

WARREN RECREATION GROUND

(charity no: 283037)

Chairman's Report for the year-ending 31st March 2025 –

“As always, as chairman of the WRG Charity on behalf of all Trustees I would like to start by thanking East Preston Parish Council, and in particular its Amenities Committee and the Assistant Clerk, Dawn Reid, for the work involved in running the Warren Recreation Ground so smoothly through the reporting year.

“For context, the Warren Recreation Ground is leased to East Preston Cricket Club for sixty years from 1st May 2001. Within the lease, the recreation ground may be used “for the normal activities of a cricket club and (in the Club House only) for a playschool and occasional meeting house for local groups and private parties”.

“All the information below refers to the period of April 2024 to March 2025.

“At the beginning of the year, the council was very grateful to East Preston in Bloom for its work in creating a serenity garden in the south-eastern corner of the recreation ground and for its work on planting up the extended security mound between the car-park and the greenspace itself. Three new plastic benches were bought for the south-eastern corner, one donated by East Preston in Bloom, one a memorial bench donated to the village, and the third provided by the council. Subsequently, the council has received no reports of anti-social behaviour in the south-eastern corner. The shrubs chosen for the mound should provide colour year-round. Thank you Bloomers.

“The council provided three replacement planters for the northern side of the car-park. These have been well-received although maintenance of the plants has been a little problematic but addressed with the council's contractors. In light of this, the council has also initiated an increased frequency of site inspections of the Warren Rec. One of the planters has been dedicated to the late Rose Argles, an enthusiastic member of East Preston in Bloom from the very start.

“Various tree works were carried out on the eastern boundary, following a request from a household on that side. The initial works were not thought sufficient by the household and following a further meeting on site, unfortunately without cricket club representation, further tree works were agreed and were carried out after the end of the 2024 cricket season. The club has expressed its concern about these further works leaving properties in that direction more exposed and likely to receive cricket balls in their gardens until extended netting could be agreed and funded. The household in question had kindly offered a financial contribution to netting repairs and extension.

“The council started a project to look at options for replacing and expanding the outdoor gym equipment offering at the Warren Rec. Currently, although the council had set aside funding, this project has been put on hold.

“The council has been working with East Preston & Kingston Horticultural Society to improve the Health & Safety paperwork submitted for the society's Summer Show. As always, the 2024 show was a success but the society would always welcome more entries. See the society's website for details of how to enter any of its annual shows.

“Starting on 1st October 2024, the council entered into an agreement with Paul Wicks of Paul Wicks Garden Services for him to act as a volunteer ensuring the areas around memorial trees are kept clear and tidy. This includes a number of trees on Two Acres, adjacent to the Warren Recreation Ground. Thank you Paul.

“Following a lead from Angmering Parish Council, it was agreed to install a bicycle repair station at the entrance to the Warren Recreation Ground. The council was able to take advantage of a substantial special offer discount, but the stations had not been installed by the end of this reporting period.

“The council agreed to have the car-park markings repainted and budgeted for this to take place during the 2025-26 financial year.

“At the beginning of 2025, one of the council's contractors addressed all issues raised by the 2024 RoSPA report on the children's playground.

“Also in January, another council contractor damaged the railings adjacent to the height restriction barrier. The contractor duly agreed to cover the costs of repair or replacement.

“The council's Amenities Committee started to work with the neighbours along the western boundary on improvements to the trees and planting along that side. On the northern boundary, the council shared the costs of some replacement fencing.

"In sport, East Preston (Ladies) Stoolball Team reclaimed its position at the top of the Chanctonbury League and won the Coastal League for the third consecutive season, both competitions within the Sussex Stoolball League. Not such a good season for the cricket club, the 1st XI finishing 8th in its division of the Sussex Cricket League, whilst the 2nd XI finished 3rd in its division. Our thanks to the cricket club for its maintenance of the Warren Recreation Ground during the 2024 season. The council took a one-year break from running free tennis-coaching sessions in conjunction with the Angmering-on-Sea Lawn Tennis Club.

"I would like to thank David Macdonald of the Martlet Partnership for keeping the charity's finances in order. I would also like to thank all East Preston Parish Council staff and councillors for their efforts to keep the WRG a pleasant place so it can be enjoyed by everybody. Finally, may I also ask the users to keep the place in good order for everyone's benefit.

"Thank you."

S P Toney

Chairman – Cllr Steve Toney

Date: 8th September 2025



WARREN
RECREATION GROUND



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
Warren Recreation Ground

No (if any)
283037

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

Period start date
01/04/2024

To

Period end date
31/03/2025

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Rental Income	5,492	-	-	5,492	556
License Income	-	-	-	-	80
Contribution Income	40,740	-	-	40,740	38,116
Transfer from EMR	4,444	-	-	4,444	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	50,676	-	-	50,676	38,752
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	50,676	-	-	50,676	38,752
A3 Payments					
Administration	13,898	-	-	13,898	13,142
Direct Expenditure	36,779	-	-	36,779	25,611
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	50,677	-	-	50,677	38,753
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	50,677	-	-	50,677	38,753
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 1	-	-	- 1	- 1
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	- 1	-	-	- 1	- 1

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	Cash funds	1	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	1	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees		Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
		Simon Cross	SIMON CROSS	8/9/25
CCXX R2 accounts (SS)		2		18/12/2025

Summary Income & Expenditure by Budget Heading 31/03/2025

Month No: 12

Cost Centre Report

		Actual Year To Date	Current Annual	Variance Annual	Committed Expenditure	Funds Available	% Spent
WRG Trust	Expenditure	13,898	12,833	(1,065)		(1,065)	108.3%
Village Hall	Income	10	10	0			100.0%
EP Bowls Club	Income	0	0	(0)			0.0%
EP Cricket Club	Income	651	740	89			87.9%
WRG Tennis Court	Expenditure	57	750	693		693	7.6%
WRG Dog & Litter Bins	Expenditure	167	450	283		283	37.0%
WRG Car Park	Income	677	0	(677)			0.0%
	Expenditure	0	1,350	1,350		1,350	0.0%
	Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	<u>677</u>					
Open Spaces	Expenditure	10,896	20,000	9,104		9,104	54.5%
	plus Transfer from EMR	1,300	0	(1,300)			
	Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	<u>(9,596)</u>	<u>(20,000)</u>	<u>(10,404)</u>			
WRG Outdoor Gym Equip	Expenditure	42	500	458		458	8.4%
WRG Trees	Expenditure	11,096	17,000	5,904		5,904	65.3%
WRG Fives Court	Expenditure	17	250	233		233	6.7%
WRG Play Area	Expenditure	4,773	3,000	(1,773)		(1,773)	159.1%
	plus Transfer from EMR	3,144	0	(3,144)			
	Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	<u>(1,629)</u>	<u>(3,000)</u>	<u>(1,371)</u>			
WRG Seating	Expenditure	0	650	650		650	0.0%
WRG Sea Road Toilets	Income	4,154	0	(4,154)			0.0%
	Expenditure	9,731	14,650	4,919		4,919	66.4%
	Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	<u>(5,576)</u>					
Grand Totals:- Income		5,492	750	(4,742)			732.3%
	Expenditure	50,676	71,433	20,757	0	20,757	70.9%
	Net Income over Expenditure	<u>(45,184)</u>	<u>(70,683)</u>	<u>(25,499)</u>			
	plus Transfer from EMR	4,444	0	(4,444)			
	Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	<u>(40,740)</u>	<u>(70,683)</u>	<u>(29,943)</u>			

**Warren Recreation Ground
Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees
of Warren Recreation Ground.**

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 March 2025.

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 commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act
- 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 seeking 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 next statement.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Acthave not been met or
- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached



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