

Charity Registration Number 1016248

IN THE GAME

ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Trustees Richard Bevan OBE
Sir Alex Ferguson CBE
Lindsay Gordon
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Registered Charity Number 1016248

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**IN THE GAME
TRUSTEES' REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023**

The Trustees present their report and financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2023.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to 12. The financial statements comply with the charity's Trust Deed, the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)".

Objectives and activities

The objects of the charity are as follows:

- To promote the community activities of the League Managers Association, with past and present members working on community football coaching projects for the benefit of children and young people, including those with disabilities and special needs, and to work with other charitable organisations and voluntary bodies in order to promote such activities and projects.
- To advance education and personal development opportunities for all past and present members.
- To support financially and otherwise, necessitous past and present members and the necessitous wives, widows, children or dependents of past or present members.
- To promote the game of football generally to children and adults as a healthy recreational sport.

There has been no change in the charity's objects during the year.

The Trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

Achievements and performance

During the year ended 30 June 2023 the charity received income from fundraising and donations of £59,729 (2022: £74,486) and £358 (2022: £11) from investment income. After the deduction of expenditure £88,961 (2022: £63,612) this gave rise to a net deficit for the year of £28,874 (2022: surplus £10,885). Total reserves as at 30 June 2023 were £62,631 (2022: £91,505).

The Board of Trustees regularly review fundraising to ascertain if the current fundraising model is sustainable and if it has potential for growth.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT
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Financial Review

It is the policy of the charity that unrestricted funds which have not been designated for a specific use should be maintained at a level at least equivalent to between three and six month's expenditure. The Trustees consider that reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of a significant drop in funding, they will be able to continue the charity's current activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised. This level of reserves has been maintained throughout the year. At the 30 June 2023 unrestricted funds totalled £62,631 (2022: £91,505). See the Statement of Income and Expenditure for the details of the financial results for this year and the prior year.

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

Structure, Governance and Management

In The Game is governed by a Trust Deed dated 30 December 1992 as amended by Deed dated 1 December 2008 and as amended by Resolution dated 12 May 2015. The charity is registered with the Charities Commission for England and Wales, registration number 1016248.

The Trustees who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

Mr R Bevan OBE

Sir A Ferguson CBE

Miss L Gordon

Mr H Wilkinson OBE

None of the Trustees has any beneficial interest in the charity.

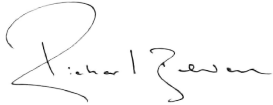
New Trustees are appointed by the existing Trustees. The Trust Deed provides for four Trustees; Chairman, Chief Executive, Secretary and a member (as nominated by the Chairman) of the League Managers Association

The Board of Trustees meet as required to receive reports from fundraisers, individual cases requiring support and to consider the management accounts. The overall strategy of the charity is decided at these meetings.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT
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In planning the charity's activities, the Trustees have paid due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

The Trustees' report has been approved by the Board of Trustees and is signed on their behalf by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Richard Bevan', written in a cursive style.

Richard Bevan OBE

Trustee

29 April 2024

**IN THE GAME
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
TO THE TRUSTEES OF IN THE GAME**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 30 June 2023 which are set out on pages 8 to 16.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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Dated: 29/04/2024

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023**

		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
	Notes	Funds	Funds	Funds	Funds	Funds	Funds
		2023	2023	2023	2022	2022	2022
		£	£	£	£	£	£
Income from:							
Donations	2	59,729	-	59,729	71,461	3,025	74,486
Investment income	3	358	-	358	11	-	11
Total income		60,087	-	60,087	71,472	3,025	74,497
Expenditure on:							
Raising funds	4	4,923	-	4,923	2,462	-	2,462
Charitable activities	5	84,038	-	84,038	58,125	3,025	61,150
		88,961	-	88,961	60,587	3,025	63,612
Net income for the year/		(28,874)	-	(28,874)	10,885	-	10,885
Net movement in funds							
Fund balances at 1 July 2022		91,505	-	91,505	80,620	-	80,620
Fund balances at 30 June 2023		62,631	-	62,631	91,505	-	91,505

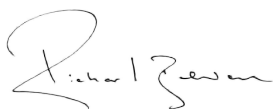
The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

**IN THE GAME
BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 30 JUNE 2023**

	Notes	£	2023 £	£	2022 £
Current assets					
Debtors	10	1,702		21,601	
Cash at bank and in hand		85,187		102,412	
		<u>86,889</u>		<u>124,013</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	11	(24,258)		(32,508)	
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Net current assets			62,631		91,505
Total assets less current liabilities			<u>62,631</u>		<u>91,505</u>
			<u></u>		<u></u>
Income funds					
Unrestricted funds			62,631		91,505
			<u>62,631</u>		<u>91,505</u>
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The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 29 April 2024.



Richard Bevan OBE
Trustee

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

In The Game is an unincorporated charity, registered with the Charities Commission in England and Wales (number 1016248), constituted under a Trust Deed. The registered office of the charity is St George's Park, Newborough Road, Needwood, Burton upon Trent, DE13 9PD.

1.1 Accounting convention

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's Trust Deed, the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (effective 1 January 2019)". The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s). The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going Concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the Trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Charitable Funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives unless the funds have been designated for other purposes. Restricted funds are donations which the donor has specified are to be solely used for particular areas of the Trust's work.

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1.4 Incoming resources

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or Deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Turnover is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable and represents amounts receivable for goods and services provided in the normal course of business.

1.5 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

1.6 Financial instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the Charity's balance sheet when the Charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

1.7 Debtors

Debtors (including trade debtors and loans receivable) are measured on initial recognition at settlement amount after any trade discounts or amount advanced by the charity. Subsequently, they are measured at the cash or other consideration expected to be received.

1.8 Creditors

The charity has creditors which are measured at settlement amounts less any trade discounts.

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2 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted Funds 2023 £	Restricted Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2023 £	Unrestricted Funds 2022 £
Donations and gifts	59,729	-	59,729	74,486

3 Investments

	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Unrestricted funds 2022 £
Interest receivable	358	11

4 Raising funds

	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Unrestricted funds 2022 £
Fundraising and publicity		
Staging fundraising events	4,923	2,462

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5 Charitable activities			
	Charitable expenditure	Charitable expenditure	
	2023	2022	
	£	£	
Donations	30,000	36,000	
Grant funding of activities (see note 6)	45,631	16,092	
Welfare Programme:			
Remuneration and consultancy fees	5,000	5,000	
Professional fees	475	1,333	
Bank charges	681	830	
Share of governance costs (see note 7)	2,251	1,895	
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	84,038	61,150	
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6 Grants payable			
	Charitable expenditure	Charitable expenditure	
	2023	2022	
	£	£	
Grants to institutions:			
Institute of Football Management and Administration	965	1,205	
Special Olympics GB	20,000	-	
Grants to individuals:			
Unrestricted funds	24,666	11,862	
Restricted funds	-	3,025	
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	45,631	16,092	
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7	Support costs	Governance	Governance
		costs	costs
		2023	2022
		£	£
	Independent examiner's fee	1,816	1,860
	Incidental	35	35
	Affinity and promotion	400	-
		<u>2,251</u>	<u>1,895</u>
		<u><u>2,251</u></u>	<u><u>1,895</u></u>
	Analysed between		
	Charitable activities	2,251	1,895

8 Trustees

None of the Trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the year (2022: None).

9 Employees

There were no employees during the year (2022: None).

No employees received employee benefits (excluding employer pension costs) for the year of more than £60,000 (2022: None).

10	Debtors	2023	2022
		£	£
	Amounts falling due within one year:		
	Trade debtors	-	21,601
	Other debtors	1,702	-
		<u>1,702</u>	<u>21,601</u>
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11	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2023	2022
		£	£
	Trade creditors	-	825
	Other creditors	7,500	12,500
	Accruals and deferred income	16,758	19,183
		<u>24,258</u>	<u>32,508</u>

12 Related party transactions

The charity's Trustees are officers of the League Managers Association, with LMA Management Limited and LMA New Media Limited being wholly owned subsidiaries of the League Managers Association. During the year the charity entered in the following transactions with related parties:

Donations received include a donation of £23,000 (2022: £23,000) from LMA New Media Limited, along with a donation of £nil (2022: £500) from Mr Howard Wilkinson a Trustee of In The Game.

During the year the following donations were collected on behalf of In The Game:

	2023	2022
	£	£
League Managers Association	-	7,200
LMA Management Limited	3,000	870
LMA New Media Limited	-	500

During the year LMA Management Limited and LMA New Media Limited incurred costs in respect of In The Game. The total amounts recharged to In The Game in the year by LMA Management Limited amounted to £4,116 (2022: £2,615) and the total amount recharged by LMA New Media Limited amounted to £18,224 (2022: £6,565).

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12 Related party transactions - continued

The following amounts were outstanding at the reporting end date:

	2023	2022
	£	£
Debtors		
LMA New Media Limited	1,702	-
Creditors		
LMA Management Limited	2,054	7,382
LMA New Media Limited	9,302	5,000