

HINGHAM PLAYING FIELD ASSOCIATION REGISTERED CHARITY NO. 286060 ANNUAL REPORT APRIL 2025

It has been a very busy year for the Sports Hall. HPFA Committee has agreed to focus on the key objective of providing a range of sports activities for all age groups. This goal has been achieved and we are pleased to report that the following clubs remain active and well supported:

- Badminton
- Over 60's short mat bowls
- Norfolk County Bowls
- Tennis
- Pickleball
- Judo
- Archery
- Table tennis
- Cricket, including occasional ladies cricket and youth matches
- Youth football
- Line dancing
- Norfolk Ladies Softball
- Norfolk Ladies Cricket

Sadly, mid season 2024/5 Hingham AG Football Club withdrew from the league due to insufficient players to fulfil fixtures. We have offered pitch hire to both Breckland United FC and a new Hingham Team for Saturday adult matches during the 2025/6 season, as well as the Hingham under 11's team, and a new Breckland United Under 15's team playing in a Sunday league. We await confirmation from the teams concerned.

Whilst in the past, large social events have been held on the premises, the weather during the last year led to the cancellation of a number of events due to extreme wet weather. Allowing vehicles onto playing pitches proved impossible without causing irreparable damage so sadly the 40's weekend and car show could not go ahead. It was also clear that the infrastructure at the hall (drainage and sewage systems) was designed to support smaller scale sporting events rather than commercial events attracting several thousand visitors. The renewed focus on sporting activities reflects our charitable purpose and will underpin our future developments. We have continued to welcome smaller scale events such as the Bottle Collector's annual meeting and regular Safe Rescue for Pets Charity Coffee mornings. We enjoyed hosting the Santa's Grotto

Committee Family Fun Day during the summer of 2024 and look forward to welcoming them again in August 2025.

We have invested in new LED lighting in the Sports Hall, which has reduced our carbon footprint, reduced costs and, equally importantly, improved the playing environment for all indoor sports. We have entered a contract with Anglian Water, who have installed a mast on site which will provide regular income. We have carried out extensive refurbishments to the playspace at the Sports Hall, as well as the Welcomme Space- this is subject of a detailed separate report. We continue to host the Hingham Community Cupboard on a weekly basis, their work is subject to a separate report. Hingham Sports & Social Club, trading as Abrahams, continue to rent the bar area from HPFA and host wakes, parties, quizzes and bingo regularly, as well as pool, darts and cribbage.

We are keen to attract new committee members and trustees to ensure that our Sports & Social Facilities are viable for the future. Please take the opportunity to chat with me (A/Chair) or other committee members if you are interested.

Paul Roberts.
Acting Chairman HPFA

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Registered charity 286060

Balance Sheet

Year Ended 31st December 2024

	2023		2024	
Fixed Assets				
Sports Hall	250,000		250,000	
Tennis Courts				
Garage	-		-	
Solar Panels	-		-	
Playspace	<u>25,000</u>	275,000	<u>25,000</u>	275,000
Current Assets				
Bank balances	52,478		47,893	
Investment Account			-	
Prepayments/Debtor	<u>-</u>	52,478	<u>-</u>	47,893
Current Liabilities				
Short Term Loan				
Creditors	<u>3,583</u>	3,583	<u>350</u>	350
Net Current Assets		<u>48,895</u>		<u>47,543</u>
		<u><u>323,895</u></u>		<u><u>322,543</u></u>
Represented By:-				
Reserves B/fwd		332,179		323,895
Investment Revaluation		165		-
Surplus/Deficit for the year		- 8,449		- 1,352
Closing Balance		<u><u>323,895</u></u>		<u><u>322,543</u></u>

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Income and Expenditure Account
Year Ended 31st December 2024

	2023	2024
INCOME		
Bank Interest	300.09	574.24
HSSC Rent	8,950.00	9,000.00
Sports Hall Hire and donation by HSSC	130.00	-
Cricket	850.00	1,280.00
Football	635.00	810.00
Shortmat Bowls	3,869.80	3,866.80
Norfolk & Over 60s Bowls	6,510.00	7,390.00
Badminton	4,285.00	4,600.00
Tennis	902.00	360.00
Pickle Ball	7,046.50	13,445.70
Archery	1,830.00	2,120.00
Judo	1,370.00	1,260.00
Toddlers	-	-
Post-Natal	690.00	10.00
Line Dancing	800.00	820.10
Table Tennis	974.00	980.00
Sports Hall Hire	7,175.00	4,990.00
Fuel - tokens	1,538.00	993.00
General Fund Raising	1,766.91	
Other Income	100.00	-
Total Income	49,722.30	52,499.84
EXPENDITURE		
Admin	3,960.00	4,369.99
Bins & Bottle Bank	3,463.34	2,688.81
Insurance	4,915.77	4,930.36
Rent & Rates	529.40	481.49
Play Field	5,440.20	858.00
Play Space		
Caretaker	8,118.99	10,933.50
Cleaning and Materials	12,152.89	10,536.41
Heating Oil	2,559.50	1,836.97
Electricity	13,284.80	7,711.04
Water	1,485.57	1,223.41
General Hall Maintenance	3,501.95	7,005.39
Total Expenditure	59,412.41	52,575.37
Running Surplus/ Deficit(-) for the year	-£ 9,690.11	-£ 75.53
Other Income		
Donations from Clubs for Outside Sign		800.00
SNC Grant for Outside Sign		700.00
Hingham Town Council Grant for Play Areas		21,557.00
South Norfolk Council Grant for Play Areas		20,000.00
Donations from Local Business for Play Areas		8,265.00
Fund Raising for Play Areas		1,323.71
Jubilee/Coronation Grant	836.00	
Investment Cashed In		
FITS Income	2,024.52	2,403.22
TOTAL Other Income	2,860.52	55,048.93
Extraordinary Expenditure		
Outside Sign		2857.20
Pickleball Equipment		142.90
Play Area Revamp - Watton Road & Welcomme Space- more in 2025		53,325.60
Coronation Expenditure	1,619.56	
Total Other Expenditure	1,619.56	56,325.70
Net Extraordinary Expenditure	£ 1,240.96	-£ 1,276.77
Net Income less Expenditure	LOSS - 8,449.15	LOSS - 1,352.30
	-£ 8,449.15	-£ 1,352.30



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name

Hingham Playing Field Association

On accounts for the year ended

31 December 2024

Charity no
(if any)

286060

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended DD / MM / YYYY.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. *Delete [] if not applicable.*

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below *) 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 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.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

Date:

8/10/25

Name:

Mark Lamb

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body

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Section B	Disclosure
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Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

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