



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
	01	01	2025		31	12	2025

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Framlingham Tennis Tournament

Other names charity is known by

FTT

Registered charity number (if any)

1176689

Charity's principal address

KINGS FARM, HALL ROAD

CHARSFIELD

WOODBIDGE

Postcode

IP13 7PW

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	Jeremy Scowsill	Chair		Existing Trustees
2	Kevin Holley	Secretary		Existing Trustees
3	Christopher Haird	Treasurer		Existing Trustees
4	Louise Rogers			Existing Trustees
5	Richard Daynes			Existing Trustees
6	Timothy Richmond		22/9/2025	Existing Trustees

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	FTT is governed by a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) Foundation Constitution which was adopted on 16 th January 2018 when FTT was also first registered with the Charity Commission.
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO)
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	New trustees are appointed by the existing trustees for a term of three (3) years

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.

FTT is administered by the Trustees and an "Annual FTT Tournament Operations Committee" which has been delegated the tasks of a) The operational running of the tournament, and b) Fund raising for the tournament. The decision to delegate is reviewed on an annual basis.

The number of Trustees shall be a minimum of three and a maximum of eleven with the Chair holding a casting vote. Trustees shall appoint the Chair of all sub-committees.

Section C Objectives and activities

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

The promotion of community participation in healthy recreation in particular but not exclusively by the provision of facilities for tennis tournaments.

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)

For over 100 years the FTT have planned, managed and operated the second oldest annual tennis tournament in the UK, which is sanctioned by The Lawn Tennis Association (LTA). The tournament is open to all UK tennis players and is organised on a not-for-profit basis with all proceeds reinvested in the tournament. There are over 50 events including a range of age specific events covering Junior (under 8's) through to Senior (over 65) community members plus "handicap" scoring and family events to encourage participation by all abilities along with "plate" (first round runner-up) events to maximise playing opportunities. In addition, there are "closed" events specifically for Suffolk residents.

It should be noted that we are not a tennis club with traditional premises and membership, rather a group of trustees that plan, manage and operate an annual tournament open to all with a growing focus on Diversity & Inclusion events.

FTT provides facilities for pursuing healthy sporting recreation in the form of tennis for all ages and abilities, an opportunity for advancement of amateur tennis skills for all the players, free access to the grounds offered for the general public allowing them learn about the game of tennis and hopefully encourage them to participate in the future ie. encourages & enables increased participation in general well-being and a healthy activity.

FTT also provides continuity of a historic amateur sports event in a rural part of the country

In planning our activities for the year, we kept in mind the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit at our trustee meetings.

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.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

2025 was another great year with us continuing to consistently implement our "Festival of Tennis" ideas.

As a major part of our 5 year plan objectives of increasing the standard and number of players who enter the Tournament, we have been increasing our prize money for key events biannually and are pleased to have achieved our final increases this year with the Open Singles winners receiving £1000. This of course required other many objectives to be met including the growing the number & value of Sponsors and Patrons who support us and provide most of the funds for the prize pot.

As a result, we hosted over 400 unique entrants in 50 different tennis events during the week. The age of competitors ranged from Under 8's to Over 70 with singles, doubles and mixed double events.

It was great to be able to once again gather 100+ Patrons for lunch on the Sunday before the Tournament. There was the usual family orientated fun match between the College and the Committee teams preceding lunch which was followed by our classic raffle draw to raise further funds.

As usual we took the opportunity to celebrate the game of tennis and engage further with our Patrons, Sponsors, visiting public, entrants and their families throughout the week. Our favourite Parent & Child friendly, fun doubles tournament was held on Tuesday evening along with a BBQ for all.

The Suffolk Finals Day provided some fantastic tennis matches and the Sponsor's lunch covered the whole day this year. This allowed us to showcase tennis to as many people as possible and we hosted our now regular 80+ evening doubles tournament to encourage multi-generational play.

The Sponsor's Day lunch welcomed 125 local business people and continues to be a valuable local business networking event which in turn is not only sharing the passion for tennis but also resulting in larger commitments from those companies.

Once again, our Diversity & Inclusion events were well-supported and included a Walking Tennis tournament and a try-it session of Pickleball. We also held an invitational indoor Pickleball tournament featuring men's & women's doubles pairs from local Suffolk clubs. We will continue to showcase as many variants of racquet sports as possible to encourage more of the Community to be involved. Many thanks to the Suffolk LTA for their support and assistance.

Finally, the Trustees are pleased to provide the opportunity for all to play tennis in a safe and welcoming environment all week and would like to thank the Operational Committee, our numerous volunteers, our Tournament Referee & the Court Supervisors, Framlingham College and especially the catering team and the groundsmen for their hard work in making 2025 a great success.

The Trustees & Operational Committee would also like to thank both Jeremy Scowsill & Christopher Clarke for many years dedication to the Tournament as they step down at the end of 2025. We welcome Billy Richmond as the new Chair.

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The Trustees have an aim of holding unrestricted funds covering all operating costs of one typical year, approximately £40,000 (aligned to the 5-year plan and actual cost), as a contingency against, for example, the event being cancelled or a change of venue. On major fundraising years, the additional monies raised will be spent over the following years to replace equipment and to enhance the Tournament.

The £100 annual prize money for a specific event, held in reserve at a Donor's request, was exhausted in 2025. The Committee, however, elected to continue with the defined prize money in honour of our now late Donor. The Tournament does not now have any reserved monies.

Early in 2025 the opportunity arose to purchase and install an irrigation system for the grass courts with the aim of continuing to improve the quality of the courts for all, as part of the 5 year plan. As this was clearly an expenditure benefiting the long term of the Tournament it was decided to spend all the 2021 bequest on this project.

During 2025 a new bequest of £5000 was received with no restrictions. The Committee will ensure that it will be spent for long term benefit, most probably by helping to replace the ancient lawn tennis net posts.

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.

The sources of funds for FTT comprise:

- Annual Patronage / Donations by local tournament supporters
- Sponsorship by local companies
- Entrance fees paid by the competitors
- Fundraising events held during the week including a lunch on the Opening Sunday.



CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Framlingham Tennis Tournament

On accounts for the year
ended

31st December 2025

Charity no
(if any)

1176689

Set out on pages

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/2024.

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").

Independent
examiner's statement

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.

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:

27/2/2026

Name:

MATTHEW ADAMS

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

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Address:

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Section B

Disclosure

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.

N/A



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Framlingham Tennis Tournament

1176689

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

01/01/2025

To

31/12/2025

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 £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	38,450	-	-	38,450	34,107
Fundraising Events	5,520	-	-	5,520	5,739
Tournament Entry Fees	9,876	-	-	9,876	9,616
Bank Interest	970	-	-	970	1,121
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	54,816	-	-	54,816	50,582
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	54,816	-	-	54,816	50,582
A3 Payments					
Venue Hire	10,885	-	-	10,885	10,846
Tournament Operations	16,477	100	-	16,577	11,494
Officials Fees	6,375	-	-	6,375	4,501
Cost of Fundraising Events	7,198	-	-	7,198	7,272
Volunteer Expenses	1,733	-	-	1,733	1,797
Insurance	655	-	-	655	633
Replacement Equipment	16,879	-	-	16,879	7,728
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	60,202	100	-	60,302	44,271
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	60,202	100	-	60,302	44,271
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 5,385	- 100	-	- 5,485	6,311
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	74,842	100	-	74,942	68,631
Cash funds this year end	69,456	-	-	69,456	74,942

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	Community Account	685	-	-
	Savings Account	68,771	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	69,456	-	-
	(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 liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	


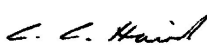
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval

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)	TIMOTHY STEPHEN RICHMOND	CHRISTOPHER CHARLES HAIRD
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	CHAIR.	TREASURER
Date	30/3/2026	