

RHIGOS RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB

TRUSTEES REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2025 RHIGOS RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB

Structure, Governance & Management

The Club is registered as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation which is a new type of legal format for a registered charity with the intention of affording charities limited liability without having to register as a formal limited company. The financial control of the Club is in the hands of 3 trustees. All finance decisions are discussed with the management committee but ultimately all are made and controlled by the trustees. The Club is governed by its constitution, adherence of which is monitored by the trustees. The trustees are appointed at an Annual General Meeting and after recruitment, training is provided.

Objectives & Activities

The objective of the Club is to promote community participation in healthy recreation by providing facilities for the playing of amateur rugby union in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Welsh Rugby Union and such other amateur sports capable of promoting healthy recreation.

Achievements & Performance

During the year we continued with our programme of improvements to the Club's land and buildings. We purchased a steel container for pitchside storage with a grant from the WRU. We purchased the VEO system of filming all games to help coaches and players develop and improve their skills.

We continued to make our fields more diverse and environmentally friendly with the help of Rhigos school children by planting fruit trees on the meadow alongside the pitch.

The senior rugby team then won promotion from Division 4 West Central to Division 3 West Central of the WRU league.

In the Club House, our darts team competed in the Glynneath Summer and Winter Darts Leagues and we held weekly bingo sessions for the benefit and wellbeing of our members.

The Club was also a venue for birthday parties, wedding receptions and other life events.

Rhigos Carnival Society also held fundraising events at the Club

Throughout the year, we kept in mind the Charity Commissioners guidelines on public benefit and acted to provide a safe environment for all our members and guests and utilise our assets within the terms of our constitution.

Financial Review


Bar sales fell again this year from £95,485 to £90,206. Grant income reduced by about £1,000. Donations however increased from £7,490 to £10,075 approaching the 2023 level of £11,610. Maintenance expenses were up this year with the purchase of a storage container and video recording system as mentioned in the achievements and performance section.

Premises, administrative and legal costs were not materially different to 2024 aside from legal fees undertaken this year. Rugby expenses increased from £60,186 to £73,606. The main increases in rugby costs coming from pitch and outside maintenance (up £3,573) and coach hire (up £3,155). Reserves were down from £43,734 to £30,317 reflecting the excess of expenditure over income of £13,417.

Reserves Policy

The trustees of Rhigos Rugby Football Club have considered the reserves and have the following policy:

The trustees consider that the level of reserves should be set at a level to ensure that the charity can meet its liabilities and contractual obligations should it cease to exist.

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Trustee

RHIGOS RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB

**RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH APRIL 2025**

		2025	2024
	Notes	£	£
Receipts			
Grants received	1	9,726.00	10,880.00
Reimbursement of ticket costs		30,075.00	27,092.00
Bar Sales		90,206.00	95,485.00
Sponsorship & donations	2	13,115.00	9,790.00
		<u>143,122.00</u>	<u>143,247.00</u>
Payments			
Bar expenses		42,653.00	48,929.00
Premises expenses	3	7,432.00	7,962.00
Maintenance expenses	4	7,488.00	3,846.00
Wages expenses		16,381.00	15,959.00
Administrative expenses	5	6,125.00	6,187.00
Legal & professional expenses	6	2,854.00	1,763.00
Rugby Club expenses	7	73,606.00	60,186.00
		<u>156,539.00</u>	<u>144,832.00</u>
(DEFICIT) / SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR		<u><u>(13,417.00)</u></u>	<u><u>(1,585.00)</u></u>

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**INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
RHIGOS RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the Accounts of the Charity for the year ended 30 April 2025, which are set out on pages 4 to 7.

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 charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 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 charity as required by section 130 of the Act, or
- 2) the accounts do not accord with those 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.

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Signed.....*Barlow Merchant + Co*
Date.....*27/1/2026*