

**THE VETERANS CLUB OF BEXLEY**  
**ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024**

**Registered Charity Number 230670**

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**CHARITY DETAILS YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024**

Charity Registration Number: 230670

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## **THE VETERANS CLUB OF BEXLEY**

### **TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024**

The Trustees are pleased to present the Statement of Account for the year ended 30 September 2024.

The trustees present their report with the financial statements for the charity for the year ended 30 September 2024. 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 (FRS102) effective 1 January 2015.

The Charity is an unincorporated association, governed by a Trust Deed dated 17 July 1944.

#### **Object and Activities**

The object of the Charity is to support men and women who are retired and over the age of 55 and are resident or have resided in the Borough of Bexley and surrounding area.

This is achieved through four main areas of responsibility:

- (i) Trustees of the Charity
- (ii) Management Committee of the Veterans Club of Bexley
- (iii) The House (or Social Club) Committee of the Veterans
- (iv) The Bowls Section of the Veterans Club of Bexley

The Charity is operated by member volunteers and there are no employees

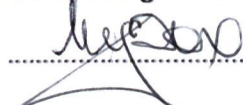
A list of Trustees and Officers of the Club is available on request.

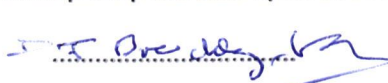
#### **Financial Review**


The major achievement this year was the removal of the trees in the adjoining school premises by more positive action by members of the House Committee in obtaining quotes and negotiating with the school to take over the job on the basis of the very much lower quotes we had obtained for the work. This also allowed for the complete rebuilding of the drainage system. A very small part of the work was covered by an insurance recovery received last year, but the insurers for the school claim there is legal precedent for stating that tree roots do not damage drains but take advantage of damaged drains. The insurers have accepted liability for the damage caused to the tarmac area by tree roots, some of which were over 12" in diameter, as well as damage to a floor where a tree root had broken through. The claim has been lodged on the basis of the estimates provided by our contractor but settlement is not yet achieved, and based on previous experience this is likely to be a long process.

With the drains completed work has now started on converting the first toilet to accept disabled persons and plans have been submitted for the conversion of the other toilet area and library to create more much needed storage space. At present we are awaiting a quote for this third stage of the improvement programme .

Our thanks go to all the volunteers that help keep the club open and running effectively

  
MJ Fox

  
DJ Brenchley-King

  
DR Carr

# VETERANS CLUB OF BEXLEY

## BALANCE SHEET

As at 30 September 2024

	Trustees and Management Account	2023	Bowls Account	2023	Combined	Combined 2023
<b>Fixed Assets</b>						
Land and Buildings	330,000	330,000	0	0	330,000	330,000
Fixtures and Fittings	22,068	15,659	0	0	22,068	15,659
Property Improvements	35,226	2,234	0	0	35,226	2,234
	<b>387,294</b>	<b>347,893</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>387,294</b>	<b>347,893</b>
<b>Current Assets</b>						
Bank Accounts						
General	60,358	49,434	2,178	1,978	62,536	51,412
Deposit Accounts	72,275	115,544			72,275	115,544
Cash in hand	364	1,215	15	15	379	1,230
Debtors / Prepayments	1,530	1,202		200	1,530	1,402
<b>Creditors</b>						
Creditors / Accruals						
General	-2238	-1385			-2,238	-1,385
	<b>132,289</b>	<b>166,010</b>	<b>2,193</b>	<b>2,193</b>	<b>134,482</b>	<b>168,203</b>
<b>Total net Assets</b>	<b>519,583</b>	<b>513,903</b>	<b>2,193</b>	<b>2,193</b>	<b>521,776</b>	<b>516,096</b>
<b>Represented by:-</b>						
Permanent Endowment Fund	330,000	330,000			330,000	330,000
<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>						
Balance as at 1.10.23	183,903	123,968	2,193	2,707	186,096	126,675
Surplus/ (Deficit for the year)	5,680	59,935	0	-514	5,680	59,421
Bowls Funds Transferred						
Reserve for Bowls Section						
Special Works						
Investment Income						
Total	<b>189,583</b>	<b>183,903</b>	<b>2,193</b>	<b>2,193</b>	<b>191,776</b>	<b>186,096</b>
<b>Balance at 30.09.24</b>	<b>519,583</b>	<b>513,903</b>	<b>2,193</b>	<b>2,193</b>	<b>521,776</b>	<b>516,096</b>



# VETERANS CLUB OF BEXLEY

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

As at 30 September 2024

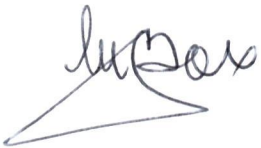
	General Account	2023	Bowls Account	2023	Combined 2024	Combined 2023
<b>Income</b>						
Snooker	12,532	12,562			12,532	12,562
Refreshments	2,277	2,007			2,277	2,007
Table Tennis	6,748	5,719			6,748	5,719
Bowls	577	631			577	631
Subscriptions/Fees	5,580	5,205		206	5,580	5,411
Tips / Cues boxes / Merchandise					0	0
Videos / DVDs		33			0	33
Donations	4,830	1,741			4,830	1,741
Legacy		54,359			0	54,359
Insurance Claim		1,521			0	1,521
Grants					0	0
Coastal Games					0	0
Sales items					0	0
Raffles					0	0
Bonus Ball profits					0	0
Interest Received	1,757	552			1,757	552
Telephone					0	0
	<b>34,301</b>	<b>84,330</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>34,301</b>	<b>84,536</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>						
Cleaning	6,238	6,214			6,238	6,214
Cleaning Materials	123	29			123	29
Kitchen Supplies/ Refreshments	964	769		25	964	794
Table Maintenance	2,440	1,040			2,440	1,040
Postage / stationery	394	85		39	394	124
Building Routine Maintenance	4,020	3,628			4,020	3,628
Building Refurbishment					0	0
Rates	521	668			521	668
Water Rates	397	384			397	384
Gas	3,317	3,934			3,317	3,934
Electric	2,720	2,351			2,720	2,351
Telephone	850	909			850	909
Insurance	2,086	2,186			2,086	2,186
Bowls Consortium Fees				468	0	468
Kent County Bowls Assoc Fees					0	0
Table Tennis Association Fees	180				180	
Prizes / Sale Items					0	0
Tips and Donations	100	100			100	100
Trophies & Prizes	322	153		188	322	341
Minor Equipment	97				97	0
Accountancy	1,460	1,140			1,460	1,140
Coastal Games					0	0
Sundry		42			0	42
Bank charges	25				25	
Depreciation	2,367	763			2,367	763
<b>Balance at 30.09.24</b>	<b>28,621</b>	<b>24,395</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>720</b>	<b>28,621</b>	<b>25,115</b>
<b>PROFIT / LOSS (-)</b>	<b>5,680</b>	<b>59,935</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-514</b>	<b>5,680</b>	<b>59,421</b>

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As at 30 September 2024

	General Account 2024	2023	Bowls Account	2023	Combined 2024	Combined 2023
Profit / (Loss)	5,680	59,935	-	514	5,680	59,421
Investment Interest						
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Total Profit / (Deficit) for the year	5,680	6,020	0 -	164	5,680	5,856



## **THE VETERANS CLUB OF BEXLEY**

### **NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**

**As at 30 September 2024**

The accounts are produced on a Receipts and Payments basis with Accruals or Prepayments made for any major item to provide a more accurate comparison to the previous year's Accounts.

**Note 1**                There were substantial additions to Fixtures and Fittings this year. Another new Table Tennis table was acquired to meet the demands of the increased number of players. The boilers were replaced and it was felt that these should be treated as fixtures subject to depreciation as they are likely to need replacing on a regular basis. Other furnishings were acquired to replace worn out stools and a sofa in the rest room and a start was made on updating the computer system.

**Note 2**                **Creditors / Accruals**  
Creditors are higher due to early payments of subscriptions for 2025 amounting to £350. Debtors are increased partly due to a duplicated payment of £272 which is being recovered.

**Note3**                Depreciation is provided for in respect of new fixtures and equipment at 20% on a reducing balance basis  
  
Fixtures provided when the club was set up are considered to be valued at their market value and no depreciation is provided.

## INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE VETERANS CLUB OF BEXLEY

I report on the Accounts of the Charity for the year ended 30 September 2024, which are set out on pages 2 to 6.

### 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(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

### Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

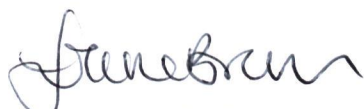
My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Charity and a comparison of the Accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the Accounts, and the seeking of explanations from you as 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

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 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: 14 APRIL 2025.