

Company registration number: 10313561

Charity registration number: 1169987

Okehampton Skills and Sports Trust

(A company limited by guarantee)

Annual Report and Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 30 September 2024



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& BUSINESS ADVISERS

Okehampton Skills and Sports Trust

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Reference and Administrative Details

Trustees	Mr Simon Essex
	Mr Andrew Ewen
	Mr Russell Metherell
	Mr Derrick Brett
Charity Registration Number	1169987
Company Registration Number	10313561
Registered Office	The charity is incorporated in England and Wales.
	Fairways
	Tanners Hill
	Okehampton
Auditor	EX20 4ND
	Westcotts (SW) LLP
	7C Cranmere Road
	Okehampton
	Devon
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Trustees' Report

The trustees, who are directors for the purposes of company law, present the annual report together with the financial statements of the charitable company for the year ended 30 September 2024.

Objectives and activities

Objects and aims

The principal objective of the company is to provide affordable business premises for start-up businesses, vocational training opportunities and sports facilities for the local community.

The Charity's longer term aims are:

- 1) The advancement of education, training and retraining, by the provision of work space and buildings;
- 2) The provision for recreational facilities in the local area.

In setting objectives and planning for activities, the Trustees have given due consideration to general guidance published by the Charity Commission relating to public benefit, including the guidance 'Public Benefit: running a charity (PB2)'.

Public benefit

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

Achievements and performance

The Trust owned industrial site - A30BC - continues to be very successful, with the majority of the first-floor offices rented out to local businesses. The meeting rooms are a valuable addition and well used by the office tenants. All of the ground floor units of building 1 are now sold or rented, (5- year leases).

Plans are well under way for the development of Building 2, to provide more industrial units for the area. By the end of 2025, a marketing plan will be started. Building 2 can be accessed from the highway at both ground floor and first floor level.

The Trust wants to develop its ideas for skills and training for the local community and hopes to be able to use the Old Mill site eventually for this purpose, subject to further planning issues and obtaining permission to demolish the dangerous buildings.

The Trust is still determined to provide more sports facilities for the local community and is now focussing on land by the Show field – which is within walking distance of the town. Two 3G pitches, a training pitch and a welfare building will be on the new plans and submitted for approval.

Plans for future periods

Aims and key objectives for future periods

We continue to work hard to achieve the Trust's objectives and to help the Okehampton community. We hope to receive planning approval for the Sports Facilities Project noted above, by the spring of 2026. If approved we will commence development immediately and hope to have these facilities on stream by September 2027.

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Trustees' Report

Structure, governance and management

Nature of governing document

Okehampton Skills and Sports Trust is registered as a charitable company limited by guarantee and was set up by a Memorandum of Association on 04/08/2016, its registered number is 10313561 and its charity number is 1169987. The Charity is the 100% shareholder of Okehampton Sports and Skills Trading Company Limited, a private company limited by shares and incorporated in England and Wales, its company number is 11835225.

Recruitment and appointment of trustees

The management of the company is the responsibility of the Trustees who are elected and co-opted under the terms of the Memorandum of Association. The Charity recruitment policy tried to ensure all required skills are covered amongst the Board of Trustees.

Induction and training of trustees

New trustees are briefed on their legal obligations under charity law and receive a copy of the governing document, Trust Policies and Procedures and recent financial statements, minutes etc. Trustees are encouraged to attend external training events where possible and to ensure they keep up to date with changes in law etc by reading newsletters issued by the Charity Commission and any other guidance notes that are relevant.

Organisational structure

The Board of Trustees administers the Charity. The Board meets several times a year and at each meeting covers relevant matters including finance. The Trustees are also responsible for the day to day operations of the Charity.

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Trustees' Report

Statement of trustees' responsibilities

The trustees (who are also the directors of Okehampton Skills and Sports Trust for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland".

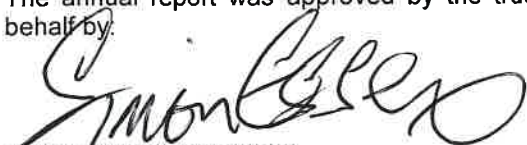
Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under company law the trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards, comprising FRS 102 have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that can disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

The annual report was approved by the trustees of the charity on ²⁹26/9/25 and signed on its behalf by:



Mr Simon Essex
Trustee

Okehampton Skills and Sports Trust

Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of Okehampton Skills and Sports Trust ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 30 September 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's 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').

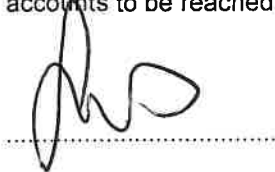
Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). 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:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of Okehampton Skills and Sports Trust as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. 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
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities [applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)].

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.



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Date:

29/9/25

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Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 30 September 2024 (Including Income and Expenditure Account and Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses)

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Income and Endowments from:				
Charitable activities	3	160,954	160,954	569,448
Investment income	4	-	-	2,368
Total income		<u>160,954</u>	<u>160,954</u>	<u>571,816</u>
Expenditure on:				
Charitable activities	5	<u>(92,369)</u>	<u>(92,369)</u>	<u>(485,097)</u>
Total expenditure		<u>(92,369)</u>	<u>(92,369)</u>	<u>(485,097)</u>
Net income		<u>68,585</u>	<u>68,585</u>	<u>86,719</u>
Net movement in funds		68,585	68,585	86,719
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds brought forward		<u>3,296,381</u>	<u>3,296,381</u>	<u>3,209,662</u>
Total funds carried forward		<u>3,364,966</u>	<u>3,364,966</u>	<u>3,296,381</u>

All of the charity's activities derive from continuing operations during the above two periods.

The notes on pages 10 to 17 form an integral part of these financial statements.

Okehampton Skills and Sports Trust

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Balance Sheet as at 30 September 2024

	Note	2024 £	2023 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	9	3,647,533	3,312,076
Investments	10	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
		<u>3,647,534</u>	<u>3,312,077</u>
Current assets			
Debtors	11	243,119	228,860
Cash at bank and in hand	12	<u>9,137</u>	<u>141,272</u>
		252,256	370,132
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	13	<u>(4,954)</u>	<u>(65,538)</u>
Net current assets		<u>247,302</u>	<u>304,594</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		3,894,836	3,616,671
Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year	14	<u>(529,870)</u>	<u>(320,290)</u>
Net assets		<u>3,364,966</u>	<u>3,296,381</u>
Funds of the charity:			
Unrestricted income funds			
Unrestricted funds		<u>3,364,966</u>	<u>3,296,381</u>
Total funds		<u>3,364,966</u>	<u>3,296,381</u>

For the financial year ending 30 September 2024 the charity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

- The members have not required the charity to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476; and
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

The notes on pages 10 to 17 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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Balance Sheet as at 30 September 2024

The financial statements on pages 6 to 17 were approved by the trustees, and authorised for issue on 29/9/25 and signed on their behalf by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Simon Essex', written over a dotted line.

Mr Simon Essex
Trustee

The notes on pages 10 to 17 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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Statement of Cash Flows for the Year Ended 30 September 2024

	Note	2024 £	2023 £
Cash flows from operating activities			
Net cash income		68,585	86,719
Adjustments to cash flows from non-cash items			
Investment income	4	-	(2,368)
		68,585	84,351
Working capital adjustments			
Increase in debtors	11	(14,259)	(70,039)
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	13	148,996	(182,908)
Net cash flows from operating activities		203,322	(168,596)
Cash flows from investing activities			
Interest receivable and similar income	4	-	2,368
Purchase of tangible fixed assets	9	(335,457)	(3,811,725)
Sale of tangible fixed assets		-	3,955,297
Net cash flows from investing activities		(335,457)	145,940
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents		(132,135)	(22,656)
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 October		141,272	163,928
Cash and cash equivalents at 30 September		9,137	141,272

All of the cash flows are derived from continuing operations during the above two periods.

The notes on pages 10 to 17 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 September 2024

1 Charity status

The charity is limited by guarantee, incorporated in England and Wales, and consequently does not have share capital. Each of the trustees is liable to contribute an amount not exceeding £Nil towards the assets of the charity in the event of liquidation.

The address of its registered office is:

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Tanners Hill
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2 Accounting policies

Summary of significant accounting policies and key accounting estimates

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated.

Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with 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)) (issued in October 2019) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

Basis of preparation

Okehampton Skills and Sports Trust meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

Going concern

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern nor any significant areas of uncertainty that affect the carrying value of assets held by the charity.

Income and endowments

Expenditure

All expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to that expenditure, it is probable settlement is required and the amount can be measured reliably. All costs are allocated to the applicable expenditure heading that aggregate similar costs to that category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of resources, with central staff costs allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use. Other support costs are allocated based on the spread of staff costs.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 September 2024

Charitable activities

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Support costs

Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources, for example, allocating property costs by floor areas, or per capita, staff costs by the time spent and other costs by their usage.

Governance costs

These include the costs attributable to the charity's compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements, including audit, strategic management and trustees meetings and reimbursed expenses.

Taxation

The charity is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

Tangible fixed assets

Individual fixed assets are initially recorded at cost, less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

Fixed asset investments

Fixed asset investments, other than programme related investments, are included at market value at the balance sheet date. Realised gains and losses on investments are calculated as the difference between sales proceeds and their market value at the start of the year, or their subsequent cost, and are charged or credited to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period of disposal.

Unrealised gains and losses represent the movement in market values during the year and are credited or charged to the Statement of Financial Activities based on the market value at the year end.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

Fund structure

Unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the trustees discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 September 2024

Financial instruments

Classification

A financial asset or a financial liability is recognised only when the entity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at the amount receivable or payable including any related transaction costs, unless the arrangement constitutes a financial transaction, where it is recognised at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument.

Current assets and current liabilities are subsequently measured at the cash or other consideration expected to be paid or received and not discounted.

Debt instruments are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

3 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2024 £
Rental Income	160,954	160,954
	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2023 £
Rental Income	101,448	101,448
Sale of Leases	468,000	468,000
	569,448	569,448

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4 Investment income

		Total 2024 £
		-
	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2023 £
Interest receivable and similar income;		
Interest receivable on bank deposits	2,368	2,368
	<u>2,368</u>	<u>2,368</u>

5 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Note	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2024 £
Charitable activities	6	89,019	89,019
Governance costs	6	3,350	3,350
		<u>92,369</u>	<u>92,369</u>
	Note	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2023 £
Charitable activities	6	483,504	483,504
Governance costs	6	1,593	1,593
		<u>485,097</u>	<u>485,097</u>

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6 Analysis of governance and support costs

Support costs allocated to charitable activities

	Unrestricted	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£
St James School project	35,412	35,412	-
Letting Agent fees	746	746	52,116
(Profit)/loss on disposal of tangible fixed assets	-	-	400,000
Cleaning	6,288	6,288	6,044
Bank charges	549	549	351
Smart meter services	573	573	-
Rates	484	484	2,201
Light, heat and power	21,472	21,472	854
Insurance	7,245	7,245	6,692
Site amenities	1,041	1,041	625
Repairs and renewals	4,744	4,744	2,445
Telephone	1,012	1,012	1,996
Office expenses	49	49	-
Computer software	790	790	-
Printing, postage and stationery	130	130	-
Security	1,324	1,324	2,894
Other professional services	6,271	6,271	4,072
Trade subscriptions	-	-	72
Sundry expenses	713	713	301
Advertising	176	176	2,841
	<u>89,019</u>	<u>89,019</u>	<u>483,504</u>

Governance costs

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2024 £
Allocated support costs	<u>3,350</u>	<u>3,350</u>
	<u>3,350</u>	<u>3,350</u>
	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2023 £
Allocated support costs	<u>1,593</u>	<u>1,593</u>
	<u>1,593</u>	<u>1,593</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 September 2024

7 Trustees remuneration and expenses

No trustees, nor any persons connected with them, have received any remuneration from the charity during the year.

No trustees have received any reimbursed expenses from the charity during the year.

8 Taxation

The charity is a registered charity and is therefore exempt from taxation.

9 Tangible fixed assets

	Land and buildings £	Total £
Cost		
At 1 October 2023	3,312,076	3,312,076
Additions	<u>335,457</u>	<u>335,457</u>
At 30 September 2024	3,647,533	3,647,533
Depreciation		
At 30 September 2024	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net book value		
At 30 September 2024	<u>3,647,533</u>	<u>3,647,533</u>
At 30 September 2023	<u>3,312,076</u>	<u>3,312,076</u>

10 Fixed asset investments

	2024 £	2023 £
Shares in group undertakings and participating interests	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>

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Shares in group undertakings and participating interests

	Subsidiary undertakings £	Total £
Cost		
At 1 October 2023	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
At 30 September 2024	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
Net book value		
At 30 September 2024	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
At 30 September 2023	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>

11 Debtors

	2024 £	2023 £
Trade debtors	39,467	35,297
Due from group undertakings	199,006	192,516
Prepayments	-	1,047
Other debtors	4,646	-
	<u>243,119</u>	<u>228,860</u>

12 Cash and cash equivalents

	2024 £	2023 £
Cash at bank	<u>9,137</u>	<u>141,272</u>

13 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2024 £	2023 £
Trade creditors	-	26,580
Other taxation and social security	-	33,258
Other creditors	104	-
Accruals	4,850	5,700
	<u>4,954</u>	<u>65,538</u>

14 Creditors: amounts falling due after one year

	2024 £	2023 £
Trustees current accounts	<u>529,870</u>	<u>320,290</u>

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15 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total funds at 30 September 2024 £
Tangible fixed assets	3,647,533	3,647,533
Fixed asset investments	1	1
Current assets	252,256	252,256
Current liabilities	(4,954)	(4,954)
Creditors over 1 year	(529,870)	(529,870)
Total net assets	<u>3,364,966</u>	<u>3,364,966</u>

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total funds at 30 September 2023 £
Tangible fixed assets	3,312,076	3,312,076
Fixed asset investments	1	1
Current assets	370,132	370,132
Current liabilities	(65,538)	(65,538)
Creditors over 1 year	(320,290)	(320,290)
Total net assets	<u>3,296,381</u>	<u>3,296,381</u>

16 Related party transactions

At the year end Mr S Essex, a trustee, had a loan to the charity of £529,870 (2023: £320,290). This loan is to provide short term working capital to the charity and is being repaid as and when funds permit. No interest is being charged on this loan.