



**CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1st January 2023
Period end date

Period start date To 31st December 2023

Charity name: Rush Sports Community Trust

Charity registration number: 1197138

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To provide or assist in the provision of facilities for skateboarding, BMX biking, scooter riding, roller skating and other wheeled action sports in the interests of social welfare for recreation or other leisure time occupation in Gloucestershire for those who have need of such facilities by reason of their youth, financial hardship or social circumstances or for the public at large with the object of improving their conditions of life.
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>Commenced activities required to enable a planning application to build the facility</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pre-planning application to Stroud District Council• A number of surveys of the site (ecological, environmental, transport, topographical)• Surveyors drawings <p>Completed the selection process for an architect (agreement signed with Roberts Limbrick in Feb '24). Created an outline specification for the design of the facility. Continued to build relationships with potential funders and commercial partners (e.g. NGO's, Councils and investors). Established a relationship with a Property /Project Financier and started initial discussions on sources of debt funding. Continued fundraising to facilitate this stage of activity in the lifecycle of the charity.</p>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance	Para 1.18	All trustees have read the CC guidance on public benefit, and are cognisant of the requirement to ensure public benefit is

issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit		delivered through the establishment and delivery of the charities Objects.
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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	
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	The charity continues to work towards its target of building the facility, completing in 2026. 2023 was a year in which material progress was made in respect of the planning application process and the associated activities including appointing an architect. Local support continues to be strong with support from the MP, local councils and relevant NGO's.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	Para 1.41	
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Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	A number of successful fundraising events were held during the year. This, along with a £10k grant from the county council's Building Back Better fund, enabled the charity to end the year with a strong cash reserve of £23k. Funds continue to be spent on building the charity brand, carrying out pre-planning surveys and funding the land option. The year end reserves enabled the charity to commission the architect to start to create the facility drawings and commence the detailed cost estimating process.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	During this initial development phase, it is not considered necessary to hold reserves. All outgoings are predictable, commitments to these outgoings are made in line with income, and so there are very limited circumstances in which reserves would be required. This policy will be reviewed on a regular basis, and adapted according to the different phases of the charities existence.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£22,905
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	See above
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	None
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:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Foundation 'model' Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	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>Trustees are selected according to two key criteria:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A passion for the delivery of the charity's objects <p>The possession of key skills required at each stage of the charity's development</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	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Rush Sports Community Trust
Other name the charity uses	Rush
Registered charity number	1197138
Charity's principal address	34 Lypiatt View Bussage Stroud GL6 8DA

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	David Haydock			
2	Deborah Joan Bird			
3	Matthew Paul Omar Cottle			
4	Stanley Prasad Bhargava			
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

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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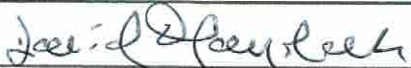
Other optional information

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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)	DAVID HAYDOCK	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	TRUSTEE - COMPLIANCE	
Date	23/10/24	



Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

01/01/2023

To

31/12/2023

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 £
A1 Receipts					
Just Giving	0	-	-	-	1,748
Crowdfunder	24,295	-	-	24,295	12,346
Paypal	0	-	-	-	3,067
Charities Trust	580	-	-	580	1,538
GCC Grant	10,000	-	-	10,000	2,000
Misc Fundraising	7,891	-	-	7,891	3,320
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	42,766	-	-	42,766	24,019
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	42,766	-	-	42,766	24,019
A3 Payments					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Insurance	-	-	-	-	89
Legal Costs	6,247	-	-	6,247	10,400
Branding, Website & PR	8,661	-	-	8,661	10,660
Planning preparation	4,150	-	-	4,150	2,045
Miscellaneous	1,628	-	-	1,628	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	20,686	-	-	20,686	23,194
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	20,686	-	-	20,686	23,194
Net of receipts/(payments)	22,080	-	-	22,080	825
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	825	-	-	825	-
Cash funds this year end	22,905	-	-	22,905	825

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds				
		22,905	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	22,905	-	-
(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))				
		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Rush Sports Community Trust for the year ended 31 December 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').

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; or
3. The accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) 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 this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:



Name: GRAHAM RUSSELL

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

Experienced Trustee of significant charities and Chair of an NHS Trust in Gloucestershire.

Address:

Hillside, The Bourne, Brinscombe, Stroud
Gloucestershire, GL5 2TS

Date:

23 /10/2024