

ERDINGTON RECREATIONAL TRUST

England & Wales · Charity number 503066

Details

Other names	CHARITY FOR RECREATIONAL AND OTHER PURPOSES, ERDINGTON COURT SPORTS CLUB
Status	Registered
Legal form	Other
Registered	1974-04-03
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

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Activities

Objects: TO PROVIDE OR ASSIST IN THE PROVISION OF FACILITIES FOR RECREATION AND OTHER LEISURE-TIME OCCUPATION FOR THE INHABITANTS OF EERDINGTON AND ITS NEIGHBOURHOOD, WITH THE OBJECT OF IMPROVING THE CONDITIONS OF LIFE FOR THE SAID INHABITANTS.

Activities: Indoor and outdoor bowls & cricket club

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Amateur Sport
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, Other Defined Groups

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** ERDINGTON AND NEIGHBOURHOOD
- Birmingham City
- Sandwell
- Staffordshire
- Walsall
- Warwickshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-04-30	£82,694	£80,023	-	-
2024-04-30	£75,603	£68,519	-	-
2023-04-30	£69,676	£43,462	-	-
2022-04-30	£75,816	£55,082	-	-
2021-04-30	£47,992	£34,370	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
ROBERT PAUL ROBINSON	Chair	
David Holder		2016-09-26
John Reid		2022-03-09
Les Barrett		2021-09-15
Simon Paul Kimberley		2023-09-20
Suzanne Ursell		2016-09-26

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Accounts

ERDINGTON RECREATIONAL TRUST	Actual
REVENUE ACCOUNT	12 Mths
12 Mths	30/04/25
30/04/25	£
Subscriptions	32,769
Green Fees	22,920
Sponsorship	900
Donations	1,006
Room Hire & Sale of Equip	970
Social Committee	2,555
Gift Aid	3,334
Sundry Income	8,375
Grants	7,343
Interest Received	2,522
TOTAL INCOME	82,694
EXPENSES	
Heat & Light	16,856
Rates & Insurance	11,404
Total Utilities costs	28,259
Printing, stationery & adverts	1,029
Telephone & postage	847
Total Admin costs	1,876
Secretary's Expenses and Affiliation Fees	2,195
Legal & Professional Fees	0
Total Professional costs	2,195
Bank charges	197
Equipment Leasing	3,367
Card Machine charges	1,016
Total Finance costs	4,579
Repairs & Renewals	23,490
Cleaning Materials	6,838
Sundry expenses	2,931
Total Premises costs	33,260
Outdoor Green Depn	0
Indoor Green Depn	3,763
Equipment Depn	6,090
Total Depreciation costs	9,853
Total Overheads	80,023
SURPLUS / (DEFICIET)	2,671
Retained Bfwd	362,281
Retained Cfwd	364,953

ERDINGTON RECREATIONAL TRUST BALANCE SHEET 12 Mths 30/04/2025	Actual 12 Mths 30/04/2025 £
Fixed Assets	
Property	193,603
Solar	18,475
Outdoor Green	
Indoor Green	7,526
Fixtures	29,001
	248,604
Current Assets	
Bar stock	942
Vending stock	100
Prepayments	6,221
Sundry Debtors	
Social Comm Bank Account	3,381
Bowls Club Bank Account	1,530
Bowls Cash	369
Bowls Tour Bank Account	15,762
Trust Current Bank Account	11,646
Carpet Reserve Bank Account	12,888
Liquidity Bank Account	86,307
	139,145
Current Liabilities	
Trade creditors	
Accruals	-22,797
Sundry Creditors	0
	-22,797
Net current assets / liabilities	116,348
	364,953
Represented by:	
Profit & loss account	-364,953
	-364,953
	0

ERDINGTON RECREATIONAL TRUST
INDEPENDENT REVIEW STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH APRIL 2025

I have examined the books and records of Erdington Recreational Trust and in my opinion the Financial Statements give a true and fair view of the Charity's affairs at 30th April 2025.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 1992.



Sean Hatfield CGMA

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT 2024-2025

There has been no change in the Trust's objective to provide a recreational facility for the people of Erdington and the surrounding district.

Income continues to be derived from subscriptions and from fees paid at the time of use of the indoor and outdoor facilities. The focus this year has been to continue the strengthening of communication with the local community and to encourage them to use the Club and its facilities. This has been very successful with several more community groups now using the facility on a regular basis. Local residents have also taken advantage of the Warm Space initiative at the Club throughout the year.

Despite the general rise in the cost of living, the Club has seen a modest increase in membership, helped by the offering of different membership options and payment schemes.

Bowls and cricket continued to be played regularly throughout the respective seasons, with a new cricket club (Aston Unity) taking over use of the cricket facility from September 2024 in preparation for the 2025 cricket season.

We have continued to further utilise the now well-established cashless payment systems for items such as membership, green fees and bar usage. The Club remains virtually cashless, easing the administrative burden and reducing the risks posed by cash payments.

The financial position of the Trust remains robust. However, the Club continues to explore ways of obtaining grant-aid funding for capital expenditure projects. The Trust was successful in securing funding from Birmingham City Council and from Birmingham Airport Community Trust Fund, which enabled the installation of solar panels and the construction of a new accessibility ramp. The solar panels have helped to reduce utility bills, and once connected to the grid, will provide some income to offset costs.

The programme of improvement to the Club facilities to coincide with Bowls Club's Centenary Year was largely completed, and included refurbishment of the lounge area, a car park extension, as well as the solar panel installation and accessibility ramp.

The "Bowl for Health" initiative has continued and proved highly successful in bringing former members back into the club and introducing new members. Several attendees have again commented on the benefits of the sessions for their physical and mental well-being.

Continuing good and regular communication with members and sponsors along with an effective marketing strategy and tight cost controls should enable the Club to continue to look to the future with confidence.

The Trust continues to have a full complement of Trustees, and the Trustees receive no remuneration or other benefits from the charity.

Financial statements have been prepared reporting the financial position of the Charity.

Robert P. Robinson

Chairman, Erdington Recreational Trust

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Accounts

ERDINGTON RECREATIONAL TRUST	Actual
REVENUE ACCOUNT	12 Mths
12 Mths	30/04/24
30/04/24	£
Subscriptions	34,717
Green Fees	20,544
Sponsorship	570
Donations	439
Room Hire & Sale of Equip	2,306
Social Committee	2,331
Gift Aid	3,133
Sundry Income	5,833
Grants	3,803
Interest Received	1,928
TOTAL INCOME	75,603
EXPENSES	
Heat & Light	18,665
Rates & Insurance	8,958
Total Utilities costs	27,623
Printing, stationery & adverts	2,876
Telephone & postage	394
Total Admin costs	3,270
Secretary's Expenses and Affliation Fees	1,688
Legal & Professional Fees	0
Total Professional costs	1,688
Bank charges	234
Equipment Leasing	3,367
Card Machine charges	831
Total Finance costs	4,432
Repairs & Renewals	19,242
Cleaning Materials	6,874
Sundry expenses	1,628
Total Premises costs	27,744
Outdoor Green Depn	0
Indoor Green Depn	3,763
Equipment Depn	0
Total Depreciation costs	3,763
Total Overheads	68,519
SURPLUS / (DEFCIET)	7,084
Retained Bfwd	355,197
Retained Cfwd	362,281

ERDINGTON RECREATIONAL TRUST BALANCE SHEET 12 Mths 30/04/2024	Actual 12 Mths 30/04/2024 £
Fixed Assets	
Property	193,603
Outdoor Green	0
Indoor Green	11,289
Equipment	0
	204,892
Current Assets	
Bar stock	714
Vending stock	150
Prepayments	5,905
Sundry Debtors	0
Social Comm Bank Account	8,826
Bowls Club Bank Account	2,745
Bowls Cash	202
Bowls Tour Bank Account	11,390
Trust Current Bank Account	8,025
Carpet Reserve Bank Account	137,663
Bar Cash float	0
	175,619
Current Liabilities	
Trade creditors	
Accruals	-18,230
Sundry Creditors	0
	-18,230
Net current assets / liabilities	157,389
Long term loans	0
	0
	362,281
Represented by:	
Profit & loss account	-362,281
	-362,281
	0

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT 2023-2024

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Despite the general rise in the cost of living, the Club has not seen a decline in membership.

Bowls and cricket continued to be played regularly throughout the respective seasons.

We have continued to further utilise use the now well-established cashless payment systems for items such as membership, green fees and bar usage. The Club remains virtually cashless, easing the administrative burden and reducing the risks posed by cash payments.

Income has now returned to pre-pandemic levels and the financial position of the Trust remains robust. The Club continues to explore ways of obtaining grant aid funding for future capital expenditure projects. The large increases in utility bills continue to put a strain on day-to-day finance. Measures have been implemented to reduce gas and electricity usage wherever possible. A further change in utility companies and careful monitoring of usage have also mitigated the effects of the price increases. After careful consideration, the programme of improvements to the Club facilities in preparation for the Bowls Club's forthcoming centenary was commenced. The programme included redecoration of the indoor arena, provision of metal handrails on the outdoor green, and repainting of outdoor areas.

The "bowls for health" initiative has continued and proved highly successful in bringing former members back into the club and introducing new members. Several attendees have commented on the benefits of the sessions for their physical and mental well-being.

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The Trust continues to have a full complement of Trustees.

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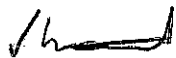
Robert P. Robinson

Chairman, Erdington Recreational Trust

ERDINGTON RECREATIONAL TRUST
INDEPENDENT REVIEW STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH APRIL 2024

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In my opinion the accounts have been properly prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 1992.



Sean Hatfield CGMA

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Accounts

ERDINGTON RECREATIONAL TRUST	Actual
REVENUE ACCOUNT	12 Mths
12 Mths	30/04/23
30/04/23	£
Subscriptions	29,953
Green Fees	19,379
Sponsorship	1,000
Donations	286
Room Hire	2,183
Social Committee	2,265
Gift Aid	2,348
Sundry Income	7,622
Grants	4,018
Interest Received	622
TOTAL INCOME	69,676
EXPENSES	
Heat & Light	12,162
Rates & Insurance	7,293
Total Utilities costs	19,456
Printing, stationery & adverts	675
Telephone & postage	571
Total Admin costs	1,246
Steward	0
Bar Costs (wage)	0
Secretary's Expenses and Affiliation Fees	846
Legal & Professional Fees	0
Total Professional costs	846
Bank charges	197
Equipment Leasing	3,309
Card Machine charges	867
Total Finance costs	4,373
Repairs & Renewals	6,744
Cleaning Materials	6,321
Sundry expenses	714
Total Premises costs	13,779
Outdoor Green Depn	0
Indoor Green Depn	3,763
Equipment Depn	0
Total Depreciation costs	3,763
Total Overheads	43,462
SURPLUS / (DEFICIET)	26,213
Retained Bfwd	328,983
Retained Cfwd	355,197

ERDINGTON RECREATIONAL TRUST	Actual
BALANCE SHEET	12 Mths
12 Mths	30/04/2023
30/04/2023	£
Fixed Assets	
Property	193,603
Outdoor Green	0
Indoor Green	15,051
Equipment	0
	208,655
Current Assets	
Bar stock	1,110
Vending stock	100
Prepayments	4,613
Sundry Debtors	0
Social Comm Bank Account	6,438
Bowls Club Bank Account	2,754
Bowls Cash	112
Bowls Tour Bank Account	9,592
Trust Current Bank Account	17,122
Carpet Reserve Bank Account	125,792
Bar Cash float	0
	167,633
Current Liabilities	
Trade creditors	
Accruals	-21,091
Sundry Creditors	0
	-21,091
Net current assets / liabilities	146,542
Long term loans	0
	0
	355,197
Represented by:	
Profit & loss account	-355,197
	-355,197
	0

There has been no change in the Trust's objective to provide a recreational facility for the people of Erdington and the surrounding district.

Income continues to be derived from subscriptions and from fees paid at the time of use of the indoor and outdoor facilities. The focus as in the previous year has been to strengthen communication with members to encourage them to return to the Club and use the amenities, and also to encourage use from the wider local community. This has largely been successful as several community groups now use the facility on a regular basis, with local residents also having taken advantage of the Warm Space initiative at the Club during the winter months.

Despite the general rise in the cost of living, the Club has not seen a significant decline in membership.

Bowls and cricket were played without limitations and are now back to pre-Covid playing conditions.

The cashless payment systems for items such as membership, green fees and bar usage that had proved successful during the pandemic have continued. The Club is now virtually cashless, which has eased the administrative burden and reduced the risks that were posed by cash.

Income has not yet quite returned to pre-pandemic levels. However, government grants previously received have ensured that the financial position of the Trust remains robust. The large increases in utility bills put a strain on day-to-day finance, and therefore capital expenditure was kept to a minimum. Measures have been implemented to reduce gas and electricity usage wherever possible. A change in utility companies and careful monitoring of usage have also mitigated the effects of the price increases. Any future proposed capital expenditure needs to be carefully reviewed whilst income levels are assessed.

To cover the increase in operational costs, efforts have been made to provide alternative income streams. These include the provision of a vending machine, increasing the use of the lounge, and the introduction of "bowls for health" initiatives.

Good and regular communication with members and sponsors along with an effective marketing strategy and tight cost controls should enable the Club to continue to look to the future with confidence.

The Trust continues to have a full complement of Trustees.

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Chairman, Erdington Recreational Trust

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CHAIRMAN'S REPORT 2021-2022

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Income continues to be derived from subscriptions and from fees paid at the time of use of the indoor and outdoor facilities. The focus in the last year has been to strengthen communication with members to encourage them to return to the Club and use the amenities. This has largely been successful and we have seen membership stabilise at pre-pandemic levels.

Outdoor bowls and cricket were played but there were some limitations because of continuing Covid-19 regulations. The newly installed fresh-air ventilation system allowed indoor bowls to be played in an environment that was as safe as possible.

The move towards a cashless payment system for items such as membership, green fees and bar usage that had proved successful during the pandemic is to be continued moving forwards.

Although income has not returned to pre-pandemic levels, government grants have ensured that the financial position of the Trust remains strong. However, the likely large increases in utility bills will undoubtedly put a strain on finances in the forthcoming year and capital expenditure will need to be limited. Measures will also need to be implemented to reduce gas and electricity usage wherever possible.

To cover the inevitable increase in costs, every effort will need to be made to look at potential for alternative income streams from within the Club in order to reduce reliance on membership/green fees.

Good and regular communication with members and sponsors along with an effective marketing strategy and tight cost controls during these ongoing difficult times should enable the Club to continue to look to the future with confidence.

The Trust has been further strengthened through the addition of three new Trustees to bring the Trust to its full complement.

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Robert P. Robinson

Chairman, Erdington Recreational Trust

ERDINGTON RECREATIONAL TRUST	Actual
REVENUE ACCOUNT	12 Mths
12 Mths	30/04/22
30/04/22	£
Subscriptions	23,834
Green Fees	16,728
Sponsorship	1,715
Donations	1,373
Room Hire	950
Social Committee	1,297
Gift Aid	987
Sundry Income	2,411
Grants	26,504
Interest Received	18
TOTAL INCOME	75,816
EXPENSES	
Heat & Light	5,080
Rates & Insurance	6,220
Total Utilities costs	11,300
Printing, stationery & adverts	284
Telephone & postage	356
Total Admin costs	640
Steward	0
Bar Costs (wage)	0
Secretary's Expenses and Affiliation Fees	1,990
Legal & Professional Fees	0
Total Professional costs	1,990
Bank charges	276
Equipment Leasing	393
Card Machine charges	662
Total Finance costs	1,331
Repairs & Renewals	28,951
Cleaning Materials	6,032
Sundry expenses	1,074
Total Premises costs	36,058
Outdoor Green Depn	0
Indoor Green Depn	3,763
Equipment Depn	0
Total Depreciation costs	3,763
Total Overheads	55,082
SURPLUS / (DEFICIET)	20,734
Retained Bfwd	308,249
Retained Cfwd	328,983

ERDINGTON RECREATIONAL TRUST	Actual
BALANCE SHEET	12 Mths
12 Mths	30/04/2022
30/04/2022	£
Fixed Assets	
Property	193,603
Outdoor Green	0
Indoor Green	18,814
Equipment	0
	212,418
Current Assets	
Bar stock	713
Trade Debtors	0
Prepayments	5,529
Sundry Debtors	0
Social Comm Bank Account	
Bowls Club Bank Account	2,713
Bowls Club Cash	29
Bowls Tour Bank Account	21,642
Trust Current Bank Account	5,704
Carpet Reserve Bank Account	115,170
Bar Cash float	58
	151,560
Current Liabilities	
Trade creditors	
Accruals	-34,994
Sundry Creditors	0
	-34,994
Net current assets / liabilities	116,565
Long term loans	0
	0
	328,983
Represented by:	
Profit & loss account	-328,983
	-328,983
	0

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH APRIL 2022

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In my opinion the accounts have been properly prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 1992.

S Davies 30th November 2022

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Accounts

ERDINGTON RECREATIONAL TRUST	Actual
REVENUE ACCOUNT	12 Mths
12 Mths	30/04/21
30/04/21	£
Subscriptions	17,437
Green Fees	329
Sponsorship	454
Donations	76
Social Committee	0
Gift Aid	1,576
Sundry Income	0
Grants	28,096
Interest Received	24
TOTAL INCOME	47,992
EXPENSES	
Heat & Light	2,763
Rates & Insurance	4,667
Total Utilities costs	7,431
Printing, stationery & adverts	0
Telephone & postage	23
Total Admin costs	23
Steward	2,400
Bar Costs (wage)	1,053
Secretary's Expenses and Affiliation Fees	393
Legal & Professional Fees	0
Total Professional costs	3,847
Bank charges	99
Card Machine charges	18
Total Finance costs	117
Repairs & Renewals	16,383
Cleaning Materials	2,309
Sundry expenses	494
Total Premises costs	19,187
Outdoor Green Depn	3
Indoor Green Depn	3,763
Equipment Depn	0
Total Depreciation costs	3,766
Total Overheads	34,370
SURPLUS / (DEFICIET)	13,622
Retained Bfwd	295,201
Retained Cfwd	308,823

ERDINGTON RECREATIONAL TRUST	Actual
BALANCE SHEET	12 Mths
12 Mths	30/04/2021
30/04/2021	£
Fixed Assets	
Property	193,603
Outdoor Green	0
Indoor Green	22,577
Equipment	0
	216,181
Current Assets	
Stock	0
Trade Debtors	0
Prepayments	3,142
Sundry Debtors	0
Bowls Club Bank Account	644
Bowls Cash	69
Trust Current Bank Account	32,295
Carpet Reserve Bank Account	80,152
Bar Cash float	58
	116,361
Current Liabilities	
Trade creditors	0
Accruals	-23,718
Sundry Creditors	0
	-23,718
Net current assets / liabilities	92,643
Long term loans	0
	0
	308,823
Represented by:	
Profit & loss account	-308,823
	-308,823
	0

ERDINGTON RECREATIONAL TRUST
INDEPENDENT REVIEW STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH APRIL 2021

I have examined the books and records of Erdington Recreational Trust and in my opinion the Financial Statements give a true and fair view of the state of the Charity's affairs at the 30th April 2021, and of its result for the year ended on that date.

In my opinion the accounts have been properly prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 1992.

S Davies 29th September 2021

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT 2020-2021

There has been no change in the Trust's objective to provide a recreational facility for the people of Erdington and the surrounding district.

Income continues to be derived from subscriptions and from fees paid at the time of use of the indoor and outdoor facilities. The focus in the last year has been to maintain communication with members and to provide bowls and cricket facilities within the constraints of Covid-19 regulations.

The Covid-19 pandemic has had a significant impact on the running of the Club during the time the country has been in and out of lockdown.

Some outdoor bowls and cricket was played, but only under the strict guidelines of the relevant governing bodies. Indoor bowls was only played for a couple of weeks at the start of the season in October 2020, but was then suspended as the Covid-19 situation worsened.

In order to ensure members' safety, numerous measures had to be put in place. These measures included the provision of a new fresh air ventilation system linked to the heating system. This will be of considerable value in enhancing a pleasant and safe environment for members to play indoor bowls. The Club has introduced an online booking system to facilitate members' booking of indoor and outdoor bowls rinks. The Club has moved to cashless payments for most items, including bar purchases, membership subscriptions, and green fees. All of these measures have proved successful and there has been no evidence of any member contracting Coronavirus whilst using the Club's facilities.

Although income was considerably reduced due to the pandemic, the overall financial health of the Trust remains strong as a result of prudent financial control and of successful applications for government grants, together with a reduction in rates.

With the Trust remaining in a good financial position, it was able to progress with the replacement of the indoor bowls carpet as previously budgeted for, and also with the installation of digital scoreboards on each indoor rink.

The good and regular communication with members and sponsors along with an effective marketing strategy during this very difficult time should enable the Club to move forward in the future with the confidence to further improve the Club's facilities in the post-pandemic era.

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Robert P. Robinson

Chairman, Erdington Recreational Trust