

**THATCHAM RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB**  
**Annual Report and Financial Statements**  
**for the Year Ended on 31 May 2025**

**Charity registration number: 1151545**

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**THATCHAM RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB****Reference and General Information  
for the Year Ended on 31 May 2025**

<b>Chairman</b>	David John Hamilton
<b>Trustees</b>	Russell Adamson John Dixon David Langford Mark Littechild Jack Moore Mark Smith James Thorogood Nicholas Rance Jenny Abery Jennifer Walker
<b>Charity Registration Number</b>	1151545
<b>Principal Office</b>	3 Magpie Close Thatcham Berkshire RG19 3RZ
<b>Independent Examiner</b>	Tax Avenue Turnfields Gate, Turnfields Thatcham RG19 4PT

## **THATCHAM RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB**

### **Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended on 31 May 2025**

The trustees present the annual report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended on 31 May 2025.

## **Structure, governance and management**

### **Recruitment and appointment of trustees**

Each year two trustees stand down and two new ones are appointed. The trustees standing down may stand again if they are elected by the club members at the AGM. The trustees are a mix of club members and external people. New trustees appointed at the AGM were: Nicholas Rance, Jenny Aberly and Jennifer Walker.

### **Organisational structure**

The charity is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation and is governed by the constitution dated 15 February 20213.

## **Objectives and activities**

### **Obejctives and aims**

The charity was set up to enable the local catchment area of Thatcham and the surrounding villages to benefit from the cost effective sporting recreational activities through the playing and coaching of rugby union.

The trustees have had due regard to guidance published by the Charities Commission on public benefit.

The charity offers the opportunity to take part in all forms of the rugby union game from mini rugby starting at under 6 age group (mixed) through to junior rugby, under 11 - under 16 (male teams)

This is in addition to maintaining two senior rugby teams and a walking rugby side.

A number of club volunteer coaches give up more of their time to coach in local after school clubs to further benefit the local community. Thatcham Rugby Club host an annual schools rugby festival, covering the whole of the community and surrounding areas.

### **Public benefit**

The turstees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charities Commission for England and Wales.

## **Financial review**

### **Policy on reserves**

The reserves held at 31 May 2025 will be used to improve the welfare facilities within the sports pavilion during the year to 31 May 2026. The pavilion is owned by the charity. Going forward a reserve fund will be implemented to deal with emergency situations with the pavilion.

The annual report was approved by the trustees of the charity on 10th November 2025 and signed on its behalf by

Russell Adamson  
Trustee

## **THATCHAM RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB**

### **Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities**

#### **Trustees responsibilities**

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with the UK Accounting Standards and applicable laws and regulations.

The law applicable to charities 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 of the charity for that period. 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;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the charity at any time.

The trustees 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 are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website.

Approved the the trustees of the charity on 10th November 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

Russell Adamson  
Trustee

## **THATCHAM RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB**

### **Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees for the Year Ended on 31 May 2025**

I report to the trustees of Thatcham Rugby Football Club on my examination of the club's Financial Statements for the year ended on 31 May 2025,

#### **Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and the Examiner**

As the trustees of Thatcham Rugby Football Club 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 Thatcham Rugby Football Club'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(b)(b) of the 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 Thatcham Rugby Football Club as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- 2 the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the accounts do not comply with the accounting 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 independent examination.

attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Date: 10 November 2025

## THATCHAM RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB

Statement of Financial Activities  
for the Year Ended on 31 May 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
<b>Resources arising</b>				
Donations and legacies	2	12,656	12,656	25,135
Charitable activities	3	48,102	48,102	40,133
Other income	4	10,444	10,444	11,496
<b>Total resources arising</b>		<u>71,202</u>	<u>71,202</u>	<u>76,764</u>
<b>Resources used</b>				
Charitable activities	5	<u>(80,351)</u>	<u>(80,351)</u>	<u>(56,631)</u>
<b>Total resources used</b>		<u>(80,351)</u>	<u>(80,351)</u>	<u>(56,631)</u>
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		<u>(9,149)</u>	<u>(9,149)</u>	<u>20,133</u>
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>				
Balance brought forward		332,729	332,729	312,596
Net movement in funds		<u>(9,149)</u>	<u>(9,149)</u>	<u>20,133</u>
Balance carried forward		<u>323,580</u>	<u>323,580</u>	<u>332,729</u>

## THATCHAM RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB

**Balance Sheet**  
**for the Year Ended on 31 May 2025**

	Notes	2025 £	2024 £
<b>Fixed Assets</b>			
Tangible assets	6	349,420	343,146
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Debtors	7	-	503
Cash at bank and in hand	8	17,758	39,256
		<u>17,758</u>	<u>39,759</u>
<b>Creditors: Amounts falling due within one y</b>	9	<u>(7,778)</u>	<u>(7,688)</u>
<b>Net Current Assets</b>		<u>9,980</u>	<u>32,071</u>
<b>Total Assets less Current Liabilities</b>		359,400	375,217
<b>Creditors: Amounts falling due after one ye</b>	10	<u>(35,820)</u>	<u>(42,488)</u>
<b>Net Assets</b>		<u><u>323,580</u></u>	<u><u>332,729</u></u>
<b>Funds of the Charity</b>			
Unrestricted funds	11	<u>323,580</u>	<u>332,729</u>
Total funds		<u><u>323,580</u></u>	<u><u>332,729</u></u>

The financial statements were approved by the trustees on 10 November 2025  
and signed on their behalf by:

Russell Adamson  
Trustee

## THATCHAM RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB

### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended on 31 May 2025

#### 1 Accounting policies

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the second edition of the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard FRS 102 and the Charities Act 2011.

#### Depreciation

Depreciation is provided on tangible fixed assets so as to write off the cost or valuation, less any estimated residual value, over their expected useful economic life as follows:

Asset Class	Depreciation method and rate
Freehold property	2% straight line basis
Plant and equipment	25% straight line basis

#### Charitable activities

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

#### 2 Income from donations and legacies

	Total 2025	Total 2024
	£	£
Fundraising and sponsorship	7,669	6,865
Grants	4,987	18,270
	<u>12,656</u>	<u>25,135</u>

#### 3 Income from charitable activities

	Total 2025	Total 2024
	£	£
Subscriptions	33,206	30,912
Tickets	12,849	5,980
Sale of purchased goods - kit	512	681
Club dinner	1,535	2,560
	<u>48,102</u>	<u>40,133</u>

#### 4 Other income

	Total 2025	Total 2024
	£	£
Room hire	8,934	9,023
Sundry income	240	1,032
Distribution from Red and Blue Trading Limited	1,270	1,441
	<u>10,444</u>	<u>11,496</u>

## 5 Expenditure

	<b>Total 2025</b>	<b>Total 2024</b>
	£	£
Travel and subsistence	1,465	400
Physio and consumables	3,037	2,940
Training courses	184	490
Marketing and PR	984	96
Insurance	2,117	2,044
RFU fees and fines	660	260
Kit	9,909	2,752
Pitch hire	8,900	8,451
Tickets	13,345	5,980
Referees	455	455
Club dinner and trophies	3,611	2,074
Post match food and hospitality	2,623	1,135
Professional fees	1,110	3,553
Depreciation	17,275	11,838
Rates	2,561	3,052
Telephone and internet	598	526
TV licences	5,805	5,607
Repairs and maintenance	5,712	4,978
	<u>80,351</u>	<u>56,631</u>

## 6 Tangible fixed assets

	<b>Freehold Property</b>	<b>Furniture &amp; equipment</b>	<b>Total</b>
	£	£	£
<b>Cost</b>			
at 1 June 2024	406,235	14,851	421,086
Additions	-	23,549	23,549
at 31 May 2025	<u>406,235</u>	<u>38,400</u>	<u>444,635</u>
<b>Depreciation</b>			
at 1 June 2024	67,381	10,559	77,940
Charge for the year	8,125	9,150	17,275
at 31 May 2025	<u>75,506</u>	<u>19,709</u>	<u>95,215</u>
<b>Net book value</b>			
At 31 May 2025	<u>330,729</u>	<u>18,691</u>	<u>349,420</u>
At 31 May 2024	<u>338,854</u>	<u>4,292</u>	<u>343,146</u>

## 7 Debtors

	<b>Total 2025</b>	<b>Total 2024</b>
	£	£
Other debtors	<u>-</u>	<u>503</u>

## 8 Cash and cash equivalents

	<b>Total 2025</b>	<b>Total 2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Cash at bank	17,758	33,002
Short-term deposits	-	6,254
	<u>17,758</u>	<u>39,256</u>

#### 9 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	<b>Total 2025</b>	<b>Total 2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Other loans	6,668	6,668
Accruals	1,110	1,020
	<u>7,778</u>	<u>7,688</u>

#### 10 Creditors: amounts falling due after one year

	<b>Total 2025</b>	<b>Total 2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Other loans	<u>35,820</u>	<u>42,488</u>

The loan from Rugby Football Club Foundation is secured on the pavilion.

#### 11 Funds

	<b>Total 2025</b>	<b>Total 2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>		
Balance b fwd	332,729	312,596
Resources arising	71,202	76,764
Resources used	(80,351)	(56,631)
Balance c fwd	<u>323,580</u>	<u>332,729</u>

#### 12 Related party transactions

Thatcham Rugby Football Club owns 100% of shareholding in Red and Blue Trading Limited. The limited company runs the club's bar facilities and distributes profits to the club. Distributions in the year to 31 May 2025 totalled £1,270 (2024 - £1,441). At the balance sheet date the amount due from Red and Blue Trading Limited was £0 (2024 - £503)