



**CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

**From 01 July 2024
To 30 June 2025**

**Period start date
Period end date**

Charity name: Northants Fundamental Football Club CIO

Charity registration number: 1195372

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<p>the promotion of community participation in healthy recreation in particular by the provision of facilities for the playing of Association Football</p> <p>Provision of Association Football to children from 4 to 15 in the community.</p>
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	<p>Northants Fundamental Football Club (NFFC) provides football in the community of Northamptonshire under the banner, "We are more than ONE – We are Fundamental" #FUN #Friends #Football #Fearless</p> <p>Provision of foundation training programme U5 – U10s leading to teams playing in the Midlands Junior Premier League U11 – U15</p> <p>A club development plan is in place to meet the aims and objectives over the next 3-5 years.</p>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	<p>The Trustees have had regard to the guidance issue by the Charity Commission on Public Benefit. This is directly linked to the Charitable Purpose as noted above, namely the provision of healthy recreation in respect of playing of Association Football.</p> <p>All Trustees are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) Aware of the Guidance2) Have taken this guidance into consideration when assessing the performance and direction of NFFC

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	NFFC thanks all its volunteers including: <ul style="list-style-type: none">1) Coaches (to enable the wider provision of our services to reach more children)2) Parents assisting coaches at games with linesman duties or setting up goals or the provision of food
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	<p>The charity has provided its services to almost 200 children across Northamptonshire and Leicestershire with the provision of training and matches in relation to Association Football.</p> <p>In the last year its focus has been on raising funds to support families across the club to go on tour in addition to its wider services.</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	<p>We have successfully completed the following in 2024-25:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) Successful tour to Holland where 63 people enjoyed an experience of a lifetime2) Launched additional mini-fundas to ensure we have two young groups (reception and year 1) feeding our community club3) Success on the field: U11s won the MJPL Trophy and Holland Easter Cup along with our U10s coming 3rd in Holland and winning the Soccer Elite tournament at the University of Hertfordshire4) Broadened our areas of influence across more clubs in the Weetabix and NDYAL
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	<p>We have successfully raised funds to support the provision of Association Football in the community.</p> <p>We broadened our team sponsors to develop new horizons for kits. We also successfully secured grants to assist in the wider development of the club.</p>
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The charity held £3,235 at the end of the period which is an essential amount to meet the commitments of developing further teams into July – September of the following year.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The club carries some significant expenses between 1 st July and September 30 th each season. This includes but is not limited to: 1) Affiliation and league related costs; 2) IT software subscription renewals; 3) Pitch maintenance
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£3,235
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	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	Donations from parents Sponsorships from local businesses
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	By broadening the geographical and socio-economic groups that support NFFC, we have a more diverse base of fundraising to provide a strong foundation with limited risks to any one donor.
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	Continued growth of commercial football academies in Northamptonshire along with the expansion of professional clubs in North Northants (e.g. Leicester City, Northampton Town FC) along with parent wanting success now. These risks are managed by the creation of our community pathway and Fundamentals Saturday Club for all. This has broadened and deepened our connection to communities across Northants We continue to see success in players traversing to professional clubs every season and expect this to accelerate in the coming years as our mini-fundas transition in the next 3-4 years to U9s (point to sign for pro clubs)
Other		

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Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Trust following the Foundation model constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO)
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	<p>Our trustees come from a wide industry background and have extensive experience in running other volunteer football clubs &/or being a volunteer in the same (e.g. coach).</p> <p>We have experienced directors of retail, recruitment, transportation and insurance represented into the group.</p>

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	<p>The charity actively recruits players from the Weetabix League Clubs that serves North Northants. We also have wider club links across South Leicestershire too.</p> <p>We also attract interest through our website, Saturday club and mini-fundas too</p>
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	<p>NFFC has significant relationships with various community football clubs across Northamptonshire.</p> <p>In addition, Infinitas Chartered Accountants and Business Advisors provides its accountancy services.</p> <p>Our relationship with Tresham College has led to BTEC scholars becoming coaches today at Fundamental.</p> <p>We also have Paul Curtis as our club mentor – ex Northampton Town FC / Charlton FC – UEFA A.</p> <p>Tyrone Long is well connected with clubs in the community and professional clubs too.</p>
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Northants Fundamental Football Club CIO
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1195372
Charity's principal address	80 Warkton Lane, Barton Seagrave Kettering NN15 5AA

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	Tyrone Long			
2	Nicholas Hughes			
3	Paul Hooper			
4	James Mortimore			
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

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Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

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Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
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)		
Full name(s)	Tyrone Lansley William Long	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Trustee	
Date	04-03-2026	