



## **Chesham United Youth Football Club**

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### **Chesham United Youth Football Club - Trustees' Report for the Year Ending 30 June 2024**

#### **Introduction:**

The trustees present their report and the financial statements for Chesham United Youth Football Club (the "Club") for the year ending 30 June 2024. The Club's primary objective is to provide opportunities for young people in the Chesham area to participate in organised football, promoting physical activity, teamwork, and personal development.

#### **Objectives and Activities:**

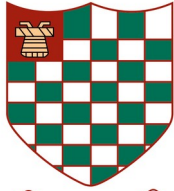
During the reporting period, the Club continued to:

- Provide training and competitive football opportunities for boys and girls aged 4 to 18.
- Provide a welcoming place for U18s to transition into adult football through the Over 18s team.
- Organise and participate in local and regional leagues and tournaments.
- Develop and implement coaching programs to improve players' skills and fitness through the introduction of Football DNA, a digital coaching tool made available to all coaches, providing structured training sessions through videos and other supporting materials targeted around age specific curriculums.
- Promote fair play, sportsmanship, and respect among players, coaches, and parents.
- Maintain and improve the Club's facilities and equipment.
- Organise our annual tournament as fundraising to support the Club's activities.

#### **Achievements and Performance:**

A successful year off the field was backed up on the field as we celebrated the following achievements:

- U8 Panthers – Cup Final Winners
- U9s – Sporting Award Winners at R&T Football Tour away in Bournemouth
- U10 Warriors – League Final Winners
- U11 Blues – Holmer Green Tournament Winners
- U12 Generals - Chorleywood Common YFC Tournament Winners
- U17 Blues – Cup Doubles Winners (League and Referee's Cups)
- The Club successfully hosted its annual one-day tournament at Chiltern Hills Academy, welcoming teams across the U7–U14 age groups. The event was well attended and provided an enjoyable day of football for players, coaches, and spectators.



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- Added to our football achievements above, on Monday, 27 May 2024, Prime Minister Rishi Sunak made an unplanned visit to The Meadow as part of his campaign trail, accompanied by members of the press. During his time at the club, he participated in a brief training session with players from the Chesham United Youth Football Club. The visit resulted in Chesham United being featured on BBC News and in various national and local publications. This was a One Chesham event, with Chesham United Football Club, the Ladies team, and Chesham United Youth Football Club all represented. While not a political engagement for the Club, the event provided a valuable opportunity to raise the profile of Chesham United within the wider community.

### **Financial Review:**

- The Club maintained a stable financial position throughout the year. Income was primarily generated from membership fees, our annual tournament, and sponsorships.
- Expenditure included coaching fees, pitch hire, equipment purchases, and league registration fees.
- The club has maintained a level of reserves deemed appropriate by the Trustees.
- The full financial statements are attached to this report.

### **Governance and Management:**

- The Club is governed by a board of trustees who meet to oversee the Club's activities.
- Policies and procedures to ensure the safety and well-being of all members.

### **Public Benefit:**

The Club provides a valuable service to the local community by:

- Offering young people the opportunity to participate in organised sport.
- Ensure all children have the opportunity to play football regardless of financial circumstances, through our hardship fund.
- Promoting healthy lifestyles and social inclusion through football.
- The Trustees confirm that they have complied with their duty to have regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

### **Plans for Future Periods:**

The Club's priorities for the coming year include:



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- Securing additional funding to improve facilities.
- Expanding playing field access to accommodate the growing number of teams transitioning to 11-a-side football.
- Increasing volunteer engagement to support the running of the Club.
- Expanding the annual Tournament following its success this year.

### Trustees' Responsibilities Statement:

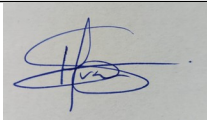
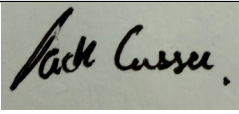
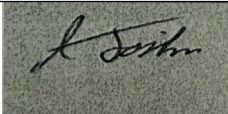
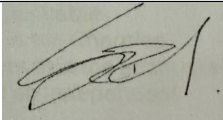
The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Club and enable them to ensure that its financial statements are compliant. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Club and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The charity has no corporate trustees, nor any trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity. The charity does not act as a custodian trustee on behalf of any other entity and does not hold any assets other than its own.

### Declaration:

The Trustees declare that they approve the Trustee's Report above.

<b>Signature:</b>				
<b>Full Name:</b>	Helen van Sittert	Jack Cussen	Andy Joslin	Giles Hayward
<b>Position:</b>	Trustee	Trustee	Trustee	Trustee, Treasurer
<b>Date:</b>	12/03/2025	12/03/2025	12/03/2025	12/03/2025

Account Summary

Operational Account Review



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The operational accounts for the year provide a detailed insight into the club's financial performance. Below is a summary of the income and expenditure recorded:

### Income and Expenditure Summary

Category	Amount (£)	Comments
Total Income	100,830.00	Key Income sources include membership subscriptions and kit payments
Total Expenditure	(103,016.17)	Major expenses cover training venues, kits and equipment
Net Deficit	(2,186.09)	This reflects a shortfall due to substantial investment in key operational areas

### Key Financial Highlights

- Income
  - Membership subscriptions (100,097.08) formed the principal source of income, accounting for 99%+ of income
  - Additional income was generated through player payments for kit extras (30.00) and pitch hire fees (435.00)
- Expenditure
  - Training venues represent the largest expenditure at 47,901.14, accounting for nearly half of total costs.
  - Other significant outgoings include kit purchases (28,935.11) and equipment (5,380.58).

### Comments

- Training Venues: Income includes £435.00 from CUYFC for hiring CHA pitches
- Kit Payments: Players occasionally paid for additional items such as shorts
- League Fees: Recovery of yellow card fees from players contributed £168.00 to income
- Miscellaneous: Subscriptions like the Veo Camera contributed to expenses

The financial outcomes demonstrate the club's robust income-generating efforts, which have been offset by investments in enhancing facilities and training opportunities for members. The trustees remain committed to ensuring financial sustainability while delivering high-quality resources and activities for the youth.

### Development Fund Review

The Development Fund accounts for the year provide a comprehensive overview of the fund's financial position and its usage to support the club's growth and long-term projects.

In memory of our much-loved coach and Trustee, Ian Ellis, who's contribution and dedication to the club was invaluable to our standing today, we have made a lifelong tribute whereby the I & E in UNITED on our kits will remain in red in honour of his legacy.



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### Income and Expenditure Summary

#### Key Financial Highlights

Category	Amount (£)	Comments
Opening Balance	46,707.70	Balance carried forward from the end of the 2022-23 season
Income	16,074.86	Generated through sponsorships, grants, donations, and tournament-related income.
Expenditure	(7,490.12)	Fund used for purchasing goal posts, tournament costs, and other essential activities
Closing Balance	55,292.44	Reflects prudent financial management and readiness for future development projects

#### Comments

- Income
  - Sponsorships brought in 5,750.00.
  - Grants and donations included 2,832.00 from the Football Foundation and other contributions for specific projects
  - Tournament income totalled 7,018.24, encompassing registration fees (5,415.77), sponsorship (495.00), gate receipts (882.30), and photography fees (225.17)
- Expenditure
  - The purchase of new goal posts accounted for 3,776.94, partially funded by the Football Foundation grant
  - Tournament spending totalled 5,360.87
  - Additional costs included verti-draining (1,300.00) and miscellaneous expenses (881.81)

The Development Fund remains a vital resource for long-term investment and growth. Notable achievements this year include the successful hosting of tournaments and the installation of new goalposts to enhance the club's facilities. The year-end balance of 55,292.44 ensures that the club is well-positioned to address future opportunities and challenges.

#### Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Chesham United Youth FC

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Chesham United Youth FC (the Trust) for the year ended 30 June 2024.



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### **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 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.

Signed: Simon Newbury (Electronic, evidence overleaf)

Name: Simon Newbury

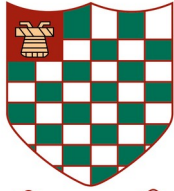
Address: 35 Lye Green Road, Chesham, HP5 3LS

Date: 28 April

Relevant professional qualification or membership of professional bodies (if any):

Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales

Simon Newbury – Electronic Sign Off Evidence



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The screenshot shows an Outlook email client interface. The left sidebar displays the 'Favourites' section with 'Inbox' (2384) and 'Sent Items'. Below this, the 'jacksussen@hotmail.com' inbox is visible, showing 'McAfee Anti-virus' (23), 'Junk Email' (147), 'Drafts' (74), 'Deleted Items', 'Archive' (14), 'Notes' (10), '1. Chesham United' (48), '12 Burlington' (11), 'Conversation History', 'Daniel Ricky School', 'DFB School' (1), and 'Games'. The main pane shows an email titled 'Re: Year end accounts to 2024 for Trustees of Chesham united youth FC' from Simon Newbury to the user. The email body contains a conversation thread starting with 'Thanks Jack. Yes that looks fine to me. Let me know if you need anything else. Simon' and continuing with 'On Mon, 28 Apr 2025 at 18:16, Jack Cussen <jacksussen@hotmail.com> wrote: Excellent thank you Simon. Are you happy with the attached (lifted from the Examination Guidance) Thanks Jack Sent from my iPhone On 28 Apr 2025, at 16:59, Simon Newbury <newburysimon55@gmail.com> wrote: Hi Giles Thanks for this. I'm still checking through to see where the individual figures come from, but it's not important as you clearly have adequate accounting records and the accounts are in line with them. On that basis I can sign the examiner's report. There's no need for the last paragraph about updating the accounting program as I understand you've now got QuickBooks. If you are drafting the report my qualification is Member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, and my address is 35 Lye Green Road, Chesham HP5 3LS. Simon On Mon, 28 Apr 2025 at 15:06, CUYFC Finance <finance@cheshamunitedyouth.co.uk> wrote: Hi Simon. The £2186 loss for the year was all on operations. I can see what's happened here...'.

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