

CRAWCROOK UNITED FOOTBALL AND FUTSAL CLUB

REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
For the period 21.04.2023 to 31.05.2024

Charity Number 1202800

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Crawcrook United Football and Futsal Club

Annual Charity Report 2023/24

Chairperson's Introduction

It is with great pride that I present Crawcrook United Football and Futsal Club's Annual Report for 2023/24. This year was our first as a charity and was marked by significant achievements as we continue to promote youth participation in football and futsal. Our efforts remain rooted in our charitable purpose: to enhance the health, fitness, and well-being of the Crawcrook, Ryton, and surrounding communities by providing accessible opportunities to engage in football and futsal.

We are grateful to our members, volunteers, and supporters who have worked tirelessly to make this year a success.

Club overview

Crawcrook United Football and Futsal Club is a grassroots football club that was formed in June 2018. The club started with two under 7 football teams and have now grown to have teams from under 7 to under 14, as well as a U6 Mini Miners group, and two futsal teams. We are growing rapidly because we offer a great environment, and children love playing for us. Our values focus on development and enjoyment while providing high quality coaching.

Our Charitable Purpose

THE PROMOTION OF COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION IN RECREATION, PHYSICAL ACTIVITY AND SPORT FOR THE BENEFIT OF THOSE (PRIMARILY BUT NOT LIMITED TO) LIVING WITHIN CRAWCROOK, RYTON AND SURROUNDING AREAS, BY THE PROVISION OF FACILITIES FOR THE PLAYING OF FOOTBALL, OTHER SPORTS, AND ACTIVITIES CAPABLE OF IMPROVING HEALTH, FITNESS AND WELLBEING.

Our mission is to promote community participation in recreation, physical activity, and sport, benefiting Crawcrook, Ryton, and the surrounding areas. We currently achieve this by providing access to grass football pitches and programs for playing football and futsal - activities that improve health, fitness, and well-being.

Structure and governance and management

The Trustees of the Club, all appointed in March 2023 as the Club became a charity, are:

- Anthony Dowson (Chair)
- David Jones (Welfare Officer)
- Jamie Blake (Treasurer)
- Jamie Stidwell (Secretary)

Charity name: Crawcrook United Football and Futsal Club

Charity number: 1202800

Management: The Trustees also form the Club Committee, with roles listed above. The Committee meets monthly, with a yearly Annual General Meeting. We have developed the following club values:

- Teamwork
- Inspire
- Respect
- Enjoyment

Each team coach is responsible for ensuring that they, and our players, align with our club values. We hold regular meetings between the coaches and committee to ensure the club is meeting our values as well as charitable objectives.

Membership: Our members are parents, guardians and carers of the youth players. They pay membership fees which can be paid yearly or monthly, and we can offer reduced membership fees where appropriate on a case-by-case basis.

Key Highlights of 2023/24

3. Expanding Participation

- **Mini Miners:** We established our under 6 training programme, “Mini Miners” which will provide a pathway for young children to start their football journey with us.
- **Futsal:** Our futsal program saw an increase in participation, with a new team formed for under-12s. One of our under 12s teams won their league.

2. Improving Facilities

- **Barmoor Field:** With the help of fundraising activity, we completed upgrades to our playing fields, ensuring safer and more enjoyable conditions for players.

3. Community Outreach Programs

- **School Engagement:** Partnered with a local school to deliver weekly football sessions, engaging children in regular physical activity.

4. Volunteer Development

- We trained new volunteer coaches through FA learning programs, bringing fresh energy and skills to our club.

5. Fundraising

- Ringtons Fund - we were awarded £5000 from the Ringtons Fund, which had the following objectives:
 - Recruitment of two fully qualified coaches (one for mini miners, one for girls) by February 2024
 - Establishment of both mini miners and girls programmes, with 10 children enrolled on each by Easter 2024
 - Engagement, leading to football delivery activity (coaching sessions) at St Agnes, Emmaville, and St Mary and St Thomas Aquinas schools by July 2024
 - Newcastle Eagles - we had a stall at a Newcastle Eagles basketball game to fundraise for the club, and to raise our profile within the community.
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Achievements Aligned with Our Charitable Purpose

Youth Development

- **Youth Leagues:** Supported teams from under 7 to under 14 competing in regional leagues, providing structured opportunities for teamwork and skill development.
 - **Leadership Opportunities:** Encouraged young people to become assistant coaches, and referees - empowering them to develop their leadership skills.
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Presentation day

We held a full club presentation day at Ryton Cricket Club in June 2023, all players were presented with trophies to recognise their participation in the 2022/23 season. New for this season was the introduction of the Crawcrook United Shield, awarded to the player who we felt best represented our values.

Financial Overview

The results for the financial period 21 April 2023 to 31 May 2024 and the charity's financial position at the end of the period are shown in the attached financial statements.

During the period the Charity had income of £40,319 and expenditure of £35,466. There was an operating surplus of £4,853.

At 31 May 2024 the Charity had net assets of £9,295.

Financial Sustainability

Thanks to careful financial management, we have maintained a balanced budget while achieving our goals. Plans are underway to diversify our funding sources to ensure future growth.

Reserves Policy

The Charity has minimal financial liabilities that would require to be settled in the event that it was it to cease operating. Hence currently we only hold minimal reserves. The policy is reviewed annually by the trustees, and as the club grows, we expect to increase our levels of reserves in coming years.

Looking Ahead

As we plan for 2024/25, our focus will be on:

1. Expanding access to football and futsal through memberships and additional development programs.
 2. Enhancing our pitches further as we need to provide home pitches for an increasing number of teams.
 3. Growing our volunteer base to support increasing participation.
 4. Building stronger partnerships with local schools, businesses, and community organisations.
 5. Work closely with Gateshead Council to progress to a Community Asset Transfer of Barmoor pitches from the Council to the Club.
 6. Expand Committee membership.
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Acknowledgments

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to our members, volunteers, donors, and community partners for their support. Together, we are creating a healthier, more connected community through the power of sport.

Statement of Trustee Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the Financial Statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Charity SORP 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 incoming resources and application of resources, including the receipts and payments of the charity for that year. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently.
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP.
- make judgements 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 accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity. 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.

Approved by the Trustees on 18.03.2025 and signed on their behalf by:

A Dowson
Chair

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES

For the period 21.04.2023 to 31.05.2024

I report on the financial statements of Crawcrook United Football and Futsal Club for the period 21.04.2023 to 31.05.2024, which are set out on pages 7 to 14.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2022 ("the Charities Act") and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act), and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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 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.

Doug Maltman FMAAT
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Date: 19.03.2025

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STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENT

For the period 21.04.2023 to 31.05.2024

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total period £
Receipts from:				
Donations and legacies	5	30,053	-	30,053
Charitable activities				
Grants and contracts	6	-	5,000	5,000
Other trading activities	7	5,266	-	5,266
Total receipts		35,319	5,000	40,319
Payments on:				
Charitable activities				
Operation of the charity	8	35,376	90	35,466
Total payments		35,376	90	35,466
Reconciliation of funds				
Net of receipts/payments		(57)	4,910	4,853
Exceptional item	10	4,442	-	4,442
Cash carried forward		4,385	4,910	9,295

The Receipts and Payments Statement includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All receipts and payments derive from continuing activities

The notes on pages 9 to 14 form an integral part of these accounts.

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

As at 31.05.2024

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total period £
<u>Cash funds</u>				
Cash at bank and in hand	15	4,385	4,910	9295
Liabilities: amounts falling due within one year	16			252
<u>Funds of the charity</u>				
Unrestricted income funds			4,385	
Restricted income funds			4,910	
Total funds			9,295	

The notes on pages 9 to 14 form an integral part of these accounts.

These financial statements were approved by the Board on: 18.03.2025

and are signed on its behalf by: J Blake
Treasurer

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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1 Accounting Policies

The principal accounting policies adopted, judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty in the preparation of the financial statements are as follows:

2 Basis of accounting

2.1 Basis of preparation

The accounts have been prepared on the receipts and payments basis. An audit is not required by the charity's constitution and has not been requested by the trustees.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with 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.

Crawcrook United Football and Futsal Club meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

2.2 Preparation of the accounts on a going concern basis

The charity reported total unrestricted funds at the year end of £4,385 and has already secured a significant amount of funding for the current year. The trustees are of the view that the immediate future of the charity for the next 12 to 18 months is secure and that on this basis the charity is a going concern.

3 Receipts

3.1 Recognition of receipts

Receipts are recognised when the charity has received the resources, any performance conditions attached to the item(s) of receipt have been met.

3.2 Offsetting

There has been no offsetting of receipts and payments, unless required or permitted by SORP.

3.3 Grants and donations

Receipts from government and other grants, whether 'capital' grants or 'revenue' grants, is recognised when the charity has received the funds, any performance conditions attached to the grants have been met.

3.4 Volunteer help

The value of volunteer help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.

3.5 Income from membership subscriptions

Membership subscriptions received in the nature of a gift are recognised in donations and legacies.

Membership subscriptions which gives a member the right to buy services or other benefits are recognised as a receipt earned from the provision of goods and services as a receipt from charitable activities.

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3.6 Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available to spend on activities that further any of the purposes of the charity. Designated funds are unrestricted funds of the charity which the trustees have decided at their discretion to set aside to use for a specific purpose. Restricted funds are donations which the donor has specified are to be solely used for particular areas of the charity's work or for specific projects being undertaken by the charity.

4 Expenditure and liabilities

4.1 Liability recognition

Liabilities are recognised when it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.

4.2 Charitable activities

Payments on charitable activities includes the costs of work and other activities undertaken to further the purposes of the charity and their associated support costs.

4.3 Governance and support costs

Support costs have been allocated between governance cost and other support. Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice.

Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities. Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

4.4 Irrecoverable VAT

Irrecoverable VAT is charged as a cost against the activity for which the payment was incurred.

4.5 Liabilities

The charity has liabilities which are measured at settlement amounts less any trade discounts.

4.6 Provisions for liabilities

A liability is measured on recognition at its historical cost and then subsequently measured at the best estimate of the amount required to settle the obligation at the reporting date.

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Analysis of receipts

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total For the period 21.04.2023 to 31.05.2024 £
	Funds £	Funds £	
5 Donations and legacies			
Kit sponsorship	2,954	-	2,954
Monthly fees	26,262	-	26,262
Other receipts	837	-	837
	<u>30,053</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>30,053</u>
6 Charitable activities			
<u>Receipts from grants</u>			
Ringtons Community Fund	-	5,000	5,000
	<u>-</u>	<u>5,000</u>	<u>5,000</u>
7 Other trading activities			
Fundraising events	5,266	-	5,266
	<u>5,266</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,266</u>

Receipts were £40,319 of which £35,319 was unrestricted or designated and £5,000 was restricted.

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Analysis of payments on charitable activities

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total For the period 21.04.2023 to 31.05.2024 £
	Funds £	Funds £	
8 Charitable activities			
<u>Direct costs</u>			
Venue hire	11,789	-	11,789
Kit and equipment	6,093	-	6,093
League and playing fees	4,777	-	4,777
Coaching	690	90	780
<u>Support costs</u>			
Club events	1,033	-	1,033
Coach development	435	-	435
Maintenance	10,406	-	10,406
Other payments	153	-	153
	<u>35,376</u>	<u>90</u>	<u>35,466</u>

Payments on charitable activities were £35,466 of which £35,376 was unrestricted or designated and £90 was restricted.

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total For the period 21.04.2023 to 31.05.2024 £
	Funds £	Funds £	
10 Exceptional item			
Funds held prior to Charity Commission registration on 21 April 2023	4,442	-	4,442
	<u>4,442</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,442</u>

11 Fees for examination of the accounts

	For the period 21.04.2023 to 31.05.2024 £
Independent examiner's fees for reporting on the accounts	252
	<u>252</u>

There were no other fees paid to the examiner (0: nil)

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12 Staff numbers

The Charity currently has no paid staff.

13 Transactions with trustees

None of the trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any other benefits from an employment with their charity or a related entity.

Trustees' expenses

No trustee expenses have been incurred in the year.

Transaction(s) with related parties

There have been no related party transactions in the reporting period.

14 Corporation Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or section 252 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objectives.

15 Cash at bank and in hand

	For the period 21.04.2023 to 31.05.2024 £
Cash at bank	9,295
	<u>9,295</u>

16 Liabilities (payable within 1 year)

	For the period 21.04.2023 to 31.05.2024 £
Independent examiners of the accounts	252
	<u>252</u>

17 Events after the end of the reporting period

No events (not requiring adjustment to the accounts) have occurred after the end of the reporting period but before the accounts are authorised which relate to conditions that arose after the end of the reporting period.

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18 Analysis of charitable funds

Analysis of movements in unrestricted funds

	Fund balances brought forward £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Fund balances carried forward £
Unrestricted funds					
General unrestricted fund	-	35,319	(35,376)	4,442	4,385
Totals	-	35,319	(35,376)	4,442	4,385

Purpose of unrestricted funds

General unrestricted fund The 'free reserves' of the charity

Analysis of movement in restricted funds

	Fund balances brought forward £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Fund balances carried forward £
Restricted funds					
Ringtons Community Fund	-	5,000	(90)	-	4,910
Totals	-	5,000	(90)	-	4,910

Purpose of restricted funds

Restricted funds represent income resources used for a specific purpose within the charity as identified by the donor.

Ringtons Community Fund Coaching and creation of two teams for football.

Transfers between funds

	Reason for transfer	Amount £
Between unrestricted and exceptional item	Funds held prior to Charity Commission registration on 21 April 2023.	4,442

19 Capital commitments

As at 31.05.2024, the charity had no capital commitments.