

# SANDY SPORTS AND LEISURE ASSOCIATION

England & Wales · Charity number 1058457

## Details

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**Other names** SSLA

**Status** Registered

**Legal form** Other

**Registered** 1996-10-04

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

## Contact

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Sandy  
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## Activities

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**Objects:** TO PROVIDE AND ASSIST IN THE PROVISION OF FACILITIES FOR THE RECREATION AND OTHER LEISURE TIME OCCUPATION IN THE INTERESTS OF SOCIAL WELFARE AND IN ORDER TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF LIFE OF RESIDENTS OF SANDY AND THE SURROUNDING AREA.

**Activities:** To provide and assist in the provision of facilities for the recreation and other leisure time occupation in the interests of social welfare and in order to improve the quality of life of residents in Sandy and the surrounding area.

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** Education/training, Amateur Sport
- **Who:** Children/young People, People With Disabilities, Other Defined Groups, The General Public/mankind

## Geography

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- **Area of benefit:** SANDY AND THE SURROUNDING AREA
- Central Bedfordshire

## Finances

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Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£18,817	£2,725	-	-
2024-03-31	£16,395	£1,026	-	-
2023-03-31	£14,847	£2,088	-	-
2022-03-31	£93,000	£202,685	-	-
2021-03-31	£11,246	£3,793	-	-

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## Trustees

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Name	Role	Appointed
Sandy Town Council		2017-11-01

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# Accounts

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# Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date

Period end date

From 1st APRIL 2021

To 31st MARCH 2022

**Section A Reference and administration details**

Charity name SANDY SPORTS AND LEISURE ASSOCIATION

Other names charity is known by SSLA.

Registered charity number (if any) 1058457

Charity's principal address FACILITY LOCATED AT .  
SUNDERLAND ROAD PLAYING FIELDS, off .  
MEDUSA WAY, SANDY, BEDFORDSHIRE .  
Postcode SG19 1BL .

**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	SANDY TOWN COUNCIL	SINCE .	N/A .
2	10 CAMBRIDGE ROAD	1st NOVEMBER 2017	
3	SANDY ,	WITHOUT	
4	BEDFORDSHIRE	INTERRUPTION .	
5	SG19 1JE .		
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**Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)**

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

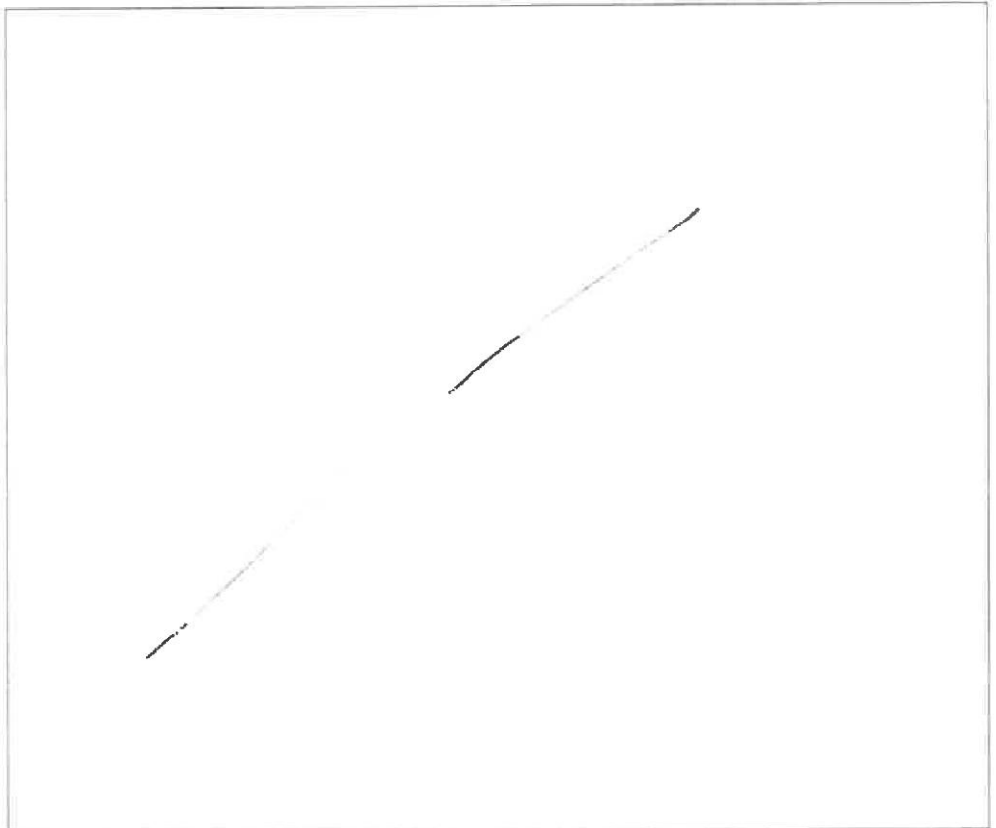
The requirement for this "first time" Annual Report has been triggered since the threshold for total income for a small charity has been exceeded with receipt of grant funding of £75k towards our refurbishment in the period.

**Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)**

**Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)**

You may choose to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.



**Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)**

Type of adviser	Name	Address
ACCOUNTANTS	EXCEL ACCOUNTANTS (BEDS) LTD	
	CHARTERED CERTIFIED ACCOUNTANTS	
	EXCEL HOUSE	
	3 DUKE ST, BEDFORD, MK40 3HR.	

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

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**Section B Structure, governance and management**

**Description of the charity's trusts**

Type of governing document	CONSTITUTIONAL
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	ASSOCIATION
Trustee selection methods (eg. app)	CORPORATE TRUSTEE, SANDY TOWN COUNCIL

**Additional governance issues (Optional information)**

You may choose to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

A Management Committee, made up as set out in the Constitution and chaired by the incumbent Chair of the Trustees, (Town Mayor) meets regularly and also holds an AGM, in late May/early June.

**Section C Objectives and activities**

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document	<p>TO PROVIDE AND ASSIST IN THE PROVISION OF FACILITIES FOR RECREATION AND OTHER OCCUPATIONS IN THE INTERESTS OF SOCIAL WELFARE AND IN ORDER TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF LIFE OF RESIDENTS OF SANDY AND THE SURROUNDING AREA</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Continued →</p>
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**Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year**

2021 was a landmark year for SSLA. Having been opened since 1995 (26 years) it was closed for a major refurbishment for about 12 weeks between July and September. This followed a much smaller refurbishment in 2008. Using reserves accumulated over 25 years and supported by Grants of £10K from Sport England and £5K from Central Bedfordshire Council in excess of £220K was spent to completely renew the playing carpet and shockpad. To carry out major works to the perimeter fence, create wider and deeper recesses on both sides of the playing area for spectators, players/officials and others. To purchase new shelters and pay for essential upgrading of the floodlighting. All of this has served to ensure the viability and safety of the facility for at least the next 15 years. Through the support of the Sports Management Co which runs the facility on a day to day basis we can ensure a balanced programme of use which ensures delivery of the Association's Aims and Objectives including Sports Development initiatives, Organised Club Sessions, Coaching Courses, support of school curriculum as well as social casual use.

## Section E Financial review

**Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves**

The SSA is wholly committed to setting aside annually as much as possible of the Management Fee received into a sinking fund to ensure adequate reserves to meet the cost of maintaining and eventually carrying out the next major refurbishment.

**Details of any funds materially in deficit**

Nil.

**Further financial review details (Optional information)**

You may choose to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.


The annual Management Fee charged to the leisure management company (not for profit) which is responsible for managing and maintaining the all weather pitch on a day to day basis.

## Section F Other optional information

## Section G Declaration

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

**Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees**

<b>Signature(s)</b>		
<b>Full name(s)</b>	MARTIN JOHN PETTITT	
<b>Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)</b>	Chair	
<b>Date</b>	6th MARCH 2023	



**CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

**Independent examiner's report  
on the accounts**

**Section A**

**Independent Examiner's Report**

**Report to the trustees/  
members of**

SANDY SPORTS AND LEISURE ASSOCIATION

**On accounts for the year  
ended**

31st MARCH 2022

**Charity no  
(if any)**

1058457

**Set out on pages**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended

**Responsibilities and  
basis of report**

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

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 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**

~~The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and~~ I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]. *Delete [ ] if not applicable.*

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below \*) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect,:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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.

*\* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

**Signed:**

**Date:**

24-2-2023

**Name:**

DEREK JOHN ROWNTREE

**Relevant professional  
qualification(s) or body  
(if any):**

(ACMA, CGMA) CHARTERED INSTITUTE OF MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTANTS

Address:

20 ST. NEOTS ROAD

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BEDFORDSHIRE

SG19 1LB

Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

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