



Swindon Community Tennis
(Charitable Incorporated Organisation)

Trustee's Report and Consolidated Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 March 2021

Charity Number: 1161824

Legal & Administrative Information

Trustees:

Charity Trustees:

Neil Allen	
Paul Casey	Treasurer
Tim Poole	Chairman

Charity Number:

1161824

**Registered and
Business Address:**

St Mark's Tennis Pavilion
Whitehouse Road
Swindon
SN2 1DB

Bankers:

Barclays Bank
Redditch
Leicestershire
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Structure, Governance & Management

The Swindon Community Tennis was constituted by a Governing Document on 1 March 2015.

The organisation registered its foundation as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation on 26 May 2015.

There is a requirement for at least three charity trustees. If the number falls below this minimum, the remaining trustee or trustees may act only to call a meeting of the charity trustees, or appoint a new charity trustee. There should be a minimum of one and a maximum of 6 appointed trustees.

Swindon Borough Council as 'appointing body' may appoint one charity trustee.

Overall responsibility for the operation of the Charity is vested in Charity Trustees with clear areas of responsibility being assigned to each. Operational matters are managed through the Operational Management Group which includes the Charity and Appointed Trustees, contracted Coaching Provider and Pavilion Café manager. Community partners are also included where relevant, for example; Community Police Officers, Swindon Borough Council Locality Managers, the Lawn Tennis Association Regional Development Manager.

Preparation of Annual Accounts

The accounts are prepared on a Receipts and Payments basis.

Risk Assessment

As part of an on-going examination and review of provision major risks to the Charity's operations and its continuation are considered by the Board.

Public Benefit

The Board of Trustees confirm that they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission for England & Wales. Support is available for all members of the community irrespective of age, ethnicity, sexual orientation, religion or financial means.

Reserves Policy

The trustees have taken advice from the Lawn Tennis Association (LTA) and have agreed a reserve of £15,000 to be achieved each financial year for the ongoing maintenance of the tennis courts, pavilion and associated grounds.

Annual Review

The objects of the Swindon Community Tennis CIO are:

To promote community participation in healthy recreation by the provision of facilities for the playing of tennis and to advance the amateur sport of tennis for the public benefit in Swindon both with the aim of improving health and wellbeing in particular but not exclusively by:

- providing accessible and affordable tennis to the community;
- providing opportunities for physical and mental exercise, developing agility and skills;
- providing facilities and opportunities to play tennis with the aim of promoting the social inclusion of those that are excluded from society due to reasons of social and or economic disadvantage and interaction among members of the community;
- running a community based tennis and social facility for the benefit of community groups and residents;
- providing varied and, where appropriate, structured tennis activity programmes for all families and individuals catering for all ages and abilities; and by
- providing increased opportunities for people with disabilities to take part in sporting activities.

Since the refurbished tennis courts were opened in May 2015 nearly 1,700 fobs to access the courts have been purchased at £30 for a year for a family meaning over 5000 players have had access to the courts.

The courts are situated in the Gorse Hill and Pinehurst Ward which, according to the Indices of Deprivation 2010 is one of four wards in Swindon that have areas within the most deprived 10% nationally.

The Gorse Hill and Pinehurst ward has LSOAs within the most deprived 20% nationally for the following indicators:

- Income Deprivation Domain
- Income Deprivation Affecting Children Index
- Income Deprivation Affecting Older People Index
- Employment Deprivation Domain
- Health Deprivation and Disability Domain
- Crime Domain
- Education, Skills and Training Domain
- Living Environment Deprivation Domain

Sources:

www.communities.gov.uk - The English Indices of Deprivation 2010, Published 24 March 2011

We are pleased that around 40% of the players live in the immediate area of postcode SN2 (an area designated as socially deprived) although recent surveys have shown that other users are spread over all areas of Swindon especially the newer Northern Expansion Area.

The last twelve months have seen a year of transition as the ongoing running of St Marks tennis facility has been transferred to Central Swindon North Parish Council.

Looking Ahead

When SCT was first set up the Board's main aim was to provide accessible and affordable tennis to the community. A key to this was securing funding for the building and development of a modern attractive community facility based around tennis. Through partnerships with Swindon Borough Council and the LTA the facility became a reality with a vibrant tennis and community hub serving the local population and making tennis accessible to the masses.

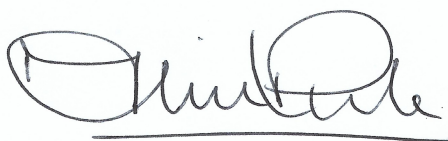
Following developments with the ownership of the site being transferred to the new Central Swindon North Parish Council (CSNPC) and one trustee of SCT moving away it was decided we needed to have a succession plan for the ongoing future operation at St Marks. With this in mind, the Board entered into discussions with CSNPC about them taking on the day to day running of the facility.

As of the beginning of the financial year the transfer of responsibility for the running of the site was completed, effective 1 April 2020. As part of this agreement Swindon Community Tennis agreed to transfer the 'sinking fund', a reserve held specifically for the ongoing maintenance and development of the tennis courts and floodlights to Central Swindon North Parish Community Library & Leisure Trust to secure the sustainability of the facility for the coming few years. The 'sinking fund' of £45,000 (paid in two tranches, £10,000 and £35,000) was paid over to CSNPC with the express restriction of being used solely for the purpose of the upkeep of the tennis courts and floodlights, ensuring the future of the site for tennis for a number of years to come.

Following the successful transfer of the responsibility for the running of the site and the commitment of CSNPC to continue the provision of affordable tennis for the local community the Board of Swindon Community Tennis has continued to monitor the situation to ensure that legacy is protected. Having assured themselves of this, it was decided to close the charity. As at writing this annual report the Board is working with professional advisers to complete this.

Any funds remaining as at the point of closure will be disbursed to charities with similar values and aims to those of Swindon Community Tennis.

On behalf of the board of trustees



T. J. Poole
Chairman

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Swindon Community Tennis

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 5 April 2018.

Respective responsibilities of the trustees and the examiner:

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of this report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. That 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 financial statements and seeking explanations 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 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 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 2011Act; and
 - to prepare financial statements which accord with the accounting records and comply with
 - the accounting requirements of the 2011Act 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.



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Swindon Community Tennis						
Statement of financial activities						
for the year ending 31 March 2021						
Income & Expenditure	Notes	Unrestrict ed funds	Restricted funds	Total 2021	Total 2020	
Income from:						
Facility Rentals	1	2,153		2,153	16,908	
Charitable Activities	2	2,580		2,580	9,340	
Grants	3	21,114		21,114	275	
Total		25,847	-	25,847	26,523	
Expenditure on:						
Charitable Activities	4	- 72,172	-	- 72,172	- 15,069	
Total		- 46,325	0	- 46,325	11,454	
Net expenditure/income		- 46,325	0	- 46,325	11,454	
Total funds brought forward		51,073	0	51,073	39,619	
Total funds carried forward		4,748	0	4,748	51,073	


**Swindon Community Tennis
Statement of financial activities
for the year ending 31 March 2021**

	Notes	2021	2020
Fixed Assets			
Tangible Assets	5	-	-
Current Assets			
Investments		-	-
Debtors		-	-
Cash at bank in hand		4,748	51,073
		<u>4,748</u>	<u>51,073</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Net Current Assets		<u>4,748</u>	<u>51,073</u>
Net Assets		<u>4,748</u>	<u>51,073</u>
Funds			
Unrestricted income funds		4,748	51,073
Restricted income funds		-	0
Total Funds		<u>4,748</u>	<u>51,073</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board on 14 November 2020 and signed on their behalf by:



Tim Poole
Chairman



Paul Casey
Treasurer

Notes to the statement of financial activities for the year ended 31 March 2021								
1. Income - Facility Rentals								
Coaching provision		303						
Swindon Tennis Club		-						
Floodlights		209						
Pay & Play		-						
Tournaments		1,100						
Café/Office		542						
Total		2,153						
2. Income - Charitable activities								
Charity Discounted Fob Sales		2,580						
Total		2,580						
3. Income - Grants								
Lawn Tennis Association (LTA)		21,114						
Total		21,114						
		25,847						

Notes to the statement of financial activities for the year ended 31 March 2021									
4. Expenditure									
Fob Sales		2,580							
Communications & IT		447							
Premises		634							
Hygiene Services		-							
Waste Disposal		429							
Insurance		-							
Electricity		46							
Marketing		229							
Memberships/Subscriptions		-							
LTA Grant		22,807							
Transfer to CSN Parish Council		45,000							
Disposals		-							
Total		72,172							
5. Tangible & Fixed Assets									
As at 1/4/20		-							
Additions		-							
Disposals		-							
Total		-							
As at 31/3/21		-							
6. Employee Costs									
There were no paid employees in the charity at any point during the financial year.									
7. Trustee Costs									
No trustee received any remuneration during the financial year									