



**CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 6th April 2024 To 30th November 2024

Charity name: Marigolds Recreation Ground

Charity registration number: 301329

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To develop the Harlow Cricket Pavilion for the use of the general public and to encourage the use of the grounds by youngsters to develop their learning.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	To hold and maintain land for the recreational use of the residents of Harlow and surrounding areas within a four-mile radius of St Mary's Church, Churchgate Street, Old Harlow. Part of the land being open space as play areas for children, and other parts for use by self-supporting sports clubs.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	N/A
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	N/A
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	N/A
Other		N/A

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Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>The sports grounds continue to be occupied by Harlow Cricket Club playing cricket. The club gives a lot of time and effort into training youngsters of both sexes and has many who turn up for summer evening practice. The club has two grounds at Harlow and runs five Saturday teams, one Sunday teams and Colts of under 16's, 15's, 13's, 11's 10's and 9's and allows the second wicket on Spicers Field to be used by Netteswell and Burnt Mill Cricket Club on Sundays. the club celebrated its 250th anniversary in 2024 having been playing cricket at the Marigolds since 1774.</p> <p>Spicers Field is still the 2nd cricket ground with a designated children's play area on the western boundary. The Club lacks enthusiasm to maintain the edges and surrounds of this second cricket field. The Trust has taken over some of this maintenance.</p> <p>The cricket pavilion has allowed the Cricket Club to let it for various functions providing increased income for the Club.</p> <p>The Harlow Bowling Club occupies a corner of Marigolds Field with both men's and women's teams having their share of success. The bowling rink especially and the rest of the area are in extremely good condition.</p> <p>The Forebury continues as open space for general recreational use for children and dog walkers etc.</p> <p>Essex County Council continue to use the Fire Station with a new lease under discussion. Their problem is the existing appliance house is too small for a standard fire engine and they have to have a special one.</p> <p>The fence between the cricket ground and the bowling green has been fully erected and appears to be answering its purpose of stopping the majority of cricket balls.</p> <p>The trust considers most of the land and buildings thereon to be in a good and satisfactory state.</p>

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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	N/A
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	N/A
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	N/A
Other		N/A

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	No such uncertainties

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	N/A
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	N/A
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	N/A
Other		N/A

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	
How is the charity constituted? (e.g. unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Unincorporated
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	N/A
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	N/A
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	N/A
Other		N/A

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Marigolds Recreation Ground
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	301329
Charity's principal address	The Tiled House 8 Watlington Road Old Harlow, Essex CM17 0DX

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	Dr. P. O'Shea	Chairman		
2	A.C. Chapman	Secretary & Treasurer		
3	P. Brooker			
4	T. Evans			
5	S. Radbourne			
6	A.L.R Chapman			
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	N/A
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	N/A
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	N/A

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
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Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	<i>A. Charles Chapman</i>	
Full name(s)	<i>Alexander Charles Chapman</i>	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	<i>Secretary & Treasurer</i>	
Date	<i>13th June 2025</i>	



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
Marigolds Recreation Ground

No (if any)
301329

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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 06/04/2024	To	Period end date 30/11/2024
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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	12,927	-	-	12,927	2,427
Dividends On Investments	12,190	-	-	12,190	17,449
Bank Interest	256	-	-	256	490
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	25,373	-	-	25,373	20,366
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
Investment Sales	11,166	-	-	11,166	26,268
Income received taken against book cost of investments	437	-	-	437	-
Sub total	11,603	-	-	11,603	26,268
Total receipts	36,976	-	-	36,976	46,634
A3 Payments					
Insurance	1,338	-	-	1,338	1,393
Secretarial	7,720	-	-	7,720	7,140
Ground Maintenance	2,882	-	-	2,882	3,114
Surveyor	872	-	-	872	750
Accounting	1,512	-	-	1,512	1,440
Nominee & Custody Charge	1,376	-	-	1,376	2,607
Entertaining	150	-	-	150	-
Accrued interest on UK bond purchases	138	-	-	138	-
Sub total	15,987	-	-	15,987	16,444
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Investment Purchases	31,000	-	-	31,000	59,063
Sub total	31,000	-	-	31,000	59,063
Total payments	46,988	-	-	46,988	75,507
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 10,011	-	-	- 10,011	- 28,873
A5 Transfers between funds					
A6 Cash funds last year end	31,772	-	-	31,772	60,645
Cash funds this year end	21,761	-	-	21,761	31,772

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	Trustee Community & Premium	12,262	-	-
	JM Finn Deposit	9,499	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	21,761	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))			
	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

B3 Investment assets

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
Shares	Unrestricted	-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
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B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

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



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Marigolds Recreation Ground

On accounts for the
period ended

30th November 2024

Charity no
(if any)

301329

Set out on pages

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the period ended **30 / 11 / 2024**.

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 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.

Signed:

ATM

Date:

13/6/25

Name:

Mr Andrew Taffs

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

ICAEW

Address:

*AFRIMA, 10-12 MULBERRY GREEN, OLD MARLOW,
ESSEX, CM17 0ET*

Section B

Disclosure

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.