

Chester Boxing Club

Trustees Report 2024

Trustee Report

1. Purpose

As detailed under the legal requirements for the Trustees' Annual report as set out in the Charities Regulation 2008, this report looks to provide the relative information as required under the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP)

2. Administrative detail of the Charity, its Trustees and advisors

- a. The Name of the Charity is: Chester Boxers Hereinafter referred to as 'the charity'.
- b. The Charity Registration number is: 1095693
- c. The registered address of the Charity is: Unit 3, Lightfoot Business Centre, Lightfoot Street, Chester, CH2 3AD
- d. The charity has currently appointed 5 Trustees named below:
 1. Peter Brocklehurst
 2. Christopher Kappler (appointed 2013) *
 3. Kevin Sweeney (chairman of trustee board)
 4. Simon Kirkham (appointed 2020)
- e. The Charity has also appointed two directors who are named below:
 1. Stephen Goodwin
 2. Christopher Kappler (appointed 2015) *
- f. Due to the limited size of the charity, trustees and directors adopt other roles to the extent that officer roles are filled by the following personnel:
Secretary – Christopher Kappler*
Treasurer – Peter Brocklehurst

(* it was agreed that the appointment to the roles did not constitute a conflict of interest)

2.1 Structure, governance and management

The Charity adopted its constitution on 18th July 2005 and the constitution acts as the principal governance document.

Trustees are retired and can be re-elected at each Annual General Meeting. Trustees can be appointed to enable the skills sets of this tier of management to deal with the changing needs of the charity.

While directors and trustees undertake the final decision making, this level of governance is informed by the management committee who undertake the day to day running of the charity. This structure provides adequate checks and balances in the management of the charity.

The management committee comprises of trustees, directors, officers and members who are elected in accordance with the constitution.

3. Financial Review

2024 has carried on from the challenging trend from previous years. High energy bills and the cost of living is still having an impact, as well as the increasing wars currently taking place across the globe. The charity has always heavily relied on outsourced funding from municipal charities and organisations. Traffic numbers has remained at a similar number to the previous year, although comparisons to pre covid years has seen a reduction in the number of members and general foot traffic. The contributing factor for this is the current cost of living crisis. Income from the gym itself as well as income generated from our shop has fallen almost to the point that it is no longer sufficient to keep the charity afloat and cover running costs and overhead. As always outsourced funding was always and is essential if we were to improve our facilities and equipment and we continue to try and raise grants to continually update and refurbish our equipment which we feel is imperative to keep up our reputation and to keep customers coming through the door. We are currently in the process of applying for funding to install new women's changing rooms to increase the number of youngsters participating in sports as this would be seen as meeting a major objective of the charity. We have also applied and received funding to help tackle the cost of high energy bills.

There is currently no reserves policy in place, but this has not been problematic to the financial position in the past. Like previous years we are happy that we hold zero debt and believe this to be essential as not only does it show that the charity to be self-sustainable it also presents us with the freedom to reinvest our funds in new equipment. We have seen a fall in the average amount of cash in our account over the last year. The Charity realises that to fulfil its objectives there is a need to hold reserves to cover running expenses and small capital expenditure. Over the last 12 months this figure has been continually reviewed. Reserves do not appear as a specific sum in the accounts and have become incorporated into cash held at the bank; this will be reviewed over the year. The Charity has decided that funds exceeding this sum or deemed to be more than the charities immediate needs will be dispersed to organisations that in the management committee's opinion reflect or mirror the objectives of the charity.

Continuing on from the error made from of our bank in the previous year, which resulted in them closing our bank account, we have now managed to gain normality.

4. Funds held as custodian trustee on behalf of others.

The Charity does not hold any funds or other assets on behalf of any organisation.

5. Public benefit Statement

The trustees have complied with the duty in section 4 of the Charities Act 2006 to have due regards to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission in December 2008.

It is the charities objectives that members of the public will benefit from the developments of the services offered by the charity and that this benefit should apply to all members of the public without discrimination of any kind. Towards this aim the trustees have guided the programme of services available to actively encourage the public to adopt healthier lifestyles. To Engage in the promotion of drug awareness and to promote the access to the gym and its facilities through the local council, registered housing providers and a diverse range of community organisations. Therefore, due to the energy and cost of living crisis we have held back in increasing membership price as to allow as many people as possible going through financial hardship to continue to use our facilities.

6. Risk Management

All major insurable risks are subject to the normal employer's insurance. An annual review of areas of risk undertaken by trustees in conjunction with the staff responsible for that area of activity. As a result of risk analysis, the charity has ensured that all their members of staff are trained in first aid to minimise risk to the members using the facility. 2024 has shown similar risks to the previous year and as such except for COVID, which the charity had been very proactive in continually deep cleansing and sanitisation of all equipment. COVID has left an improvement in cleanliness and hygiene across the gym and its facilities. We continue to deep cleanse our equipment and have kept in place the policies and continually cleaning equipment.

We have once again renewed our insurance and are covered through all possible outcomes, including liability cover for directors should a claim be brought against any of our committee members.

7. Objectives and Activities

The Objectives of the charity continue to be 'the promotion of community participation in healthy recreation by the provision of facilities for boxing and martial arts. To this end the charity looks to provide professional instruction in the following activities, boxing, MMA, weight training, cage boxing, krav maga, Muay Thai. All classes continue to have a consistent number of members which tells us that our customers are enjoying our classes. the charity continues to utilize the gym facilities to engage with the local community to deliver support programmes on central and local government healthy living initiatives. Overall, the level of customers using our classes is similar to pre-COVID levels and we hope that these numbers will continue to increase although we understand the hardship many face at the moment. We have added more classes to try and improve our numbers including more children's classes to try and promote a healthy lifestyle with young children.

The charity continues to maintain its existing equipment to a high standard. We are looking to minimise the purchase of new equipment until both the cost-of-living crisis eases along with the rising cost of energy. We will only purchase to equipment for the foreseeable future if we many to acquire funding as we believe any cash reserves held in our bank account must be used to cover overheads and to keep the gym open. We will however continue to maintain our current equipment

to a high standard. The aim going into next year is to refurbish all of our equipment as well as the normal maintenance that is essential to keep the equipment safe.

The Charity will continue to have a strong relationship with Cheshire West and Chester council, and Cheshire Police where we still offer our full support towards the young offender's scheme and the rehabilitation of adults sentenced to community service and are continually exploring more opportunities of joint ventures with existing bodies to further enhance the gyms work on the local community.

The Many activities reported in our 2023 report remain available through the charity and focus on developing confidence, self-esteem and a disciplined lifestyle for people from a range of different backgrounds and of all age groups which is also having a great benefit on combating social isolation. Our staff continue to work one on one with our members to help instil discipline through self-defence. Working one on one gives our staff the chance to identify behavioural problems and address them. To help advertise these services the charity is represented at local community meetings and events to highlight the services we offer.

The Charity is still highly active in working with children and adults who are classified as obese, providing fitness programmes for weight loss and advice on how to eat healthier and live a healthier lifestyle, which currently is a local and national problem that has great strain on our national health service. The Charity has recognised that these activities can have a profound impact on an individual's health and confidence. Various activities for children are attracting ever increasing attendances. We now have three dedicated nights for children's classes and may add a third if the participants continue to grow.

The charity is still offering work experience positions to schools and colleges to enable young people to gain transferable skills to assist them when looking for future employment.

The Charity maintains its association with 'Club mark' (a national body which looks to improve the attraction to young people to take up sport by benchmarking services) and continues to maintain the required standard in delivering an excellent service.

As stated in our previous reports, our charity was working on finding new premises to help reduce our cost and overheads. This has now been permanently put on hold as we believe our current situation will be more financially sound.

The Charity is also working closely with volunteers to help increase and promote the profile of our club across social media platforms. We hope that this will help increase the number of members as well as promote the good causes our charity is engaged with.

8. Achievements and Performance

Membership numbers this year have once again been hard to evaluate. The number of members is still at a similar level to the previous years, but we are hopeful that as energy prices and the cost of living ease, these numbers will return to levels we have experienced in previous years. Maintaining our level of members is indicative that the charity is continuing to have success in engaging with the community where any failure to achieve this would have seen a severe drop off in the number of members. We still do not want to increase prices, and this will be unbeneficial to us in meeting our objectives. A lot of families will encounter financial hardship this year with many still feeling the effects of COVID as well as rising energy bills which could continue into 2025. This we believe will

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OVERVIEW

After overcoming all difficulties that have been presented to us of the last 5 years, it is of our opinion that the charity/ gym has managed to maintain its high level of standards. Financial we aren't as stable as previous years, but all our staff, directors and volunteers are still working tirelessly to continue our good work and help take the charity on an upwards trajectory. We hope by the time of our next statement we will see customer traffic level off to slightly higher than previous years averages and our children's classes become established.

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Charity registration number 1095693

Company registration number 05511166 (England and Wales)

CHESTER BOXERS LIMITED
LIMITED BY GUARANTEE
ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024

CHESTER BOXERS LIMITED

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Trustees

Mr. S J Goodwin
Mr. P Brocklehurst
Mr. K P Sweeney
Mr. S J Kirkham
Mr C Kappler
Mr T Carroll

Secretary

Mr C Kappler

Charity number

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CHESTER BOXERS LIMITED

TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 July 2024.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the charity's governing document, the Companies Act 2006 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 (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)".

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Structure, governance and management

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and consitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees, who are also the directors for the purpose of company law, and who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

Mr. S J Goodwin
Mr. P Brocklehurst
Mr. K P Sweeney
Mr. S J Kirkham
Mr C Kappler
Mr T Caroll

None of the trustees has any beneficial interest in the company. All of the trustees are members of the company and guarantee to contribute £1 in the event of a winding up.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED)

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Statement of Public Benefit

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We have once again renewed our insurance and are covered through all possible outcomes, including liability cover for directors should a claim be brought against any of our committee members.

The trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.



Mr. S J Goodwin
Trustee

29 April 2025

CHESTER BOXERS LIMITED

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024

The trustees, who are also the directors of Chester Boxers Limited for the purpose of company law, are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company Law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that year.

In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

CHESTER BOXERS LIMITED

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF CHESTER BOXERS LIMITED

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Chester Boxers Limited (the charity) for the year ended 31 July 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 (the 2006 Act).

Having satisfied myself that the financial statements of the charity are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act). In carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no 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 386 of the 2006 Act; or
- 2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the financial statements do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
- 4 the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

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 financial statements to be reached.



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Dated: 30 April 2025

CHESTER BOXERS LIMITED

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024

		Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £
	Notes		
<u>Income from:</u>			
Donations	5	1,500	35,080
Grant income	3	499	5,750
Other trading activities	4	49,328	47,668
Total income		51,327	88,498
<u>Expenditure on:</u>			
Trading activities	6	8,872	9,232
Charitable activities	7	63,692	72,270
Total expenditure		72,564	81,502
Net (expenditure)/income for the year/ Net movement in funds		(21,237)	6,996
Fund balances at 1 August 2023		45,345	38,349
Fund balances at 31 July 2024		24,108	45,345

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

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account under the Companies Act 2006.

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 JULY 2024

	Notes	2024 £	£	2023 £	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	13		60,788		81,177
Current assets					
Stocks	15	1,500		1,430	
Debtors	14	254		254	
Cash at bank and in hand		1,622		2,138	
		<u>3,376</u>		<u>3,822</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	17	<u>(40,056)</u>		<u>(39,654)</u>	
Net current liabilities			(36,680)		(35,832)
Total assets less current liabilities			<u>24,108</u>		<u>45,345</u>
Income funds					
Unrestricted funds			<u>24,108</u>		<u>45,345</u>
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The company is entitled to the exemption from the audit requirement contained in section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, for the year ended 31 July 2024.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 29 April 2025



Mr. S J Goodwin
Trustee

Charity number 1095693

Company registration number 05511166

CHESTER BOXERS LIMITED

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

Chester Boxers Limited is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is Meadow House, Bramley Lane, Higher Kinnerton, Chester, Cheshire, CH4 9AX.

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's governing document, the Companies Act 2006, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" ("FRS 102") and the Charities SORP "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 (FRS 102)" (effective 1 January 2019). The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

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. 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.

1.4 Income and expenditure

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.

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement, and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges are allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024

1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

1.5 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Improvements to property	20% on cost
Plant and machinery	25% reducing balance
Fixtures and fittings	20% on cost
Motor vehicles	15% reducing balance

The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in the statement of financial activities.

1.6 Impairment of fixed assets

At each reporting end date, the charity reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any).

1.7 Stocks

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and estimated selling price less costs to complete and sell. Cost comprises direct materials and, where applicable, direct labour costs and those overheads that have been incurred in bringing the stocks to their present location and condition. Items held for distribution at no or nominal consideration are measured the lower of replacement cost and cost.

Net realisable value is the estimated selling price less all estimated costs of completion and costs to be incurred in marketing, selling and distribution.

1.8 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.

1.9 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.

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs. As all financial assets are classified within one year, they are not amortised but carried at face value.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024

1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are carried at face value.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and continue to be measured at face value.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

1.10 Employee benefits

The costs of short-term employee benefits are recognised as a liability and an expense.

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the charity is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

1.11 Retirement benefits

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

There are no accounting estimates in the current year.

3 Grant income

	Unrestricted funds	
	2024	2023
	£	£
Grants from Cheshire West and Chester Council	499	5,750

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4 Other trading activities

	2024 £	2023 £
Gym fees, classes and other income	34,651	34,494
Shop income	14,577	13,174
Other income and compensation	100	-
Other trading activities	<u>49,328</u>	<u>47,668</u>

5 Donations

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2024 £	2023 £
Donations	<u>1,500</u>	<u>35,080</u>

6 Trading activities

	2024 £	2023 £
Trading costs		
Opening stock	1,430	1,360
Goods for resale	8,942	9,302
Closing stock	<u>(1,500)</u>	<u>(1,430)</u>
	<u>8,872</u>	<u>9,232</u>

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7 Charitable activities

	Expenditure 2024 £	Expenditure 2023 £
Staff costs	18,016	18,743
Depreciation and impairment	20,389	23,297
Rent and rates	14,075	14,342
Light and heat	1,278	1,754
Telephone	494	1,084
Repairs and renewals	87	493
Subscriptions	706	959
Travel and subsistence	57	286
Gym overheads	499	1,237
Gym equipment	799	272
Insurance	2,829	2,153
Advertising	1,054	298
	<u>60,283</u>	<u>64,918</u>
Grant funding of activities (see note 8)	-	4,000
Share of support costs (see note 9)	16	95
Share of governance costs (see note 9)	3,393	3,257
	<u>63,692</u>	<u>72,270</u>

8 Grants payable

	Expenditure 2023 £
Grants to institutions:	
Inspiring Futures - programme funding	4,000
	<u>4,000</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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9 Support costs

	Support costs	Governance costs	2024	Support costs	Governance costs	2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Bank charges	-	-	-	95	-	95
Interest on taxation	16	-	16	-	-	-
Accountancy	-	1,722	1,722	-	1,644	1,644
Professional fees	-	1,671	1,671	-	1,613	1,613
	<u>16</u>	<u>3,393</u>	<u>3,409</u>	<u>95</u>	<u>3,257</u>	<u>3,352</u>
Analysed between						
Charitable activities	<u>16</u>	<u>3,393</u>	<u>3,409</u>	<u>95</u>	<u>3,257</u>	<u>3,352</u>

10 Trustees

Trustees' remuneration and benefits

During the year one of the trustees received remuneration from Chester Boxers Limited. Amounts paid for salary totalled £17,658 (2023: £18,447) and pension contributions of £337 (2023: £296).

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees expenses paid for the year ended 31 July 2024 nor for the year ended 31 July 2023.

11 Employees

Number of employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2024 Number	2023 Number
	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
Employment costs	2024 £	2023 £
Wages	17,679	18,447
Pensions	337	296
	<u>18,016</u>	<u>18,743</u>

12 Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or section 252 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024

13 Tangible fixed assets

	Improvements to property £	Plant and machinery £	Fixtures and fittings £	Motor vehicles £	Total £
Cost					
At 1 August 2023	12,210	276,448	11,457	3,840	303,955
At 31 July 2024	12,210	276,448	11,457	3,840	303,955
Depreciation and impairment					
At 1 August 2023	12,210	196,234	11,038	3,296	222,778
Depreciation charged in the year	-	20,054	253	82	20,389
At 31 July 2024	12,210	216,288	11,291	3,378	243,167
Carrying amount					
At 31 July 2024	-	60,160	166	462	60,788
At 31 July 2023	-	80,214	419	544	81,177

14 Debtors

	2024 £	2023 £
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Prepayments and accrued income	254	254

15 Stocks

	2024 £	2023 £
Stocks	1,500	1,430

16 Loans and overdrafts

	2024 £	2023 £
Other loans	30,800	31,000
Payable within one year	30,800	31,000

At 31st July 2024 £30,800 (2023: £31,000) had been advanced to the charity from Baranswift Limited. This loan was interest free and repayable on demand.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024

17 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2024 £	2023 £
Loan	30,800	31,000
Other taxation and social security	3,198	4,018
Other creditors	339	311
Accruals and deferred income	5,719	4,325
	<u>40,056</u>	<u>39,654</u>

18 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £
Fund balances at 31 July 2024 are represented by:		
Tangible assets	60,788	81,177
Current assets/(liabilities)	(36,680)	(35,832)
	<u>24,108</u>	<u>45,345</u>

19 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2023 - none).

Charity registration number 1095693

Company registration number 05511166 (England and Wales)

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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Mr. P Brocklehurst
Mr. K P Sweeney
Mr. S J Kirkham
Mr C Kappler
Mr T Carroll

Secretary

Mr C Kappler

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CHESTER BOXERS LIMITED

TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 July 2024.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the charity's governing document, the Companies Act 2006 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 (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)".

Objectives and activities

The Objectives of the charity continue to be 'the promotion of community participation in healthy recreation in particular by the provision of facilities for boxing and martial arts. To this end the charity looks to provide professional instruction in the following activities, boxing, MMA, weight training, cage boxing, krav maga, Muay Thai. All classes continue to have a consistent number of members which tells us that our customers are enjoying our classes. the charity continues to utilize the gym facilities to engage with the local community to deliver support programmes on central and local government healthy living initiatives. Overall, the level of customers using our classes is similar to pre-COVID levels and we hope that these numbers will continue to increase although we understand the hardship many face at the moment. We have added more classes to try and improve our numbers including more children's classes to try and promote a healthy lifestyle with young children.

The charity continues to maintain its existing equipment to a high standard. We are looking to minimise the purchase of new equipment until both the cost-of-living crisis eases along with the rising cost of energy. We will only purchase to equipment for the foreseeable future if we manage to acquire funding as we believe any cash reserves held in our bank account must be used to cover overheads and to keep the gym open. We will however continue to maintain our current equipment to a high standard. The aim going forward into next year is to refurbish all of our equipments as well as the normal maintenance that is essential to keep the equipment safe.

The Charity will still continue to have a strong relationship with Cheshire West and Chester council, and Cheshire Police where we still offer our full support towards the young offender's scheme and the rehabilitation of adults sentenced to community service and are continually exploring more opportunities of joint ventures with existing bodies to further enhance the gyms work on the local community.

The many activities reported in our 2023 report remain available through the charity and focus on developing confidence, self-esteem and a disciplined lifestyle for people from a range of different backgrounds and of all age groups which is also having a great benefit on combating social isolation. Our staff continue to work one on one with our members to help distil discipline through self-defence. Working one on one give our staff the chance to identify behavioural problems and address them. To help advertise these services the charity is represented at local community meetings and events to highlight the services we offer.

The Charity is still highly active in working with children and adults who are classified as obese, providing fitness programmes for weight loss and advice on how to eat healthier and live a healthier lifestyle, which currently is a local and national problem have great strain on our national health service. The Charity has recognised that these activities can have a profound impact on an individual health and confidence. Various activities for children are attracting ever increasing attendances. We now have three dedicated nights for children's classes and may add a third if the participants continue to grow.

CHESTER BOXERS LIMITED

TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024

The charity is still offering work experience positions to schools and colleges to enable young people to gain transferable skills to assist them when looking for future employment.

The Charity maintains its association with 'Club mark' (a national body which looks to improve the attraction to young people to take up sport by benchmarking services) and continues to maintain the required standard in delivering an excellent service.

As stated in our previous reports, our charity was working on finding new premises to help reduce our costs and overheads. This has now been permanently put on hold as we believe our current situation will be more financially sound.

The Charity is also working closely with volunteers to help increase and promote the profile of our club across social media platforms. We hope that this will help increase the number of members as well as promote the good causes our charity is engaged with.

Achievements and performance

Membership numbers this year have once again been hard to evaluate. The number of members is still at a similar level to the previous years, but we are hopeful that as energy prices and the cost of living ease, these numbers will return to levels we have experienced in previous years. Maintaining our level of members is indicative that the charity is continuing to have success in engaging with the community where any failure to achieve this would have seen a severe drop off in the number of members. We still do not want to increase prices, and this will be unbeneficial to us in meeting our objectives. A lot of families will encounter financial hardship this year with many still feeling the effects of COVID as well as rising energy bills which could continue into 2025. This we believe will have a negative effect on people's mental health and hope having an affordable club will encourage people to exercise more which will undoubtedly help with mental wellbeing brought on by the hardships from the past few years.

The number of teen and young adults is still at a similar level to the previous year. We hope that by summer 2025 we will see a big increase in the number of children attending classes mainly due to the easing of reliance on energy throughout the summer.

The trend in rise of people using our personal trainers has slightly increase again. This has increased throughout the year and hope to see a continuation in this trend.

We now have ten medical cards for the gym which we are very happy with. We believe this shows our objectives are having a positive effect on the community. All our fighters are ready for competitive matches. We hope that this will help increase the profile of our charity.

We now have five qualified coaches volunteering and continue to offer high standards of training.

Overview

After overcoming all difficulties that have been presented to us of the last five years, it is of our opinion that the charity/ gym has managed to maintain its high level of standards. Financially we are not as stable as previous years, but all our staff, directors and volunteers are still working tirelessly to continue our good work and help take the charity on an upwards trajectory. We hope by the time of our next statement we will see customer traffic level off to slightly higher than previous years averages and our children's classes become established.

We will continue to apply for funding to help improve facilities and hope to have more members taking part in competitions and representing our gym on an international stage. This we hope will raise our profile and help improve facilities and classes for all our members and can only benefit the wider community as a whole.

CHESTER BOXERS LIMITED

TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024

Financial review

2024 has carried on from the challenging trend from previous years. High energy bills and the cost of living is still having an impact, as well as the increasing wars currently taking place across the globe. The charity has always heavily relied on outsourced funding from municipal charities and organisations. Traffic numbers has remained at a similar number to the previous year, although comparisons to pre covid years has seen a reduction in the number of members and general foot traffic. The contributing factor for this is the current cost of living crisis. Income from the gym itself as well as income generated from our shop has fallen almost to the point that it is no longer sufficient to keep the charity afloat and cover running costs and overhead. As always outsourced funding was always and is essential if we were to improve our facilities and equipment and we continue to try and raise grants to continually update and refurbish our equipment which we feel is imperative to keep up our reputation and to keep customers coming through the door. We are currently in the process of applying for funding to install new women's changing rooms to increase the number of youngsters participating in sports as this would be seen as meeting a major objective of the charity. We have also applied and received funding to help tackle the cost of high energy bills.

There is currently no reserves policy in place, but this has not been problematic to the financial position in the past. Like previous years we are happy that we hold zero debt and believe this to be essential as not only does it show that the charity to be self-sustainable it also presents us with the freedom to reinvest our funds in new equipment. We have seen a fall in the average amount of cash in our account over the last year. The Charity realises that to fulfil its objectives there is a need to hold reserves to cover running expenses and small capital expenditure. Over the last 12 months this figure has been continually reviewed. The Charity has decided that funds exceeding this sum or deemed to be more than the charities immediate needs will be dispersed to organisations that in the management committee's opinion reflect or mirror the objectives of the charity.

Continuing on from the error made from of our bank in the previous year, which resulted in them closing our bank account, we have now managed to gain normality.

There is currently no reserves policy in place but this has not been problematic to the financial position. The Charity will still work towards putting this in place. The charity realises that in order to fulfil its objectives there is a need to hold reserves to cover running expenses and small capital expenditure. Over the last 12 months this figure has been continually reviewed. Reserves do not now appear as a specific sum in the accounts and have become incorporated into cash held at the bank; this will be reviewed over the year. The charity has decided that funds exceeding this sum or deemed to be in excess of the charity's immediate needs will be dispersed to organisations that in the management committee's opinion reflect or mirror the objectives of the charity.

Structure, governance and management

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and consitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees, who are also the directors for the purpose of company law, and who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

Mr. S J Goodwin
Mr. P Brocklehurst
Mr. K P Sweeney
Mr. S J Kirkham
Mr C Kappler
Mr T Caroll

None of the trustees has any beneficial interest in the company. All of the trustees are members of the company and guarantee to contribute £1 in the event of a winding up.

CHESTER BOXERS LIMITED

TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024

The charity adopted its constitution on the 18th of July 2005 and the constitution acts as the principle governance document.

Trustees are retired and can be re-elected at each Annual General Meeting. Trustees can be appointed to enable the skills sets of this tier of management to deal with the changing needs of the charity.

While the directors and trustees undertake the final decision making, this level of governance is informed by the management committee who undertake the day to day running of the charity. This structure provides adequate checks and balances in the management of the charity.

The management committee comprises of trustees, directors, officers and members who are elected in accordance with the constitution.

Statement of Public Benefit

The Trustees have complied with the duty in section 4 of the Charities Act 2006 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission in December 2008.

It is the charity's objectives that members of the public will benefit from the development of the services offered by the charity and that this benefit should apply to all members of the public without discrimination of any kind. Towards this aim the trustees have guided the programme of services available to encourage the public to adopt healthier lifestyles. To engage in the promotion of drug awareness in schools and to promote the access to the gym and its facilities through the local council, registered housing providers and community organisations.

Risk Management

All major insurable risks are subject to the normal employer's insurance. An annual review of areas of risk undertaken by trustees in conjunction with the staff responsible for that particular area of activity. As a result of risk analysis, the charity has ensured that all of their members of staff are trained in first aid to minimise risk to the members using the facility. 2024 has so far shown similar risks to the previous year and as such except for COVID, which the charity has been very proactive in continually deep cleansing and sanitisation of all equipment. COVID has left an improvement in cleanliness and hygiene across the gym and its facilities. We continue to deep cleanse our equipment and have kept in place the policies and continually cleaning equipment.

We have once again renewed our insurance and are covered through all possible outcomes, including liability cover for directors should a claim be brought against any of our committee members.

The trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.



Mr. S J Goodwin
Trustee

29 April 2025

CHESTER BOXERS LIMITED

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024

The trustees, who are also the directors of Chester Boxers Limited for the purpose of company law, are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company Law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that year.

In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

CHESTER BOXERS LIMITED

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF CHESTER BOXERS LIMITED

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Chester Boxers Limited (the charity) for the year ended 31 July 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 (the 2006 Act).

Having satisfied myself that the financial statements of the charity are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act). In carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no 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 386 of the 2006 Act; or
- 2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the financial statements do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
- 4 the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

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 financial statements to be reached.



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Dated: 30 April 2025

CHESTER BOXERS LIMITED

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024

		Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £
	Notes		
<u>Income from:</u>			
Donations	5	1,500	35,080
Grant income	3	499	5,750
Other trading activities	4	49,328	47,668
Total income		51,327	88,498
<u>Expenditure on:</u>			
Trading activities	6	8,872	9,232
Charitable activities	7	63,692	72,270
Total expenditure		72,564	81,502
Net (expenditure)/income for the year/ Net movement in funds		(21,237)	6,996
Fund balances at 1 August 2023		45,345	38,349
Fund balances at 31 July 2024		24,108	45,345

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

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account under the Companies Act 2006.

CHESTER BOXERS LIMITED

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 JULY 2024

	Notes	2024 £	£	2023 £	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	13		60,788		81,177
Current assets					
Stocks	15	1,500		1,430	
Debtors	14	254		254	
Cash at bank and in hand		1,622		2,138	
		<u>3,376</u>		<u>3,822</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	17	<u>(40,056)</u>		<u>(39,654)</u>	
Net current liabilities			(36,680)		(35,832)
Total assets less current liabilities			<u>24,108</u>		<u>45,345</u>
Income funds					
Unrestricted funds			<u>24,108</u>		<u>45,345</u>
			<u>24,108</u>		<u>45,345</u>

The company is entitled to the exemption from the audit requirement contained in section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, for the year ended 31 July 2024.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 29 April 2025



Mr. S J Goodwin
Trustee

Charity number 1095693

Company registration number 05511166

CHESTER BOXERS LIMITED

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

Chester Boxers Limited is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is Meadow House, Bramley Lane, Higher Kinnerton, Chester, Cheshire, CH4 9AX.

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's governing document, the Companies Act 2006, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" ("FRS 102") and the Charities SORP "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 (FRS 102)" (effective 1 January 2019). The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

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. 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.

1.4 Income and expenditure

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.

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement, and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges are allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

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1 Accounting policies

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1.5 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Improvements to property	20% on cost
Plant and machinery	25% reducing balance
Fixtures and fittings	20% on cost
Motor vehicles	15% reducing balance

The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in the statement of financial activities.

1.6 Impairment of fixed assets

At each reporting end date, the charity reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any).

1.7 Stocks

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and estimated selling price less costs to complete and sell. Cost comprises direct materials and, where applicable, direct labour costs and those overheads that have been incurred in bringing the stocks to their present location and condition. Items held for distribution at no or nominal consideration are measured the lower of replacement cost and cost.

Net realisable value is the estimated selling price less all estimated costs of completion and costs to be incurred in marketing, selling and distribution.

1.8 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.

1.9 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.

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs. As all financial assets are classified within one year, they are not amortised but carried at face value.

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1 Accounting policies

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Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are carried at face value.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and continue to be measured at face value.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

1.10 Employee benefits

The costs of short-term employee benefits are recognised as a liability and an expense.

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the charity is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

1.11 Retirement benefits

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

There are no accounting estimates in the current year.

3 Grant income

	Unrestricted funds	
	2024	2023
	£	£
Grants from Cheshire West and Chester Council	499	5,750

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4 Other trading activities

	2024 £	2023 £
Gym fees, classes and other income	34,651	34,494
Shop income	14,577	13,174
Other income and compensation	100	-
Other trading activities	<u>49,328</u>	<u>47,668</u>

5 Donations

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2024 £	2023 £
Donations	<u>1,500</u>	<u>35,080</u>

6 Trading activities

	2024 £	2023 £
Trading costs		
Opening stock	1,430	1,360
Goods for resale	8,942	9,302
Closing stock	(1,500)	(1,430)
	<u>8,872</u>	<u>9,232</u>

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7 Charitable activities

	Expenditure 2024 £	Expenditure 2023 £
Staff costs	18,016	18,743
Depreciation and impairment	20,389	23,297
Rent and rates	14,075	14,342
Light and heat	1,278	1,754
Telephone	494	1,084
Repairs and renewals	87	493
Subscriptions	706	959
Travel and subsistence	57	286
Gym overheads	499	1,237
Gym equipment	799	272
Insurance	2,829	2,153
Advertising	1,054	298
	<u>60,283</u>	<u>64,918</u>
Grant funding of activities (see note 8)	-	4,000
Share of support costs (see note 9)	16	95
Share of governance costs (see note 9)	3,393	3,257
	<u>63,692</u>	<u>72,270</u>

8 Grants payable

	Expenditure 2023 £
Grants to institutions:	
Inspiring Futures - programme funding	4,000
	<u>4,000</u>

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9 Support costs

	Support costs	Governance costs	2024	Support costs	Governance costs	2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Bank charges	-	-	-	95	-	95
Interest on taxation	16	-	16	-	-	-
Accountancy	-	1,722	1,722	-	1,644	1,644
Professional fees	-	1,671	1,671	-	1,613	1,613
	<u>16</u>	<u>3,393</u>	<u>3,409</u>	<u>95</u>	<u>3,257</u>	<u>3,352</u>
Analysed between						
Charitable activities	<u>16</u>	<u>3,393</u>	<u>3,409</u>	<u>95</u>	<u>3,257</u>	<u>3,352</u>

10 Trustees

Trustees' remuneration and benefits

During the year one of the trustees received remuneration from Chester Boxers Limited. Amounts paid for salary totalled £17,658 (2023: £18,447) and pension contributions of £337 (2023: £296).

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees expenses paid for the year ended 31 July 2024 nor for the year ended 31 July 2023.

11 Employees

Number of employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2024 Number	2023 Number
	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
Employment costs	2024 £	2023 £
Wages	17,679	18,447
Pensions	337	296
	<u>18,016</u>	<u>18,743</u>

12 Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or section 252 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects.

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13 Tangible fixed assets

	Improvements to property £	Plant and machinery £	Fixtures and fittings £	Motor vehicles £	Total £
Cost					
At 1 August 2023	12,210	276,448	11,457	3,840	303,955
At 31 July 2024	12,210	276,448	11,457	3,840	303,955
Depreciation and impairment					
At 1 August 2023	12,210	196,234	11,038	3,296	222,778
Depreciation charged in the year	-	20,054	253	82	20,389
At 31 July 2024	12,210	216,288	11,291	3,378	243,167
Carrying amount					
At 31 July 2024	-	60,160	166	462	60,788
At 31 July 2023	-	80,214	419	544	81,177

14 Debtors

	2024 £	2023 £
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Prepayments and accrued income	254	254

15 Stocks

	2024 £	2023 £
Stocks	1,500	1,430

16 Loans and overdrafts

	2024 £	2023 £
Other loans	30,800	31,000
Payable within one year	30,800	31,000

At 31st July 2024 £30,800 (2023: £31,000) had been advanced to the charity from Baranswift Limited. This loan was interest free and repayable on demand.

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17 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2024 £	2023 £
Loan	30,800	31,000
Other taxation and social security	3,198	4,018
Other creditors	339	311
Accruals and deferred income	5,719	4,325
	<u>40,056</u>	<u>39,654</u>

18 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £
Fund balances at 31 July 2024 are represented by:		
Tangible assets	60,788	81,177
Current assets/(liabilities)	(36,680)	(35,832)
	<u>24,108</u>	<u>45,345</u>

19 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2023 - none).