

**REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1198207**

**MARSH RECREATION GROUND AND COMMUNITY  
CENTRE TRUST CIO**

**TRADING AS THE EDWARD MARSH CENTRE**

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND  
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025**

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**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025**

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2025. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)(effective 1 January 2019).

**OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

**Objectives and aims**

The provision and maintenance of a community centre and playing field and recreation ground for the use of the inhabitants of the Parish of Kinver and the neighbourhood.

**Significant activities**

Provision of sporting activities including football, cricket and other outside facilities including skate park and basketball together with numerous indoor activities for organisations including U3A, indoor bowling, keep fit classes, art classes, model engineers, repair cafe and social events. The centre has a community cafe, run primarily by volunteers which has become very successful.

**Public benefit**

The Trustees confirm that they have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit

**ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE**

**Charitable activities**

The main achievements in the year under review have been the considerable maintenance and improvement to the internal condition and decor of the building for the benefit of the users and the community. This was made possible by the substantial input of the Trustees and volunteers.

**FINANCIAL REVIEW**

**Reserves policy**

The charity has a policy for holding ring-fenced reserves for the playing fields, roof repairs and for building renovation costs. Over the last four years we have been in discussion with the National Lottery to obtain funding to put a new pitch roof on the community centre.

However, due to COVID and cost of labour and materials the sum we had hoped to receive has been somewhat reduced. We had to change the specification and go for a new flat roof, the total cost of which is £266,285. Just recently we have been informed we have been successful in obtaining a grant from National Lottery for £199,235. We had to assure National Lottery we had the rest of the funds, £67,050 in place. This meant that in the short term we had to reconsider our reserves policy and contingency (2024 £10,000), and building renovation (2024 £10,000) have merged into one reserve sum of £67,050 for the new roof project. We continue to hold the playing fields reserve of £7,097 (2024 - £6,732).

The charity has received several grants during the year that are still work in progress, the total amount held at 31.03.25 is £16,843 (2024 - £40,641) of which £14,925 (2024 - £21,474) relates to landscaping and planting of the Sterrymere, £0 (2024 - £15,000) to refurbish changing rooms and £1,918 (2024 - £4,167) for other grant work.

The charity was awarded a grant of £99,375 from SSDC UKSPF residual fund to underpin the building and refurbish the changing rooms and disabled toilet facilities. The total project cost was £162,312. The Charity had to make up the shortfall of £62,937, £15,000 was already ring fenced (see above) and we were successful in receiving a grant from Ken Wrigley memorial fund of £10,500 towards the project. The remaining £37,437 came from general reserves of which £27,632 had been set aside at 31.03.24 and the balance £9,805 from fundraising activities during this financial year.

The further balancing reserves of £17,788 (2024 - £31,566) are viewed as general working capital of the charity. The Trustees are aware this is a significant fall in general reserves and will continue to work tirelessly to carefully manage fixed costs, hold fund raising activities and increase the use of the centre to increase the general working capital of the charity.

**STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

**Governing document**

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an incorporated charity.

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025**

**STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

**Organisational structure**

The Committee of Management, when complete, consists of 11 persons, being 9 elected members and 2 nominated members. Elected members are appointed at the Annual General Meeting and hold office from the end of the Annual General Meeting at which they are appointed. Nominated members are appointed by District Council and Kinver Parish Council.

**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

**Registered Charity number**  
**1198207**

**Principal address**

The Edward Marsh Centre  
Legion Drive  
Kinver  
Stourbridge  
DY76ET

**Trustees**

Geoffrey Ashfield (Appointed 10.03.22)  
Chris Vendy (Appointed 10.03.22)  
Pam Vandome (Appointed 10.03.22)  
Ann Becke (Appointed 18.04.22)  
Mark Middleton (Appointed 18.04.22)  
Hilary Vendy (Appointed 18.04.22)  
Georgina Andrews (Appointed 18.04.22)  
Lin Hingley (Appointed 22.08.22)  
Andrew Shepherd (Appointed 22.08.22)  
Andy Calloway (Nominated by Kinver Parish Council 01.06.23)  
Gregory Alan Arthur Spruce (Nominated by SSDC 23.05.23)

**Independent Examiner**

Debbie Wellecomme  
FMAAT  
Support Staffordshire  
Stafford Civic Centre  
Riverside  
Stafford  
ST16 3AQ

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 16th July 2025 and signed on its behalf by:  
Geoffrey Ashfield - Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE  
TRUSTEES OF MARSH RECREATION GROUND  
AND COMMUNITY CENTRE TRUST CIO  
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I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Marsh Recreation Ground and Community Centre Trust CIO Trading as the Edward Marsh Centre (the Trust) for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025.

**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 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:

Name: Debbie Wellecomme  
Relevant professional qualification or membership of professional bodies  
(if any): FMAAT  
Company: Support Staffordshire  
Address: Stafford Civic Centre, Riverside, Stafford, Staffordshire ST16 3AQ  
Date:

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST  
MARCH  
2025**

	Notes	2025 Total funds £	2024 Total funds £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>			
Donations and grants		120,888	49,448
Other trading activities	2	<u>183,333</u>	<u>152,075</u>
Total		304,221	201,523
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>			
Charitable objectives		<u>322,014</u>	<u>235,685</u>
<b>NET INCOME (EXPENDITURE)</b>		(17,793)	(34,162)
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>			
Total funds brought forward		<u>126,571</u>	<u>160,733</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<u>108,778</u>	<u>126,571</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

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**BALANCE SHEET  
31ST MARCH 2025**

	Notes	2025 Total funds £	2024 Total funds £
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Cash at bank		<u>108,778</u>	<u>126,571</u>
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<u>108,778</u>	<u>126,571</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		108,778	126,571
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<u>108,778</u>	<u>126,571</u>
<b>Unrestricted Funds:</b>	5		
Working capital		17,778	31,566
Playing fields		7,097	6,732
Roof project		67,050	0
Contingency		0	10,000
Renovation		0	10,000
Changing rooms & underpinning		0	42,632
<b>Restricted funds:</b>			
Sterrymere		14,925	21,474
The National Lottery		1,918	2,576
Other Donors		0	1,591
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>		<u>108,778</u>	<u>126,571</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue 16th July 2025 and were signed on its behalf by:

Pam Vandome - Trustee

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL  
STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED  
31ST MARCH 2025**

**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Basis of preparing the financial statements**

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The financial statements are prepared on a receipts and payments basis.

**Taxation**

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

**Fund accounting**

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the Report of the Trustees.

**2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES**

	2025	2024
	£	£
Fundraising events	21,519	15,090
Cafe and bar commission	8,890	9,163
Community Cafe	99,906	78,393
Football pitch hire	2,254	4,191
Hire of hall and rooms	50,764	45,238
	<u>183,333</u>	<u>152,075</u>

**3. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS**

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31st March 2025 (2024 NIL).

**Trustees' expenses**

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31st March 2025 (2024 NIL)



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**4. STAFF COSTS**

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

		2025 7	2024 7
<b>Direct staff</b>			
5. No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.			
<b>MOVEMENT IN FUNDS</b>	At 1.4.24	Net movement in funds	At 31.3.25
	£	£	£
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
Working capital	31,566	(13,778)	17,788
Playing fields	6,732	365	7,097
Roof project	0	67,050	67,050
Contingency	10,000	(10,000)	0
Renovation	10,000	(10,000)	0
Changing room & underpinning	42,632	(42,632)	0
<b>Restricted funds:</b>			
Sterrermere grants & donations	21,474	(6,549)	14,925
The National Lottery	2,576	(658)	1,918
Other Donors	1,591	(1,591)	0
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	126,571	(17,793)	108,778
Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
Working capital	106,695	(120,473)	(13,778)
Playing fields	2,254	(1,889)	365
Roof project	67,050	0	67,050
Contingency	0	(10,000)	(10,000)
Renovation	0	(10,000)	(10,000)
Changing rooms & underpinning	119,680	(162,312)	(42,632)
<b>Restricted funds:</b>			
Sterrermere grants & donations	5,542	(12,091)	(6,549)
The National Lottery	0	(658)	(658)
Other Donors	3,000	(4,591)	(1,591)
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	304,221	(332,014)	(17,793)

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**5. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued Comparatives**

for movement In funds

	At 1.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.24 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
Working capital	32,804	(1,238)	31,566
Playing fields	8,616	(1,884)	6,732
Roof project	0	0	0
Contingency	10,000	0	10,000
Renovation	10,000	0	10,000
Changing rooms & underpinning	0	42,632	42,632
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Sterrymere grants & donations	54,450	(32,976)	21,474
The National Lottery	3,866	(1,290)	2,576
Other Donors	<u>40,997</u>	<u>(39,406)</u>	<u>1,591</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>160,733</u>	<u>(34,162)</u>	<u>126,571</u>

Comparative netmovement in funds, included in the above areas follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
Working capital	107,133	(108,371)	(1,238)
Playing fields	4,191	(6,075)	(1,884)
Roof project	0	0	0
Contingency	0	0	0
Renovation	0	0	0
Changing rooms & underpinning	42,632	0	42,632
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Sterrymere grants & donations	12,250	(45,226)	(32,976)
The National Lottery	6,852	(8,142)	(1,290)
Other Donors	<u>28,465</u>	<u>(67,871)</u>	<u>(39,406)</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>201,523</u>	<u>(235,685)</u>	<u>(34,162)</u>

**6. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES**

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 st March 2025 (2024 NIL)

**DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR  
THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025**

**INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS**

	2025 £	2024 £
<b>Donations and Grants</b>		
Sundries		
Donations and Grants	2,471	1,881
	<u>118,417</u>	<u>47,567</u>
	120,888	49,448
<b>Other trading activities</b>		
Fundraising events		
Cafe and bar commission	21,519	15,090
Community cafe	8,890	9163
Football pitch hire	99,906	78,393
Hire of hall and rooms	2,254	4191
	<u>50,764</u>	<u>45,238</u>
	183,333	152,075
<b>Total Incoming resources</b>	<u>304,221</u>	<u>201,523</u>
<b>Expenditure</b>		
Wages	15,153	14,952
Water	1,190	922
Booking fees	3,585	3,285
Light and Heat	15,500	18,297
Telephone & alarm rental	677	832
Professional fees and licenses	16,422	6,680
Cleaning materials & travel	222	241
Football sundries/ pitch marking (inc in 2024 £5,334 for tractor in 2025 £3,000 for bucket)	4,887	6075
Football/Purchase of new tractor (total £32,334)	0	27,000
Automated barrier	626	24,600
Repairs & re refurbishments	20,810	8,518
Refuse collection & pest control	4,092	3,713
Community cafe expenses	55,870	61,242
Sterrymere grant	12,091	45,226
Underpinning of building	70,798	0
Disabled toilet & changing room Refurbishment	<u>91,514</u>	<u>0</u>
	313,437	171,331
<b>Other expenditure Overheads</b>		
Insurance	6,314	5,535
Accountancy	300	450
Sundry expenses	1,713	6,769
General	<u>250</u>	<u>0</u>
	8,577	12,754
<b>Total resources expended</b>	<u>322,014</u>	<u>235,685</u>
<b>Net Income/(expenditure)</b>	<u>(17,793)</u>	<u>(34,162 )</u>

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