

TRUSTEES' REPORT
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2023

Trustees:

Unless otherwise indicated, the following acted as Trustees from the date of registration and were Trustees as of 1 October 2023 and remain as trustees as of the date of the Report:

Kenneth Ian Hodgson Chairman
Martin Fraser Watts
Stuart Michael Beck

In addition, the following were appointed as Trustees on 15 January 2024 and remain as trustees as of the date of the Report:

Graham David Rance
Yolanda Harris
Michael David Richard Sutliff
Jessica Ann Chu
Ragveer Brar
Breffni Mary Walsh

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Charity number: 1201817

Trustees Annual Report for the period ended 30 September 2023

The Trustees present their annual report together with the financial statements of the charity for the period 2 February 2023 to 30 September 2023.

Principal Objectives and Activities

The objects of the CIO are for the benefit of the public generally and, in particular, the inhabitants of Buckinghamshire and its surrounding areas:

1. to promote community participation in healthy recreation in particular by providing and assisting in providing facilities for and organising the playing of cricket and other sport and games capable of promoting health (facilities in these articles means land, buildings, equipment, personnel and know-how);
2. to provide and assist in providing facilities for sport, recreation and other leisure time occupation of such persons who have need for such facilities by reason of their youth, age, infirmity or disablement, poverty or social economic circumstances or for the public at large in the interest of social welfare with the object of improving their condition of life; and
3. to advance education in the subject of cricket through workshops, webinars, conferences and courses.

Governance, Structure and Management

Bucks Cricket is governed by its constitution as a charitable incorporated organisation registered with the Charity Commission. It was initially registered as an association model charitable incorporated organisation on 2 February 2023. However, the original intention was that it be a foundation model charitable incorporated organisation (i.e. one whose only voting members are its charity trustees). Accordingly, all the members of Bucks Cricket CIO resolved by written resolution on 22 February 2024 to change the constitution to reflect this. Registration by the Charity Commission of the new constitution is still awaited.

Under the new constitution, new Trustees will be appointed by a resolution of Trustees passed at a special meeting and will be inducted by fellow Trustees. In selecting future Trustees, account will be taken of the potential benefit of their personal or professional experience to make a contribution to the pursuit of the objects and the management of Bucks Cricket.

The Trustees are satisfied that policies are in place or have been developed to control any identified risks of significance to Bucks Cricket.

Accounts

Bucks Cricket has been established principally to assume responsibility for the promotion and development of cricket throughout Buckinghamshire. To

this end, work has been done to allow the transfer to Bucks Cricket of all the assets of Bucks Cricket Board Limited and Bucks County Cricket Club. These transfers took place respectively on 1 October 2023 and 1 November 2023 (i.e. after the period to which this Report relates). Until these transfers were completed, Bucks Cricket had no income or expenses nor any other assets or liabilities.

Public Benefit

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

Statement of Trustees Responsibilities

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' report and any financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Reporting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period.

In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- Observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- Make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- State whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- Prepare the financial statements on the going-concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of Bucks Cricket's constitution. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

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Ian Hodgson,
Chairman of Trustees

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