

**UNITED KINGDOM ARMED FORCES  
RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB**

**ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**For Period**

**1 April 2021 31 March 2022**

**Registered Charity No. 1182887**

## **Trustees' Annual Report and Comments**

### **United Kingdom Armed Forces Rugby Football Club**

Charity Registered No:	1182887
Accounting Year:	1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022
Address:	c/o Lt Ian Woodward RN Cambridge URNU, Coldhams Lane ARC Cambridge, CB1 3HS
Governing Document:	Constitution
Object:	To promote military efficiency of his majesty's armed forces in such charitable ways as the trustees think fit with particular reference to: a) increasing physical health and fitness; b) fostering esprit de corps; and c) raising morale; of members of the armed forces. In particular, (but not by way of limitation), the trustees may further the object through encouraging and facilitating the participation in, and provision of or assisting in the provision of facilities for, playing rugby union within the UK Armed Forces and the community in accordance with the laws of the game as promulgated by the Rugby Football Union (RFU).
Trustees:	Mr Jez Bennett Mr Paul Godfrey Mr David Eastman (from 31 August 2021) Chair Mr Roger Readwin (from 11 July 2021) Ms Helena Clennell (from 20 April 2021) Dr Sarah Rowell (from 20 April 2021)
Trustee selection method:	Volunteer.
Bankers:	Lloyds TSB Oldham
Independent Examiner:	Peter Nicholls MBE MAAT 5 Nursery Road Havant Hants PO9 3BG
Activities and Achievements:	The year saw the slow restart of rugby post COVID. Despite travel challenges, the Women's XV managed a match on home turf against the French Armed Forces. The men played their annual Remembrance Fixture at Kingsholm in Gloucester (rather than Bristol) against a Rugby 4 Heroes side. However, where perhaps the charity exceeded was getting the U23s out at the end of the financial year against Ealing RFC, which was a great success and sets them up for further games in the next financial year.

Financial Review:	The fund began its year with a balance of £54K. This increased to £82.7K by year end, primarily as a result of £57.1K received in sponsorships and licence fees, whilst expenditure was £28.5K. The Club aspires to reach £100K in cash reserves and to become independent of the Sports Boards by growing sponsorship income by a further £50K pa.
Investment Selection Policy:	There are no investments.
Financial Reserves Policy:	The Trustees have considered the level of reserves they wish to retain, appropriate to the charity's needs. These will be set at £100K. The Trustees aim to ensure that the charity will be able to fulfil its charitable objectives even if there is a temporary shortfall in income and unexpected expenditure. The Trustees will endeavour not to set aside funds unnecessarily.
Grant Policy:	Other than payments for subsistence and accommodation, grants to individuals are not made.
Risk Assessment:	The Trustees review the major risks to which the charity is exposed, and systems have been established to manage those risks and they believe that by maintaining the free reserves stated it would provide sufficient resources in the event of adverse conditions.
Public Benefit Statement:	This fund provides public benefit by assisting Service personnel to more effectively perform their roles within the Armed Forces of the Crown. It does this by providing and supporting sporting activities. This assistance enables Service personnel to face the challenges and danger associated with military service by developing and maintaining teamwork, spirit and attitude, and morale. As a result, the fund promotes the efficiency of the Armed Forces of the Crown by enhancing the Armed Forces' capability to undertake the roles demanded of it including the defence of the United Kingdom and its interests.

I confirm that I have paid due regard to the Charity Commission of England and Wales's guidance on public benefit when deciding what activities, the charity should undertake.

Declaration:

I declare, in my capacity of Charity Trustee, that I have approved the above report.

Signature: *Signed on Original*

Name: D Eastman

Appointment: Chair and Trustee

Date: 30 January 2023

## **Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustee of the United Kingdom Armed Forces Rugby Football Club.**

I report on the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 March 2022 which are set out in pages 1 to 2.

### **Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (The Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

### **Basis of independent examiner's report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as trustee for any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

### **Independent examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention 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 the accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than in 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 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.

*Signed on Original*

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30 January 2023

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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

31-Mar-22

**Assets**

31-Mar-21

*Fixed Assets*

Property	£ 249.90	£ 333.30
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*Current Assets*

Lloyds Bank	£ 32,233.12	£ 28,557.45
Lloyds Savings Account	£ 50,012.78	£ 25,008.85
EqualsCard	<u>£ 298.90</u>	<u>£ 298.90</u>
Total Current Assets	£ 82,544.80	£ 53,865.20

**Liabilities**

PNIE	<u>£ 75.00</u>	<u>£ 60.00</u>
Total Liabilities	£ 75.00	£ 60.00

Net Current Assets	£ 82,469.80	£ 53,805.20
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Net Assets	<u><u>£ 82,719.70</u></u>	<u><u>£ 54,138.50</u></u>
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Approved

*Signed on Original*

D Eastman

Chair and Trustee

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## RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS SUMMARY

1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022

<u>Receipts</u>		<u>Previous Year</u>	<u>Payments</u>		<u>Previous Year</u>
Sponsorships & Grants	£ 51,429.00	£ -	Kit - Players	£ 12,659.67	£ 200.00
Licence Fee	£ 5,714.00	£ -	Kit - Misc	£ 1,054.00	£ -
Insurance Claims	£ -	£ 909.40	Kit - Exec	£ 819.18	£ -
Interest	£ 3.93	£ 6.52	Accommodation	£ 2,765.78	£ -
	<u>£ 57,146.93</u>	<u>£ 915.92</u>	Subsistence	£ 386.57	£ -
			Hospitality	£ 1,769.70	£ -
			Programmes	£ 1,073.18	£ -
			Medical	£ 4,251.92	£ -
			Team Manager's Expenses	£ 690.03	£ -
			Trustee Insurance	£ 179.64	£ 178.51
			Equipment Insurance	£ -	£ 179.64
			Grounds	£ 540.00	£ -
			Sage	£ -	£ 288.00
			Website	£ 239.82	£ 208.03
			Software	£ 656.64	£ 241.02
			Photographer	£ 805.20	£ -
			Blazers and Embroidery.	£ -	£ 269.85
			Postage	£ -	£ 8.86
			Accounting	£ 432.00	£ -
			Accounts Examination	£ 60.00	£ 100.00
			Bank Charges	£ 84.00	£ 34.50
				<u>£ 28,467.33</u>	<u>£ 1,708.41</u>
Payments exceed Receipts	£ -	£ 792.49	Receipts exceed Payments	£ 28,679.60	£ -
	<u>£ 57,146.93</u>	<u>£ 1,708.41</u>		<u>£ 57,146.93</u>	<u>£ 1,708.41</u>
Bank Accounts at 1 Apr 21	£ 53,566.30				
Receipts exceed Payments	<u>£ 28,679.60</u>				
Bank Accounts at 31 Mar 22	<u>£ 82,245.90</u>				

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