



Chesham United Youth Football Club

Charity number: 1194933

Chesham United FC, The Meadow, Amy Lane, Chesham, Buckinghamshire, HP5 1NE

Chesham United Youth Football Club - Trustees' Report for the Year Ending 30 June 2025

Introduction:

The trustees present their report and the financial statements for Chesham United Youth Football Club (the "Club") for the year ending 30 June 2025. The Club's primary objective is to provide opportunities for young people in Chesham and the surrounding area in a fun, safe, nurturing and inclusive environment to participate in organised football, promoting physical activity, teamwork, respect, healthy living and personal development.

Objectives and Activities:

Key Objectives for 2024/2025:

- Provide training and competitive football opportunities for boys and girls aged 4 to 18.
- Organise and participate in local and regional leagues and tournaments.
- Invest in coaching qualifications and resources to enhance the quality of training.
- Promote fair play, sportsmanship, and respect among players, coaches, and parents.
- Maintain and improve the Club's facilities and equipment.
- Strengthen links with the senior Chesham United FC, forging the 'One Chesham' ethos.
- Organise our annual tournament as fundraising to support the Club's activities.

Achievements and Performance:

A successful year on the field was celebrated with the following achievements:

- U6 Panthers – Tring Tornadoes tournament winners
- U7 Cobras – Chesham United Youth Tournament runners up
- U8 Sharks – Matter Hatters Tournament winners
- U8 Tigers – Chesham United Youth Tournament winners
- U9 Vikings – West Herts Youth League Cup Final winners
- U12 Blues – Aston Clinton Tournament winners
- U13 Rangers – Runners up in their division
- U14 Clarets – 2nd in Division 3 West Herts League
- U16 Generals – League winners Chiltern Church League
- U17 – promotion to Division 3 West Herts U18's
- In June the Club held it's biggest tournament to date, spanning 2 days and with over 1655 spectators in attendance. We hosted 175 teams and played 920 games across 9 age groups from U7 to U15, which, for the first time, also included girls-only teams.



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Financial Review:

The Club maintained a healthy and 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 a reserves policy of 20% of annual running costs to ensure we can meet our ongoing financial commitments. The current level of reserves is 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 Codes of Conduct are in situ to ensure the safety and well-being of all members.

Public Benefit:

The Club provided football services to approximately 616 youth players across 41 teams staffed by 62 volunteer coaches. The Club continued to provide a valuable service to the local community with all Club activities undertaken to fulfil the stated charitable objectives by

- Offering young people the opportunity to participate in organised sport.
- Ensuring all children have the opportunity to play football, regardless of financial circumstances, through our hardship fund.
- Promoting healthy lifestyles and social inclusion through football.

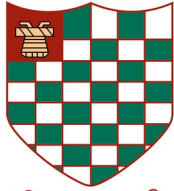
Our activities include weekly training sessions, and participation in the West Herts League, South Bucks League and the Combined Counties League.

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with their duty to have regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public interest.

Plans for Future Periods:

The Club's priorities for the coming year include:

- Securing a partnership with Macron for the provision of training and match kits, as well as launching an online Kit Shop.
- Securing additional funding to improve facilities.



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- 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

Trustees' Responsibilities Statement:

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

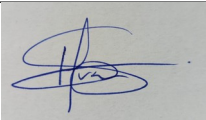
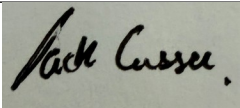
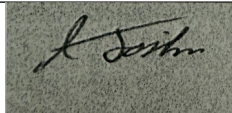
The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Club and enable them to ensure that its financial statements are compliant. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Club and hence for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

The Trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the Club's aims and objectives and in planning future activities.

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.

Signature:			
Full Name:	Helen van Sittert	Jack Cussen	Andy Joslin
Position:	Trustee	Trustee	Trustee
Date:	06/02/26	06/02/26	06/02/26

Account Summary

Operational Account Review



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The operational accounts for the 2024–25 season provide a comprehensive overview of the club's financial activity and reflect another year of strong engagement across all age groups. The club continued to generate healthy income through membership subscriptions and tournament activity, while investing significantly in facilities, equipment, and coaching to support the development of our players.

Income and Expenditure Summary

Category	Amount (£)	Comments
Total Income	153,050.02	Key Income sources include membership subscriptions and kit payments
Total Expenditure	(135,791.74)	Major expenses cover training venues, kits and equipment
Net Surplus	17,258.28	This small surplus reflects good cost management by the club

Income

Membership fees remained the club's principal income stream, contributing £119,343.58, supported by a successful tournament programme which generated £23,705.44 through registration fees, gate receipts, vendor contributions, and programme advertising.

Additional income included shirt sponsorship (£6,450.00), grants (£1,956.00), recovery of FA fines (£367.00), miscellaneous fundraising and operational income (£748.00 combined), and sub-letting of pitches (£480.00). These sources demonstrate the club's continued ability to attract support from members, sponsors, and the wider community.

Expenditure

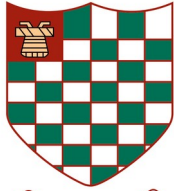
The club's largest expenditure remained training venues (£41,903.89), reflecting our commitment to providing high-quality training environments throughout the season.

Other significant costs included kit purchases (£40,432.60), referees (£5,625.69), equipment (£4,961.02), league registration fees (£4,430.00), external paid coaches (£6,065.00), pitch improvements (£3,351.20), miscellaneous operations (£3,118.62), Awards Day (£3,366.47), and the Veo Camera subscription (£827.00).

Tournament-related expenditure totalled £11,013.27, covering referees, first aid, line marking, toilet hire, refreshments, and operational logistics.

Development Fund

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The Development Fund continues to play a central role in supporting long-term projects and infrastructure improvements that enhance the club's facilities and future growth. The fund's grew over the year to 67,922.63 both prudent financial management and the club's ongoing success in generating income for development purposes.

Commentary

The club delivered a £17,258.28 operating surplus, reflecting strong income generation and careful management of expenditure. This surplus strengthens the club's financial position and supports long-term sustainability. The trustees remain committed to reinvesting in facilities, coaching, and equipment to ensure that all players benefit from a safe, enjoyable, and well-resourced footballing environment.

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 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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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

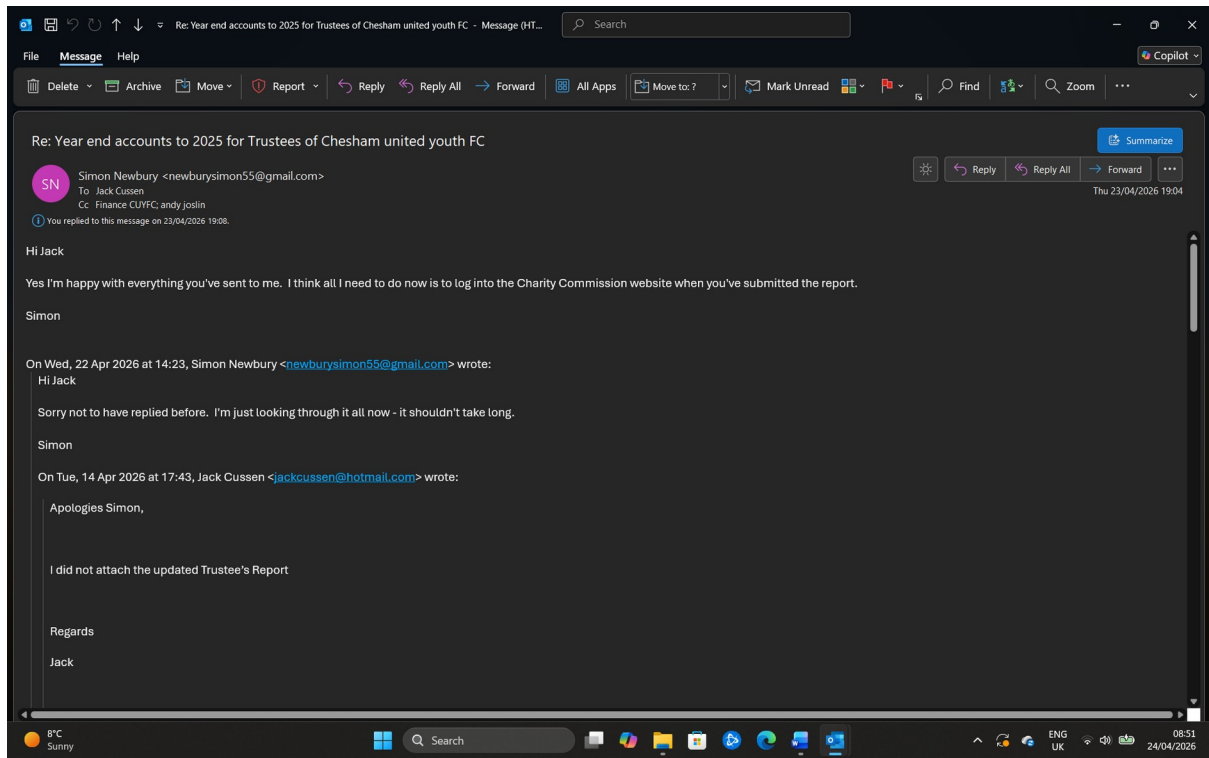
Simon Newbury – Electronic Sign Off Evidence



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