

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND**  
**UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2025**  
**FOR**  
**THATCHAM BOWLING CLUB**

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**THATCHAM BOWLING CLUB**

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**THATCHAM BOWLING CLUB**  
**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES**  
**for the year ended 30 SEPTEMBER 2025**

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30 September 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 club's objectives are the promotion of community participation in healthy recreation for the benefit of the community of Thatcham and surrounding areas by the provision of facilities for learning, coaching and playing the sport of lawn bowls.

**Significant activities**

The club organises and publicises at least one 'open day' each year to attract new players from the local community. It also attends various local community events with the same purpose. The club is open to all with no restrictions on access to membership.

The club participates in 2 Men's and 1 Ladies' leagues for keen competitive players and a programme of 'friendly' matches, club tournaments and competitions to meet the needs of all members, from the competitive to the more social players.

**ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE**

**Charitable activities**

This year, we managed to grow our membership numbers, with a total of 89 playing members, compared to 84 in 2024. This included 15 new "coaching members". We have run coaching sessions on Saturday mornings throughout the season to try to retain as many as possible of these new members. We continued to provide opportunities for all members, whether it was purely casual, social bowling or competitive bowling in county and national competitions. Our committee is committed to trying to continue efforts to increase recruitment and our membership again next year.

Our green is considered to offer one of the finest playing surfaces in the county, a credit to the small team who maintain our green throughout the year.

Our men's league "A" teams were semi-finalists this year in both the Kennet League (evening) and runners-up the Kennet LV league (afternoon). We ran two teams in the men's Kennet Leagues (32 players each week) and three in the Kennet LV (27 players). We won the County Club Championship. Four of our men, as Berkshire County runners-up, played in the Bowls England National Finals.

Our ladies were runners-up in the Ridgeway League. Three of our ladies won the County Senior Triples.

Financially, it has been a difficult year. We have actively sought grants locally, raising almost £4,034 in grants and matched funding and Gift Aid contributed £672. The licensed bar at our clubhouse continues to be run by THATBCB Ltd., donating all profits, £7,415, to this charity.

The continuing increases in cost of rent, insurance, and green contractors remain an ongoing challenge and this year we were forced to purchase a new, specialist mower at a cost of £8,490. The latter item was not anticipated and has required us to dig into our reserves. We plan significant savings in green maintenance as our own team will take on the extra work.

**FINANCIAL REVIEW**

**Reserves policy**

Recent financial pressures have prevented the build-up of significant reserves. This remains an issue for the trustees.

**STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

**Governing document**

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

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO).

**Recruitment and appointment of new trustees**

Club Officers are 'ex-officio' trustees.

**THATCHAM BOWLING CLUB**

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES**  
**for the year ended 30 SEPTEMBER 2025**

**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

**Registered Charity number**

1199062

**Principal address**

6 Broad Lane  
Upper Bucklebury  
Reading  
Berks  
RG7 6QJ

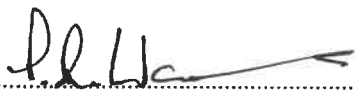
**Trustees**

M Blizzard Chair  
D Davies Trustee  
R A New Trustee  
G Ballantyne Trustee (resigned 25.11.2024)  
R Harris Trustee  
S P Wood Trustee  
D J Parsonson Treasurer  
G M Bloor Trustee  
P R Warne Secretary  
T F Mortimer Trustee (resigned 25.11.2024)  
I Keylock (appointed 26.11.2024)  
N Bloor (appointed 25.11.2024)

**Independent Examiner**

C B Heslop & Company Limited  
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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 17th. Nov. 2025 and signed on its behalf by:



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P R Warne - Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF**  
**THATCHAM BOWLING CLUB**

**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Thatcham Bowling Club**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Thatcham Bowling Club (the Trust) for the year ended 30 September 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 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true 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.



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Date: 19/11/2025

**THATCHAM BOWLING CLUB**

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**  
**for the year ended 30 SEPTEMBER 2025**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	30.9.25 Total funds £	30.9.24 Total funds £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>					
Donations and legacies		23,518	1,000	24,518	28,420
<b>Charitable activities</b>					
Charitable Activities		6,868	-	6,868	9,403
<b>Total</b>		<u>30,386</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>31,386</u>	<u>37,823</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>					
<b>Charitable activities</b>					
Charitable Activities		37,822	1,000	38,822	33,820
<b>NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)</b>		(7,436)	-	(7,436)	4,003
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>					
Total funds brought forward		12,321	2,602	14,923	10,920
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<u><u>4,885</u></u>	<u><u>2,602</u></u>	<u><u>7,487</u></u>	<u><u>14,923</u></u>

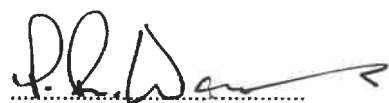
The notes form part of these financial statements

**THATCHAM BOWLING CLUB**

**BALANCE SHEET**  
**30 SEPTEMBER 2025**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	30.9.25 Total funds £	30.9.24 Total funds £
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
Stocks	4	1,172	-	1,172	1,279
Debtors	5	2,654	-	2,654	2,292
Cash at bank		13,801	2,602	16,403	25,870
		<u>17,627</u>	<u>2,602</u>	<u>20,229</u>	<u>29,441</u>
<b>CREDITORS</b>					
Amounts falling due within one year	6	(12,742)	-	(12,742)	(14,518)
		<u>4,885</u>	<u>2,602</u>	<u>7,487</u>	<u>14,923</u>
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
		<u>4,885</u>	<u>2,602</u>	<u>7,487</u>	<u>14,923</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>					
		<u>4,885</u>	<u>2,602</u>	<u>7,487</u>	<u>14,923</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>					
		<u>4,885</u>	<u>2,602</u>	<u>7,487</u>	<u>14,923</u>
<b>FUNDS</b>					
	7				
Unrestricted funds				4,885	12,321
Restricted funds				<u>2,602</u>	<u>2,602</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
				<u>7,487</u>	<u>14,923</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 12 Nov 2025 and were signed on its behalf by:



P R Warne - Trustee

## **THATCHAM BOWLING CLUB**

### **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS** **for the year ended 30 SEPTEMBER 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.

##### **Income**

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

##### **Expenditure**

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

##### **Stocks**

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items.

##### **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 notes to the financial statements.

#### **2. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS**

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 30 September 2025 nor for the year ended 30 September 2024.

##### **Trustees' expenses**

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 30 September 2025 nor for the year ended 30 September 2024.



**THATCHAM BOWLING CLUB**

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued**  
**for the year ended 30 SEPTEMBER 2025**

**3. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>			
Donations and legacies	22,863	5,557	28,420
<b>Charitable activities</b>			
Charitable Activities	9,403	-	9,403
<b>Total</b>	<u>32,266</u>	<u>5,557</u>	<u>37,823</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>			
<b>Charitable activities</b>			
Charitable Activities	30,865	2,955	33,820
<b>NET INCOME</b>	1,401	2,602	4,003
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>			
Total funds brought forward	10,920	-	10,920
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>	<u>12,321</u>	<u>2,602</u>	<u>14,923</u>

**4. STOCKS**

	30.9.25 £	30.9.24 £
Stocks	<u>1,172</u>	<u>1,279</u>

**5. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	30.9.25 £	30.9.24 £
Prepayments	<u>2,654</u>	<u>2,292</u>

**THATCHAM BOWLING CLUB**

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued**  
**for the year ended 30 SEPTEMBER 2025**

**6. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	30.9.25	30.9.24
	£	£
Other creditors	12,742	14,518
	<u>12,742</u>	<u>14,518</u>

**7. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS**

	At 1.10.24 £	Net movement in funds £	At 30.9.25 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	12,321	(7,436)	4,885
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Junior Bowls	352	-	352
Roof	2,000	-	2,000
Training	250	-	250
	<u>2,602</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,602</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>14,923</u>	<u>(7,436)</u>	<u>7,487</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	30,386	(37,822)	(7,436)
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Equipment	1,000	(1,000)	-
	<u>31,386</u>	<u>(38,822)</u>	<u>(7,436)</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>31,386</u>	<u>(38,822)</u>	<u>(7,436)</u>

**Comparatives for movement in funds**

	At 1.10.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 30.9.24 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	10,920	1,401	12,321
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Junior Bowls	-	352	352
Roof	-	2,000	2,000
Training	-	250	250
	<u>-</u>	<u>2,602</u>	<u>2,602</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>10,920</u>	<u>4,003</u>	<u>14,923</u>

**THATCHAM BOWLING CLUB**

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued**  
**for the year ended 30 SEPTEMBER 2025**

**7. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	32,266	(30,865)	1,401
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Heating	1,500	(1,500)	-
Junior Bowls	1,057	(705)	352
Roof	2,000	-	2,000
Training	250	-	250
Defibrillator	750	(750)	-
	<u>5,557</u>	<u>(2,955)</u>	<u>2,602</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u><u>37,823</u></u>	<u><u>(33,820)</u></u>	<u><u>4,003</u></u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.10.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 30.9.25 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	10,920	(6,035)	4,885
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Junior Bowls	-	352	352
Roof	-	2,000	2,000
Training	-	250	250
	<u>-</u>	<u>2,602</u>	<u>2,602</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u><u>10,920</u></u>	<u><u>(3,433)</u></u>	<u><u>7,487</u></u>

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued**  
**for the year ended 30 SEPTEMBER 2025**

**7. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	62,652	(68,687)	(6,035)
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Heating	1,500	(1,500)	-
Junior Bowls	1,057	(705)	352
Roof	2,000	-	2,000
Training	250	-	250
Defibrillator	750	(750)	-
Equipment	1,000	(1,000)	-
	<u>6,557</u>	<u>(3,955)</u>	<u>2,602</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>69,209</u>	<u>(72,642)</u>	<u>(3,433)</u>

**8. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES**

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 30 September 2025.

**THATCHAM BOWLING CLUB**

**DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**  
**for the year ended 30 SEPTEMBER 2025**

	30.9.25 £	30.9.24 £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS</b>		
<b>Donations and legacies</b>		
Gift aid	672	499
Subscriptions	10,667	11,109
Vice Presidents & Donations	1,730	1,631
Thatbcb Donations	7,415	7,865
Grants - Thatcham Town Council	-	250
Grants - Heating	-	1,500
Grants - Junior Bowls	-	1,057
Grants - Roof	-	2,000
Grants - Training	-	250
Grants - Matched Funding	3,034	2,259
Grants - AVIVA	1,000	-
	<hr/> 24,518	<hr/> 28,420
<b>Charitable activities</b>		
Green Fees	601	747
Catering Receipts	1,096	1,233
Raffles - Profit	642	792
Fundraising - Tombola	410	343
Fundraising - Events	477	415
Fundraising - Ebay/Table Sales	927	941
Fundraising - Wrong Bias	55	35
Fundraising - Advertising	50	58
Competition Entries - Club	425	397
Competition Entries - County	543	498
Presentation Evening	650	1,050
Shirts, Jackets, Badges etc Profit	527	1,668
Prize Money	210	455
Room Hire	200	205
Sundry Income	55	227
Insurance Claim	-	339
	<hr/> 6,868	<hr/> 9,403
<b>Total incoming resources</b>	<hr/> 31,386	<hr/> 37,823
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
<b>Charitable activities</b>		
Rates and water	1,032	850
Insurance	2,048	2,225
Light and heat	3,420	3,864
Telephone	437	456
Advertising	-	156
Sundries	83	84
Rent	3,750	3,250
Carried forward	10,770	10,885

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**THATCHAM BOWLING CLUB**

**DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**  
**for the year ended 30 SEPTEMBER 2025**

	30.9.25	30.9.24
	£	£
<b>Charitable activities</b>		
Brought forward	10,770	10,885
Catering costs	1,228	793
Green - Contractors	7,436	5,477
Green - Equipment Maintenance	873	1,262
Pavilion - Cleaning/Maint/ Decoration	1,665	1,413
Pavilion - Fire Equipment Maintenance	177	131
Pavilion - Grundon Waste Bin Hire	838	966
Pavilion - Pest Control Contract	290	264
Competition Entries - County	607	498
Competition Entries - League/ Other	184	182
County Affiliation Fees & Levy	994	1,137
Club Certificate	180	180
TV Licence	175	166
MPLC Licence	159	145
New equipment and repairs	11,861	8,606
Donations	25	25
Presentation Evening	600	963
Loss on Old Club Shirts	-	477
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	38,062	33,570
 <b>Support costs</b>		
 <b>Governance costs</b>		
Accountancy and legal fees	760	250
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Total resources expended	38,822	33,820
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<b>Net (expenditure)/income</b>	<u>(7,436)</u>	<u>4,003</u>

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