

ESSEX CRICKET FOUNDATION
(a company limited by guarantee)

ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

Charity registration number - 1138269
Company registration number - 07310112

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Charity Name	Essex Cricket Foundation	
Charity registration number	1138269	
Company registration number	07310112	
Registered Office	The Ambassador Cruise Line Ground New Writtle Street Chelmsford Essex CM2 0PG	
Directors / Trustees	J T Barnes M T Churchill - Chair G A Gooch OBE J E Hargreaves J C Heley R J C Hunt (resigned 28 August 2024) R I McLintock Canon Dr J A Spence CBE DL J P Stephenson (resigned 7 July 2024)	
Company Secretary	B W Elliott	
Bankers	Clydesdale Bank plc Part 4 th Floor Veralum Point Station Way St Albans AL1 5HE	Barclays Bank plc 75 High Street Brentwood Essex CM14 4RP
Independent Examiner	Xeinadin The Old Grange Warren Estate Lordship Road Writtle Chelmsford Essex CM1 3WT	

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

The Board of Trustees, who are also directors of the Company for the purpose of the Companies Act 2006, present their annual report and financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 31 December 2024.

The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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) (January 2019).

The company was incorporated on 9 July 2010 and held its first fundraising event on 5 April 2011.

Reference and administrative details of the Charity, its trustees and advisers

The Charity registration number, the company registration number, the address of the Charity and details of its trustees and advisers are given on page 1 of these financial statements.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Constitutional structure

Essex Cricket and Community Trust was incorporated as a company limited by guarantee on 9 July 2010 and is registered in England and Wales under number 07310112 and is also registered as a charity in England and Wales under number 1138269. Essex Cricket and Community Trust changed its name to Essex Cricket Foundation on 15 September 2015.

The company is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association which set out the objects and powers of the charitable company. In the event of the company being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £10 per member of the company.

Charitable objects and public benefit

When considering the aims and objectives of the charity the trustees have referred to the guidance published by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

The Charity's objects are for the benefit of the public generally and, in particular, the inhabitants of Essex and its surrounding areas –

- To promote community participation in healthy recreation by providing facilities for the playing of cricket and other sports capable of improving health,
- To provide and assist in providing facilities for sport, recreation or other leisure time occupation of such persons who have need for such facilities by reason of their youth, age, infirmity or disablement, poverty or social and economic circumstances or for the public at large in the interests of social welfare and with the object of improving their conditions of life,
- To advance the education of children and young people, with particular reference to those in schools and universities, through such means as the trustees think fit in accordance with the law of charity,

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- To relieve in cases of need, hardship or distress (including by providing goods, services, support and/or assistance, whether financial or otherwise) those persons who are living in or were formerly resident in Essex,
- For the general purposes of such charitable bodies or for such other exclusively charitable purposes in each case as the trustees may from time to time decide

Organisational structure and appointment of trustees

The members elect the charitable trustees (the Board of Directors under company law) and the trustees elect from their number a Chair. The Board of Trustees may fill vacancies during the year by appointing trustees themselves.

The Board of Trustees

The trustees of the company (for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006 also designated as Directors) as at the date of this report are shown on page 1 of these financial statements. All trustees give their time voluntarily and receive no benefits from the Charity, but reimbursement of reasonable and necessary expenses are made available.

The appointment of the initial trustees was undertaken to obtain the appropriate mix of experience and expertise in the activities of the Charity, and this process has continued as trustees have retired, and been replaced. Individual Trustees may undertake specific training in a particular aspect of Trusteeship and the Board continue to review the experience and expertise required and the need to provide training or appoint new Trustees to fill specific roles.

The members of the Charity in general meeting appoint the trustees in accordance with the Articles.

Statement of trustees' responsibilities

The trustees (who are also directors of Essex Cricket Foundation for the purposes of Company Law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees Annual 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. Under company law the trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- Observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP 2019 (FRS 102);
- Make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue to operate

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Statement of trustees' responsibilities (continued)

The trustees are responsible for ensuring that proper accounting records are kept which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable Company 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.

In so far as the trustees are aware:

- There is no relevant examination information of which the charitable company's examiner is unaware; and
- The trustees have taken all steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant information and to establish that the examiner is aware of that information.

Financial review

The mission of Essex Cricket Foundation (ECF) is to support the game of cricket in the communities of Essex, East London and East Anglia in providing finance and expertise to enable all to reach their potential in the local communities, County, Academy or Club cricket, through funding programmes for youth of all abilities, provide cricket opportunities in deprived areas and support disabled and minority groups. It aims to create the opportunity for all to participate and enjoy the game of cricket through Club and community experience. Additionally to give support to former Essex cricketers due to financial hardship.

ECF is the official Essex County Cricket Club charity and is an integral part of the Essex Cricket strategy of becoming the number 1 Cricket region where everyone has the opportunity to fly like an Eagle, by providing grants across a whole range of cricketing abilities. The over-riding theme of 'Fly Like an Eagle' strategy is that it embraces young people to develop their skills through the Graham Gooch Essex Cricket Academy, as well as local clubs mentoring young cricketers. ECF's programmes embrace those with disabilities, those in deprived areas and the promotion of girl's and women's cricket.

The main contributor to income of the Charity in previous years has been the activities of the Graham Gooch Scholarship Fund that generated income of £33,578 and received donations of £13,061 during the year. ECF received donations of £24,981 into the General Fund.

In 2024 ECF made donations of £138,785 (2023: £153,679). The Club Academy was the principal beneficiary from the Graham Gooch Scholarship Fund, but grants were also made to the District Cricket Boards to enable them to coach and identify talented young cricketers who may eventually make an Essex squad. Financial support of £25,000 was provided for Street Cricket, Disability and Girl's cricket through programs organised and facilitated by Essex Cricket in the Community, which would not have been possible before the formation of the Foundation. The Foundation also supported the East London Cricket Hub which has seen over 150,000 footfall in the last year and the employment of an apprentice to support young people with education and employment. Total grants and donations made by the Foundation total £1,693,510 at 31 December 2024.

In previous years the Trustees agreed to commit to support community cricket projects. This includes £25,000 for the Essex Cricket in the Community to carry out further Walking Cricket supporting mental health, girls and disability programmes, together with £2,000 which is provided to each of the Essex District Boards so that they can provide a development programme for youngsters through coaching and competition. Additionally the Graham Gooch Scholarship Fund supports the Club Academy with a minimum of £30,000 each year.

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Financial review (continued)

In 2024 the Foundation continued to play a key part in the development of programmes across the county that linked into the Club's values of Excite, Engage and Enhance, the key focus areas for the work from the Foundation support links in the following key areas, Mental and Physical Health, Community Cohesion and Education/Employability.

Mental & Physical Health

The Foundation support has enabled us to run a "One hit to another Hit" Rehab programme where around 20 individuals have been engaged via developing leadership, safeguarding and first aid skills to help develop confidence in their rehabilitation. One individual now volunteers 6 days a week on different cricket programmes. Our Sporting Memories programme in Dagenham supports people with early onset of dementia and also loneliness as highlighted below.

The Foundation also supported the setting up of Walking Cricket hubs around the county with over 50 senior community residents now able to break down isolation and lack of physical activity with weekly social cricket sessions and also coffee mornings encouraging people to meet and share life experiences. This has now been linked up with Sporting Memories focus on developing support around isolation and dementia.

Community Cohesion

Linking up with our Breaking Boundaries and Core City work as well as linking up with taking the learning from these areas the Foundation is supporting community programs that help to develop creating community cohesion across Gender, Diversity and Age, one such example is that of the support around a refugee programme in North Essex helping a group of refugees to settle into the local community. These range from mentoring days to small group activation and development. The work has started to see us link up with other stakeholders using the simple form of Tape Ball cricket to bring the communities together. As well as this, the Foundation also supports a number of county wide competitions that bring people together from across the county to enjoy the benefit that cricket can have. In 2024 we had around 2000 participants. The Foundation has also supported the Desi Women programme that has helped inspire, train and engage over 300 women from Ethnic minority groups. The Foundation has supported the programme by supporting community celebrations and festivals.

An ever increasing area for the Foundation has been the work around supporting the refugees within the county with sessions, equipment and opportunities now provided in a number of areas of the county.

Education and Employability

In 2023 and 2024 the Foundation again supported the development of Women and Girl's cricket this was via supporting the running of the county programs across the county with over 150 girls engaged and with one of the beneficiaries going on to play for England in 2018. The Foundation also supported over 1800 girls engaged in Girl Guide badges and the delivery of cricket in secondary schools to over 30 schools. This has supported the growth of the number of women and girls sections in the County. The Foundation is also a key supporter in the development of ability cricket helping us to not only run a club and county program with around 500 participants but also support in the training opportunities for participants with coaching and other life skill qualifications.

The Foundation is also a key supporter of the county Academy helping it to be one of the leading counties for the development of players linking into the clubs wider home grown philosophy, the role of the Foundation is key in the availability of the Education support officer for the players as they transition through the age groups not only in terms of cricket but their own educational into employment pathway too.

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Financial review (continued)

Total income for the year was £85,817 (2023: £93,677) and after deducting charitable donations and charity overhead expenditure, resulted in a deficit for the year of £84,118 (2023: £92,600) before investment gains of £141,977 (2023: £90,145). The increase in net funds for the year was £57,859 (2023: decrease £2,455).

ECF funds at the end of 2024 stood at £1,312,261, but much of this represents restricted and endowment funds. The largest fund is the Graham Gooch Scholarship Fund, while smaller funds provide support to former players who need financial or medical support.

In common with most other charities, the principal risk currently facing us is generation of future fundraising income. As a result of our prudent financial management in the past, we have in place reserves which enable us to continue to operate for many months, but not indefinitely. The trustees are actively pursuing other possible sources of funding, including a Foundation Lottery.

My thanks to all the Trustees who give freely of their time and advice and to the staff of Essex Cricket, led by Dan Feist, who run the various initiatives we support

Reserves policy

In accordance with the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) the term reserves refers to that part of the Charity's income funds that is freely available. This definition therefore excludes restricted funds and that part of unrestricted funds not readily available.

The Trustees retain funds in order to ensure that there are sufficient funds to renew existing programmes to support community projects as in the early stages of the formation of the Charity, they are reliant on fundraising which in the current economic environment can fall short of expectations. The Trustees also need to retain funds to support existing projects of the Youth Trust where it does not have the resources. The cost of these projects is currently £10,000 per annum and will eventually be met from unrestricted reserves.

The Trustees have agreed to commit £35,000 next year to existing projects, of which a minimum of £22,500 will be met from unrestricted reserves.

Unrestricted reserves in the accounts at 31 December 2024 were £65,343 (2023: £68,769).

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Approval of Annual Report

This report was approved by the Board of Directors on 22 August 2025 and signed on its behalf by



M T Churchill
Chair

22 August 2025

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Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Essex Cricket Foundation

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 December 2024, which are set out on pages 8 to 14.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the company 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 your company's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. In carrying out my examination I have followed the directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.


Independent examiner's statement

I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of ICAEW, which is one of the listed bodies.

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:

- accounting records were not kept in respect of the company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
- the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- the accounts 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
- the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities.

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.


Mr N Shaw
ICAEW Chartered Accountant
Xeinadin, The Old Grange, Warren Estate, Lordship Road, Writtle, Chelmsford, Essex, CM1 3WT

Date 31.10.2026

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

(incorporating Income and Expenditure account)

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
INCOME					
Income from					
Donations and legacies	2	24,981	13,061	38,042	48,908
Charitable activities	3	-	33,578	33,578	28,450
Investments		1,151	13,046	14,197	16,319
Total income		<u>26,132</u>	<u>59,685</u>	<u>85,817</u>	<u>93,677</u>
EXPENDITURE					
Expenditure on					
Raising funds	4	1,073	8,921	9,994	16,354
Charitable activities	4	28,880	109,905	138,785	153,679
Investment management charges		798	13,768	14,566	13,004
Other	4	6,590	-	6,590	3,240
Total expenditure		<u>37,341</u>	<u>132,594</u>	<u>169,935</u>	<u>186,277</u>
Net gains on investments	7	<u>7,783</u>	<u>134,194</u>	<u>141,977</u>	<u>90,145</u>
Net income / (expenditure) before transfers		(3,426)	61,285	57,859	(2,455)
Transfers between funds	13	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		<u>(3,426)</u>	<u>61,285</u>	<u>57,859</u>	<u>(2,455)</u>
Balances brought forward at 1 January 2024		68,769	1,185,633	1,254,402	1,256,857
Balances carried forward at 31 December 2024		<u>65,343</u>	<u>1,246,918</u>	<u>1,312,261</u>	<u>1,254,402</u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses in the year. All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

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Company number - 07310112

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Notes	£	2024 £	£	2023 £
Investments	7		1,264,243		1,127,443
Current assets					
Debtors	8	10,256		30,727	
Cash at bank and in hand		67,191		120,895	
		<u>77,447</u>		<u>151,622</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	9	<u>(29,429)</u>		<u>(24,663)</u>	
Net current assets			48,018		126,959
Total assets less current liabilities			<u>1,312,261</u>		<u>1,254,402</u>
Funds					
Unrestricted funds					
Designated funds			-		-
General funds	11		65,343		68,769
			<u>65,343</u>		<u>68,769</u>
Restricted funds	12, 13		1,246,918		1,185,633
Total funds	12, 13		<u>1,312,261</u>		<u>1,254,402</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 December 2024.

The members have not required the charitable company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2024 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small charitable companies.

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 22 August 2025 and signed on its behalf by



M T Churchill
Chair

G A Gooch
Trustee



ESSEX CRICKET FOUNDATION

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1.1 ACCOUNTING CONVENTION

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) '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)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note.

1.2 FUND ACCOUNTING

The Charity maintains various types of funds as follows:

Unrestricted general funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Charity.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds that are set aside by the Trustees out of unrestricted general funds for particular projects or purposes. At the balance sheet date the Trustees had not established any designated funds.

Restricted funds are funds that can only be used for particular purposes within the objects of the Charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

1.3 INCOMING RESOURCES

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the Charity is entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

1.4 RESOURCES EXPENDED

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate costs relating to that category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of the resources.

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the Charity in the delivery of its activities and services. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Governance costs represent expenditure incurred in the compliance with statutory requirements.

1.5 VALUE ADDED TAX

The Charity's activities are classified as exempt for the purposes of value added tax and the Charity is unable to reclaim the value added tax which it suffers on its expenses. Expenditure in these financial statements is therefore shown inclusive of value added tax.

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ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

1.6 INVESTMENTS

Listed investments are stated at market value at the balance sheet date. Any unrealised gain or loss for the period is taken to the Statement of Financial Activities.

1.7 DEBTORS

Other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid.

1.8 CASH AT BANK

Cash at bank includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

1.9 CREDITORS

Creditors are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that is expected to result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors are recognised at their settlement amount.

1.10 ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY

No significant judgements or estimations have been applied in the preparation of the financial statements.

2 DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
Donations - General fund	24,981	-	24,981	22,143
Donations - Graham Gooch Scholarship Fund	-	13,061	13,061	26,765
	<u>24,981</u>	<u>13,061</u>	<u>38,042</u>	<u>48,908</u>

3 INCOME

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
Fundraising events				
Graham Gooch Scholarship Fund	-	33,578	33,578	28,450
	<u>-</u>	<u>33,578</u>	<u>33,578</u>	<u>28,450</u>

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4 EXPENDITURE

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
Direct Charitable expenditure	28,880	109,905	138,785	153,679
Independent examiners fee	6,590	-	6,590	3,240
Fundraising costs	1,073	8,921	9,994	16,354
	<u>36,543</u>	<u>118,826</u>	<u>155,369</u>	<u>173,273</u>

During the period the Charity made a grant of £25,000 (2023: £28,000) to Essex Cricket in the Community to undertake a programme of Street Cricket, Disability cricket and also coaching sessions for women's and girl's cricket.

A grant of £36,000 (2023: £30,000) was also made to Essex County Cricket Club to support the Essex Cricket academy.

5 STAFF COSTS

The company has no employees other than the Trustees / Directors.

6 TRUSTEE REMUNERATION

The Trustees / Directors received no remuneration during the year and no Trustee / Director was reimbursed for any travel costs incurred.

7 LISTED INVESTMENTS

	2024 £	2023 £
At 1 January 2024	1,127,443	1,035,616
Additions during year	365,216	428,728
Disposals during year	(365,935)	(438,617)
Net gain for the period	137,519	101,716
At 31 December 2024	<u>1,264,243</u>	<u>1,127,443</u>
Historical cost at 31 December 2024	<u>917,744</u>	<u>917,578</u>
Investment gains / (losses)		
Fair value adjustment	137,519	101,716
Other investment (losses) / gains	4,458	(11,571)
	<u>141,977</u>	<u>90,145</u>

No account has been taken of market fluctuations since the balance sheet date.

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8 DEBTORS

	2024 £	2023 £
Other debtors	10,256	30,727

9 CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024 £	2023 £
Other creditors	6,231	-
Accruals	23,198	24,663
	29,429	24,663

10 DEFERRED INCOME

Deferred income comprises grants received where the purpose of the grant expenditure has not been completed at the year end.

11 UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

	General funds £	Designated funds £	Total £
Balance at 1 January 2024	68,769	-	68,769
Deficit for the year	(3,426)	-	(3,426)
Balance at 31 December 2024	65,343	-	65,343

12 ANALYSIS OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES BETWEEN FUNDS

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
Investments	13,698	1,250,545	1,264,243	1,127,443
Current assets	77,447	-	77,447	151,622
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	(25,801)	(3,628)	(29,429)	(24,663)
	65,344	1,246,917	1,312,261	1,254,402

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13 MOVEMENTS IN FUNDS

	1 January 2024	Incoming resources £	Outgoing resources £	Transfers and investment gains/(losses) £	31 December 2024 £
Restricted funds:					
Graham Gooch Scholarship Fund	994,688	46,639	(112,826)	112,072	1,040,573
Essex County Cricket Club Benefit Trust	190,945	-	(6,000)	21,400	206,345
Total restricted funds	<u>1,185,633</u>	<u>46,639</u>	<u>(118,826)</u>	<u>133,472</u>	<u>1,246,918</u>
Unrestricted funds:					
General funds	68,769	24,981	(36,543)	8,136	65,343
Total unrestricted funds	<u>68,769</u>	<u>24,981</u>	<u>(36,543)</u>	<u>8,136</u>	<u>65,343</u>
Total funds	<u>1,254,402</u>	<u>71,620</u>	<u>(155,369)</u>	<u>141,608</u>	<u>1,312,261</u>

The Graham Gooch Scholarship Fund provides scholarships and grants to young cricketers of all abilities to enhance their cricketing skills, through the Essex Cricket Academy or individual grants.

The Youth Trust provides grants to cricket clubs to support youth coaching programmes. This fund has received income and has made grants since the period end date.

The Essex County Cricket Club Benefit Trust provides grants to former players who did not have benefits while at Essex County Cricket Club who have financial problems or require medical support. Additionally it provides educational grants to all former professional cricketers to assist in retraining.

14 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

By its very nature the charity has a close working relationship with Essex County Cricket Club. During the period the Cricket Club paid various expenses on behalf of the charity. At the balance sheet date the charity owed £6,231 to Essex County Cricket Club (2023: owed by Essex County Cricket Club £5,638). This amount is included within other creditors (2023: other debtors).

15. POST BALANCE SHEET EVENTS

The Graham Gooch Scholarship Fund part of the charity is to become its own separate charitable organisation going forwards. The result will see a significant proportion of the assets (about £1.1m) transferred out from the Essex Cricket Foundation. This proposed transaction has been approved by both the Board of Trustees and the Charities Commission. The Essex Cricket Foundation will continue to operate and adhere to its charitable objectives as stated in the Trustees' Annual Report. This change has no impact on the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2024.