



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01st July 2022
To 30th June 2023

Period start date
Period end date

Charity name: Hexham Football Club

Charity registration number: 1185090

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<p>The aim of the charity is to advance sports in Hexham and its surrounding areas, with a specific focus on association football, while benefiting the surrounding community.</p> <p>Additionally, we strive to offer facilities that enable the organization of matches, social events, and community engagement in sporting activities.</p>
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	<p>We had over 350 players registered for the 2022/2023 season, with teams ranging from U7 to U16 age groups, as well as a senior team.</p> <p>As our players develop, we offer a smooth transition through the age ranges and senior team. We lease facilities from Northumberland Council, mainly at Dukeshouse Wood, to provide children with access to competitive football on grassed pitches. Additionally, we rent facilities from Wentworth Leisure Centre and other local venues for senior team matches and training.</p> <p>We have developed a relationship with Hadrian Learning Trust and have access to their 3G artificial surface on a commercial basis for training and matches. With the 3G facility, we have been able to have training sessions and matches with minimal disruption due to weather during the 2022/2023 season.</p> <p>This has provided more training time for all members, which has seen an increased playing time for everyone.</p>

		To help with the smooth running of our club, our Trustees have invested in a financial system to effectively collect membership fees and maintain regular oversight on our financial performance.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	Our Trustees always have the public / community benefit in mind and plan all our activities accordingly.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>The club has had a stable season.</p> <p>Our members, coaches and parents were delighted to continue football training and matches despite the particularly wet season. This provides support to our members health and wellbeing.</p> <p>Some of the main achievements from this season:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The club maintains FA community club status. 2. All coaches have completed age appropriate FA child and youth football coach certification. 3. All teams are covered by registered and trained first aiders and all volunteers are appropriately disclosure checked. 4. Over 350 players are registered to play for Hexham Football Club, which is an increase 2021/2022.

		<p>5. Training is offered for all age groups once a week.</p> <p>6. Growth and development of girls football teams.</p> <p>7. The success of England's Lionesses has helped propel girls' football into a new orbit. We have expanded the number of girls playing football with a new U11 team. But our ambitions don't stop there. We are looking closely at the Junior Development Squad for next season and planning to have more girls playing football in mixed, and girls' teams next season.</p> <p>8. Our youngest age group continues to be a real success with over 30 children at 5-6 years old, and unfortunately a waiting list too. For Year 1 children it is about being active, enjoying sport, forging friendships and finding confidence in their own abilities. We then transition into U7s with a series of mixed ability teams which have been successful this past year in the creation of 4 teams.</p> <p>9. We have 30 teams in our junior section from U7 to U18. This includes Saturday and Sunday teams, of mixed ability and an increasing amount of movement between teams and age groups to help develop our players and their strengths.</p> <p>In older age groups we've seen some stellar results and QE on a Saturday morning has become a festival of football for multiple HFC teams playing simultaneously on the same surface.</p>
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

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Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The charity saw a deficit of £11k between expenditure and income in the 2022/23 season. This deficit was reduced in magnitude from the previous 2021/22 season. The club reserves of £20k were in-line with the recovery from managing 2 years of financial instability due to the COVID pandemic and the adoption of wider use of the Hadrian Learning Trust's 3G pitch. The accounts are expected to break even in the 2023/24 season thus returning the club to financial stability, ready for growth and investment in further football activities.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Financial aim of the Trustees is to always keep the club bank account balance >£10k to provide a safety net should any need arise.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	Cash reserves in club bank account at end of 2022/23 season were £20k.
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A.
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A.
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	N/A.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	Player registration fees – 55% Sponsorship / donations – 20% Fundraising – 15% Gift Aid – 10%
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution.
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	CIO.
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Appointed at a properly convened meeting (e.g. the AGM) of the charity trustees (and other club officials, as required).

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Hexham Football Club
Other name the charity uses	N/A
Registered charity number	1185090
Charity's principal address	Dukeshouse Wood Football Centre Fellside Hexham Northumberland NE46 1TP

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	Campbell Maclachlan	Chairperson		
2	Gwyneth Scott	Secretary		
3	Andrew Marrow	Financial Officer		
4	Samantha Burns	Trustee		
5	Mark Gradwell	Trustee		
6	Mark Foster	Trustee		
7	Louise Jewitt	Trustee		
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
N/A		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
N/A		

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	N/A
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this	N/A

falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	N/A

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Andrew Marrow	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Financial Officer	
Date	23/04/2023	

Hexham Football Club

Registered Charity No. 1185090

Financial Report for the

Year Ended 30th June 2023

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Hexham Football Club

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Hexham Football Club (the Trust) for the year ended 30 June 2023.

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').

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.

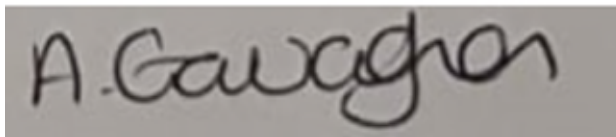
Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the 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 these 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 in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

A rectangular box containing a handwritten signature in dark ink. The signature appears to be 'A. Gavaghan' written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Name: Andrea Gavaghan

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Address: 6 Goodwood Court, Ashington, Northumberland NE63 8NP

Date: 26 April 2024



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Hexham Football Club	1185090
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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	01-07-2022	To	30-06-2023
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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					
Player Subscriptions	43,909	-	-	43,909	34,733
Fundraising	11,113	-	-	11,113	8,087
Team Sponsorship	13,778	-	-	13,778	6,395
Grants / Donations	2,240	-	-	2,240	2,549
Sundry Sales / Other Income	512	-	-	512	733
Gift Aid	8,547	-	-	8,547	5,817
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	80,098	-	-	80,098	58,314
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	80,098	-	-	80,098	58,314
A3 Payments					
Football Costs (FA, League, Referees)	10,794	-	-	10,794	13,353
NCC Charge for Use of Dukeshouse Wood	24,443	-	-	24,443	11,718
Training Facility & Pitch Hire	25,116	-	-	25,116	22,063
Playing Equipment & Kit	16,606	-	-	16,606	16,876
Coach Training	1,189	-	-	1,189	1,123
Insurance & Professional Fees	2,340	-	-	2,340	2,724
Member Subscription Refunds	1,103	-	-	1,103	1,245
Clubhouse / Sundry Costs	3,353	-	-	3,353	461
Presentations & Events	6,251	-	-	6,251	3,148
Sub total	91,194	-	-	91,194	72,711
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	91,194	-	-	91,194	72,711
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 11,096	-	-	- 11,096	- 14,397
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	31,430	-	-	31,430	45,827
Cash funds this year end	20,334	-	-	20,334	31,430

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	Barclays Bank Account	18,955	-	-
	PayPal Account	1,014	-	-
	Cash	365	-	-
	Total cash funds	20,334	-	-
	(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		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
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	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Kit lockers (x3)	Unrestricted	-	-
	Changing room benches (x8)			
	Tambour door cupboards (x4)	Unrestricted	-	-
	Shelving units (x3)			
	Chairs (x40)	Unrestricted	-	-
	Tables (x5)			
	Projector and screen	Unrestricted	-	-
	Water boiler, kettle & electric hob			
	Metal goals with nets (x10)	Unrestricted	-	-
	Plastic goals with nets (x4)			
	Storage sheds (x2)	Unrestricted	-	-
	Picnic benches (x6)			
	Home strips (x23 teams)	Unrestricted	-	-
	Away strips (x4 teams)			
	Playing / training equipment (x23 teams) e.g. balls, bibs, bags, cones, first aid	Unrestricted	-	-
	Signage & timber frames for advertisement hoardings	Unrestricted	-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
		Andrew Marrow	