

## Chair's Report

Thank you all very much for attending this evening it is great to see some familiar faces and to meet so many of the groups Oxford Sports Council have funded over the last 12 months.

The Sports Council has a long history of funding a wide variety of sports clubs and individuals as well as supporting the various annual Town V Gown fixtures. Before the existence of the County Sports Partnership we also held an annual awards evening recognising the talent and contributions of clubs and individuals, many who went on to achieve great things in their chosen sport. I'm sure Graham as our longest serving committee member will be able to throw out the names of some well know recipients if you get chatting to him during the evening.

Over the last year we have funded a wide variety of organisations and individuals who are involved in a huge range of sporting activities within the city boundaries. A few of these are in the room and others include Oxford University teams involved in TKD, shooting and Pole Sports as well as more traditional sports such as football where Quarry Rovers, Headington Youth, Donnington and Greater Leys FC. Cricket have gained funding for Wolvercote and Oxford clubs, in water sports funding has gone to Falcon and Oxford Academics clubs. Funding has also been awarded to less well known sports such as Oxford City Korball Club, Justice in Motion, Body Politic Dance, KEEN and Junior Park Run. You will hear from the club representatives present what they have spent the money on ranging from coaching courses to defibrillators and a multitude of items in between.

As with all things the sporting landscape changes year on year and it is harder to fit Town V Gown matches into expanding fixture cards, harder to attract interested individuals to join our small committee and for those involved to continue to volunteer their time.

We are lucky enough to have retained Kate despite her job change and recruited Amy and Marcus as fresh, enthusiastic members. With Rupert, David and the aforementioned Graham to steer the ship and Doreen to record our antics and keep the finances straight I am confident that Oxford Sports Council is in good hands as I stand down from the position of Chair with grateful thanks as always to all the committee for their time and commitment over the last year.

Margaret Stevens.

**OXFORD SPORTS COUNCIL CIO  
(Registered Charity No. 1157037)**

**TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

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## **OXFORD SPORTS COUNCIL CIO**

### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES**

The trustees present their report for the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022.

#### **Charitable Status**

Oxford Sports Council CIO was registered as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation on 14 May 2014, number 1157037.

#### **Trustees**

The Trustees who have held office at any point during the year ended 31 December 2022 and to the date of this report are as follows:

Margaret Stevens	(Chair)
Rupert Evans	(Vice Chair)
Graham Jones	
David Whittingham	

Councillors Mark Lygo and Chewie Munkonge represent Oxford City Council; Kate Mulrey is the Oxford University rep and there is currently no Oxford Brookes University rep.

#### **Structure, Governance and Management**

The charity is governed by a Constitution registered at its incorporation on 14 May 2014.

All new Trustees are recruited on the recommendation of organisations and people with whom the charity works, or by existing Trustees; they are given an induction pack and offered appropriate training in order to fulfil their role.

The charity is the successor body to Oxford Sporting Facilities Trust and Oxford Sports Council, and took over all the assets and liabilities of both bodies following its incorporation.

#### **Objectives and activities**

The objects of Oxford Sports Council CIO are to promote community participation in amateur sport and healthy recreation for the benefit of the inhabitants of Oxford and the surrounding area. It makes grants to appropriate bodies in furtherance of its objective.

#### **Achievements and performance**

During the year the charity made grants totalling £7,969 (2021 £15,866), and met trophy expenses of £60 (2021 £NIL). The trustees have continued to promote the availability of grants, but several sports organisations are still not back to full normal operation following the effects of Covid 19, and are therefore not in a position to bid for grant support.

#### **Public Benefit**

The Trustees of the charity have had due regard both to the objectives of the charity, as set out above, and also to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission, in exercising their powers and duties.



## OXFORD SPORTS COUNCIL CIO

### REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (continued)

#### Risk management

The principal risks the charity may face are perceived to be failure to attract suitable bids for funding and the continuing effects of Covid 19 in the sports and leisure industry generally. To mitigate these risks, the charity continues to try various ways of raising its profile to broaden its appeal, and has modelled various scenarios for managing its future operations.

#### Financial Review

For the year 2022, the charity incurred a much reduced deficit after tax of £1,146 (2021 deficit of £10,038); the remaining reserves of £61,757 will be applied to grant making and other charitable activities. None of the trustees receives any remuneration (2021 £NIL) from the charity, which is supported through the voluntary assistance of a number of individuals. There were no paid employees (2021: 0).

#### Reserves

The trustees believe that the charity's assets are available and adequate to fulfil the obligations of the charity as a whole, and that it is appropriate to prepare the accounts on a going concern basis.

The remaining reserves balance would fund at least six years of current grant and other expenditure. The trustees are therefore satisfied that the charity remains a going concern for at least 12 months from the date of signing this report.

#### Independent examination

The independent examination of the charity's accounts has been undertaken by Peter Stevenson, Chartered Accountant.

Approved by the Trustees on 24<sup>th</sup> May 2023

And signed by order of the board by

  
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M Stevens  
Chairman

## **INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF OXFORD SPORTS COUNCIL CIO**

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2022, which are set out on pages 4 to 6.

### **Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner**

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. You consider that the audit requirement of section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) does not apply, and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to state on the basis of Procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 145 of the Act, whether particular matters have come to my attention.

### **Basis of Independent Examiner's Report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanation from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

### **Independent Examiner's Statement**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Act; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Act

have not been met; or

- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Peter J. Stevenson  
Chartered Accountant

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Date: 24<sup>th</sup> May 2023



## OXFORD SPORTS COUNCIL CIO

## Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 December 2022

## GENERAL FUND

	£	2022 £	2021 £
<b>INCOME</b>			
Voluntary income		0	0
<b>Activities for generating funds</b>			
Sports rental income		8,000	8,000
<b>Other income</b>			
Rent charge written back	320		0
Deposit interest	58		0
	378		0
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>		<b>8,378</b>	<b>8,000</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>			
Costs of generating funds		0	0
<b>Expenditure on charitable activities</b>			
Sportsperson awards & expenses	8,029		15,866
AGM expenses	40		0
Secretarial costs	1,248		1,359
Laptop computer	0		617
Computer fees	26		0
Bank charges	81		96
Accountancy fees	100		100
	9,524		18,038
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>		<b>9,524</b>	<b>18,038</b>
Net (deficit) before tax		-1,146	-10,038
Corporation Tax		0	0
<b>NET (DEFICIT) AFTER TAX</b>		<b>-1,146</b>	<b>-10,038</b>
Add General Fund, balance b/f 1.1.22		62,903	72,941
<b>GENERAL FUND balance c/f, 31.12.22</b>		<b>£61,757</b>	<b>£62,903</b>

All funds of the charity were unrestricted.

**OXFORD SPORTS COUNCIL CIO**  
**Charity No 1157037**

**Balance Sheet 31 December 2022**

	£	2022 £	£	2021 £
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>				
Tangible assets		0		0
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>				
Debtors		0		0
Cash at bank		61,857		63,323
		<u>61,857</u>		<u>63,323</u>
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES (see note 4)</b>				
Creditors		<u>100</u>		<u>420</u>
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		61,757		62,903
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<b>£61,757</b>		<b>£62,903</b>
<b>FINANCED BY</b>				
General Fund - unrestricted		<b>£61,757</b>		<b>£62,903</b>

**Trustees' responsibilities**

Charity law requires the trustees to prepare accounts for each financial period which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the results for that period. In preparing these accounts, the trustees are required to select suitable accounting policies and to apply them consistently; make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and prepare the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to assume that the charity will continue in business.

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

These accounts were approved by the Board on 24 May 2023

Signed on behalf of the Board by:



Margaret Stevens - Chairman



## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022

**1. Basis of accounting**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice '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), and with the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The trustees have reviewed their current operations, and are satisfied that the charity has an adequate level of reserves to continue operating normally for at least 12 months from the date of signing their report.

**2. Accounting policies**

(a) **Income** is included in the SoFA when:

- the entity becomes entitled to the resources
- it is probable that the income will be received
- the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

(b) **Liabilities** are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the entity to pay out resources.

**3. Expenditure**

Expenditure includes the Independent Examiner's fee £100 (2021 £100).  
No remuneration was paid to trustees or committee expenses  
reimbursed (2021 NIL); the average number of employees was 0 (2021: 1).

	2022 £	2021 £
<b>4. Creditors</b>		
Office rent	0	320
Independent examiner's fee	100	100
	<b>£100</b>	<b>£420</b>