

# Club Sec Report – 2024 / 2025



## Leagues & Players

At junior level the club continued to be actively involved in the Mid Lancs Colts JFL, Central Lancs JFL and re-engaged at U16 with the East Lancs following a request by the management team to move from the CLJFL from issues at U15. East Lancs were welcoming and made some great comments at the end of the season leaving the door wide open for us in future years if needed.

Success is measured by our retention rates which remain high but we also saw success on the pitch as our U13w picking up divisional runners up medals and making it to a cup final. Our 12w gained promotion and our U12b made it to their cup final.

Unfortunately we had to make the decision at U9 (moving to U10) to part ways with the team due to conflicting values for the good of all but we did commit to fulfilling their season and ensure their efforts were rewarded accordingly.

At youth level the team reached a cup final which was a great achievement and at senior level the team finished their third season a respectful mid table following back to back promotions....more importantly the team continued to offer many ex juniors now in the twenties the opportunity to once again play in blue and white and has remained strong.

One on the pitch incident at youth was the only blemish on a successful year where as a group under provocation were guilty of not controlling emotions but will have learnt from it.

With all this our pride in our Pan Disability group flies high with the development of the group and their personal enjoyment when playing abundantly clear when you watch them. The fact that we are the only grass roots club in the borough to offer this provision with costs funded within the club structure is testament to the club officials for their continued support for this initiative and demonstrable evidence of the clubs inclusive ethos.

## **Pitches / Facilities**

No changes to 2023/24. The club has actively maintained Holy Cross and Highfield to good standards with positive comments from both partners and visiting clubs. Holy Cross made financial contribution towards seeding given the over usage during inclement conditions which was warmly welcomed by the club.

## **2025 / 2026 Outlook**

Next season will see further growth in our provision at grass roots for the community:

- We will continue to offer a Pan Disability provision and look to grow this to include an Open Age Development team and pathway for our young people exiting the U12-U16 team.
- Our U16s have advised they will not be continuing to U18, choosing instead to join Chorley FC on mass, coaches and players. However, we are hopeful of a new coach stepping forward and the club still being able to offer this provision at grass root level for the community.
- The U18s coach has advised he will be leaving to be part of Croston Sports and Social club taking their Sunday team but the existing U17 team have made the decision to step up a year early to the open age / adult game in the hope this provides traction rather than having a similar outcome to this years U18.
- We will also be starting a new U11 team but will need to enter this team in the Bolton Bury District Junior Football League playing on a Saturday

We will start the year with some gaps at U7, U10, U15 and U16 but overall numbers are expected to grow from this season and actively look to recruit volunteer coaches and young people into these age groups. We will retain training slot capacity at Holy Cross to facilitate continued growth. We will also engage additional capacity at Westway 3g for the senior team to move to as they continue in what will be their fourth season,

Northwest School Hire advised a significant change in school policy towards our usage of the pitches at Southlands. Whilst we will retain usage, the school are wishing to maximise revenue from the venue and have directed NWSH to manage the pitch bookings, removing our shared usage with Gillibrand and opening it up for public bookings at a significant price increase

compared to 24/25, almost doubling our hire costs as we will need to block book to secure the venue.

Holy Cross enters year two of a extended three year agreement but with a good relationship maintained and sole usage policy actively supported by the school keeping us in a positive position.

In order to facilitate continued growth the club will need additional pitch capacity which is almost impossible to secure in the borough but we will actively investigate opportunities to do so. The blocker for growth may well be the challenge is attracting new volunteers with the energy and passion to provide football opportunities for all no matter their ability!

**Steve Flux**

**Secretary**

### **Chairman Report**

I would like to formally invite you to attend Chorley Wanderers JFC A.G.M

Before I touch on the season and what has been happening with our teams and the club, I would like to open with a plea for support with our committee. We currently have over 150 players in the club across 13 teams and committee members are looking for a few more volunteers to help carry the load and help with the running of the club.

Ideally, we would like some assistance with the following roles –

- Child Welfare Officer
- Club development Officer
- Parent Rep

I have attached a copy of the roles and responsibilities for you to have a look over. If you feel you can support the current committee in any capacity in other roles not listed above, then please get in touch. With no committee we have no club and that is not something anyone wants to see, ultimately, we are just asking for a little help and support.

The 2024/25 season is finally over, and we now look forward in preparing the foundations for the season ahead.

This season has been a very successful and full of footballing accolades. The teams that represent us in the blue and white have achieved some brilliant results and collected a few trophies on the way.

We have gone for strength to strength in re recruiting players and coaches alike, forming a new u7, U11s and U17s.

We have lost a few teams on the way for one thing or another and we wish those players and coaches all the best.

Next season we will see some changes to the finances as our vendors increase their prices, which for Chorley Wanderers is no where near ideal but if we don't agree to the terms we will risk losing some pitches. An already high demand for pitches in the area means we have to keep what we have got or risk losing them and in turn risk the future of the club.

We thank all our members and their families for choosing Chorley Wanderers, we always want the best for our players and will always strive to achieve that. Thanks again for a brilliant season.

**Dan McDermott**

**Chairman**

## **CWJFC Annual Meeting Season 2024/2025**

### **Treasurer Comments**

Having only taken on the Treasurer role half way through the season I am still getting to grips with free agent and getting on top of missing payments. We have also been unable to add myself to the internet banking therefore Steve will be making all outgoing payments until I have access to the bank. Gareth has done a fantastic job streamlining our process and getting this in order.

In the main the payments of monthly payments has been stable however we do have a couple of players with considerable arrears, I am working with these families to put in an affordable payment plan to clear these. We do also have 2 players who are on Free of Charge for the remainder of the season due to financial hardship.

Current Budgets for social events:

Christmas Budget: £5 Per Player

End of season: £10 Per Player

**Jennifer McDermott**

**Treasurer**

### **Chorley Wanderers JFC Child Welfare officer report**

Managers and assistants have kept up to date with their required training and DBS.

There is room for improvement in terms of individual teams and assistants proactively keeping records up to date .

The new Know your people for DBS applications allows individuals to self verify their ID , however 8/10 applications has still required manual verification.

Worth noting the system doesn't notify me if a DBS has been done and without payment the application won't proceed.

The recruitment process might benefit from a separate what's app channel so applications and progress is tracked in one chat . The managers need to contribute to the process in supporting the new assistant in what's required and when .

Cause for concern remains with adult on adult behaviour or poor discipline on the technical area when we need to show leadership and a good role model to our young members.

Whilst they remain small in terms of incidents numbers the damage to reputation is possible.

The club has only one CWO that is limited to attend match days , this will be the last season so the committee will need to plan for a replacement. Given the size of the club it would make sense to have 2 CWOs

A renewed drive for active parent reps that are invited to committee meetings will help share the responsibilities.

I also recommend again to new managers that their What's app chat is set to read only to reduce parent poor practices.

**Colette Whiting**

**CWO**



CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

CHORLEY WANDERERS JUNIOR  
FOOTBALL CLUB

No (if any)  
1166354

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## Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date	To	Period end date
	01/07/2024		30/06/2025

### Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Player registration fees	3,080	-	-	3,080	3,765
Monthly standing orders	44,122	-	-	44,122	46,739
Fundraising	-	-	-	-	-
Presentation Night	102	-	-	102	-
Sponsorship	5,013	-	-	5,013	2,198
Grants	-	-	-	-	1,000
Bank Interest received	498	-	-	498	478
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>52,815</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>52,815</b>	<b>54,180</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>52,815</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>52,815</b>	<b>54,180</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Admin	811	-	-	811	120
Coach Dev	330	-	-	330	470
Goal Keeper Coaching	-	-	-	-	-
Equipment	6,337	-	-	6,337	6,020
Facility Hire	12,663	-	-	12,663	16,171
Kit	6,444	-	-	6,444	3,672
League	2,260	-	-	2,260	1,881
LFA	315	-	-	315	706
Pitch Maintenance	14,415	-	-	14,415	7,658
Presentation Night	75	-	-	75	-
Tournament Entries	297	-	-	297	120
Referee Fees	3,725	-	-	3,725	3,371
Christmas	1,464	-	-	1,464	3,237
Refunds	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>49,135</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>49,135</b>	<b>43,426</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>49,135</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>49,135</b>	<b>43,426</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>3,680</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,680</b>	<b>10,755</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>34,745</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>34,745</b>	<b>23,990</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>38,425</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>38,425</b>	<b>34,745</b>

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds				
	Current account	388	-	-
	Deposit account	38,036	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>38,425</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which	Amount due	When due
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/  
members of

Charity Name  
CHORLEY WANDERERS JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB

On accounts for the year  
ended

30 June 2025

Charity no  
(if any)

1166354

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 30 June 2024.

Responsibilities and  
basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent  
examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below \*) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

\* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

Date:

21 October 25

Name:

Martin Urquhart

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qualification(s) or body  
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Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

**Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.**