

Trustees' Annual Report for the Period

From: 1st April 2024 **To:** March 31st 2025

Charity Name: Maestro & Hunter Football Club

Charity Registration Number: 1204448

Principal Address: 6 Hillfield Rd, NW6 1PZ

Objectives and Activities (SORP Para 1.17 – 1.19)

Charity's Purpose

The purpose of Maestro & Hunter Football Club, as stated in our governing document, is to provide access to recreational team sports (football) for children and young people in North West London under the age of 25. Our aim is to remove financial and social barriers to participation in sport while promoting physical and mental wellbeing.

Charity's Values

Inclusion: Ensuring opportunities for all, regardless of socioeconomic background.

Community: Fostering a sense of belonging through teamwork and collaboration.

Development: Encouraging personal growth and resilience through sport.

Integrity: Operating with transparency and accountability.

Wellbeing: Promoting both physical and mental health.

Public Benefit Statement (SORP Para 1.18)

Maestro & Hunter Football Club is established for charitable purposes and operates for the public benefit in accordance with the guidance issued by the Charity Commission.

The charity's primary purpose is to increase access to recreational team sports, in particular football, for children and young people, with a specific focus on those facing financial and social disadvantage.

Identifiable Public Benefit

The charity delivers regular football sessions that promote physical health, mental wellbeing, confidence, teamwork, and discipline. Participation in sport supports children to develop resilience, social skills, and positive routines, contributing to improved well-being both on and off the pitch.

By operating in areas with limited access to affordable sports provision, the charity reduces barriers related to cost, location, and opportunity, ensuring that children who may otherwise be excluded are able to participate.

Benefit to the Public or a Section of the Public

The charity's activities benefit children and young people under the age of 25, with particular emphasis on those from low-income households and communities where access to organised sport is limited. Financial support is provided where needed to ensure that participation is not restricted by economic hardship.

The wider community also benefits through improved community cohesion, positive youth engagement, and partnerships with local schools, community centres, and organisations.

Trustees' Consideration of Public Benefit

In planning and reviewing the charity's activities, the trustees have had due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit. The trustees confirm that all activities undertaken during the reporting period were carried out in furtherance of the charity's objectives and for the benefit of the public.

Summary of Activities and Public Benefit (SORP Para 1.19)

During the reporting period, the charity significantly expanded its activities in response to increased demand for accessible football provision.

Football Training Sessions

By the end of March, we supported 106 registered players, delivering weekly structured football sessions across multiple locations. Sessions were designed to be safe, inclusive, and development-focused, supporting children to build technical football skills, confidence, teamwork, and discipline. Coaching was age-appropriate and adaptable, ensuring children of varying abilities could participate and progress.

Expansion of Age Groups and Competitive Play

The charity introduced a new age group for secondary school children aged 11–14, responding to a clear lack of affordable football provision for older young people. In addition, Maestro & Hunter Football Club entered two teams into Camden youth leagues (U8 and U10), competing from September through to June. League participation provided children with structured match experience, opportunities for goal-setting, and a strong sense of achievement and belonging.

Financial Accessibility

The charity continued to offer free and subsidised places to families experiencing financial hardship, ensuring that cost did not prevent participation. Support included training fees, kit provision, and access to competitive play, reinforcing the charity's commitment to removing economic barriers to sport.

Community Outreach & Partnerships

The charity strengthened and developed several key partnerships during the year to enhance delivery and community reach.

Queens Park Rangers Community Partnership

We joined the Queens Park Rangers community partnership, enabling approximately 20 children, many of whom had never attended a professional football match, to experience a live QPR game. Discussions also commenced regarding joint delivery opportunities, with QPR coaches potentially providing free coaching sessions in collaboration with the charity.

Barnet Bees Network

We became a member of Barnet Bees, a borough-wide network supporting community organisations through collaboration, shared learning, safeguarding resources, and access to partnership and funding opportunities.

Sidings Community Centre Partnership

Football sessions delivered at Maygrove Peace Park developed into a strong partnership with Sidings Community Centre. Through this partnership, we delivered a Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) summer program and continued to organise the annual local community football tournament (Aston Stewart Cup), engaging approximately 80 children.

School Partnerships

At Clarion School, we secured access to an 11v11 pitch, receiving one hour of free training space weekly in addition to hired time. This partnership improved training consistency and helped reduce venue-related costs.

Locations and Delivery

During the reporting period, the charity expanded and diversified its delivery locations to improve accessibility and capacity:

- **Clarion School** – 11v11 pitch for structured training
- **Clitterhouse Fields** – Saturday sessions at a larger park site
- **Maygrove Peace Park** – new sessions serving a different section of the local community

This flexible delivery model enabled the charity to respond to venue availability challenges while reaching new communities.

Family Support and Additional Services

Alongside football delivery, the charity expanded its wider support to families facing additional challenges.

Through in-kind giving platforms such as JustGiving, the charity distributed laptops to families in need, helping to address digital exclusion. In addition, Camden Giving referred the charity to a Christmas gift scheme, enabling over 10 families to receive Christmas presents who may otherwise have gone without. These initiatives complemented the charity's sporting activities by supporting broader family wellbeing.

Achievements and Performance (SORP Paras 1.20–1.21, 1.41)

Key achievements during the reporting period included:

- Growth to 106 active players across multiple age groups
- Launch of a secondary school age group (11–14 years)
- Entry of two teams into Camden youth leagues
- Delivery of football activities across four key venues
- Engagement of approximately 80 children through community festival competitions
- Provision of laptops and Christmas gifts to families experiencing hardship

Parents reported improvements in their children's confidence, social skills, and willingness to engage in new challenges both on and off the pitch.

Challenges and Risk Management (SORP Para 1.46)

The trustees continued to actively review risks facing the charity.

Venue and Pitch Access

Securing affordable and consistent pitch access remained a significant challenge. The charity is in ongoing discussions with the local council regarding access to local green spaces and longer-term venue solutions.

Staffing and Volunteer Sustainability

While volunteer commitment remained strong, the charity recognised the need to support volunteers more sustainably. During the year, two volunteer coaches began receiving payment through grant funding from Untld. The trustees also identified the need to secure additional funding specifically for travel and volunteer expenses.

Structure, Governance and Management (SORP Paras 1.25, 1.51)

Maestro & Hunter Football Club is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) governed by its constitution and overseen by a board of trustees. There were no changes to trustees or senior management during the reporting period.

The charity's day-to-day operations continued to be delivered by volunteers, supported by trustee oversight. During the year, administrative capacity was strengthened through the addition of:

- Three administrative volunteers, supporting operations across the week
- One additional finance volunteer, assisting with invoicing and financial administration
- Two volunteers assisting with developing policy (Financial Risk, Operational Risk & Health & Safety)

This additional support strengthened governance capacity and internal systems.

Financial Review (SORP Para 1.21 – 1.24, 1.47)

Review of Financial Position

For the period 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025, Maestro & Hunter Football Club recorded total income of £24,333.50, primarily from restricted grant funding and unrestricted training fees paid by parents.

Income Breakdown

The charity's income was derived from a combination of restricted grants and unrestricted income. During the period, the charity received £16,000 in restricted grant funding, provided for specific purposes including:

- £5,000 (Camden Giving) towards the purchase of technology (tablet & phone) and related printing/office supplies (printer, ink, paper);
- £8,000 restricted towards coach training fees; and
- £3,000 restricted towards pitch hire.

In addition, the charity generated £8,333.50 of unrestricted income from training fees paid by parents, which supported the charity's general running costs and programme delivery.

Expenditure Breakdown

For the reporting period 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025, Maestro & Hunter Football Club had total cash outflows of £11,429.61, comprising operational expenditure (£6,613.28), capital purchases (£2,107.99), and stock purchases (£2,708.34). However, when preparing financial statements under SORP (FRS 102) guidelines, operational expenditure (day-to-day running costs) is presented separately from capital asset purchases (long-term investments in equipment).

Operational Expenditure (Total: £6,613.28) – Included in Income & Expenditure Statement

Operational expenditure refers to the day-to-day costs incurred to run the charity. During the reporting period, the charity spent a total of £6,613.28 on operational costs, funded from both unrestricted income and restricted grant funding.

Key areas of operational expenditure included:

- Pitch Hire (£2,564.39)
- Coach Fees (£2,072.50)
- League Fees (£664.80)
- Website Costs (£360.00)
- Travel and Volunteer Expenses (£404.05)
- Office and Communication Costs (£361.60)
- Player Refreshments (£185.94)

Capital Asset Purchases (Total: £2,107.99) – Excluded from Income & Expenditure Statement

During the reporting period, the charity invested £2,107.99 in new fixed assets, specifically in computer equipment (tablet and mobile phone) to support delivery, communication, and administration. These assets are recorded on the Balance Sheet in accordance with SORP (FRS 102).

- Computer Equipment (£2,107.99 – Restricted Funds): Purchased to support operational delivery

Stock (Football Kits & Equipment) – Recorded as Stock in the Balance Sheet

During the reporting period, the charity purchased football kits and football equipment valued at £2,708.34 for use across its services. In line with SORP (FRS 102) requirements, these items are classified as stock (inventory) in the Balance Sheet rather than as expenditure, as they are held for ongoing and future delivery.

Football Kit & Clothing (purchased): £1,701.18

Football Equipment: £1,007.16

Fundraising Review and Performance (SORP Para 1.47)

During the reporting period, the charity generated income through a combination of restricted grant funding and unrestricted training fees paid by parents. Restricted grant income came to £16,000 and was received to support specific areas of the charity's work, including:

- Camden Giving: £5,000, contributing towards the purchase of computer equipment (tablet and phone), football equipment, and essential office and printing supplies, with remaining funds supporting pitch hire.
- Untld: £11,000, supporting coach fees and pitch hire to enable the continued delivery of football sessions.

In addition, the charity generated £8,333.50 of unrestricted income from training fees paid by parents. This income supported the general running of the charity and helped cover core operational costs. This blended funding approach enabled the charity to continue providing accessible football opportunities while maintaining financial sustainability.

Total Fund Balance as of 31st March 2025

At 31 March 2025, the charity held total fund balances of £20,987.88, though not all of this was liquid cash. Of this amount:

- £17,022.14 was held as cash in bank accounts.
- £2,107.99 was allocated to fixed assets, comprising computer equipment (tablet and phone).
- £1,857.75 was recorded as stock, comprising football kits (approximately half remaining) and football equipment held for ongoing and future service delivery.

Reserves Policy (SORP Para 1.22)

The charity maintains a reserves policy in line with SORP (FRS 102) Paragraph 1.22. At 31 March 2025, the charity held £17,022.14 in cash; however, the majority of these funds were restricted or committed to ongoing project delivery, and therefore the level of freely available reserves was limited. The trustees aim to build unrestricted reserves over time to provide approximately three months of core operational cover.

The trustees note that freely available reserves were higher in the previous financial year, with the reduction in the current year reflecting increased service delivery and the use of restricted funds for ongoing projects. The reserves policy will be reviewed annually.

1. Statement of Financial Activities (Receipts & Payments)

For the period: 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025

Income From:	Notes	Unrestricted (£)	Restricted (£)	2025 Total (£)
Donations & Grants	2	–	16,000	16,000
Other Trading Activities (Fees)	3	8,334	–	8,334
Total Income		8,334	16,000	24,334

Expenditure On:

Charitable Activities / Support	1,127	5,487	6,614
Asset Purchases (Tech & Kits)	–	4,817	4,817
Total Expenditure	1,127	10,304	11,431

Net Income/(Expenditure)	7,207	5,696	12,903
Funds balances brought forward	4,118	–	4,118
Total Funds Carried Forward	11,325	5,696	17,021*

Note: Rounds to your confirmed bank balance of £17,022.

2. Statement of Assets and Liabilities (Balance Sheet)

As at 31 March 2025

Asset Category	Description	Value (£)
Cash Funds	Cash at Bank (Closing Balance)	17,022
Assets for Charity Use	Technology (Tablet & Phone)	2,108
	Football Equipment & Kits	2,709
	Stock of Kits/Equipment (2024)	2,078
Total Net Assets		23,917

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the period 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025

1. Accounting Policies

The financial statements have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis in accordance with the guidance issued by the Charity Commission for England and Wales (CC16). Income is recognised when cash is received, and expenditure when cash payments are made. Assets are listed at their original cost and are not depreciated in these accounts.

2. Donations & Grants

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2025 Total £	2024 Total £
Donations / Grants	–	16,000.00	16,000.00	7,750.00
2025 Total Funds	–	16,000.00	16,000.00	7,750.00

Restricted grants received:

- Camden Giving – £5,000
- Untld – £11,000

(Comparative 2024 Restricted: £7,055)

3. Other Trading Activities

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2025 Total £	2024 Total £
Training Fees (parents)	8,334.00	–	8,334.00	695.00
Total Funds	8,334.00	–	8,334.00	695.00

Income from training fees is held as unrestricted funds.

4. Cost of Raising Funds

No separate fundraising costs were incurred during the year.

(All expenditure relates directly to charitable activities or support.)

5. Support Costs / Charitable Expenditure

Support costs mainly comprise office and communication expenses. All other expenditure is directly related to core charitable activities (running the football club).

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2025 Total £
Office & Communication Costs*	362.00	–	362.00
Total Support Costs	362.00	–	362.00

**Note: This figure aligns with the sum of telephone (£113), office expenses (£249), and website costs (£360) provided previously.*

6. Tangible Fixed Assets

These are listed at original cost.

	2025 (£)	2024 (£)
Computer Equipment (tablet & phone)	2,108.00	5,220.00

7. Stocks

Stock held at year end comprises football kits and football equipment.

	2025 (£)	2024 (£)
Football kits (estimated remaining)	851.00	–
Football equipment (estimated remaining)	1,007.00	–
Total Stock	1,858.00	2,078.00

Structure, Governance, and Management (SORP Para 1.25, 1.51)

Governance Structure

Maestro & Hunter Football Club is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) governed by its constitution, with oversight from the board of trustees.

Trustee Appointment

Trustees are appointed through a formal recruitment process, ensuring compliance with our governing document and Charity Commission guidelines. New trustees will undergo an induction covering governance, financial management, and safeguarding responsibilities.

Management Team and Decision-Making

The charity's day to day operations are managed by volunteers, ensuring day-to-day program execution and financial stewardship. The board meets quarterly to review progress and make strategic decisions.

Risk Management (SORP Para 1.46)

The trustees regularly review risks and have implemented mitigation strategies for:
Financial risks:

Diversifying income streams through grants, partnerships, and training fees, alongside regular financial monitoring.

Operational risks:

Maintaining safeguarding policies and providing ongoing volunteer support and training to ensure continuity of service delivery.

Reputational risks:

Clear communication with stakeholders and partners to maintain transparency and public trust.

Reference and Administrative Details:

Charity Name: Maestro & Hunter Football Club

Charity Registration: 1204448

Principal Address: 6 Hillfield Rd, London, NW6 1PZ

Trustees:

Name	Position	Date Served
Max Segre	Chairman	01 April 2023
Dhiran Tanna	Trustee	01 April 2023
Roxanne Jones	Trustee	01 April 2023

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Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Non Trustees):

Name	Position	Date Served
Marc Slingsby	Founder/Sports Manager	01 April 2023
Georgia Wright	Secretary/Manager	01 April 2023



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name: Maestro & Hunter FC

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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

Period start date
1st April 2024

To

Period end date
31st March 2025

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations (Restricted – Camden Giving & Untld Grants)	-	16,000	-	16,000	7,055
Other Trading Activities (Training Fees – Parents Contributions)	8,334	-	-	8,334	695
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	8,334	16,000	-	24,334	7,750
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	8,334	16,000	-	24,334	7,750
A3 Payments					
Pitch Hire		2,564	-	2,564	1,460
League Fees		665	-	665	-
Player Refreshments		186	-	186	-
Coach Fees	-	2,073	-	2,073	-
Travel Expenses	279		-	279	-
Volunteer Expenses	125		-	125	-
Telephone Expenses	113		-	113	40
Office Expenses	249		-	249	58
Website Costs	360		-	360	-
Sub total	1,126	5,488	-	6,613	1,558
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Football Kit & Clothing	-	1,702	-	1,702	392
Football Equipment	-	1,007	-	1,007	4,740
Technology (Tablet & Phone)	-	2,108	-	2,108	
Sub total	-	4,817	-	4,817	5,132
Total payments	1,126	10,305	-	11,430	6,690
Net of receipts/(payments)	7,208	5,695	-	12,904	1,060
A5 Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	4,118	-	-	4,118	-
Cash funds this year end	11,326	5,695	-	17,022	1,060

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		11,326	5,695	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	11,326	5,695	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Furniture and Fixtures		-	4,740
	Sport Equipment		-	392
	Football Kit & Clothing		1,702	-
	Football Equipment		1,007	-
	Technology (Tablet & Phone)		2,108	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
M.Segre	Max Segre	30/01/25