



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From

1st September 2020 to 31st August 2021

Charity name:

Bro Myrddin Bowls Club

Charity registration number:

1158270

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To promote community participation in healthy recreation for the benefit of the inhabitants of Carmarthen and the surrounding areas of West Wales by the provision of facilities for playing bowls.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	Management of the Bro Myrddin Bowls Centre, on lease from Carmarthenshire County Council, to provide bowling facilities indoors and outdoors.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The trustees have had guidance from the Charity Commission on public benefit.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	Bro Myrddin Bowls Club does not make grants, except to assist members undergoing relevant training. (i.e on Health and Safety for example).
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	Not applicable.
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	The Bowls Centre and Bowls Club are entirely run and staffed by volunteers. There are no paid staff.
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>What a very trying 20 months it has been throughout the pandemic. After a very promising start to the 2019/20 year, December saw us yet again plunged into a full national lockdown, Covid responsible once again. We had recovered some of our losses from the first lockdown in the very short time we were open. This time other factors other than Covid were going to give us problems. During a routine inspection of the building, it was noticed that the ceiling panels were delaminating, Property Services were informed and an inspection of the suspended ceiling proved to be costly and nothing to do with panels delaminating. While carrying out the examination it was found that the ceiling hanging supports had corroded, some had parted. The ceiling was condemned as unsafe, likely to collapse anytime. The thought of what could have happened, and the outcome doesn't bear thinking about. (Some good had come out of lockdown). I would like to thank the Carmarthenshire County Council for carrying out the repairs as quickly as they did, and for carrying the full cost of repairs approximately £33,000. I was rather concerned in the fact that the lease of the building states that 'any costly repairs, if found to be financially heavy, the council had a right to withhold repairs for a maximum of three years.' Thankfully this wasn't to be. The Covid restrictions were eased in April and the go ahead was given to open outdoor rinks under 'Bowls Wales' regulations as laid down by the Welsh Government. Unfortunately, due to our ceiling problems we had no facilities. Our outdoor green had to remain shut. The artificial outdoor green has been causing some concern. The cost of upkeep has risen considerably in the last few years. It is a very specialised process which can be handled by very few companies. Novice maintenance in the past had not worked and had proved more costly in the long run. Maintenance costs are now five times more per year than the income it provides. Another factor is that most members won't use the facility because of the damage it does</p>

	<p>to bowls. It is also laughable it is meant to be an all-weather green. In wet weather it becomes a huge puddle. Our lease states as part of the ongoing rental of the building we must provide the outdoor facility. We (Trustees) want to go one better than 'just provide,' we think we can get the best! The process has been agreed and negotiations started with the County.Council. and Dales, the bowls company which are ongoing to supply the latest all weather Australian green that could be used all the year round (and why not) With, no damage to bowls, and a maintenance cost which is a fifth of the present upkeep. We have eighteen years left on our lease; if we carry on with the present maintenance programme, we will have spent nearly twice the intended investment. This improvement is wanted badly, and it wants doing now!</p> <p>Throughout lockdown the building still consumed money (electricity being the main cost) running the building emergency backup systems, fire alarms, burglar alarms, and heating for frost protection. Gas is used for heating. Water had to be run off from all outlets weekly in case of legionaries' disease. Hire contracts had to be paid. The income from both 2020 and 2021 has been affected. Our losses from income and reserves are approximately £30,000. Continued..... With the financial information available at the time, we intended to keep membership costs down to the minimum, with rink costs held at the same price for the fifth year in a row. A rise in the membership fee which now includes a locker meant prices rose by £10.00 per year for members. All decided before the present price increases. Members have asked how about concessionary payments for rinks. With the loss of income from all areas of the operation, room hire, restaurant sales, short mat hire, and bowls rink hire also with membership numbers down by nearly a third, plus much needed investment for the future, it is financially impossible to consider such a move at the moment. With the recent increase in electricity prices of 30%, the second increase in the lockdown period, we will need to reconsider part of our present pricing structure in the very near future. Another worry is the volunteer situation which is not allowing us to move forward. To entertain the various money spinners mentioned above which</p>
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		<p>are the bread and butter of the Club we need volunteers on those days to help. It is the same people coming forward offering their time, all of whom have a life and family outside bowls. They give their time for you to enjoy a game of bowls all year. We ask you to give up a day, very, very occasionally to help. 'Covid Rules' gave us a few headaches and while on the subject of volunteers I would like to thank all volunteers, trustees, and helpers, who have been involved through lockdown in keeping the place shipshape, and making sure it would be ready and available when a bit of normality returned. Members please note..... without volunteers you have no Club. The membership must start taking more of an interest especially in member recruitment. We need everyone to promote the bowls facility to family, friends and neighbours. A good chance to advertise the club, and for people to see how well the sport is played and maybe try for themselves, would be the All Wales 'Champion of Champions.' The Club has the privilege of hosting this event on the weekend of the 14th and 15th of January 2022. A good opportunity for members to promote and recruit. Junior membership is free. Curtis Rance, has stepped up as Club Captain and making a very good job of it. We wish him well; I hope you will give him your full support. I would like to thank everyone for their support and efforts to making Bro Myrddin bowls club the finest in West Wales.</p>
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	

Financial Review

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Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	1. Membership subscriptions. 2. Rink fees. 3. Catering profits. 4. Hiring fees. 5. Fundraising. 7. Gift Aid
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution adopted 26th March 2014 as amended
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	By Constitution adopted 26th March 2014. Registered as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation by the Charity Association.
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Trustees are elected by the charities members, except the Men's and Ladies Captains who are ex-officio trustees by virtue of their offices, if they wish to accept trusteeship.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	The charity affiliates to the governing bodies for bowls, and accepts any policies of the governing bodies made for the well being of the sport of bowling.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	1. The Club has an arm's length relationship with its landlord , Carmarthenshire County Council. 2. The organisational structure of the Club is designed to maximise the enthusiasm and sense of ownership of the volunteers who are drawn from the club's members.
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Bro Myrddin Bowls Club
Other name the charity uses	-
Registered charity number	1158270
Charity's principal address	Picton Terrace, Carmarthen SA31 3BS

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	Mr. David Docherty	Chairman		
2	Mr. Paul Moggridge	Secretary		
3	Mr. Elwyn Evans	Treasurer		
4	Mr Curtis Rance	Men's Captain		
5	Mrs. Sandra Thomas	Ladies Captain		
6	Mrs. Carole Docherty			
7	Mr. Mike Mycock			
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

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Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

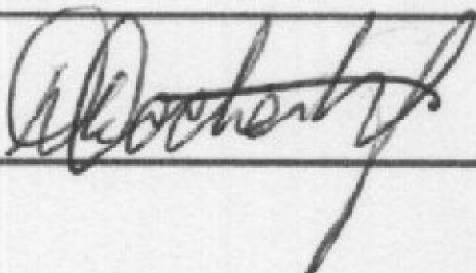
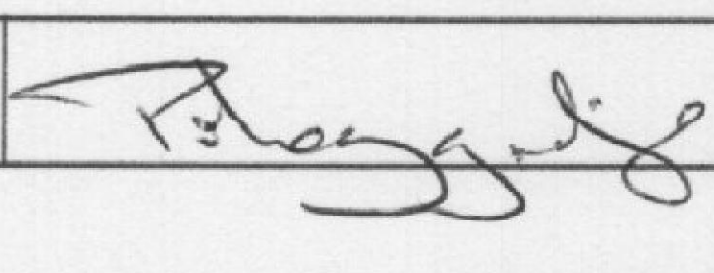
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Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

	
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Full name(s)

DAVID DOHERTY	PAUL HOGGARIDGE
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Position (eg Secretary,
Chair, etc)

CHAIRMAN	SECRETARY
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Date

24TH November 2021

BRO MYRDDIN BOWLS CLUB

Charity No 1158270

Financial Statements Year Ending 31st August 2021

RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS YEAR ENDING 31 AUGUST 2021

	Unrestricted 2021 £	Unrestricted 2020 £
RECEIPTS		
Bingo Income	296	4,669
Car Parking	-	-
Donations	375	-
Gift Aid	763	1,152
Interest Received	177	387
Locker Fees	585	851
Membership Subscriptions	5,860	8,970
Misc. Income	245	395
Restaurant	400	11,145
Rink Fees	6,986	28,392
Room Hire	-	4,628
Shop Sales	111	1,517
WIBA Competitions Income	-	-
TOTAL RECEIPTS	15,798	62,106
PAYMENTS		
Independent Examiner's Fees	400	400
Affiliation Fees	60	1,630
Bingo Costs	-	35
Building Repairs & Maintenance	36	500
Consumables	303	1,237
Equipment	279	1,355
Food & Drink Supplies	1,335	6,208
Grounds Maintenance	4,704	1,872
Insurance	2,167	1,967
Lease of Equipment	336	-
Marketing Costs	-	-
Misc. Expenses	314	2,331
Shop Supplies	-	1,850
Telephone	337	379
Postage, Stationery & Sundries	101	522
TV Licence	157	155
Utilities & rates	20,652	27,899
Waste Collection	336	512
WIBA Competition Expenses	-	250
Major Works	-	31,174
Corporation Tax	-	288
TOTAL PAYMENTS	31,517	80,564
NET RECEIPTS	(15,719)	(18,458)
CASH FUNDS 1 SEPTEMBER 2020 (2019)	115,585	134,043
CASH FUNDS 31 AUGUST 2021 (2020)	99,866	115,585

Dated:

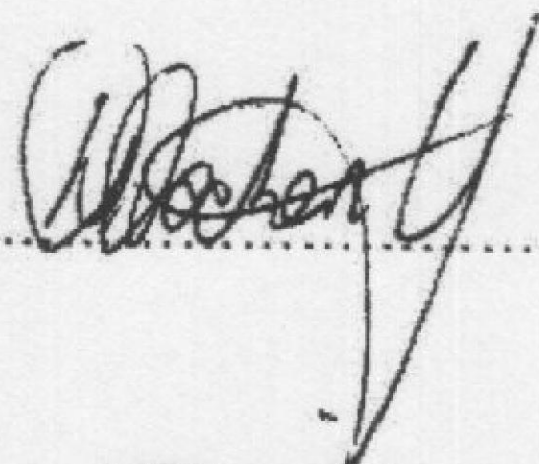
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On behalf of the Trustees

DAVID DOHERTY

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AT 31 AUGUST 2021

	Unrestricted 2021 £	Unrestricted 2020 £
CASH FUNDS		
Barclays Current Account	4,704	600
Barclays Savings Account	9,514	9,510
Swansea building society account	25,364	45,230
Nationwide building society account	60,284	60,245
Cash in hand	-	-
Total cash funds	<u>99,866</u>	<u>115,585</u>
 EQUIPMENT		
At cost	16,806	16,806
Revaluation	(6,806)	(6,806)
At estimated market value	<u>10,000</u>	<u>10,000</u>



Dated: 24-11-21

On behalf of the Trustees

DAVID DOCHERTY

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES AND MEMBERS

I report on the accounts of the Bro Myrddin Bowls Club, which are set out on pages 1 & 2.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The Charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Act and that an Independent Examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to

Examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act.

To follow the procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145 of the Act) and to state whether any particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general directions given by the Charity Commission.

An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Charity and a comparison of the accounts with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required of an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a true and fair view, and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent Examiners Statement

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention:

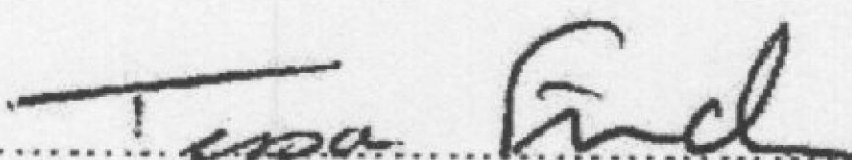
(1) Which give me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:

To keep proper accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act, and

To prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records

have not been met.

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


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Dated: 15.11.21

Tessa Finch FMAAT