

**CHARITY REG NO: 523250**

**THE HOLLIS RECREATION GROUND**  
**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND FINANCIAL**  
**STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

## **THE HOLLIS RECREATION GROUND**

### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES for the year ended 31 March 2024**

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The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2024.

#### **REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATION DETAILS**

**Charity Name:** The Hollis Recreation Ground

**Registered Charity number:** 523250

**Principal address:** Atwick Road  
Hornsea  
East Yorkshire  
HU18 1EE

#### **Charity Trustees**

The following persons are currently registered as the charity's trustees:

Mr Tom Copeland  
Mr Nicholas Marshall  
Mr Iain Bland  
Mr David Topham  
Mr Graham Janes

#### **Holding (Custodian) Trustees**

The following people are acting as custodian trustees, holding land on behalf of the charity:

Mr David Coates  
Mr Andrew Marson

#### **Accountant**

Patrick Scargill FCCA  
Sowerby FRS LLP  
Beckside Court  
Annie Reed Road  
Beverley  
East Yorkshire  
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## **THE HOLLIS RECREATION GROUND**

### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (continued) for the year ended 31 March 2024**

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#### **STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

##### **Governing document**

The charity is governed by conveyances dated 17 January 1928 and 1 October 1947, amended by scheme on 6 October 2000.

##### **How the charity is constituted**

The charity is constituted as a trust.

##### **Charitable status**

The charity became registered, under a standard registration, at the Charity Commission on 18 March 1964.

##### **Holding trustees**

According to the governing document, there will be between two and six holding trustees, who hold the charity's property.

##### **Trustees**

According to the governing document, members of the management committee, who are the administrative trustees of the charity, are made up as follows:

- One elected;
- Two appointed by the holding trustees; and
- One appointed by each of the member organisations.

In addition, the committee may appoint not more than two co-opted members.

Each trustee's term of office ends at the first Annual General Meeting following their appointment, but all can be re-elected or re-appointed.

#### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

##### **Objects**

The charity's objects, as set out in its governing document, are:

‘To improve the conditions of life for the inhabitants of the area of benefit without distinction of political, religious or other opinions by the provision and maintenance of a recreation ground.’

The ‘area of benefit’ is Hornsea.

##### **Activities**

Throughout the year, the charity has continued to operate in furtherance of its charitable objects by providing facilities for a number of local sports clubs.

The trustees are aware of the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit. All trustees have been made aware of this guidance and will continue to have due regard to it in considering the charity's activities.

## THE HOLLIS RECREATION GROUND

### REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (continued) for the year ended 31 March 2024

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#### ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

##### Main achievements of the charity

The charity has continued to maintain facilities for the use of its members throughout the year.

The Board of trustees is operating effectively. The robust decision making has resulted in an encouraging direction of travel that underpins the objectives and activities.

#### FINANCIAL REVIEW

##### Reserves Policy

The charity's policy on reserves is to maintain an average positive balance of six months to cover the cash flow requirements arising. Expenditure will only take place if there are funds available to support that expenditure.

If restricted funds are received, they are only expended in the manner for which the funds were given, and steps are taken to use those funds expediently for the specified purpose.

At the 31 March 2024, total reserves, in the form of cash and bank balances, were £23,760, of which £0 was represented by restricted funds and £23,760 was represented by unrestricted funds (2023: £31,266, of which £0 was restricted funds and £31,266 was unrestricted funds).

##### Sources of funding

The charity's principal source of funding is the subscriptions from the member clubs as provided for in the Memorandum of Understanding, which details how the clubs are to interact with the charity.

The charity also benefits from net income derived from the operation of its bar, and also from fundraising events.

#### DECLARATION

This trustees' report has been approved by the trustees and is signed on their behalf:



Trustee

**Mr Nicholas Marshall**



**Mr David Topham**

Date: 29th January 2025

Date: 29th January 2025

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF  
THE HOLLIS RECREATION GROUND  
for the year ended 31 March 2024**

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Hollis Recreation Ground ('the Charity') for the year ending 31 March 2024 set out on pages 5 to 7.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity's trustees, 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 Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by Section 130 of the Act;
- or
- the accounts do not accord with those 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 this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Patrick Scargill FCCA  
Sowerby FRS LLP  
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Annie Reed Road  
Beverley  
East Yorkshire  
HU17 0LF

Date:

**THE HOLLIS RECREATION GROUND**  
**RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	2023 Total Funds
	£	£	£	£
<b>Receipts</b>				
Bar sales	83,873	-	83,873	72,601
Members' subscriptions	7,500	-	7,500	7,500
Donations including grants	-	-	-	-
Fundraising	-	-	-	-
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>91,373</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>91,373</b>	<b>80,101</b>
<b>Payments</b>				
Bar supplies	45,865	-	45,865	41,652
Bar staff and other direct expenses	19,460	-	19,460	19,540
Fundraising expenses	-	-	-	-
Heat and light	8,786	-	8,786	4,309
Rates and water	6,854	-	6,854	755
Insurance	1,632	-	1,632	1,655
Licences	530	-	530	339
Telephone and internet	423	-	423	351
Maintenance & hygiene	7,382	-	7,382	3,182
Accountancy	2,496	-	4,496	413
Bank charges	1,588	-	1,588	1,018
Other	3,864	-	3,864	3,586
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>98,878</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>98,878</b>	<b>76,799</b>
<b>Fixed asset additions</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Net excess of receipts over payments for the year</b>	<b>(7,506)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(7,506)</b>	<b>3,303</b>
Bank & cash funds brought forward at beginning of year	31,266	-	31,266	27,963
Net deficit for the year	(7,506)	-	(7,506)	3,303
<b>Bank &amp; cash funds carried forward at end of year</b>	<b>23,760</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>23,760</b>	<b>31,266</b>

**THE HOLLIS RECREATION GROUND**  
**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**  
**AS AT 31 MARCH 2024**

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	2023 Total Funds
	£	£	£	£
<b><u>Assets</u></b>				
<b>Bank &amp; cash funds</b>				
Bank balances	23,575	-	23,575	31,080
Cash balances	185	-	185	185
<b>Total bank &amp; cash funds</b>	<b>23,760</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>23,760</b>	<b>31,266</b>

The charity also held assets in the form of land and buildings for use in furtherance of its charitable objects.

The notes form part of these financial statements.

These financial statements have been approved by the trustees and are signed on their behalf:

Trustee: 

**Mr Nicholas Marshall**

Date: 29th January 2025

Trustee: 

**Mr David Topham**

Date: 29th January 2025

## **THE HOLLIS RECREATION GROUND**

### **Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2024**

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#### **ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

##### **Basis of preparing the financial statements**

The financial statements have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis.

##### **Receipts**

Receipts consist of bar takings, members' subscriptions, grants, fundraising income, donations and sundry other receipts.

##### **Payments**

Payments consist of amounts expended in relation to the charity's work in furtherance of its charitable objects.

##### **Fund accounting**

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds are funds whose manner of expenditure is subject to conditions set out by the donor.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds which have been earmarked for a specific purpose by the trustees.

Throughout the year to 31 March 2024, and the previous year, there were no restricted funds. There were no designated funds.