



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1st April 2022 Period start date To 31st March 2023 Period end date

Charity name: Chilton Miners Welfare Recreation Ground

Charity registration number: 520757

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The Miners Welfare fund was established in 1920 to be applied to <i>purposes connected with social wellbeing, recreation and conditions of living, of workers in or about coal mines</i> . A committee to administer the fund "the Miners Welfare Committee " established in 1925 and the conveyancing of land and assets for the purpose of the charity is dated 13 th February 1934 governing the Miners Welfare Recreation Ground (charity no. 520757) in the Town of Chilton.
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	Operation and maintenance (environmental contract) for the Miners Welfare Recreation Ground including: Tennis Croquet Football – no matches played Public Events
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	We can confirm that all Trustees have due regard of the Charity Commission on public Guidance when making decisions. We have now included it as part of Trustee induction and training.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	

Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		

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	We have operated in line with Trust Deed and objects of the charity to provide social wellbeing, recreation and support for health and wellbeing from the community of Chilton. Providing outdoor recreational spaces and sports facilities.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

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

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Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	During the year 2022/23 the charity received income of £10,926, an annual grant of £30,000 from Chilton Town Council plus additional funds of £15, 037 to cover increased costs for ground maintenance repairs. Expenditure £55,963 for grounds maintenance and utilities
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	No reserves held
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	N/A
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	N/A

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	Grant from Chilton Town Council
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	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed , royal charter)	Para 1.25	Trust Deed
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association , CIO)	Para 1.25	Chilton Town council is the Corporate Trust
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	Elected and Co-opted Council Members are automatically appointed as Trustees

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	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Chilton Miners Welfare Recreation Ground
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	520757
Charity's principal address	Hutton House Durham Road Chilton Co Durham DL17 0HE

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	Chilton Town council			
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

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Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

[illegible]

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

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

Additional information (optional)

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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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)		
Full name(s)		
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)		
Date		

MINERS WELFARE RECREATION GROUND

**EXAMINERS REPORT
FOR THE PERIOD ENDING
31ST March 2023**

CHARITY NO. 520757

OVERVIEW

Chilton Miners Welfare Recreation Ground (CMWRG) is a registered charity, see scheme of 21st November 1933, conveyance dated 13th February 1934. Legal advice is being taken on adopting a governing document.

Members of Chilton Town Council are elected onto a Management Committee which is also the charity trustees for the purpose of charity law.

The CMWRG is a registered charity with land and a building with day to day management carried out by Chilton Town Council.

The aims and objectives of the CMWRG is to “use the land to be used as Recreation and Pleasure Grounds for the benefit of the inhabitants of Chilton and the neighbourhood”.

During the year 2022/23 the CMWRG received income of £10,926, and a grant from the Council is agreed every year towards the expenditure in the Councils accounts.

Expenditure as recorded in the Town Council’s accounts for the year 2022/23 was £55,963 which are for running of the CMWRG such as grounds maintenance and utilities,

The day to day expenditure for the charity is recorded in the Town Council Finance system (RIALTUS) under account codes set up for the CMWRG.

I understand from 1st April 2023 the Charity will have its own bank account and all income and expenditure will be recorded in here.

The income and expenditure for the Charity are not recorded in the Councils annual accounts.

Independent Examiners Report

I (Gordon Fletcher, CMIIA) have reported on the accounts of the Miners Welfare Recreation Ground for the financial year ending 31st March 2023

This report is in respect of an examination carried out under section 43 of the Charities Act 1993 and in accordance with the directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 43(7)(b).

The examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the trustees, including a review of the accounts and making such enquiries as are necessary for the purpose of this report.

Based on my examination, it is my belief that the CMWRG would not have been able to function without the support of the Council, who pay the accounts. These payments have been verified as correct. Income from any fees and charges have also been confirmed.

If the Council is to contribute to the running costs of the CMWRG then a grant should be agreed by the Council every year during the budget setting process.

No other matter has come to my attention, and the remaining accounts presented do accord with the accounting requirements of the Charities act 1993. However, I understand there are some legal issues being looked into by the Council's solicitor which is detailed in the Council's annual audit report.

The Trustees are responsible for maintaining proper accounting records, which disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the Charity. This report has been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities (issued March 2005)



Gordon Fletcher (C.M.I.I.A.)

Independent Auditor

Date: 1st February 2024

**Income and expenditure records for Chilton Miners Welfare
Recreation Ground for the period ending 31st March 2023**

Opening Fund Balance as at 1 st April 2022	= £ 60,465
Add Income received during the year 2022/23	= £ 10,926
Add budgeted Grant income during 2022/23	= £ 30,000
Less Expenditure from accounts during 2022/23	= - £ 55.963
Less expenditure from bank book	= £ 0
Closing Fund Balance as at 31 st March 2023	= £ 45,428

For details of breakdown of income and expenditure, see next pages

Reconciliation of Fund as at 31st March 2023

Fund balance as at 1st April 2022	= £ 60,465
Expenditure over income for 2022/23	= £ -15,037
Reconciled Balance as at 31st March 2023	= <u>£ 45,428</u>

Breakdown of income

Income

Fees and Charges	= £	8,467
Bank interest (book)	= £	59
Donations and contributions	= £	<u>2,400</u>

TOTAL **= £ 10,926**

Breakdown of Expenditure (Recorded in Town Council Accounts)

Ground Maintenance	= £	23,905
Repairs and Maintenance	= £	4,691
Electricity	= £	1,616
Telephone	= £	407
Water	= £	1,889
Gas	= £	769
Rates	= £	-1547
Professional Fees	= £	18,480
Plants	= £	346
Plant watering	= £	230
Inspections	= £	990
Cleaning	= £	107
Legionella test	= £	710
Attendant extra hours	= £	3,370
Total expenditure	= £	<u>55,963</u>

Report to the Trustees of MINERS WELFARE RECREATION GROUND

On the accounts for the year ended 31st March 2023

DATE: 1st February 2024

1. Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiners

- 1.1 The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the Act), as amended by s.28 of the Charities Act 2006) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts (under section 43 of the Act, as amended),
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 43(7)(b) of the Act, as amended), and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

2. Basis of independent examiner's statement

- 2.1 My examination was carried out in accordance with 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 the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

3. Independent examiner's statement

- 3.1 **In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention which is not shown in my examiners report.**

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the trustees have not met the requirements to ensure that:
 - proper accounting records are kept (in accordance with section 41 of the Act); and
 - accounts are prepared which agree with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Act; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed



Date: 1st February 2024

**GORDON FLETCHER
(CMIIA)**