## Glasgow youngsters will be on the ball in Belgium



FIVE Glasgow teenagers were today representing the city in Belgium by taking take part in an international football challenge.

Jordan Slaven of Townhead; Jamie Taylor of Drumchapel; Chris Donohue of Milton, all 18; Kyle Ross, 16, from Springburn, and Corey Quinn, 17, from Sandyhills are competing against teams from around the world during Shoot International.

They earned the all-expenses paid trip while taking part in five-a-side football organised by Glasgow and Community Safety Services.

It runs evening activities such as football, DJ'ing and basketball in city areas to encourage young people to channel their energies in positive directions and avoid antisocial behaviour.

The teenagers were accompanied by Tam McBride, a development worker with GCSS.

Antwerp is celebrating being crowned European Youth Capital of the Year and the trip will be funded by the activity organisers and JES, a non-profit making organisation that supports youth development.

During their four-day trip the teenagers will take part in DJing workshops and social events, as well as the matches against teams from places such as Riga, Rotterdam, and Gdansk.

Jordan Slaven said:

"I volunteer at the youth club in Townhead and want to become a youth worker.

"I have applied for a job in Parkhead and have also applied to do my training at college.

"I got help from a youth worker when I was younger and ever since I have wanted to do that job and help other young folk."