



# Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	01	March	2023		31	December	2023

## Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Blunham Sports and Social Club (BSSC)

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any) 300009

Charity's principal address

36a Barford Road

Blunham

Bedfordshire

Postcode

MK44 3NA

### Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Neil Grice	Chair	01/01/2023-05/12/2023	
2	Max Hurst	Acting Co-Chair	05/12/2023-31/12/2023	
3	Richard Westhead	Acting Co-Chair	05/12/2023-31/12/2023	
4	Mark Thacker	BPC Rep		
5	Ian Kennedy	BPC Rep		
6	Clair Graham	Secretary	01/03/2023-06/09/2023	
7	Steve Feely		01/03/2023-30/05/2023	
8	Julian Forbes-Laird			
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### Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

### Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

### Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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## Section B Structure, governance and management

### Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Unincorporated Association
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Trustees are appointed or re-appointed for a period of one year through election at the AGM. Each nomination must be proposed and seconded by a current member of the BSSC and the election must be agreed at the AGM by support of a simple majority of eligible adult attendees according to the governance document. All Trustees are requested to sign a declaration document to confirm that they are not disqualified for acting as a trustee based on the Charity Commission pro-forma.

### Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

The BSSC provides a trustee's handbook to all trustees written as a guide in carrying out their responsibilities and legal documentation. This includes the BSSC constitution and policies covering equal opportunities, membership, Health and Safety and Child Protection. Additional training dependant on requirements is provided on request and with the agreement of trustees through attendance at applicable workshops.

The charity maintains close links with all organisations with positions on the committee provided for the Parish Council, Blunham Cricket Club and Blunham Youth Football Club and through consultation within the village.

## Section C Objectives and activities

**Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document**

To create a Sports and Social Club through which we promote and organise sporting activities, recreation, and social activities to benefit the residents of Blunham, members of the Association and affiliated organisations and guests.

To develop suitable amenities for these activities in line with the wishes of residents of Blunham and members.

**Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)**

During the course of the year the charity continued to develop the facilities available and provide social events.

In delivering recreational and sporting activities the play area, sporting facilities and playing fields are provided free with access for the enjoyment of all.

The playing field has continued to be maintained to a high level suitable to host county cricket matches, football matches and school sports days.

The pavilion is provided for hire to groups and individuals from the village and surrounding areas, and has seen use by local businesses, County Council for meetings and voting

**Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)**

BSSC would like to express its gratitude for the help and support it has received from volunteers, villagers, sports clubs and the Parish Council in order for us to continue to provide and develop the playing fields and putting on events such as the Fireworks and Party In The Park. The BSSC could not provide this service without the continued support of the village and local residents

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

## Section D

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### Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The BSSC carried out several events during March 2023 – December 2023, including:

- A Coronation Lunch in celebration of the coronation of King Charles III.
- Party In The Park
- Blunham's Annual Fireworks Night.

All events engaged the wider community and were put on with the support of many local organisations, such as Blunham Village Hall, Blunham Parish Council, St Edmunds or St James Church, The Horseshoes Pub, Blunham Football Club and Blunham Cricket Club.

## Section E Financial review

### Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The policy for reserves remains to retain one year's operating costs on an ongoing provision with additional restricted funds for capital projects.

### Details of any funds materially in deficit

N/A

### Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

This reporting period covers 1<sup>st</sup> March 2023 – 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023. The Charity has agreed to change its financial reporting period from March-February to January-December; in order to do this it requires to report on a shortened period as a one off adjustment.

## Section F Other optional information

Neil Martin Grice stood down as BSSC Chair following an EGM on 5<sup>th</sup> December 2023. Following this decision Max Aaron Hurst and Richard Westhead took over the roles of Acting Co-Chairs to provide stability to the Charity until the next AGM.

## Section G Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

### Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s) M A Hurst

R Westhead

Full name(s) Max Aaron Hurst

Richard Westhead

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Acting Co-Chairs

**Date** 09/05/2024



Blunham Sports & Social Club		300009		CC16a
Receipts and payments accounts				
For the period from	01/03/2023	To	31/12/2023	

## 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 £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Membership	465	-	-	465	50
Donations	600	-	-	600	-
Bar	37,436	-	-	37,436	26,565
Cricket Match Subscriptions	1,450	-	-	1,450	4,634
Football Match Subscriptions	650	-	-	650	-
Play Area	-	-	-	-	-
Pavilion	587	-	-	587	50
Fundraising Events (Note 1)	12,583	-	-	12,583	8,229
Interest on Bank Accounts	26	-	-	26	2
Grants	-	-	-	-	-
Field	1,212	-	-	1,212	1,898
Misc	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>55,009</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>55,009</b>	<b>41,428</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>55,009</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>55,009</b>	<b>41,428</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Bar	25,749	-	-	25,749	24,203
Field	6,677	-	-	6,677	2,915
Football	-	-	-	-	-
Utilities	4,837	-	-	4,837	3,700
Insurance	2,657	-	-	2,657	2,641
Pavilion Upkeep	2,686	-	-	2,686	2,462
Events	6,627	-	-	6,627	13,250
Miscellaneous	1,664	-	-	1,664	168
Donations to Charities	-	-	-	-	1,725
Grant Spend (note 2)	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>50,897</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>50,897</b>	<b>51,064</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
Benches	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>50,897</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>50,897</b>	<b>51,064</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>4,112</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4,112</b>	<b>- 9,636</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>11,886</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>11,886</b>	<b>21,522</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>15,998</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>15,998</b>	<b>11,886</b>



## 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 £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Current Account	13,503	-	-
	Deposit Account	2,244	-	-
	Business Premium Account	1	-	-
	Cash in Hand	250	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>15,998</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
	account(s)	OK	OK	OK
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	Pavilion and Internal Furnishings		114,912	140,000
	Laminator		50	-
	Bar Stock		-	250
	Fridge		500	
	PA/Karaoke Machine		300	
	Picnic Benches		4,991	-
	Defibrillator		1,975	-
	BMX Shelter		2,106	-
	BBQ		432	-
	Amplifier		150	-
	Oven		120	-
	<b>B5 Liabilities</b>	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
		Neil Grice		

### Note 1 - Breakdown of main fundraising events

	Current	Last Year
Bonfire Night	7,198	8,229
Party in the Park	2,610	-
Celebration Lunch	1,500	-
Christmas	1,275	-



**Section A**

**Independent Examiner's Report**

**Report to the trustees/  
members of**

Charity Name  
Blunham Sports & Social Club (BSSC)

**On accounts for the year  
ended**

31/12/2023

**Charity no  
(if any)**

300009

**Set out on pages**

1 & 2

(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 31/12/2023.

**Responsibilities and  
basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent  
examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below \*) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn 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:**

09/05/2024

**Name:**

Kim McGregor

**Relevant professional  
qualification(s) or body  
(if any):**

Qualified Accountant - AAT

**Address:**

10 Laxton Close

Eaton Ford

St Neots PE19 7AR

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight 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.**

None