

Registered Charity No. 523358

HELMSLEY RECREATIONAL CHARITY

**TRUSTEES REPORT AND ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31ST DECEMBER 2020**

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Governance and Trustees

The Helmsley Recreational Charity (The Charity) is an amalgamation of two charities, Helmsley Recreation Ground and the John Atkinson Memorial Playing Field, under a scheme produced by the Charity Commission in December 2006. Helmsley Town Council is Sole Trustee of Helmsley Recreational Charity.

The principle address of the Charity is c/o Helmsley Town Council, The Old Vicarage, Bondgate, Helmsley, York YO62 5BP.

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Charitable Objectives as set out in the governing document are:

1. In the interests of social welfare, to improve the conditions of life of the beneficiaries without distinction of political, religious or other opinions by the provision and maintenance of a recreation ground, and
2. In the interests of social welfare, to improve the conditions of life of the beneficiaries without distinction of political, religious or other opinions by the provision and maintenance of facilities for recreation and other leisure time occupation;

Main achievements of the Charity during the year - 2020

This was the first year of two 25-year leases, one to Helmsley Sports Club CIO – the Pavilions, Bowling Green, Tennis Courts, play area and public toilets, and one to Helmsley Outdoor Swimming Pool CIO.

The Charity Commission agreed an amendment to the Governing Document in June 2020 to enable the JAMPF to be leased. Work is ongoing to agree a lease of the JAMPF from the Charity to the Helmsley Sports Club.

Helmsley Recreational Charity has no plans to lease the car park. Both CIOs will contribute towards the maintenance of the car park via a sinking fund. An agreement of £250pa from each for five years starting in 2020 has been made.

2020 was the first year of the Covid-19 pandemic and this seriously impacted on all activity including fund raising. The pool was closed, sports rarely allowed and the play and gym areas closed intermittently. Many sports clubs' volunteers found time between the various restrictions to carry out a lot of practical work on the JAMPF for the Charity. The Charity bought materials and the volunteers repaired fencing, replaced gates, installed bins, repaired the Scoring Shed and repaired and altered the Scratching Shed. This work is much appreciated and has saved the Charity considerable sums in maintenance.

Some trees had to be felled following the 2020 Tree Inspection and indeed the JAMPF has lost a number of trees over the years. A Trees Working Group has been set up to consider suitable replacements.

North of the car park is a 's106 field' sports field - a developer contribution that can be leased from Helmsley Estate for a nominal sum for 99-years. If Helmsley Recreational Charity leases it, it is intended to sub-lease it to Helmsley Sports Club who plan to install a Multi-Use-Games-Area in one corner. Helmsley Town Council has given a small grant towards the MUGA and earmarked a larger sum towards the costs. A football pitch has been created on this field, the quality and safety of which is currently being disputed between various parties.

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Valuation Office Agency

In mid-December 2019 the Clerk of Helmsley Town Council applied to Ryedale District Council Business Rates to have the Business Rates account split between the Charity and the leaseholders, as per their leases. The leases and plans were supplied. The request was refused by the Valuation Office Agency.

This refusal had repercussions as in spring 2020 it meant that only the Charity could request a Covid-19 Hospitality payment. Helmsley Sports Club and the Pool could not apply as they lacked Business Rate account numbers. The Charity submitted an application and given the ratable value of the property as a whole was awarded £25,000.

A Check & Challenge Appeal by Helmsley Recreational Charity was made to the Valuation Office Agency so that each CIO could have its own ratable value. In order to beat the closing date for Covid-19 support grant applications, the VOA fast-tracked the appeal so that the two CIOs could apply for the grants on their own behalf if it was successful, which it was. Helmsley Recreational Charity was advised in writing that even though its ratable value had decreased with the split of the property after the appeal, it could keep the £25,000 awarded. As a result it repaid £3,500, the outstanding half of a £7,000 loan received in 2019, to Helmsley Town Council.

Grants

The Charity does not usually award any grants, although, under the terms of the Governing Document, it may.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

No funds were in deficit during the year.

Policy of the Charity in respect of reserves

Two working groups have been set up to plan for the financial future of the Charity, one with representatives of Helmsley Sports Club, the other with representatives of the Pool. Recommendations from either group on budgets and spending can be made to the Charity for consideration at a Trustee meeting.

Declaration

The Trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the Charity's Sole Trustee:

Full Name: Councillor Jonathan James Fairburn
Position: Chairman of Helmsley Town Council

Date: 4th of May 2021

Signature:



Full Name: Victoria Fiona Ellis
Position: Town Clerk/ Responsible Financial Officer

Date: V. Ellis

Signature:

4th May 2021

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF HELMSLEY RECREATIONAL CHARITY

I report on the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31st December 2020 which are set out on pages 5 and 6.

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Charity's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; The Charity's Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to our attention.

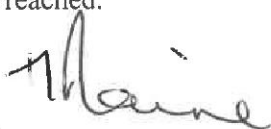
Basis of independent examiner's report

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 accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

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 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act 2011 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.



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Dated: 12th July 2021

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2020

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	2020 £	2019 £
RECEIPTS:				
Food inc. crisps and peanuts	-		0	4,088
Liquor and other drinks	-		0	12,052
Events/Room/Facilities Hire	-		0	2,808
Members Discount	-		0	-6
Pool, Snack & Ice Cream Sales	-		0	4,646
Pool Entry, Pool Hire & Events	-		0	55,895
Donations	920		920	11,529
Grants	25,000		25,000	162,531
Miscellaneous Income	2,336		2,336	2,972
	<u>28,256</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>28,256</u>	<u>256,514</u>
EXPENDITURE:				
Salaries/HMRC	-		0	29,392
Broadband/Telephone	-		0	237
Fees, Licences, Insurance	2,043	250	2,293	14,741
Training	-		0	660
Bank Charges	72		72	147
Food Purchases	-		0	1,189
Drink Purchases	-		0	6,581
Snacks & Ice Cream	-		0	1,973
Maintenance inc. Alarms	38		38	209,036
Cleaning materials & bar gas	-		0	450
Chemicals	-		0	2,116
Energy-heat, light LPG	410		410	15,626
Equipment	-		0	1,754
Grounds Maintenance	3,513		3,513	709
Miscellaneous costs	0	3,281	3,281	524
Water	392		392	6,461
Advertising/Marketing/Websites	438		438	1,123
Play Equipment/Maintenance	487		487	8,765
Grants Payable	-		0	29,633
	<u>7,394</u>	<u>3,531</u>	<u>10,925</u>	<u>331,117</u>
Net Payments over Receipts	20,862	-3,531	17,331	-74,603
Total Funds as at 31st December 2019	4,246	3,531	7,778	82,381
Total Funds as at 31st December 2020	<u>25,109</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>25,109</u>	<u>7,778</u>

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	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	2020 £	2019 £
ASSETS				
GENERAL FUNDS				
Cash Funds				
Current Account	25,109	-	25,109	10,892
Deposit Account	-	-	-	-
Cash in Hand	-	-	-	-
	<u>25,109</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>25,109</u>	<u>10,892</u>
OTHER ASSETS				
HMR&C VAT	-	-	-	386
Investment Assets (at cost - donated)				
Clubhouse and Buildings	-	-	-	-
Sports Fields	-	-	-	-
Swimming Pool	-	-	-	-
	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>386</u>
TOTAL ASSETS as at 31st December 2019	<u>25,109</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>25,109</u>	<u>11,278</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES				
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	-	-	-	3,500
	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3,500</u>
NET ASSETS OVER NET LIABILITIES	<u>25,109</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>25,109</u>	<u>7,778</u>