

**MINERS WELFARE RECREATION GROUND**

**EXAMINERS REPORT  
FOR THE PERIOD ENDING  
31<sup>ST</sup> March 2025**

**CHARITY NO. 520757**

## **OVERVIEW**

Chilton Miners Welfare Recreation Ground (CMWRG) is a registered charity, see scheme of 21<sup>st</sup> November 1933, conveyance dated 13<sup>th</sup> February 1934.

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 2023/24 the CMWRG has set up its own accounts and does not rely on the Council to record any income and expenditure. All income and expenditure is recorded in its own current bank account with reconciliation sheets shown each month and invoices attached. The income and expenditure for the Charity are therefore not recorded in the Councils annual accounts

On reconciling the current account for the year 2024/25 the CMWRG received income of £57,432 (£12,058 was agreed by Council for an advance of 2025/26 grant so that invoices could be paid in March 2025.

Expenditure as recorded in the CMWRG accounts for the year 2024/25 was £45,932 which is mainly for running of the CMWRG such as grounds maintenance and utilities. This gives a surplus of £11,499 for the year, with a closing balance as at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025 of £11,724.

On reconciling the deposit account for the year 2024/25 the CMWRG income received in May 2024 was of bank interest of £649 and expenditure was £50,000 which was transferred to the Council bank account for monies owed. This gave a deficit of £49,351 and a closing balance as at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025 of £46,754

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## **Independent Examiners Report**

I (Gordon Fletcher, CMIIA) have reported on the accounts of the Miners Welfare Recreation Ground for the financial year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025

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 give a grant every year.

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.

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: 30<sup>th</sup> July 2025

**Income and expenditure records for Chilton Miners Welfare  
Recreation Ground for the period ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025**

Opening Fund Balance as at 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2024	=	£ 96,329
Add Income (including grants) received during the year 2024/25	=	£ 58,081
Less Expenditure during 2024/25	=	- £ 95,932
Closing Fund Balance as at 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2025	=	<b>£ 58.478</b>

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

**Reconciliation of Fund as at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025**

<b>Deposit account as at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025</b>	<b>= £ 46,754</b>
<b>Current account as at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025</b>	<b>= £ 11,724</b>
<b>Reconciled Balance as at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025</b>	<b>= <u>£ 58,478</u></b>

## **Breakdown of income**

### **Income**

<b>Grants</b>	<b>= £ 45,058</b>
<b>Refunds</b>	<b>= £ 4,792</b>
<b>Room Hire</b>	<b>= £ 2,250</b>
<b>Tennis</b>	<b>= £ 2,927</b>
<b>Croquet</b>	<b>= £ 800</b>
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	<b>= £ 1,605</b>
<b>Bank interest 24/25</b>	<b>= £ 649</b>

**TOTAL** **= £ 58,081**

## **Breakdown of Expenditure**

<b>Ground Maintenance</b>	<b>= £16,780</b>
<b>Attendance Hours</b>	<b>= £ 2,979</b>
<b>Play Area Inspections</b>	<b>= £ 1,489</b>
<b>Repairs and Maintenance</b>	<b>= £10,909</b>
<b>Electricity</b>	<b>= £ 2,113</b>
<b>Telephone</b>	<b>= £ 153</b>
<b>Water</b>	<b>= £ 1,616</b>
<b>Gas</b>	<b>= £ 390</b>
<b>Insurance</b>	<b>= £ 3,958</b>
<b>Professional Fees</b>	<b>= £ 4,690</b>
<b>Administration</b>	<b>= £ 132</b>
<b>Cleaning</b>	<b>= £ 127</b>
<b>Equipment</b>	<b>= £ 596</b>
<b>Transfer of monies owed</b>	<b>= £ 50,000</b>
<b>Total expenditure</b>	<b>= <u>£ 95,932</u></b>