



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

	Period start date				Period end date		
From	Day 01	Month 01	Year 2024	To	Day 31	Month 12	Year 2024

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

West Leeds Amateur Rugby League Football Club

Other names charity is known by

West Leeds ARLFC

Registered charity number (if any)

1172581

Charity's principal address

53 Lynwood Crescent

Wortley

Leeds

Postcode

LS12 4AT

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Peter Nicholson	Chair		
2	Simon Homer			
3	Samantha Nicholson	Treasurer		
4	Laura Wilson			
5	Donna Tobitt	Secretary		
6	Lee Dimberline			
7	Elisha Rae Hazelgrave			

Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Bank	HSBC	Park Row LS1

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

Section B

Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution adopted 12 th September 2024
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Association consisting of 100 members plus
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Apart from the first charity trustees, every trustee is to be appointed for a term of three years by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity trustees. In selecting individuals for appointment as charity trustees, the charity trustees must have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the CIO

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

There is a child safeguarding policy in place with support from the Rugby Football League Safeguarding team. An enhanced DBS check is required prior to commencement of trusteeship. The renewed is every three years in line with statutory requirements.

West Leeds ARLFC is a member of the following organisations.

Yorkshire Junior & Youth
Women Amateur Rugby League Association
The Rugby Football League.
Leeds Rhinos Foundation.
Girls Rugby League Association

All trustees give their time voluntary and received no remuneration or other benefits

Section C

Objectives and activities

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

To promote community participation in healthy recreation by providing facilities for the playing of rugby league within the community of Armley and Wortley ward and other sports capable of improving health.

To provide and assist in the provision of facilities for recreation and other leisure time occupation of such persons who have need for such facilities by reason of youth, age, ill health, disability, financial hardship, poverty or social and economic disadvantage or the public at large in the interest of social welfare and with the object of improving their conditions of life.

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)

At West Leeds ARLFC, planning and organising games and events is about more than just logistics — it's about building a stronger, more inclusive community. Our trustees continue to prioritise the education programs developed by our governing bodies, ensuring that every volunteer is equipped with the skills and knowledge needed to promote sport effectively.

At West Leeds ARLFC, we believe that sport is a force for unity. Through our ongoing education programs, we're creating a welcoming environment where individuals from all walks of life feel empowered to participate, contribute, and thrive.

By investing in volunteers, we're not just strengthening our club — we're nurturing the future of our entire community.

At West Leeds ARLFC, we remain committed to involving all our members and fostering a positive, social, and responsive environment. Our club is a place where safety, security, and inclusivity come first — a space that welcomes everyone and encourages genuine friendship and support.

This approach has allowed us to continue offering much-needed resources to the wider community, while ensuring our players can enjoy the sport they love in a safe and well-managed setting.

Together, we're building more than just a team — we're building a community.

At West Leeds ARLFC, we proudly welcome individuals from all walks of life — regardless of personal background, circumstances, faith, gender, age, or sexuality. We believe that sport is for everyone, and that every person, young or old, has a valuable role to play within our organisation.

Our club is built on respect, inclusion, and community spirit. Whether you're a player, volunteer, supporter, or simply curious about getting involved, you'll find a safe and supportive environment here.

Together, we thrive.

At West Leeds ARLFC, weekend games and activities simply wouldn't happen without the dedication and support of our non-playing members. From organising events to managing logistics and cheering from the sidelines, their contributions are the backbone of our club's success.

We're deeply grateful for everything they do — their commitment keeps the spirit of the club alive and ensures that every match day runs smoothly

In 2024, West Leeds ARLFC continued to receive incredible support from the local community, helping us secure the final funding needed to complete our long-awaited project. Construction began in March 2023 and was successfully completed in the summer of 2024.

Thanks to the dedication of our supporters and partners, we proudly opened the new facility to the public in October 2024. This space now serves as a vibrant hub for sport, connection, and

community growth — a true testament to what we can achieve together.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

In 2023, West Leeds ARLFC began construction on our new clubhouse, with the goal of completing the build by summer 2024. This marks a major step forward in creating a dedicated space for sport, connection, and community support.

However, the loss of our charity's previous premises has made fundraising more challenging and limited our ability to offer a wider range of social activities for our members. Despite these obstacles, our commitment to serving the community remains strong — and we're working hard to ensure the new clubhouse becomes a vibrant hub for everyone.

Throughout challenging times, our volunteers have remained a pillar of strength and support. Their commitment has been unwavering — from moving equipment and maintaining the changing rooms to keeping the pitch area clean and actively promoting our club's aims and ongoing projects.

Their teamwork and resilience have helped us stay on track and continue serving our community. We're incredibly grateful for everything they do — they truly are the heartbeat of West Leeds ARLFC.

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

In October 2024, we proudly opened the doors to our brand-new community hub — a space designed to foster connection, collaboration, and care. Since then, our organisation has grown significantly, both in size and impact.

The new building has enabled us to deepen our partnerships with local organisations, including mental health groups and the nearby community centre. Together, we've created a safe and welcoming environment where people can come together, share resources, and provide the vital support our area needs.

We're excited about the future and grateful to everyone who helped make this vision a reality.

Recruiting new players and volunteers remains vital to the ongoing success and sustainability of our club. We're proud to share that West Leeds continues to grow, with membership numbers steadily increasing.

This growth reflects the dedication of our community and the welcoming spirit that defines our club. Whether you're stepping onto the pitch or supporting from the sidelines, every member plays a crucial role in shaping our future.

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Achievements and performance

West Leeds continues to offer year-round access to sport — 12 months a year — whenever restrictions allow. Our commitment to keeping the community active and engaged remains strong, no matter what the circumstances.

During periods of limited activity, we focused our efforts on maintaining and upgrading our facilities. These improvements ensure that when doors are open, our members return to a space that's safer, better equipped, and more welcoming than ever. We're proud of the progress we've made and excited for what's ahead.

West Leeds ARLFC continues to strengthen its ties with local schools, working in partnership with the Rugby Foundation to promote sport, teamwork, and healthy lifestyles among young people in our community.

We believe that sport should be accessible to everyone. That's why we're committed to keeping participation affordable and supporting our members — on and off the field. Whether it's through school outreach, inclusive programs, or community events, we're proud to be a club that puts people first.

Together, we're shaping a future where sport is for all.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

West Leeds ARLFC funds are unrestricted a minimum of £5000 is to be kept ensuring the teams can meet the financial obligations for the coming playing seasons, pitch fees, insurance, league fees.

All expenditure outside the above is to be approved at the trustees' meeting by the trustees.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

N/A

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

West Leeds ARLFC remains dedicated to improving facilities in the deprived area of Armley, ensuring that our organisation stays open, accessible, and welcoming to all. We believe that sport can be a powerful tool for connection, growth, and resilience — and we're committed to offering both support and structure to every member who walks through our doors.

By investing in our spaces and our people, we're building a stronger, more inclusive future for our community.

At West Leeds ARLFC, we continue to rely on the generosity and backing of our local community, businesses, charities, and the council to help us raise essential funds. These contributions go directly toward purchasing new playing kits and much-needed training equipment — vital resources that keep our teams prepared, safe, and proud to represent our club.

Every donation, partnership, and show of support makes a real difference. Together, we're investing in the future of grassroots sport and the wellbeing of our community.

Section F

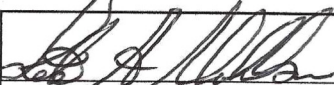
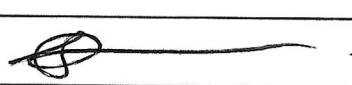
Other optional information

Section G

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)	Peter Nicholson	Samantha Nicholson
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	
Date	14/10/2025	



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name

West Leeds Amateur Rugby League Football Club

On accounts for the year
ended

2024

Charity no
(if any)

1172581

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

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity's trustees, 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

[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [] if not applicable.

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

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

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.

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

Signed:

Date:

6/10/2025

Name:

AMY ALLEN CMA

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body

CHARTERED INSTITUTE MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTANTS

(if any):

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Address:

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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material 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.

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CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

West Leeds Amateur Rugby League Football Club

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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

01/01/2024

To

31/12/2024

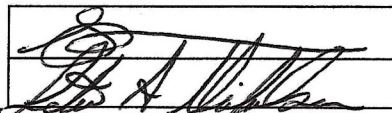
Section A Receipts and payments

	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 £
A1 Receipts					
Membership Fees	1,935	-	-	1,935	-
Fundraising	2,133	-	-	2,133	-
Sponsorship	260	-	-	260	-
Clothing & Travel	719	-	-	719	-
Food Sales	8,415	-	-	8,415	-
Changing Room Donations	83,867	-	-	83,867	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	97,329	-	-	97,329	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	97,329	-	-	97,329	-
A3 Payments					
Fees & Insurance	1,732	-	-	1,732	-
Kit & Equipment	322	-	-	322	-
Courses	-	-	-	-	-
Clothing & Travel	2,873	-	-	2,873	-
Team Bonding/ fundraising	745	-	-	745	-
Hospitality & Food	3,747	-	-	3,747	-
Changing room build	85,996	-	-	85,996	-
Utilities	1,925	-	-	1,925	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	97,339	-	-	97,339	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	97,339	-	-	97,339	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 10	-	-	- 10	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	- 10	-	-	- 10	-

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		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	-	-	-
(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))		Agreement Error	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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 asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	SAMANTHA NICHOLSON	14.10.25
	PETER NICHOLSON	14.10.25