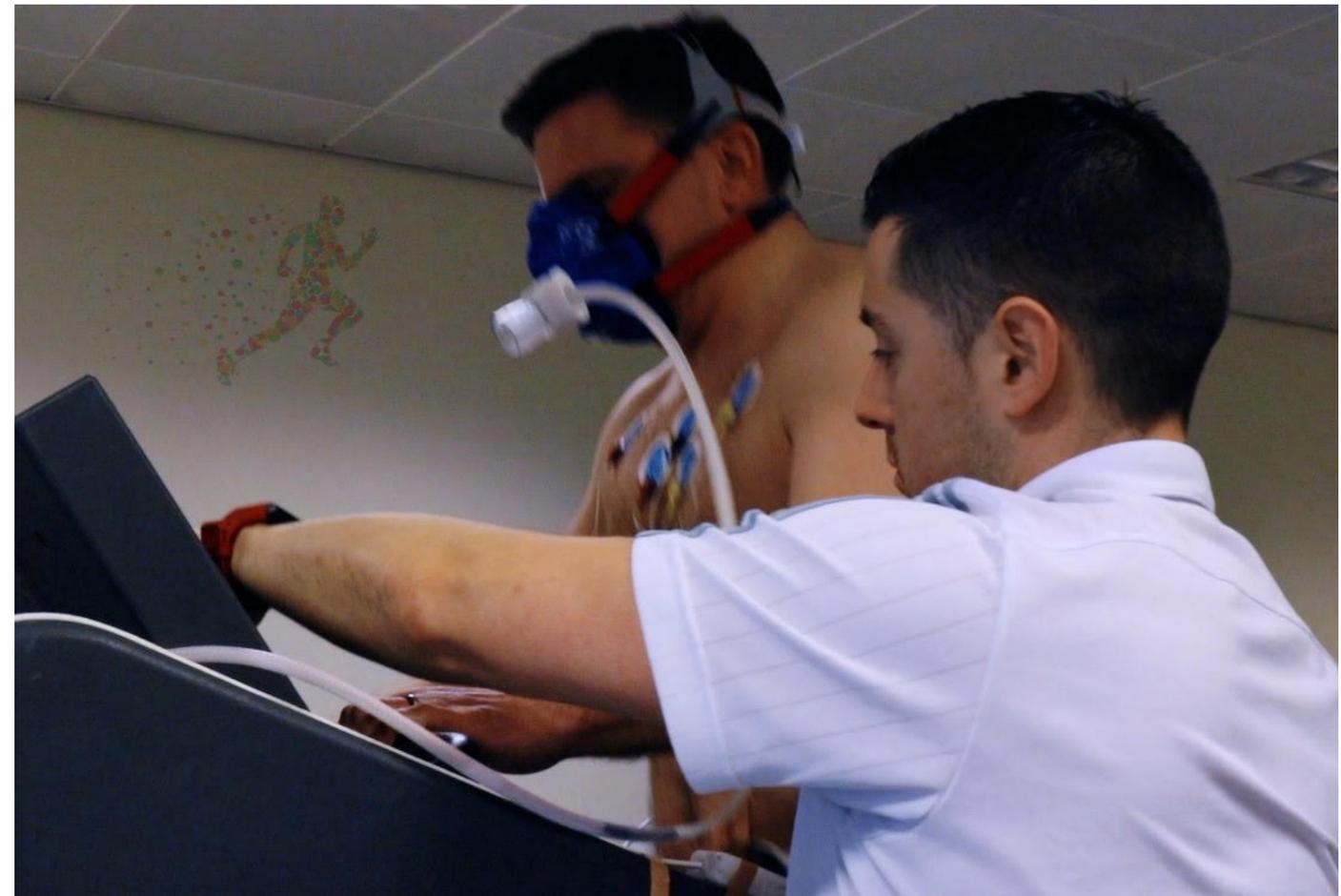
## ST JOHNSTONE F.C.

The club, which has recently been accepted into the Progressive Level within Club Academy Scotland, identified the need to improve the floodlighting system at their FIFA 3G Standard training and match facility which sits within the campus at McDiarmid Park. The old system had been in place since 1989 and was in a state of disrepair and the club decided to prioritise this project to future proof the facility for continued use in the years ahead, particularly in the winter months when it is most needed. In addition to supporting the activities of the club's youth academy throughout the year, the facility also serves to support the club's Community Trust and St Johnstone Women's F.C. **Steve Brown, Chairman of St Johnstone F.C.** said: "The upgrade of the floodlighting for our all-weather facility was a big financial undertaking for the club and the contribution from The Scottish Football Partnership made a difference in terms of the project's viability. It's a well-used facility in terms of both club use and hiring by the public and it is important that the standards are high and so we are extremely grateful to the SFP for their support."



## COVE RANGERS F.C.

During the club's National Club Licence audit in 2014, Cove Rangers were informed that their home ground at Allan Park was no longer fit for purpose. Since the start of the 2015/16 season up until the end of last season, when again they were crowned Highland League Champions, the club have had to groundshare with a number of other SHFL clubs. In 2016, planning permission was granted for a new purpose-built stadium at Calder Park on the outskirts of Aberdeen which is less than a mile from the club's former home. When the club approached the SFP in February 2017, they focussed on one key area of the new development which was the provision of a new floodlight system. The SFP Board agreed that they would be willing to support this element of the club's plans and agreed to an award of £20,000. The new floodlights would allow matches to be played at Calder Park in the evenings and during the winter months and would also facilitate the use of the stadium by other local teams and schools who would be able to use the facility for training and match purposes. **Keith Moorhouse, Chairman** said: "Cove Rangers Football Club would like to thank the Scottish Football Partnership for their support during the development of our new home, the Balmoral Stadium. Like any major development, it is vital to secure external funding and we appreciate the support received in this regard in relation to our new floodlighting system. We would also like to thank Stuart McCaffrey for his time and effort in working with us and making the whole process hassle free. From all at CRFC, thank you!"



## This is now our tenth year of support for Managers and Coaches Healthchecks



### Comment from Dr. John MacLean

"Sports Medicine and Science support for footballers has developed significantly over recent years with expert medical care and science-based fitness and training programmes now the norm at all levels of the professional game. Pre-signing medicals, heart screening and access to MRI scanning etc ensures that players are healthier and fitter than ever before. However one group of team staff are often neglected in this area – Managers and Coaches. As a group they rarely have a GP never mind see them. Long, often irregular hours means no time for healthy eating or exercise. With the support of The Scottish Football Partnership, the Hampden Sports Clinic offers all SPFL club Managers and Assistants the chance for a biannual medical at the state-

of-the-art facility in Hampden. Starting with a discussion on their personal and family history, the Managers undergo a medical examination by the Clinic and myself as Scotland team doctor. Examination includes blood pressure measurement, heart and lung assessment as well as vision and urine testing for such things as diabetes and kidney disease. Following this, the Managers head for the Clinic's sports science laboratory for body fats, strength and flexibility assessment and a resting ECG. Finally it is onto the treadmill fully wired up for continuous heart monitoring, detailed lung function and the gold standard of fitness testing – VO2 max."

"All of the test results and advice for improvement are provided in a detailed, easy to understand report. Over the years a number of medical issues have been detected allowing early further investigation before symptoms would be evident. For many it is a stimulus to focus more on their personal health and fitness."

IN THIS TIME  
THE SCOTTISH  
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HAS INVESTED  
THE SUM OF  
**£53,975**



# SFP AWARDS TO SUPPORT CLUB FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS



**BRECHIN CITY F.C.**

**£3,320**

Installation of new Team Shelters



**PARTICK THISTLE F.C.**

**£40,000**

Installation of raised wheelchair accessible viewing platform



**QUEEN OF THE SOUTH F.C.**

**£40,000**

Floodlight pylons upgrade



**KELTY HEARTS F.C.**

**£10,000**

Installation of new stand



**GREENOCK MORTON F.C.**

**£35,845**

Ground Entry System Upgrade



**DALBEATTIE STAR F.C.**

**£6,068**

Stadium goalposts, Team Shelters and disabled spectator shelter



**HIBERNIAN F.C.**

**£40,000**

New 3G surface at Ormiston Training Centre



**ST. MIRREN F.C.**

**£40,000**

New 3G surface at Training Centre



**ELGIN CITY F.C.**

**£22,678**

Spectator toilets and community changing facility



**BURNTISLAND SHIPYARD A.F.C.**

**£1,890**

Disabled access improvements



**SPARTANS F.C.**

**£10,000**

New Floodlighting upgrade at stadium and training pitch



**PETERSHILL J.F.C.**

**£2,400**

Team shelter upgrade



**ABERDEEN F.C.**

**£11,939**

CCTV System upgrade



**DUNFERMLINE ATHLETIC F.C.**

**£33,685**

Ground Entry System Upgrade



**VALE OF LEITHEN F.C.**

**£897**

New stadium goalposts



**HEART OF MIDLOTHIAN F.C.**

**£40,000**

Ground entry system upgrade



**MOTHERWELL F.C.**

**£40,000**

East Stand roof replacement



**RANGERS F.C.**

**£40,000**

New clubhouse, changing rooms & Floodlights at Training Centre



**ST. JOHNSTONE F.C.**

**£20,000**

Floodlight upgrade at 3G training pitch



**LINLITHGOW ROSE J.F.C.**

**£5,000**

Disabled spectator shelter and disabled access improvements

# Supporting Activity For Over 14,000 Grassroots Players

SFP'S PORTABLE CHANGING ROOM PROJECTS



Our portable changing rooms and storage facilities continue to be as popular as ever and this year we have invested heavily to ensure that grassroots and community clubs throughout the country continue to be able to offer changing facilities for their young players. Our units are installed across 60 sites, supporting activity for over 14,000 grassroots players. Units are also returned to stock, refurbished and re-distributed so the cycle of helping Scottish grassroots clubs to develop and grow never stops.

## Threave Rovers Community F.C.

CASE STUDY



Threave Rovers Community Football Club has now officially opened its new playing facility at Birkland Road which they recently acquired as part of an "Asset Transfer" with Dumfries and Galloway Council. The new complex will provide both the club and the wider community with a first class arena for grassroots football to continue to grow and develop in the area. The club first approached The Scottish Football Partnership (SFP) in February 2017 to discuss this project who were immediately impressed with the commitment and ambitions shown by Threave Rovers Community F.C. in creating better opportunities for youngsters to participate in football on a local level. A successful funding bid for modular changing facilities was then submitted to the SFP.

**Stuart McCaffrey, COO at The SFP** said,

*"It is fantastic to see the transformation of Birkland Park into an excellent footballing facility for Threave Rovers Community F.C. The coaches and volunteers who have worked tirelessly over many months deserve an enormous amount of credit for making this project a reality. From the outset we were determined to play our part in improving the facilities available to the club and more specifically the 180 young players it has across 9 different age-groups including 2 girls' teams. We hope our investment in this new football hub will allow the club to continue to develop and grow its playing membership and to increase participation in football locally."*

**David McMath, Club Secretary** added,

*"The club identified this facility as a must-have if it was to continue to provide excellent opportunities for individual players and teams to grow and develop. We have worked collaboratively with Dumfries and Galloway Council, the SFP and SP Energy Networks in particular in firstly securing and then the construction phase of this project. The rewards are now there to be seen in that we have created a safe and secure changing and playing environment which will bring long-term benefits to our club. On behalf of everyone at Threave Rovers Community F.C. and the local community, I would like to thank the following organisations; Dumfries and Galloway Council, The Scottish Football Partnership, SP Energy Networks, Roadbridge, John Jardine Plant, Maxwell Construction, Allan Smith Fencing, James Smith Fencing, SWEAT and The Holywood Trust for their support in making this project a reality as without such partnerships, it would not have been possible. This new facility is an excellent example of what can be achieved with community engagement. We hope this project can inspire other communities to also see the benefits of such a facility which can only enhance the future of football in Scotland."*



## Motherwell F.C. Community Trust

CASE STUDY

Motherwell F.C. Community Trust was established in 2011 and since then it has positively impacted the lives of thousands of people from the Motherwell area from age 3 to age 93! The Trust's capacity to deliver programmes had outgrown its facility within the confines of Fir Park Stadium as it didn't have suitable changing and toilet facilities for participants. **Dawn Middleton, General Manager of the Trust** commented, *"The new changing and storage facilities provided by*

*the SFP will complement our 3G training pitch and will make a significant improvement to our programmes enabling us to offer modern and welcoming facilities for the various groups we engage with on a daily basis. More specifically, our newly enhanced set-up sits nicely with our Trust's charitable aims of widening opportunities for impoverished families and ensuring that all our activities are accessible and affordable."*



## Formartine United Youth Academy

CASE STUDY

Formartine United Youth Academy, a Quality Mark club with over 300 playing members, in conjunction with Udney Community Trust, first approached The Scottish Football Partnership in July, 2016 to discuss the provision of better quality facilities being available for its 14 youth teams as their training and match facility within Pitmedden Park in Aberdeenshire had no changing areas. The SFP was aware of the dedication of the Academy to constantly improve facilities for its players and to make participation more attractive for members of the local community and agreed to award portable changing rooms and a storage container to the club.

**Campbell Morrison the Chair of Formartine United Youth Academy** said;

*"I think the changing rooms are a massive step forward for not only Formartine United Youth Academy but the community as a whole, as a number of groups will benefit from them. The youth academy will benefit from the changing rooms for both training and playing and it will give the players a safe dry place to get changed. With the storage container, we will have a central place to keep all the equipment we need instead of bits scattered around Pitmedden and the surrounding area"*

**Eleanor Morris of the Udney Community Trust** remarked;

*"Udney Community Trust exists to help the local community develop and was happy to get involved*

*in working with the Formartine United Youth Academy to bring these much needed facilities to Pitmedden. We had been working with Pitmedden Park for some time and could see that, with a bit of coordination, effort, and funding, we could help make this happen. Not that we would claim it has been easy, in fact we've had to be much more hands-on than normal, but we can see that it will be worth the effort and investment because of the difference it will make to the young people taking part in the Youth Academy. As a local funder we can support groups and projects but it makes a huge difference when you can work with a specialist organisation such as the Scottish Football Partnership. For this project we have all brought something different to the table and that has allowed a small community to access this essential support."*



# The Scottish Football Partnership Trust



**STREET SOCCER SCOTLAND**, who provide a range of football themed training and personal development opportunities for socially disadvantaged groups across Scotland, were awarded funding from the SFP Trust to assist with the purchase of kit and equipment. This fantastic organisation who champion "Positive Change Through Football" operate a number of programmes designed to engage with youths, adults and women – ranging from drop-in centres to "Football Works" to Women's Street Soccer F.C. sessions.

**Sue Sinclair, Grants & Trusts Manager** thanked the Trustees for the award and added "This grant from The SFP Trust will make a big difference to delivering our football drop-in sessions to socially disadvantaged individuals. We are proud that over 60% of our staff and volunteers are former participants and this helps to ensure that everything we do remains relevant to our target group of individuals who are facing deep-rooted problems in their lives such as poverty,

homelessness, mental health issues, addiction, long-term unemployment or facing the challenge of integrating into a new community. Thank you for supporting our work with inspiring players like Jodie and Joe who have turned their lives around after finding a positive focus and ongoing support via our free, community-based football sessions." Jodie, who has been on a journey back from homelessness and addiction, is now Street Soccer Scotland's Women's Coordinator based in Glasgow and is quoted as saying that "Street Soccer Scotland believed in me until I could believe in myself" and is now a motivational speaker and a role-model to inspire others in the same situation.

We wish Jodie and all the team at Street Soccer Scotland every success as they continue their admirable work across the country.



**WALKING FOOTBALL SCOTLAND**, an organisation giving the older generation in Scotland a fantastic opportunity to enjoy their football again - either for the first time or rekindling their love of the game - were awarded a grant of £3,500 to help purchase starter kits for newly formed walking football clubs and to support their annual National Walking Football Festival involving over 300 participants from all across Scotland. Walking football continues to grow apace and provides obvious health benefits not only by encouraging people to become more active but also helps with issues such as mental health and tackling social isolation in communities across the country.

**Gary McLaughlin, Chair**

*"Walking Football is fun, friendly and can help you feel fitter and healthier."*

*"Joining in a physical activity with a group of people your age can be a breath of fresh air, make you laugh and give you a good time. It's a great way to get out more, meet new people and feel better."*



## Portable Floodlights & Goalposts

**FOR DALKEITH THISTLE COMMUNITY F.C.**

Dalkeith Thistle Community Football Club, a Scottish FA Quality Mark community club applied to the SFP Trust back in November 2017 for support to assist them in purchasing new portable floodlights and portable goalposts. Over the winter months this growing club were finding it extremely difficult to provide training for all their age-groups and these new portable lights will allow the club to increase their training activity throughout the year at Cowden Park.

Additionally, some of the club's old steel goalposts were heavy and cumbersome and no longer fit for purpose and these new portable goals will be easy for the coaches to assemble and transport.

The club have some of the best facilities in the area, however their Committee are continually trying to improve all aspects of the club and firmly believe that the young people of Dalkeith should be given every opportunity to participate, develop and enjoy the game of football. This family based football club actively encourage social participation beyond the boundaries of the football world.

The Trustees of The SFP Trust were so impressed with the ambitions and dedication of Dalkeith Thistle Community F.C. that they were delighted to award funding which included a donation from Bernard Hunter Crane Hire from Edinburgh who had provided funding to support the ongoing aims and objectives of the SFP Trust.



**Mark Rafferty from Bernard Hunter** commented

*"Bernard Hunter Mobile Cranes Ltd is delighted to support the SFP Trust and Dalkeith Thistle Community F.C. As a family owned and operated firm stretching back over seventy years, each of our three generations has enjoyed a close association with its local community. We realise the importance of sports participation in an inclusive environment for young people and as a local employer, with staff and their families in the neighbouring communities, we consider it a privilege to support community initiatives such as this."*

**Tony Cervi from the club** added

*"Dalkeith Thistle Community F.C. is a fast growing community club with over 400 players, ranging from toddlers all the way through to under 20's and incorporating walking football and now disabled football. Because of the rapid increase in size, in common with other clubs we are coming up against constraints on when and where to train and play. The investment in portable floodlights has opened up a new opportunity for the older age groups to train in other parts of our facility, at later times, thereby increasing the training hours and protecting parts of our grass from over-use in the winter months. In terms of the folding goals, our view was that purchasing these would vastly reduce the time taken to set up and finish our games, giving the coaches a lot more time to coach and allowing parents and carers to come along and just enjoy the games! The assistance of the SFP Trust and Bernard Hunter in funding these investments has been a huge help to us, and we are very grateful to both organisations."*



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# The SFP Trust Club Development Grants 2018

A TOTAL INVESTMENT OF **£27,000** FROM FUNDS DONATED

During the first few months of 2018, The SFP Trust has already awarded funding from its new Club Development Grant scheme to 9 grassroots clubs across Scotland in association with The Scottish FA's fantastic Regional Football Development staff. The initiative will support a

total of 54 Scottish FA Quality Mark Clubs from each of the six Scottish FA Development Regions to grow and develop in 2018 – a total investment of **£27,000** from funds donated by The Kilpatrick Fraser Charitable Trust, The Clydesdale Bank and The SFP Trust.

## Take a look at some of the activity that this investment has already supported

**THISTLE YOUTH F.C.** from Newburgh in Aberdeenshire used their grant to support the start-up of two new girls teams at Under-7 and Under-9 level and also for their Head Coach to update her First Aid training and to purchase a First Aid kit.

**WARRIORS IN THE COMMUNITY**, based in Stenhousemuir, funded three of their staff to further their Coach Education to benefit both their boys and girls teams, thus encouraging greater participation at this community football club.

THISTLE YOUTH F.C.



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WARRIORS IN THE COMMUNITY



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**1 KILWINNING COMMUNITY SPORTS CLUB**, with over 580 playing members and 74 registered coaches, utilised their grant to ensure that new coaches working with the club's 2012 team received appropriate First Aid training. They also purchased new footballs, bibs and cones for the young players.

**2 BEITH JUNIORS COMMUNITY F.C.** were able to set-up and establish a new 2012 football team with their grant and put five of their coaches through First Aid training.

**3 BLANTYRE SOCCER ACADEMY** started a new 2013 team and purchased new training kit and equipment for their young players.

**4 MORMOND THISTLE F.C.**, a grassroots club based in the small village of Strichen in Fraserburgh, purchased a new floodlight to allow their young players the opportunity to train outside during the winter months and provide better and sustained training sessions for their six teams.

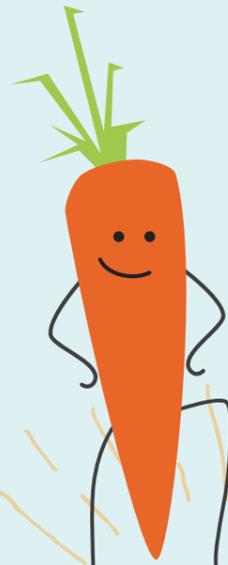
**5 LOANHEAD MINERS YOUTH F.C.** from the South East Region with 215 players and 31 coaches utilised their grant to purchase small sided 4v4 goals to help them to encourage more kids to join the club and to take part in their first steps into football through structured festivals. Pictured above are the U9 and U11 girls making good use of their new equipment.



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**GET FIT,  
GET HEALTHY  
... HAVE FUN**

# GoFitba<sup>®</sup> PROJECT

We all know that football can be a catalyst for social good and our new GoFitba Project is proving just that. Our initiative focuses on getting youngsters out of the house and more active through playing football and our interactive learning journals help to educate and promote the importance of nutrition and diet... and we feed the kids healthy food too!!!



**WATCH ALL THE GOFITBA FILMS ON OUR  
VIMEO CHANNEL @ [BIT.LY/SFPFILMS](http://bit.ly/sfpfilms)**



**ABERDEEN FC COMMUNITY TRUST  
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**MOTHERWELL FC COMMUNITY TRUST  
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**KILMARNOCK COMMUNITY SPORTS TRUST  
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**ST MIRREN FC  
WATCH THIS FILM NOW**



*"The GoFitba project is a great opportunity for children to learn about the importance of health, nutrition and physical activity while having fun at the same time. It is great to see so many children and football clubs involved. The Scottish Government is committed to helping communities across Scotland to have healthy lifestyles and get more active. Projects like this demonstrate the power of football and other sports to help achieve this".  
Aileen Campbell, Minister for Public Health and Sport*





## New Roof at Loretto

**ST MUNGO AMATEUR FOOTBALL CLUB AND EAST DUNBARTONSHIRE F.C.**



The above clubs, based in Bishopbriggs with a combined playing membership of over 300, were awarded £5,258 at the end of last summer to assist with the replacement of the felt roof of their Clubhouse at Loretto Playing Fields, as well as carrying out some internal facility upgrades. St. Mungos AFC work in partnership with East Dunbartonshire Football Club and share the facilities to support the development of grassroots football and to provide a safe and secure environment for boys, girls and adults to enjoy the game of football. This working partnership has been in place for over two years and is an excellent example of two Community football clubs coming together to share resources to the benefit of both clubs and the local community. The roof of the Clubhouse had suffered badly with water damage and was in urgent need of repair and this had led to some internal ceiling and wall damage. There was a real risk of the facility becoming unsafe for use which led these clubs to get in touch with the SFP Trust.

**Lee Hemphill from East Dunbartonshire F.C.** commented "The partnership between St Mungo AFC and East Dunbartonshire Football Club has witnessed further progress in terms of bringing our clubs even closer together. This project in

partnership with The Scottish Football Partnership Trust successfully secured grant funding to allow the upgrade and roofing repairs to the main club pavilion. This essential work and maintenance meant we could also bring in contractors to repaint walls and floors adding to the upkeep and presentation of the club facilities. The shared common objectives regarding the ground share of Loretto closely mirror both our clubs' medium to long term vision for the site and as such offers real opportunities going forward. It is our intention to maintain and even grow our current club combined numbers of 350 participating players not to mention a healthy support from 2/3 coaches per team. The assistance and support provided by the SFP Trust was of a really high standard from the very initial on site survey meetings right through to completion - first class!"

**John McClymont from St. Mungos A.F.C** commented "Both clubs continue to work closely and by improving the facilities at Loretto we can only add to what we can offer our players and coaches. We cannot thank the SFP Trust enough for their help and guidance throughout the application and subsequent grant process"



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# SFP Trust Awards



Edinburgh South F.C.	£500	Storage Container
Giffnock Soccer Centre	£1,356	Small side goalposts
Kilwinning Sports club	£1000	2 sets of 5 a side goalposts
Syngenta Juveniles FC	£2,770	Goalposts (11v11, 7v7 and 4 x 4v4)
Northstar CFC	£292	4 -v- 4 goals
Balloch Eastfield FC	£1,599	1 x 11v11 goals and 2 x 7v7 goals
Mearns Youth FC	£587	7-v-7 goals
Scottish Schools FA	£6,000	National Cup Competitions 17/18 for Boys U18 & U16, Girls U15 & U18
Budhill Football Academy	£2,524	Portable floodlights
Forfar Farmington F.C.	£3,000	New dug-outs
Dalkeith Thistle CFC	£3,902	Portable goalposts and portable floodlights
Rossvale F.C.	£500	Storage container
Pollok United Soccer Academy	£280	4v4 goals x 2 sets
Street Soccer Scotland	£2,000	Kit and Equipment
Walking Football Scotland	£3,500	To support national WF Festival and starter kits
Tranent Colts F.C.	£292	1 set of Fun Four Goals
Arniston Rangers Y.F.C.	£292	1 set of Fun Four Goals
Donside Juvenile F.C.	£292	4 -v- 4 goals
Strathaven Dynamo AFC	£5,000	new Changing Rooms
St Mungo AFC/East Dunbartonshire FC	£5,258	Replace Clubhouse roof and internal facility upgrades
Dundee East Community SC (in principle)	£20,000	3G pitch at Whitton Park, Dundee
Spartans Community Football academy	£10,000	3G pitch surface replacement
Hillwood SRT/Hillwood BC	£5,000	Grass Pitch safety fence/barrier
Dean Thistle FC	£1,800	Pitch drainage improvements
Show Racism the Red Card	£5,000	Delivery of anti-racism workshops to grassroots clubs
Scottish Junior FA	£11,850	Sports First Aid courses
Scottish Youth FA	£25,000	Sports First Aid courses
Aberdeen FC Community Trust	£5,992	GoFitba project
Cumbernauld Colts F.C.	£5,992	GoFitba project
Dundee East CSC	£5,992	GoFitba project
Falkirk Foundation	£5,992	GoFitba project
Glenrothes Strollers F.C.	£5,992	GoFitba project
Inverness CT Community	£5,992	GoFitba project
Kilmarnock Community ST	£5,992	GoFitba project
Kilwinning Community SC	£5,992	GoFitba project
Motherwell Community Trust	£5,992	GoFitba project
Pollok Utd Soccer Academy	£5,992	GoFitba project
St Mirren F.C. in the Community	£5,992	GoFitba project
Spartans Community Academy	£5,992	GoFitba project
Warriors in the Community	£500	Club Development Grant
Beith JFC	£500	Club Development Grant
Kilwinning Community Sports Club	£500	Club Development Grant
Clyde F.C. Community	£500	Club Development Grant
Falkirk Foundation	£500	Club Development Grant
Blantyre Soccer Academy	£500	Club Development Grant
Milngavie F.C.	£500	Club Development Grant
Villa Park F.C.	£500	Club Development Grant
Loanhead Miners Welfare FC	£500	Club Development Grant
Club Development Grant 2018	£22,500	to support further 45 clubs x £500 awards

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