



## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	1	July	2024		30	June	2025

### Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name Manchester Rugby Union Development Group

Other names charity is known by MRUDG

Registered charity number (if any) 1171531

Charity's principal address 2 Bamford Grove

Didsbury

Postcode

M20 2FF

#### Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year
C J Smail	
N Boothroyd	
J Livesey	Resigned 7 Jan 25
Lloyd Smale	Appointed 7 Jan 25

### Section B Structure, governance, and management

#### Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document  
(eg. trust deed, constitution)

Constitution

How the charity is constituted  
(eg. trust, association, company)

Charitable Incorporated Organisation – Foundation model

Trustee selection methods  
(eg. appointed by, elected by)

Appointed by the existing trustees.

## Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The promotion of community participation in healthy recreation in particular by the provision of facilities, coaching, competitions and similar activities for the playing of amateur Rugby Union at schools, universities, colleges and clubs within Greater Manchester.

The climate in relation to Adult participation in sport continues to be challenging, research is showing a fall in the number of Adult players across rugby union in particular Males. The only area where this has not been the case is within the University playing numbers which have seen increase across both Manchester Institutions. Women and girls development has continues to increase with Bursary and casual coaching support from the Constituent body and MRUDG help with this.

Within the last twelve months Manchester has seen the number of Adult Make teams reduce by 1 at club level with the number of team at a Women and Girls level remaining the same.

A significant development in the city has seen the development of a junior rugby club in North Manchester. The MRUDG officer has provided constant knowledge and support to the club in areas such as governance and Educational contacts.

## Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

The charity continues to be engaged in the delivery of the city council's Holiday programme, this has now increased and MRUDG is an approved provider on the city's Holiday Activity programme. To be registered the group has had to evidence that all governance and PLI is up to date as well as evidencing the necessary Safeguarding procedures. Funding for this project been approved by Government for the next three years until the 31<sup>st</sup> March 2029. This will allow MRUDG to continue to introduce young people in the city to the game of Rugby Union.

With the City hosting the Women's Rugby World Cup in 2025, the Development Officer for the group was appointed to chair the Impact group but also the Steering group for Manchester and Salford.

The charity has continued to work with the council's sport and leisure team to help deliver their new Active Streets programme. This programme has been expanded due to it's popularity among the local community and politicians.

### Public benefit

The trustees confirm that they have referred to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the aims and objectives and when planning future activities.

## Section D

## Achievements and performance

**Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year**

The results above clearly demonstrate the effectiveness of the group's decision to appoint a development officer. The Officer has been successful in attracting funding from Manchester City Council for Community delivery as well as having a legacy fund confirmed to deliver activity as part of the Women's Rugby World Cup.

Clubs have benefited from grant funding from the development group to support projects such as the purchase of a container for rugby equipment.

### **Public benefit**

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## Section E

## Financial review

**Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves**

To provide adequate working capital and the trustees aim to hold at least six months regular expenditure in reserve.

**Details of any funds materially in deficit**

None

## Section F

## Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.  
Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

**Signature(s)**



**Full name(s)**

Christopher John Smail

**Date**

29 April 2026



## Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date	To	Period end date
	01-Jul-24		30-Jun-25

### 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>					
Grants		45,000	-	45,000	-
Coaching	46,595		-	46,595	18,750
Other charitable income			-	-	-
Bank Interest	758		-	758	827
			-	-	-
			-	-	-
			-	-	-
			-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>47,353</b>	<b>45,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>92,353</b>	<b>19,577</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>47,353</b>	<b>45,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>92,353</b>	<b>19,577</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Coaching	7,200	2,960	-	10,160	7,437
Club Support and Development	198	1,150	-	1,348	3,209
Player Development			-	-	114
School Support		700	-	700	-
Tournament Expenses		595	-	595	-
CRC Support	1,476		-	1,476	11,057
Other Charitable Activities			-	-	-
Volunteer reward	2,677		-	2,677	2,199
Administration	11,296	-	-	11,296	11,243
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>22,847</b>	<b>5,405</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>28,252</b>	<b>35,259</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
Computer		-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>22,847</b>	<b>5,405</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>28,252</b>	<b>35,259</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>24,506</b>	<b>39,595</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>64,101</b>	<b>- 15,682</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>			-	-	-
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>54,053</b>		-	<b>54,053</b>	<b>69,735</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>78,559</b>	<b>39,595</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>118,154</b>	<b>54,053</b>




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### 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 £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Current Account	1,865		-
	Deposit Account	76,694	39,595	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>		<b>78,559</b>	<b>39,595</b>
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>	Details			
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>	Details			
		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	Details			
		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>	Details			
	Payroll deductions	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
	Administration	General	1,080	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
		Chris Smail	29 Apr 2026

## **INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO MANCHESTER RUGBY UNION DEVELOPMENT GROUP**

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the Receipts and Payments Accounts of Manchester Rugby Union Development Group for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2025.

### **Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and the Independent Examiner**

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 all 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 in connection with my examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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 to enable proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Steven Nixon BSc (Hons) FCCA

Date 29 April 2026

For and on behalf of  
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