

Hindley ARLFC

Trustees Annual Report (TAR) for 2024-25

Objectives

As always, this year's main objective was to increase participation by young people and adults of the town to build and further benefit the community to increase our cooperation with St Peters Pavilion to provide a safe and welcoming environment for all.

This year summary of objectives and achievements.

Last year we rebranded the club from HINDLEY ARLFC to HINDLEY STAGS for our male teams and HINDLEY HINDS for our female teams, this was a massive milestone in our club history, this has been a massive success we have seen our numbers increase and increase interest in the clubs activities. We continue to promote inclusion for all allowing all our players and parents to feel a valuable member of our club. The social cohesion coming from this is good to see and giving the youth of today a positive and health activity in their spare time is very important.

During the year we continued to work hard on our continued growth in terms of playing numbers following the rebrand we found many new players wanted to join our club and our numbers increase by over 20%.

The club's objectives to be the best at the lowest cost are being achieved, indeed we maintained our monthly subscriptions to help our members with the cost-of-living crisis. This as a non-profit organisation run by unpaid volunteers is our proud achievement.

Continued development of our coaches and volunteers providing L2 coaching qualifications along with first aid and food hygiene courses.

The facilities are being well maintained and further works to improve the facilities are in progress.

Local business still support the club, their contributions help the club immensely and we aim to reciprocate this with exposure to all our members of their services.

Financial review

Starting the year with a balance over £20,147.16 we expected our retained funds to drop, we also carry much more stock in the club shop, we continued to invest in new equipment providing each team with new balls and first aid equipment.

Opening Lloyds Balance: £ 20,147.16

Closing Lloyds Balance £ 10,191.12

Total income: £ 114,507.72

Total expenditure: £ 129,119.20

Outstanding Monies at Y/E £ 4,655.44

Increase / (decrease) of funds on year (£9,956.04)

Projections

Looking towards the 2025 season we will continue to supply kit to new players and run the club shop we will be collecting sponsorship for the new Kits for the start of the 2026 season so would expect to end the 2025/26 accounts in a much healthier position. We are going to invest in a new club management platform that will undoubtedly add to our efficiencies.

We continue to use the GOCARDLESS system to collect our memberships by DD who then pay these monies directly into the Lloyds account (for a small collection fee per transaction). This the increase in efficiency of collection and the reduction in unpaid volunteer's time is seen as an acceptable and affordable expense to have. This system has also seen a significant improvement with delinquent fees being unpaid in previous years now being paid.

Cash payments in future will be allowed only in exceptional circumstances or if the full amount due is paid in one go.

Risk Management

Insurances are maintained via the RFL and coaches informed how to stay compliant with the rules to ensure coverage is maintained.

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES

Charity law requires the trustees to prepare accounts for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of the profit and loss of the Charity for that period. In preparing these accounts, the trustees are required to: -

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently.
- Make adjustments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- Prepare the accounts 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, which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and to enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Charities Acts. 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. The trustees confirm that the accounts comply with current statutory requirements and those of the Charity's trust deed.

Approved by the Board of Trustees on: 27/01/2026

and signed on its behalf by:

Person: Barry Taylor



Position: Chairman

HINDLEY ARLFC 2024/25 ACCOUNTS

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025

	Income	Expenditure
Bank Interest / Go Cardless Fees	£41.10	£1,394.54
Club Membership Fees	£67,702.00	
Club Registration Fees	£5,561.62	
Coaching Courses		£2,772.50
Equipment		£5,419.99
Entertainment		£2,570.00
Repairs / Maintenance		£992.63
External Training Facilities		£24,100.64
Fines		£390.00
First Aid / Physio		£1,333.30
Insurance		£250.00
Telephone		£80.00
Printing		£264.00
IT Software & Consumables		£1,183.16
Kit Sponsorship	£1,300.00	
Kitchen Income / Exp	£20,917.23	£20,668.95
Laundry		£601.20
League Fees / Software Subscriptions		£1,721.84
Merchandise / Kits Sales	£17,873.05	£60,694.00
Misc Expenses		£700.00
Trophies / Awards		£2,900.88
Referee Fees		£347.89
Sponsorship / Grants	£3,907.15	
Travel		£733.68
	£117,302.15	£129,119.20
OTHER INCOME		
Fundraising	£2,460.17	
Donations	-£5,254.60	
TOTAL OTHER INCOME	-£2,794.43	
Profit on Ordinary Activities	-£14,611.48	
Outstanding at Y/E	£4,655.44	
Overall P/L for Year	-£9,956.04	

Lloyds Opening Balance	£20,147.16	1st April 2024
Lloyds Closing Balance	£10,191.12	31st March 2025

I have examined the above receipts and payments account for the year ended 31st March 2025 together with supportive documents and vouchers and i believe that it represents a true and fair view of the club's accounts.

Witness:- Paul Barnett

Chairman:- Barry Taylor

Treasurer:- Grahame Bentley

Date:- 30/01/2026



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
HINDLEY ARLFC

On accounts for the year
ended

31/03/2025

Charity no
(if any)

1110435

Set out on pages

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31/04/2025**.

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 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

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

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities 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:

P. Barnett

Date:

27/01/2026

Name:

PAUL BARNETT

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

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	Hurst St
	Hindley, Wigan, WN2 3DN

Section B**Disclosure**

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

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