

# Trustees' Annual Report for the period

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| From | Period start date |                  |              | To | Period end date |                    |              |
|      | Day<br>1          | Month<br>October | Year<br>2024 |    | Day<br>30       | Month<br>September | Year<br>2025 |

## Section A

### Reference and administration details



Charity name

Saffron Walden Cricket Club

Other names charity is known by

SWCC

Registered charity number (if any)

1157468

Charity's principal address

Cobblers

Linton Road

Hadstock, Cambridge

Postcode

CB21 4NU

### Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

|    | Trustee name    | Office (if any) | Dates acted if not for whole year | Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any) |
|----|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1  | David Barrs     | Chairman        |                                   |                                                               |
| 2  | Peter Hill      | Treasurer       |                                   |                                                               |
| 3  | John Bagley     |                 |                                   |                                                               |
| 4  | Daniela Karsten |                 |                                   |                                                               |
| 5  | Chris Larlham   |                 |                                   |                                                               |
| 6  | Richard Porch   |                 |                                   |                                                               |
| 7  | John Whittaker  |                 |                                   |                                                               |
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### Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

| Name | Dates acted if not for whole year |
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### Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

| Type of adviser | Name | Address |
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### Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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## Section B Structure, governance and management

### Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document  
(eg. trust deed, constitution)

Constitution

How the charity is constituted  
(eg. trust, association, company)

Charitable Incorporated Organisation

Trustee selection methods  
(eg. appointed by, elected by)

New trustees elected at AGM

### Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

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## Section C Objectives and activities

**Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document**

The promotion of community participation in healthy recreation by the provision of facilities for playing cricket.

**Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)**

The club's trustees have given careful consideration to the relevant guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit:

- Membership of SWCC is completely open. There is no waiting list and the trustees believe that the subscriptions set for each season are affordable for the majority of the local community. Subscriptions may be reduced or waived for those with less financial means.
- There is no test of skill for membership.
- Membership is available to all members of the public who wish to join.
- SWCC provides facilities to play and practise cricket across the entire range of cricketing ability.
- opportunities for playing cricket are only available to members, not least because it is a requirement of the various competitions in which SWCC takes part that players should be bona fide members of the club.
- Notwithstanding the above, the club's main ground is made available, free of charge, for a local Kwik Cricket league involving local primary schools, for the 'Chance to Shine' charity and also to the Saffron Walden Rounders Club, Saffron Tri, Saffron Striders and a women's fitness group.
- And finally, no charge is made for admission for spectators wishing to watch the matches taking place.

**Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)**

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

The club has over 90 volunteers who serve on the Trustee or Executive Committees, help run junior teams and who undertake a variety of other roles including co-ordinating fixtures, liaising with the press etc.

Having said that, the recruitment of volunteers is increasingly challenging but the club still considers itself fortunate to have so many people prepared to give of their time.

**Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year**

Saffron Walden Cricket Club is in a good place and continues to be in a strong position. With 20 years since our Academy was set up in 2005, 2025 was a year to celebrate. Moving forward there is an energy behind it with a number of senior players and other volunteers taking on vital roles in terms of forward planning, sponsorship, recruitment, kit and clubhouse management. This energy blends ambition with the club's important charitable role as a community organisation.

Cricket is, by its very nature, seasonal, and clubs with histories as long as ours will inevitably experience both good and bad seasons. After a particularly challenging 2024, 2025 was again a year of mixed fortunes for the club:

The 1s enjoyed a very positive season, built around excellent team spirit and competitive attitude throughout the campaign. The previous season's relegation from the East Anglian Premier League inevitably led to the loss of personnel but it also opened the door for younger players to more firmly establish themselves at 1s level, gaining valuable experience that bodes well for the future. With the move of established 2s players into the 1s, the 2s experienced a disappointing season overall, with the consistency and consolidation of previous seasons proving difficult to achieve. There were, however, moments of considerable promise.

The 3s delivered a solid and commendable season, finishing comfortably in mid table of CCA Senior Division 3. Despite the inevitable challenges of player movement, the team maintained cohesion and competitiveness throughout the campaign with their captain leading from the front.

With availability difficulties in the higher teams having a significant knock on effect, the 4s struggled to be competitive at times and were unfortunately forced to concede three matches. Nevertheless, the team continues to serve a vital role within the club structure, providing an important opportunity for Academy players to be introduced to senior cricket.

The Women's 1s also faced a difficult season due to availability issues. Despite this the commitment of those involved remained strong, and the foundations are in place for renewed participation moving forward. The Midweek team, by contrast, enjoyed a positive season, continuing to provide a valuable and enjoyable cricketing outlet across the club. The Sunday and Crocus teams continue to give opportunities to a wide range of players.

The junior level our Academy continues to thrive with numbers continuing to recover following the loss of members during COVID, fielding over twenty junior teams, including 5 girls teams.

Off the field the club continues to enjoy the support of the local Town Council, Cambridgeshire and Essex Cricket Boards and a wide variety of local sponsors. We held two very successful lunches for vice presidents and supporters which attracted almost 200 guests in total.

## Section E

## Financial review

### Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

It is the club's intention to budget for a break even position each year. Our unrestricted reserves therefore comprise ground machinery and other equipment vital to the operation of the club's main ground at the Anglo American Playing Fields and a working capital balance sufficient to meet ongoing costs through the close season. Restricted reserves relate to the net cages and the development of the Nursery End.

### Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

### Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

## Section F

## Other optional information

## Section G

## Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

### Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)



Full name(s)

David Anthony Barrs

Peter William Hill

Position (eg Secretary, Chair)

Chairman

Treasurer

Date

23 July 2026



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| Charity Name<br><b>Saffron Walden Cricket Club</b> | No<br><b>1157468</b> |
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## Receipts and payments accounts

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| For the period<br>from | Period start date<br>01/10/2024 | To | Period end date<br>30/09/2025 |
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### Section A Receipts and payments

|                                                | Unrestricted funds<br>to the nearest £ | Restricted funds<br>to the nearest £ | Endowment funds<br>to the nearest £ | Total funds<br>to the nearest £ | Last year<br>to the nearest £ |
|------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <b>A1 Receipts</b>                             |                                        |                                      |                                     |                                 |                               |
| Subscriptions & match fees                     | 4,285                                  | -                                    | -                                   | 4,285                           | 2,815                         |
| Academy                                        | 21,750                                 | -                                    | -                                   | 21,750                          | 15,332                        |
| Grants                                         | -                                      | -                                    | -                                   | -                               | 10,906                        |
| Donations & Gift Aid                           | 13,613                                 | -                                    | -                                   | 13,613                          | 33,433                        |
| Sponsorship & advertising                      | 12,673                                 | -                                    | -                                   | 12,673                          | 12,850                        |
| VPs and social events                          | 6,603                                  | -                                    | -                                   | 6,603                           | 10,295                        |
| Other income                                   | 825                                    | -                                    | -                                   | 825                             | 2,290                         |
| Covenant from SWCC trading a/c                 | 13,257                                 | -                                    | -                                   | 13,257                          | 1,521                         |
| <b>Sub total</b>                               | <b>73,006</b>                          | <b>-</b>                             | <b>-</b>                            | <b>73,006</b>                   | <b>89,442</b>                 |
| <b>A2 Asset and investment sales, etc.</b>     |                                        | -                                    | -                                   | -                               | 835                           |
| <b>Total receipts</b>                          | <b>73,006</b>                          | <b>-</b>                             | <b>-</b>                            | <b>73,006</b>                   | <b>90,277</b>                 |
| <b>A3 Payments</b>                             |                                        |                                      |                                     |                                 |                               |
| Academy                                        | 4,085                                  | 500                                  | -                                   | 4,585                           | 3,391                         |
| VPs and social events                          | 597                                    | -                                    | -                                   | 597                             | 3,844                         |
| Equipment and ground maintenance               | 29,937                                 | -                                    | -                                   | 29,937                          | 34,847                        |
| Facilities                                     | 13,736                                 | 800                                  | -                                   | 14,536                          | 8,365                         |
| Playing expenses                               | 31,242                                 | -                                    | -                                   | 31,242                          | 38,395                        |
| Administration and other expenses              | 2,288                                  | -                                    | -                                   | 2,288                           | 2,346                         |
| Grants - Great Chesterford project             | -                                      | -                                    | -                                   | -                               | 9,956                         |
| <b>Sub total</b>                               | <b>81,885</b>                          | <b>1,300</b>                         | <b>-</b>                            | <b>83,185</b>                   | <b>101,144</b>                |
| <b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, etc.</b> |                                        | -                                    | -                                   | -                               | 3,581                         |
| <b>Total payments</b>                          | <b>81,885</b>                          | <b>1,300</b>                         | <b>-</b>                            | <b>83,185</b>                   | <b>104,725</b>                |
| <b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>              | <b>- 8,879</b>                         | <b>- 1,300</b>                       | <b>-</b>                            | <b>- 10,179</b>                 | <b>- 14,448</b>               |
| <b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>              |                                        | -                                    | -                                   | -                               | -                             |
| <b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>             | <b>16,178</b>                          | <b>1,300</b>                         | <b>-</b>                            | <b>17,478</b>                   | <b>31,926</b>                 |
| <b>Cash funds this year end</b>                | <b>7,299</b>                           | <b>-</b>                             | <b>-</b>                            | <b>7,299</b>                    | <b>17,478</b>                 |

## Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

| Categories              | Details                       | Unrestricted funds<br>to nearest £ | Restricted funds<br>to nearest £ | Endowment funds<br>to nearest £ |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| B1 Cash funds           | Barclays Current a/c - new    | 7,143                              | -                                | -                               |
|                         | Barclays Current a/c - closed | -                                  | -                                | -                               |
|                         | Barclays Charity a/c - closed | -                                  | -                                | -                               |
|                         | Lloyds                        | 75                                 | -                                | -                               |
|                         | Cash in hand                  | 81                                 | -                                | -                               |
|                         |                               |                                    |                                  |                                 |
| <b>Total cash funds</b> |                               | <b>7,299</b>                       | <b>-</b>                         | <b>-</b>                        |

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

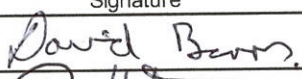
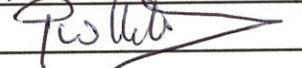
|                          | Details     | Unrestricted funds<br>to nearest £ | Restricted funds<br>to nearest £ | Endowment funds<br>to nearest £ |
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| B2 Other monetary assets | Gift Aid    | 1,500                              |                                  |                                 |
|                          | Sponsorship | 1,800                              |                                  |                                 |
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|                      | Details | Fund to which asset belongs | Cost (optional) | Current value (optional) |
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| B3 Investment assets |         |                             |                 |                          |
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|                                              | Details                         | Fund to which asset belongs | Cost (optional) | Current value (optional) |
|----------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|
| B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use | Net Cage and Nursery End        | Restricted                  | 41,937          | 8,263                    |
|                                              | Ground equipment                | Unrestricted                | 23,968          | 8,673                    |
|                                              | Other equipment                 | Unrestricted                | 55,312          | 16,025                   |
|                                              | Club and kitchen refurbishments | Unrestricted                | 34,718          | 7,326                    |
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|                | Details             | Fund to which liability belongs | Amount due [optional] | When due (optional) |
|----------------|---------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| B5 Liabilities | Electricity account | Unrestricted                    | 335                   |                     |
|                | Other               | Unrestricted                    | 685                   |                     |
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

| Signature                                                                           | Print Name             | Date of approval |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------|
|  | David Barrs (Chairman) | 23/07/2026       |
|  | Peter Hill (Treasurer) | 23/07/2026       |