

Leeds Bridge Club Trust

(A company limited by guarantee)

Registered Charity Number: 1161317
Company Number: 9490140

Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 March 2025

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Financial Statements for the year ended 31 March 2025

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Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31 March 2025

The trustees, who are also the directors of the charity, are pleased to present their report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ending 31 March 2025 which are also prepared to meet the requirements for a directors' report and accounts for Companies Act purposes.

The charity is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association, was incorporated as a company limited by guarantee on 14 March 2015, was registered as a charity on 17 April 2015 and commenced activities on 1 April 2015.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in the notes to the accounts and comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006, the Memorandum and Articles of Association and 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).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The purposes of the charity are:

- The advancement of amateur sport by promoting the game of bridge for the benefit of the residents of Leeds and the surrounding area.
- The provision of facilities for the learning, teaching and playing of bridge for the benefit of the residents of Leeds and the surrounding area with the object of improving conditions of life.

In shaping our objectives for the period and planning our activities, the trustees have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit, including the guidance "public Benefit: running a charity (PB2)".

The strategies employed to achieve the charity's aims and objectives are to:

- Encourage new players.
- Maintain a convivial atmosphere with a spirit of inclusiveness encouraging all members to participate in the running of the club and its events.
- Develop initiatives to enhance the skills of those members who wish to excel at club, Yorkshire and national events.
- Operate prudently and cost-effectively so as to minimise the costs of club membership.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Membership numbers and attendance at our face-to face bridge sessions have been stable throughout the period, with daytime sessions continuing to prove more popular than evening sessions. We are pleased to welcome Shadwell Bridge Club (a local independent bridge Club) which now utilises our facilities on Friday evenings, conveniently at a time when our bridge suite is otherwise vacant.

First and second year beginner lessons have continued to be well attended, as have our Stepping Stones and Improvers sessions, both intended to offer beginners a 'next level' learning experience and gratifyingly well used as a step up to our more competitive sessions.

Charges for lessons and bridge sessions are in line with other similar organisations in the region and are at a level to ensure accessibility to all members of the public. Consistent with our charitable purposes some lessons have been organised by experienced teachers using our facilities without charge. We seek to minimise the cost of provided lessons and also run some free seminars.

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We have encouraged all within our community to take part in our activities either as part of our teaching programmes or participating in our bridge sessions, both as players and as providers of voluntary administrative services to support those sessions. Gratifyingly, we continue to see some of our more enthusiastic newer members continuing to take up such voluntary roles at various levels of responsibility.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The charity's overall financial position is sound, with a surplus for the period of £7,777 (PY surplus of £8,884). Income and activity levels remain at much the same level as the previous year and are sufficient to cover anticipated expenses having regard to a reasonable level of contribution to MASSC expenses.

The trustees having regard to future liquidity requirements have placed available funds on interest-bearing deposit accounts of up to 12 months duration.

The charity's reserves at 31 March 2025 are £80,904 (31 March 2024: £73,127). It is the charity's policy to maintain sufficient financial reserves to cover working capital, any future adversity and in particular for upgrading facilities.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Charity name and registration number: Leeds Bridge Club Trust 1161317

The charity carries out certain non-contractual bridge matters under the name Leeds Bridge Club.

Company registration number: 9490140

Principal and registered office: Moor Allerton Sports & Social Centre, Stonegate Road, Leeds LS17 6EL

Directors & Trustees: BS Friedman, J Hayward, W Holmes, TW Read, and A Selman served during the year and since the year end. HA Dickinson was appointed on 7 November 2024 and has served continuously since then. In accordance with the charity's Articles of Association, TW Read and W Holmes will retire and, being eligible, will seek re-election by members at the Annual General Meeting on 6 November 2025.

Any qualifying person is eligible for election as a director and would be recommended for election by the existing directors where considered a suitable person with requisite skills to complement the existing board.

Company Secretary: TW Read

Approved by order of the Board of Trustees on 16 September 2025 and signed on its behalf by



TW Read – Company Secretary

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees on the
Financial Statements for the year ended 31 March 2025

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 March 2025 which are set out on pages 5 to 10.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES AND EXAMINER

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 ('the 2006 Act').

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 ('the 2011 Act'). 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 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 Charities SORP (FRS102)

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.



Jonathan Crossley FCA
Brays Chartered Accountants, Riverview Court, Castle Gate, Wetherby, LS22 6LE

Date: 19 September 2025

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Statement of Financial Activity including Income and Expenditure

Account for the year ended 31 March 2025

		2025 Unrestricted fund £	2024 Unrestricted fund £
	<i>Notes</i>		
INCOMING RESOURCES			
Interest on bank deposits		1,775	1,035
Yorkshire League matches		1,506	1,451
Lessons		3,055	4,484
Membership subscriptions		1,417	1,292
Table money		23,876	24,375
Other income	3	2,413	902
Total incoming resources		34,042	33,539
RESOURCES EXPENDED			
Area hire charges & operating lease rental		2,730	2,677
Bridge software & equipment		980	300
Bridge supplies		119	462
Contribution to MASSC expenses	4	9,454	7,659
Yorkshire League matches		3,065	2,283
UM fees		2,907	3,043
Teaching		200	-
Other expenses	5	6,810	8,231
Total resources expended		26,265	24,655
NET INCOMING RESOURCES		7,777	8,884
FUND BROUGHT FORWARD AT 31 MARCH		73,127	64,243
FUND CARRIED FORWARD AT 31 MARCH		80,904	73,127

The notes on pages 7 to 10 form part of these financial statements.

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Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2025

		2025 Unrestricted fund £	2024 Unrestricted fund £
	<i>Notes</i>		
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	8	15,992	18,466
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	9	305	-
Investments	10	37,459	33,000
Cash at bank	1	44,060	39,138
Total current assets		<u>81,824</u>	<u>72,138</u>
LIABILITIES			
Creditors: amounts falling due within 1 year	11	<u>16,912</u>	<u>17,477</u>
Net current assets		64,912	54,661
Total net assets		<u><u>80,904</u></u>	<u><u>73,127</u></u>
FUNDS OF THE CHARITY			
Unrestricted funds		<u><u>80,904</u></u>	<u><u>73,127</u></u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ending 31 March 2025.

The members have not required the charitable company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ending 31 March 2025 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees and directors 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 and with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 16 September 2025 and were signed on its behalf by:



T-W Read, Director

The notes on pages 7 to 10 form part of the financial statements.

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Notes on the Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2025

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice 'Charities SORP (FRS 102)', applicable accounting standards, the Charities Act 2011 and the Companies Act 2006.

Incoming resources

Income is recognised where there is entitlement, certainty of receipt and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Investment income is recognised on a receivable basis.

Resources expended

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to the expenditure. All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category.

Taxation

As a registered charity the company is generally exempt from Corporation Tax, but not VAT. Irrecoverable VAT is included in the cost of the items to which it relates.

Fixed assets

Individual fixed assets are capitalised at cost and depreciated over their useful economic lives on a straight-line basis as follows:

Teaching room	7.5%
Furniture and fixtures	15%
Computer and electronic equipment	25%

Cash at bank

Cash at bank includes cash on deposit with a maturity of one month or less.

Debtors and creditors receivable/payable within one year

Debtors and creditors with no stated interest rate and receivable or payable within one year are recorded at transaction price. Any losses arising from impairment are recognised in expenditure.

Unrestricted funds

Unrestricted funds are available to spend on activities that further any of the purposes of the charity.

2 LEGAL STATUS OF LEEDS BRIDGE CLUB TRUST

Leeds Bridge Club Trust was incorporated in England and Wales as a private company limited by guarantee on 14 March 2015 and was registered as a charity on 17 April 2015. The charity is a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. All members agree to pay £1 in the event of the company winding up unless they have resigned more than 12 months previously thereto.

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3 OTHER INCOME

	2025 £	2024 £
Miscellaneous	799	142
Christmas party	1,614	760
	<u>2,413</u>	<u>902</u>

4 CONTRIBUTION TO MASSC EXPENSES

Moor Allerton Sports & Social Centre (MASSC) is a separate registered charity (no 1179842) providing educational and recreational facilities for the inhabitants of Leeds Metropolitan District and surrounding area. The charity is a group member of MASSC, pays a contribution determined annually towards the expenses of MASSC and has the exclusive use of the bridge suite at the premises at Stonegate Road which it uses for its own purposes.

Members of the charity also effect separate membership of MASSC and enjoy the general facilities they provide.

5 OTHER EXPENSES

	2025 £	2024 £
Bank charges	148	160
Charitable & other events	367	177
Christmas party	1,622	646
Computer and internet expenses	89	644
Depreciation	2,474	2,626
Independent examination	1,020	1,020
Insurance	517	489
Miscellaneous	402	454
Online Tournament Director charges	-	930
Online Platform Provider charges	29	597
Postage and stationery	142	163
Repairs and maintenance	-	325
	<u>6,810</u>	<u>8,231</u>

6 TRUSTEE REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES AND RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

No trustees expenses have been incurred and no trustee received remuneration or other benefit from their work with the charity

There are no related party transactions in the reporting period that require disclosure.

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7 CORPORATION TAX

The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that they are applied to its charitable objects.

8 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Teaching room £	Furniture & fixtures £	Computer equipment £	Total £
COST				
As at 1 April 2024	26,751	7,204	4,712	38,667
Additions in period	-	-	-	-
Disposals in period	-	-	-	-
As at 31 March 2025	<u>26,751</u>	<u>7,204</u>	<u>4,712</u>	<u>38,667</u>
DEPRECIATION				
As at 1 April 2024	9,027	6,461	4,712	20,200
Charge in period	2,006	468	-	2,474
Eliminated on disposals	-	-	-	-
As at 31 March 2025	<u>11,033</u>	<u>6,929</u>	<u>4,712</u>	<u>22,674</u>
NET BOOK VALUE				
As at 31 March 2025	<u>15,718</u>	<u>274</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>15,992</u>
As at 31 March 2024	<u>17,724</u>	<u>742</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>18,466</u>

9 DEBTORS

	2025 £	2024 £
Prepayments and accrued income	305	-
	<u>305</u>	<u>-</u>

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10 INVESTMENTS

Current asset investments comprise cash on deposit with a maturity of less than one year not held to meet short-term cash commitments as they fall due.

11 CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2025 £	2024 £
Accruals and deferred income	2,203	2,474
Membership fees in advance	3,760	4,600
Duplicate sessions purchased in advance	10,949	10,403
	<u>16,912</u>	<u>17,477</u>

12 CONTINGENT ASSET

The charity has a mortgage over certain land at Stonegate Road referred to in note 4 above in an amount of £54,289.99 indexed by the Retail Price Index from March 2019 that is repayable in the event of a sale of the whole property or MASSC entering into receivership. The directors consider such eventualities to be remote and no value has been placed on this asset in the accounts.