

West Ham Boys Club

Report & Financial Statements

31 May 2025

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Reference and Administrative Details

For the year ended 31 May 2025

Charity Registration number 303180

Charity Registration date 14th May 1963

Legal Status Charitable Trust

Headquarters and operational address
Jordan Hall
2 London Road
London
E13 0DN

Trustees	Stephen Hoier	(as well as being Acting General Secretary)
	Bill Curbishley	
	John May	
	Jason Beard	appointed July 2025

Other Officers	Dean Hollington	Chair
	Nadia Alves	Assistant Secretary
	Russell Gerrard	Competition Secretary
	Chris Penny	Head Coach
	Sarah Abdelmattalab	Community Services Volunteer

Bankers
Barclays Bank
1 Churchill Place
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Independent Examiner
Patrick J Gray
Chartered Accountant
56 Bracken Drive
Chigwell
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West Ham Boys Club

Trustees' Report

For the year ended 31 May 2025

The trustees present the annual report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 May 2025

Objectives And Activities

Promotion of amateur boxing and sporting activities in the local area.

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

Club objects and Services

The trustees submit their annual report to 31 May 2025 for West Ham Boys Club (WHBC), registered charity number 303180, the original charitable objectives of which are for the purposes of running a boy's club although today its membership also is fully inclusive of girls and young women.

The Club provides services for children and young people in amateur sport, in particular amateur boxing, with its main focus of operation in the London Borough of Newham. To this end it operates a building / facility and provides human resources in terms of volunteer officers, sports coaches and trainers. The Club is an affiliate of the National Clubs for Young People and the London Federation of Youth which offers access to a wider range of youth activities beyond its own core areas It is also affiliated to England Boxing.

Club 2025 AGM – Appointment Of New Club Trustee

The Club AGM for 2025 took place at the Club on January 23rd, 2025. In the annual election of Officers and Committee those currently in post who had agreed to continue in service were re-elected , In particular these included Chair Dean Hollington , Assistant Secretary Nadia Alves while Stephen Hoier agreed to remain as Acting General Secretary while the work towards a new Club Constitution to replace the 1960s Constitution with one more fit for purpose is at a stage to submit to the Charities Commission , Chris Penny was confirmed as Head Coach.

Jason Beard was nominated and agreed to become the 4th Trustee at the Club and the AGS who is also Reporting Trustee to the CC was asked to take forward the process with Jason submitting his required personal ID such that he be confirmed in post before the next AGM.

Achievements and Performance – Agreement with LBN on a new 20-year lease of its gym and premises. The Clubs future assured and a National Lottery grant for refurbishment.

By the end of 2025 WHBC had been in its new gym/clubhouse for 12 years. Its original occupation had been under a 7-year lease from the London Borough of Newham which expired in March 2020 at the very commencement of the National Covid 19 Lockdown under which all youth and sporting clubs were statutorily required to cease all group activity and close until further notice.

The Club had been told by London Borough of Newham that discussion on a new lease could not begin until the final part of the last year of the lease i.e. from March 2019 to March 2020. However, events in that year: cutbacks to LBN budgets from government grants, and staffing; the resulting change of the Clubs link officers with LBN meant no discussions on a new lease could be held before the Covid Pandemic Crisis struck. At that point like many local authorities many LBN staff were furloughed under the Government scheme.

The Club were informed their continued occupation of the premises by the Club was sanctioned by a temporary licence from LBN and it should continue to pay its rent and charges on the established basis. That initial licence was until April 2021, but when that date arrived the Pandemic continued and it was further rolled over indefinitely until the new lease could be negotiated and the Club re-establish its occupation with a formal lease.

The renegotiation of a new 20 year lease on the premises previously known as the Curwen Centre/Jordan Hall was a lengthy process in which the Club Chair Dean Hollington was indefatigable on 2 fronts and the Trustees wish to place on the record their sincere thanks for his work which was time consuming for such a successful businessman to spare but highlights his commitment to the Club.

Previous Trustee Reports have set out how since 2021 it has been necessary for Voluntary Organisations active in Newham looking for financial support or equivalent e.g. a substantial rental discount on LBN owned premises they are leasing for valuable community work to engage in a Social Value Audit process. It is only LBN socialere to remind that with the Curwen Centre market rent assessed by LBN Valuers at well in excess of £50k the Club needed to agree with the relevant section of LBN social value outputs and outcomes together aggregating on the scoring system used to at least a 70% discount on the market rent with a preferable target of 75%. Of the time taken to renegotiate a new lease 90% of it went on this part of the process.

Only once this was agreed could discussions begin on the second front with LBN Valuers of the full terms of a lease of 20 years and in addition a break clause should an SVA discount on market rent of the required amount prove unachievable.

At the most significant Club Committee Meeting in years with all Trustees present on March 23rd, 2025, the final 20-year lease was signed and agreed in the required format between the Mayor and Burgesses of London Borough of Newham and the Trustees of the West Ham Boys Club.

Without secure premises few voluntary organisations in London are able to survive not least because without this they cannot usually access grants and awards especially of a capital type from grant giving charities and statutory organisations.

Significantly within days of the new lease being agreed the National Lottery awarded the Club a grant of £20,000 towards the first phase of refurbishment at the gym /clubhouse including the ladies' toilets. An active fundraising campaign has now begun to enable further improvements.

TAKEN TOGETHER THESE ENSURE THE CLUBS FUTURE IS LOOKING BRIGHT

CLUB SHOWS AND EVENTS IN THE 2024-2025 SEASON

Celebration of the Clubs Centenary Year had necessarily had to be delayed a year because of the National Pandemic Lockdown, but we previously reported on the very high-profile Centenary Dinner Shows with special guests and Centenary Club Awards held until the end of the 2023 season.

In the 2024-2025 season the Club came into its 103rd year since foundation and above we set out how the Clubs future has now been assured with that crucial 20-year Lease The 2024-2025 season might have been a more low key one without that. A number of Club boxers previously highlighted as winning national titles or BoxCup medals had moved to the professional ranks. So, the main task with the coaching and training team has been to bring through a new generation of boxers from those starting out in the sport. However, the Coaching / Training Team now 10 in number is now visibly strengthened with newcomers bringing together a welcome mix of experienced Trainer / Coaches with a proven track record of success. The Trustees would like to acknowledge the steadfast enthusiastic dedication of our Coaching/ Training Team by naming them in our Report: Matt Batty, Mutaz Cheliat, Russell Gerard, Tony Griffiths, Sara M, Bernie Miller, Harry Penny, Chris Penny, Joey Peters, Dai Pullen. We give our sincere thanks for their 1st, Class Volunteer service.

Two Gala Dinner Shows were held at the prestigious Prince Regent Hotel Chigwell venue. The first was in November 2024 with 7 quality boxing bouts the majority with West Ham boxers participating. There were Championship tournaments in full swing in a crowded England boxing programme which made it a challenging time to mount Club Shows on both fixture dates. However, these Dinner Shows were successful as events and as key financial contributors to Club funds. The second Dinner Show was in May 2025 with 9 quality bouts and most with West Ham boxers involved.

There is a huge amount of work involved in organising and running these Dinner Shows and being unable to attend myself I want to place on record my gratitude in particular to Officers Dean Hollington Nadia Alves Chris Penny, Russell Gerrard and to Trustees Bill Curbishley and Jason Beard attending Trustees for their contributions of different kinds .

Other Club Shows

Open Club Shows were focused on getting as many bouts as possible and as a rule were joint shows with other local Clubs such as Fight for Peace and Peacock Clubs.

Championship Success by Members

Two notable successes by Club boxer members in National Championships run by England Boxing deserve to be highlighted.

From the Spring of 2023 there was a new Club Boxing Captain in Freddie Pullen who also represented the Members by attending the Club Committee. Freddie had been among the most regular to turn out for England International duty in multinational tournaments around the World since getting his first England vest in 2024. But it is with particular pleasure we congratulate him on winning the Senior National Elite Championship at 60 kilos in March 2025. He then attended his first 4 Nations Championship in Cardiff in May 2025 where he emerged a Runner Up

In the Schools Championships Suleyman Elmegedt emerged as a National Champion in exceptional style and clearly looks to have a great future in the sport

Club Work in the Community remains a priority.

The Club remains proud of its close links with and work it undertakes in the community .which were a priority in the former Service Level Agreement and even more so under the agreed Social Value Audit There is community outreach to such locations as New Community College led by our hugely committed Community Service Team . Regular sessions for local University students take place at the Club gym twice a week in term time for 4-hour sessions.

Organisational structure

WHBC Management Committee are responsible for providing the overall strategic direction of the organisation. In May 2023 the Committee agreed a 5 Year Business and Activity Plan. Volunteer officers, trainer/coaches and Committee members wholly run the WHBC. It does not employ paid staff, The regular Committee meetings enable the Officers who carry out the agreed policies on behalf of the Club Committee to report to it on progress and consult with it to agree financial decisions, affiliations and other policies. The Club has adopted the model policies of London Youth on equality, diversity, safeguarding and other issues.

Financial Review;

The total incoming resources for the year amounted to £85,917 (£73,189 - 2024). A increase of £12,728(17.38%). Expenditure for the year increased by £10,796 (21.84%) from 49,425 in 2023/24 to £60,221. The surplus for the year of £25,695 compares to a surplus of £23,764 in 2023/24. The surplus will be added to the general reserves, which now stand at £125,917 (£100,221 - 2024.) In this year West Ham Boys Club succeeded in sustaining much of its funding.

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with the United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and applicable law and regulations.

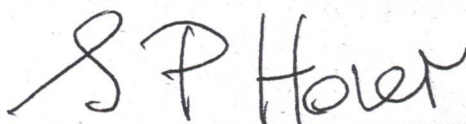
The law applicable to charities requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to assume that the charity will continue on that basis

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the applicable Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations, and the provisions of the constitution. The trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Trustees' are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charitable Trust and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the Trustees' on 15/4/2026 2026 and signed on its behalf by



Stephen Hoier
Trustee

Independent Examiners Report

To the members of

West Ham Boys Club

I report on the financial statements of the Charitable Trust for the year ended **31 May 2025** which are set out on pages 11 to 13

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. The 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. The charity's gross income did not exceed £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of The Institute of Chartered Accountants of Scotland

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the Financial Statements under section 145 of the 2011 Act
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- 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 financial statements present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent Examiners Report

To the members of

West Ham Boys Club

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 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities

have 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.

Emphasis of matter - Going concern

In common with many other charitable organisations, the charity is dependent on periodic grants to ensure its continuation as a going concern. There is no certainty about continued funding. In view of the significance of this financial uncertainty, I consider that it should be drawn to your attention, but I do not qualify my report in this respect.



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Date :

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Statement of financial activities (Incorporating an income and expenditure account)

For the year ended 31 May 2025

		2025 Total £	2024 Total £
Incoming resources	Note		
Grants		20,000	-
Training Income		12,349	16,065
Subscriptions & Membership Fees		17,056	12,484
Charitable Donations		17,260	29,414
Boxings Shows & Fees		18,950	14,984
Activities to generate funds:			
Investment Income		302	242
Total incoming resources	2	85,917	73,189
Resources expended			
Rent		7,462	6,538
Council tax		344	299
Water rates		1,035	526
Heat, light & power		3,433	7,370
Insurance		1,732	164
Boxing shows and entry fees		17,189	13,503
Coaches & Trainers		4,930	4,600
Depreciation of fixed assets		9,086	9,086
Premises Costs		1,488	849
Printing, postage and stationery		151	108
Travel & Accommodation		4,966	2,841
Other Expenses		1,397	449
Advertising/Memberships		33	511
Legal Costs		5,585	-
Accountancy fees		1,350	2,300
Training Costs		40	280
Charitable Activities		60,221	49,425
Total resources expended		60,221	49,425
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources		25,696	23,764
Funds at 1 June 2024		100,221	76,457
Funds at 31 May 2025		125,917	100,221

All of the above results are derived from continuing activities. There were no other recognised gains or losses other than those stated above.

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Balance sheet

As at 31 May 2025

	Note	£	2025 £	2024 £
Tangible fixed assets	3		10,487	19,573
Current assets				
Debtors	4	-		1,733
Cash at bank and in hand		119,185		84,020
		119,185		85,754
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	5	3,755		5,106
Net current assets			115,430	80,648
			125,917	100,221
Funds				
Retained funds			125,917	100,221
Total funds			125,917	100,221

Approved by the management committee on 15/4/2026 2026 and signed on its behalf by

Stephen Hoier

Stephen Hoier
Trustee

West Ham Boys Club

Notes to the financial statements

For the year ended 31 May 2025

1. Accounting policies

- a) The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. They have also been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standard, the Statement of Recommended Practice, "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" issued in March 2005, the Companies Act 2006, and the Financial Reporting Standard (FRS102) (issued on 16th July 2014)

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by Section 34 FRS 102

The charity has taken advantage of the exemption in FRS102 from the requirement to produce a cash flow statement because it is a small charity.

- b) Voluntary income is received by way of donations and gifts and is included in full in the statement of financial activities when received.
- c) Revenue grants are credited to the statement of financial activities when received or receivable which ever is earlier, unless they relate to a specific future period, in which case they are deferred.
- d) Gifts in kind represent assets donated for distribution or use by the charity. Assets given for distribution are recognised as incoming resources only when distributed. Assets given for use by the charity are recognised when receivable. Gifts in kind are valued at the amount actually realised from the disposal of the assets or at the price the charity would otherwise have paid for the assets.
- e) Grants for the purchase of fixed assets are recognised in full in the statement of financial activities in the year in which they are received.
- f) Fixed assets are for use by the charity in fulfilling its main charitable objects and are capitalised and depreciated. Depreciation is provided on all fixed assets at rates calculated to write off the cost of each asset over its estimated useful life. The depreciation rates in use are as follows:

Gym equipment	5 years straight line
Computer equipment	4 years straight line
Other tangible fixed asset	10 years straight line

Where expenditure is incurred on replacement software for a facility that already exists and does not provide any significant extra facilities, it is treated as revenue expenditure in the year in which it is incurred.

- g) All leases of equipment are operating leases, and rentals are charged to the statement of financial activities on a straight line basis over the length of the lease. No assets are held under hire purchase agreements.

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2. Incoming resources

	2025 Total £	2024 Total £
Grant Income	20,000	-
Subscriptions	17,056	12,484
Training Income	12,349	16,065
Bank Interest	302	242
Donations	17,260	29,414
Dinner Show	18,950	14,984
Total	85,917	73,189

3. Tangible fixed assets

	Motor Vehicles	Gym Equipment	Other tangible fixed asset £	Total £
Cost				
At 1 June 2024	4,219	3,500	83,864	91,583
Additions in year		-	-	-
At 31 May 2025	4,219	3,500	83,864	91,583
Depreciation				
At 1 June 2024	4,219	700	67,091	72,010
Charge for the year		700	8,386	9,086
At 31 May 2025	4,219	1,400	75,477	81,096
Net Book Value				
At 31 May 2025	-	2,100	8,387	10,487
At 31 May 2024	-	2,800	16,773	19,573

	2025 £	2024 £
4. Debtors		
Prepayments	-	1,733
	0	1,733

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Notes to the financial statements

For the year ended 31 May 2025

5. Creditors : amounts falling due within one year

	2025 £	2024 £
Accruals	3,590	3,340
Trade Creditors	165	1,766
	<u>3,755</u>	<u>5,106</u>

6. Management committee members' remuneration and expenses

The Club trustees in accordance with charity law received no remuneration. Committee members are reimbursed for expenses incurred in discharging their duties for the Club. During the year no expenses were paid to reimburse members. £Nil (2024- Nil in total).