



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1st April 2021

To 31st March 2022

Charity name: Birtley Town Community Bowling Club

Charity registration number: 1188899

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The promotion of community participation in healthy recreation in Birtley, Gateshead and surrounding areas. In particular by the provision of facilities of playing flat green bowls.
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	The club provides access to a 6-rink bowling green with equipment and guidance on playing bowls. We have a open, friendly, wide base membership that encourages the community to participate in a healthy low impact exercise in the fresh air.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	All trustees have been briefed and given copies of the guidance notes and as a responsible group we have monthly trustee's meetings and regular interaction with the general membership and the local community.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	We have a nominated trustee who makes applications for grants and funding. Trustees feed any information on possible grants to the nominated person who makes the application.
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
	Para 1.38	

Contribution made by volunteers		
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	We took on charity status at a very challenging time but have endeavoured to provide a good and positive bowling experience to the community during the pandemic. We did health and safety and safeguarding reviews and put in procedures to allow some bowling in a time of Covid. We broadened our base to try and reach more people by joining an additional bowling league in an adjoining council area. During lockdown periods we worked on planning open days to attract a more diverse membership base and obtained a small grant from Gateshead Council to help with this. WE also made planters and filled them with plants to brighten up the environment around our club.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	To widen our links with the local community we have arranged with the 'Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue Service' to have games of bowls with firemen and to arrange to have their league played at our club. This will enable Firer Services from around the country to come to play in the northeast and play their league games.
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	We have secured funding from the 'Lottery Fund' for new equipment - £10,000, also a grant from 'Arnold Clark' who have a local car dealership in the town.
Investment performance	Para 1.41	

against objectives		
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	During the playing season we were affected by the pandemic. There were no league games played with other clubs, but we managed to play our own club internal games and competitions. This affected our income slightly. Membership fees were still paid but our membership level was slightly down on the year before the pandemic. At the end of the year, we had £10,679.88 in the bank and £5,000 of this surplus was allocated to a reserve fund. We have submitted accounts for 2020 and 2021. Next year will be for 15 months and then they will follow the financial year
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	We are still in a situation where a lease has not been signed. This has been caused by delays with the local authority due to the pandemic. We hope to have everything signed over in the next few months. Work is still to be done by the local authority, but our reserve fund is there for any future repairs or repairs the local authority will not do.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	None
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	None

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	In the past year the main source of income has been membership fees, sale of surplus bowls equipment and, grants from Gateshead Council and other bodies as previously stated.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy	Para 1.46	None at present

adopted		
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	An unforeseen emergency putting pressure on our membership and/or finances
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		None held
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	A constitution drawn up and voted in at an EGM in February 2020
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
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	We have ten trustees voted in at the AGM. One third up for election each year. We advertise asking members to put their names forward for all posts Trustees, Secretary, Treasurer, Team Selectors, Chair and try to get as many people as possible to take part.

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	We have a board of trustees headed by a chair, supported by a treasurer and secretary.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	

Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Birtley Town Community Bowling Club
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1188899
Charity's principal address	Durham Road Birtley County Durham DH3 1NX

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	George Wood	Chair		
2	Ian Bousfield	Secretary		
3	Anthony Magney	Treasurer		
4	Anne Phillipson			
5	Audrey Miller			
6	Gary Carr			
7	Les Trotter			
8	John White			
9	Ralph McMeiken			
10	Margaret Keepin			
11				Trustees committee appoints interim then AGM
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Corporate trustees - names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
None		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
None		

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	None
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

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)	George Wood	
Full name(s)	George Wood	
Position (e.g. Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	
Date	2 nd July 2022	

Birtley Town Community Bowling Club

Receipts and Payments for Year 2021

Receipts			Payments	
	£			£
Membership Subscription			Computer Equipment and associated	283.50
Full 42 @ £50	2,100.0		stationary	21.60
Social 1 @ £1	0		Keys	45.00
In Year	1.00		Honours Board	95.69
	255.00		Ground Maintenance	62.28
Grants - Gateshead BC			Refreshments	21.25
Donations	749.25		Competition Prizes	335.79
Sale of bowls/sundries	1,627.8		First Aid Equipment	62.17
Domino card sales	8		Sundries	93.94
Key deposits paid	118.88		Storage cabinet and delivery	
Raffles and refreshments	295.10			
	12.00			
	248.40			
Total Income	5,407.5		Total Expenses	1,021.2
	1			2

Summary	£
Balance Brought Forward - Bank	5,996.4
Cash	8
	297.11
Income	
	5,407.5
Less Expenses	1
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	1,021.2
	2
Balance Carried Forward 31st Dec 2021	10,679.88

Signed

T Magnay - Treasurer

Signed

I Bousfield - Secretary