

# Trustees' annual report for the period



**CHARITY COMMISSION**  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Period start date  Period end date

Charity name

Charity No  
(if any)

## Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	See report 2
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	See report page 2
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	See report page 2

## Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	N/A
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	N/A
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	See report Page 2
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	See report page 3

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	See Report Page 3
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	See report page 3
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	N/A
Other		

## Financial Review

	SORP reference	
Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	See report page 3
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	See report page 3
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	See report page 3
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:

	SORP reference	
The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	See report page 3
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	N/A
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	See report page 3
Other		

## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:	SORP reference	
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	See report Page 2
How is the charity constituted? (e.g. unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	See report page 2
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	See report page 2

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	See report Page 2
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	See report Page 2
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	N/A
Other		



## Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	BLYTH SPARTANS JUNIORS F.C
Other name the charity uses	N/A
Registered charity number	1190297
Charity's principal address	

### 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	See attached			
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**BLYTH SPARTANS JUNIORS FOOTBALL CLUB  
TRUSTEES REPORT  
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MAY 2023**

**LEGAL INFORMATION**

**ADDRESS**

Wensleydale Playing Fields, Blyth, Northumberland. NE24 3EZ.

**WEBSITE**

[www.blythspartansjuniors.co.uk](http://www.blythspartansjuniors.co.uk)

**CHARITY NUMBER**

1190297

**TRUSTEES**

Keith Whisson - Chairman  
Craig Nicholson  
Andrea Thompson - Treasurer  
Craig Muldoon  
Andrew Thompson  
Katherine Burns

**BANKERS**

Barclays Bank PLC  
Business Direct  
Leicestershire  
LE87 2BB

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER**

Paul Hutchinson FCA  
Harrison Hutchinson Limited  
246 Park View  
Whitley Bay  
Tyne and Wear  
NE26 3QX

## Reference and Administrative details

(cont)

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 falls within the custodian charity's objects	N/A
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)

#### Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

#### Other optional information

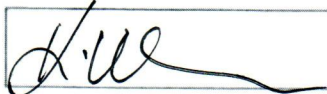


## Declarations

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

**Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees**

Signature(s)

	
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Full name(s)

KEITH WHISSON	
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Position (eg Secretary,  
Chair, etc)

CHAIRMAN	
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Date

22/3/24
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**BLYTH SPARTANS JUNIORS FOOTBALL CLUB  
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**STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

- Type of governing document

The fund is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) registered on 8th July 2020.

- How charity is constituted

The fund is a CIO and is governed by the rules of the Charity Commission.

- Trustee selection methods

When the trustees need to appoint a new trustee to replace a trustee, it is placed on the next available trustees meeting agenda for discussion. The members make their suggestions and should the individual be acceptable (i.e. they perform said role in their professional life), they are welcomed along to the following meeting.

- Induction and training of trustees

New trustees are provided with suitable documentation upon taking up post to ensure a good knowledge of their responsibilities. All members take an appropriate part in the tasks involved in the furtherance of our objectives.

- Organisational structure of charity

The organisational structure consists of eight trustees, two committee members (who are non-trustees) and one advisor (who is also not a trustee). As with all organisations of this nature, volunteers also play a vital role in furthering the charitable objectives but in a non-influencing role.

**OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

- Purposes of charity

The object of the CIO is for the promotion of community participation in healthy recreation in Blyth and the surrounding areas and in particular by the provision of facilities for the playing and coaching of youth football. These facilities also need to be affordable for the community.

- Summary of main activities

The donations and grant income received provides a large percentage of the money required for our operations and we also consider ourselves to be very fortunate to have a steady income stream from team generated funds and team sponsors.

- Consideration of public benefit

The Trustees have read the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit and are satisfied that the activities outlined above clearly demonstrate that the charity is providing a benefit to the public.

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**ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE**

- Main achievements

The main achievements in the year to May 2023 include increase in female participation, after many years of growth we looked to consolidate what we had but also increase the female participation in the club which saw us introduce another two teams. We also worked to provide affordable holiday camps throughout the year via our partnership with JWFE that also provided free of charge days for parents to send their children on teacher strike days allowing them to not lose days at work. We also partnered up with a local group Friends of Crofton who are mostly a retired person volunteers providing landscaping to improve the area we operate in and they have gone from strength to strength in their own rights and we are honoured to be associated with them.

- Performance

The trustees are pleased to report that funds continue to increase year on year and stand at as at £107,163 as at 31 May 2023 (2022: £116,900). Thanks to funding from donations, team sponsors and grants (amongst others), the CIO is able to continue the objectives of the promotion of youth football.

**FINANCIAL REVIEW**

- Financial position as at the year end

In terms of receipts during the year, they amounted to £151,309 (2022: £122,449) whilst expenditure amounted to £139,471 (2022: £118,935) and can be analysed as:

INCOME	2023	2022	EXPENDITURE	2023	2022
Donations	14,491	72,344	Kit & equipment	74,067	31,847
Sponsorship	26,956	21,043	Team expenses	10,868	28,892
Grants	12,354	4,118	Affiliations	6,571	895
Team funds	87,498	9,338	Training venue hire	5,078	13,417
Miscellaneous	454	3,171	Pitch maintenance	5,317	3,811
Cash	1,755	1,320	Trophies	3,497	7,043
Kitchen income	3,544	6,679	Building maintenance	4,510	3,374
Little Spartans	4,257	4,436	Referees fees	385	6,893
			Other expenditure	5,095	1,279
			Kitchen expenditure	557	2,767
			Little Spartans	2,560	660
			Governance & fees	20,966	18,057
	151,309	122,449		139,471	118,935

- Reserves policy

The trustees have established a reserves policy, to hold in available balance an amount equal to between three and four months of operating costs.

- Amount of reserves held

Our available balance at the balance sheet date was £120,410 (2022: £108,571). The Trustees are satisfied that they have sufficient reserves on hand to enable the fund to function effectively in the coming year.

- Principal source of funds

Our principal sources of funding remain a mixture of Grant funding, sponsorship and donations. Although Covid-19 played an adverse part in reducing these sources of funding (and to a certain extent still does), the Trustees are confident that funding sources are now "coming back".



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**ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE (continued)**

- Risks facing charity

The Trustees have overall responsibility for ensuring that the Charity has an appropriate system of controls, financial and otherwise. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities and to provide reassurance that:

- its assets are safeguarded against unauthorised use or disposition;
- proper records are maintained and financial information used within the Charity or for publication is reliable;
- the Charity complies with relevant laws and regulations.

The Trustees have made an assessment of the major risks facing the charity and are satisfied that there are policies in place to minimise these risks.

**STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES**

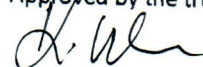
The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that year. In preparing these financial statements the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with Part 8 of the Charities Act 2011 and the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the trustees on 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2024 and signed on their behalf by



Keith Whisson  
TRUSTEE





CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name BLYTH SPARTANS JUNIORS FOOTBALL CLUB	No (if any) 1190297
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## Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date 01/06/2022	To	Period end date 31/05/2023
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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 £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Donations	87,498	-	-	87,498	72,344
Sponsorship	26,956	-	-	26,956	21,043
Grants	12,354	-	-	12,354	4,118
Team Funds	14,491	-	-	14,491	9,338
Miscellaneous	454	-	-	454	3,171
Cash	1,755	-	-	1,755	1,320
Kitchen Income	3,544	-	-	3,544	6,679
Little Spartans Income	4,257	-	-	4,257	4,436
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>151,309</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>151,309</b>	<b>122,449</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>151,309</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>151,309</b>	<b>122,449</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Kit & Equipment	74,067	-	-	74,067	31,846
Teams Own Expenditure	10,868	-	-	10,868	28,892
Affiliations/League & Cup Entry	6,571	-	-	6,571	895
Training Venue Hire	5,078	-	-	5,078	13,417
Pitch Maintenance	5,317	-	-	5,317	3,811
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Building Maintenance	4,510	-	-	4,510	3,374
Referees Fees	385	-	-	385	6,893
Other Expenditure	5,095	-	-	5,095	1,279
Kitchen Expenditure	557	-	-	557	2,767
Little Spartans Expenditure	2,560	-	-	2,560	660
Governance and Fees	20,966	-	-	20,966	18,057
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>139,471</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>139,471</b>	<b>118,935</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>139,471</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>139,471</b>	<b>118,935</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>11,839</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>11,839</b>	<b>3,514</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>108,571</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>108,571</b>	<b>105,057</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>120,410</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>120,410</b>	<b>108,571</b>

## Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

### B1 Cash funds

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
Current Account Balance	107,163	-	-
Capital receipts and payments	13,247	-	-
<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>120,410</b>		

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

### B2 Other monetary assets

Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

### B3 Investment assets

	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

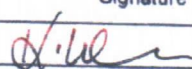
### B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

### B5 Liabilities

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Keith Whisson	22/3/24





Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the  
trustees/members of

Charity Name  
Blyth Spartans Juniors Football Club

On accounts for the year  
ended

31<sup>st</sup> May 2023

Charity no  
(if any)

1190297

Set out on pages

1 and 2 plus PDF supplement

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> May 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").

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; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than 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 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.

Signed:

P.S. Hutchinson

Date:

25-06-2024

Name:

Paul Stanley Hutchinson

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

FCA

Address:

246 Park View, Whitley Bay

Tyne and Wear

NE26 3QX

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.