Rathfriland Football Club

Northern Ireland · Charity number 104638

Details

Status	Received
Registered	2016-03-31
Register	View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register

Contact

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Activities

Purposes: The club is established for the promotion of community participation in healthy recreation by the provision of facilities for a football club open to members of the general public in the Rathfriland area and its environs of/in Newry (herein called the 'area of benefit').

What the charity does: The advancement of amateur sport

How the charity works: Community development,Cross-border/cross-community,Education/training,Sport/recreation,Volunteer development,Youth development

Who the charity helps: Adult training,Children (5-13 year olds),Men,Voluntary and community sector,Volunteers,Women,Youth (14-25 year olds)

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£139,965	£160,292	£0	0

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Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Mr David Gilmore		
Mr Desmond Davenport		
Mr Howard Newman Murray		
Mr Lindsay Bronte		
Mr Mark Ingram		
Mr Trevor Weir		

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Annual Report and Unaudited Financial Statements

for the financial year ended 31 December 2024

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TRUSTEES' AND OTHER INFORMATION

Trustees	Howard Newman Murray Trevor Weir John Annett Lindsay Bronte Desmond Davenport Mark Ingram David Gilmore
Charity Number in Northern Ireland	NIC104638
Principal Address	Rathfriland Football Club Iveagh Park Rathfriland Co. Down BT34 5NQ Northern Ireland
Independent Examiner	Daly Park & Company Ltd Chartered Accountants 4 Carnegie Street Lurgan Co. Armagh BT66 6AS Northern Ireland
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Rathfriland Football Club
TRUSTEES' REPORT
for the financial year ended 31 December 2024

The trustees present their Trustees' Report and the unaudited financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2024.

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their financial statements in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

The Trustees' Report contains the information required to be provided in the Trustees' Annual Report under the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) guidelines. The trustees of the company are also charity trustees for the purpose of charity law and under the company's constitution are known as members of the board of trustees.

In this report the trustees of Rathfriland Football Club present a summary of its purpose, governance, activities, achievements and finances for the financial financial year 31 December 2024.

The charity is a registered charity and hence the report and results are presented in a form which complies with the requirements of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 and, although not obliged to comply with the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland FRS 102, the organisation has implemented its recommendations where relevant in these financial statements.

Mission, Objectives and Strategy

Public Benefit Statement
The Charity has given careful consideration to the NI Charity Commission guidance on public benefit to ensure that the activities entered in during the year have helped to achieve the charity's aim and objectives as well as providing a public benefit.

Objectives
The Club has been established to promote fitness, advance education and facilitate social development from the age of 6 through healthy participation in sports and Association Football.

To provide a cross community social recreational facility with an emphasis on sporting and recreational activities within ABC Council Borough without distinction of age, sex, race, political, religious or other public opinion.

To work with local statutory agencies and provide a modern, fit for purpose shared facility with the objective of improving the conditions for the said inhabitants.

Structure, Governance and Management

Structure
Rathfriland Football Club is governed by a Constitution and a management committee that is elected from the body of the floor at the AGM. The Committee will ensure that the club members and volunteers adhere to the aims and rules described in the constitution. They are also responsible for the day to day management of the club and facilities, ensuring fully compliant with all Insurance/Licence/Fire/Health & Safety and Child Protection guidelines.

Governance
The Committee are responsible for the appointment of 7 Trustees. These individuals will only be appointed when the committee is clear that they fulfil the criteria of the NI Charity Commission:-

That they are eligible by:-
- having no unspent convictions
- promoting the ethos of the Club and to be fully knowledgeable of the Constitution
- take decisions made free from prejudice and in the Charity's best interests
- make sure the Club is sustainable and resources are managed responsibly
- be accountable to the members
- adhere to NI Charity Commission guidance and reporting requirements

- Brian Todd (President)
- Adrian Megaw (Chairperson) & Bobby McDowell (Vice Chairperson)
- Lindsay Bronte (Secretary) & Donna McCartan (Asst Secretary)
- Paul Gibbons (Treasurer) & Howard Murray (Asst Treasurer)
- Eric Annett (PRO)
- Gordon Wilson (Facilities Manager)
- Alan Shaw (Commercial Manager) & Mervyn Groves (Asst Commercial Manager)
- Conor Fegan (Youth Development Manager)

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for the financial year ended 31 December 2024

Review of Activities, Achievements and Performance

Aims

The Club continues to encourage and promote fitness activities for ALL from the age of 6 and to facilitate in the development of association football. It is through healthy participation in our sporting activities and the integral social inclusion programmes that will aid the development of our members and result in better life conditions and opportunities.

The Clubs' ethos is to improve sporting and social development of members of the community and to foster good cross community relations in the ABC Council Borough area. A key priority is to see the successful development of youth football and unconditionally supporting other community and voluntary organisations and activities. The Club currently have 3 senior teams, 210 junior members and 40 coaches.

"The club is established to promote health, fitness, advance education and facilitate social development, through participation in sports and Association Football, who reside in Rathfriland and it's environs of ABC Council without the distinction of age, gender, disability, sexual orientation, nationality, ethnic identity, political or religious opinion, in a common effort to advance education, and to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and or other leisure-time occupation, with the objectives of improving health and well-being of said people".

Achievements

The committee once again must be commended for their own personal donations, and efforts in securing sponsorship and helping to organise events and nights to raise much needed revenue to meet the costs of managing a successful club. A special mention to Mr Gary Wilson and Mr David Niblock for their efforts and commitment in generated much needed income through organising various events, match day sponsorship and season tickets.

The pitches were again maintained at a high level with many games taking place even with inclement weather. The club are indebted to Gordon/Junior/Dessie/John and the chairman for the diligent work and many hours spent maintaining the pitch and the facilities. A thankless job and the club need to recognise the countless hours undertaken sometimes forgotten, however the workload taken on needs to be spread as the club grows the workload increases.

Following 35 long and successful years in the NI Amateur League, 2024 season took Rathfriland Rangers and their supporters to many new grounds for the first time in NIFL. Rathfriland can look back on the year with pride, finishing their first season in 4th and as the 27th best supported team in Northern Ireland. At the mid-point in the current season, Rathfriland Rangers sit in 3rd place and seek to challenge for honours in the second half of season. Rathfriland made it to the 5th round of the Irish Cup, but went out in early rounds of all other cups. Congratulations to Ethan Trimble for leading the Swifts to their first Cup win and a big thank you to Justy Brown, David Gilmore and Gary Young for all their work and success with Rathfriland Reserves and wishing them the best in their move to Tandragee Rovers.

As always, Rathfriland FC are a forward-thinking club and continue to make improvements to their facilities. Work completed on new floodlighting on Iveagh Park allowing Rathfriland Rangers to host competitive match for the first time in their history. The club's first game under the new lights was against local rivals, Banbridge Town, with a crowd of over 400 in attendance. The Club are also indebted to many new volunteers that have helped in various different ways over the season, Ben Graham, appointed as Chaplain and helping at various events and Elaine Scott central to increasing the profile of ladies football in the local area.

Rathfriland Football secured various grants from different funders, and we are indebted to all our sponsors for their continued commitment and support. The Club strive to grow its membership and modernise existing facilities, all within a strict financial regime, ensuring we are able to meet all our financial commitments and ensure sustainable of the club. An overspend on erecting new Solar Panels and LED floodlighting around Iveagh Park, resulted in the club temporarily needing a small overdraft facility, which it seeks to repay in full 2024/25.

The club continue to make their facilities available to the community of Rathfriland, with various schools, religious organisations and community associations using the club's facilities/pitches.

Once again, the Club are again thankful for the endless number of volunteer hours put into by all committee members and community, but a special thank you must be also be given to Kathy Wilson, Alison Megaw, Jennifer Groves, Flo Shaw, Shelia Todd and events committee.

Results and Dividends

At the end of the financial year the charity has assets of £880,584 (2023 - £897,694) and liabilities of £4,897 (2023 - £1,680). The net assets of the charity have decreased by £(20,327).

Plans for the Future

The Club's main goal is to continue the path followed over the last few years, maintaining the policy of sound management, by monitoring all aspects of our finances and encouraging community support for all activities. With the introduction of a new Under 21 team proposed for the incoming season and a lack of local training facilities, Rathfriland would like to create a much needed training area in land adjacent to car park.

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Rathfriland Football Club have identified several projects and have engage in the services of Richard Forsythe to assist in the continued developments of grounds and facilities at Iveagh Park to make sure that they remain up to date and fit for 21st century. With a growing youth section, 2 ladies teams and 4 senior teams, it is always important to ensure facilities remain modern and can meet the demands of increasing use. With the impending launch of NI Football Fund, Rathfriland will be seeking to secure some funds for ground improvements.

Reserves Policy
The trustees aim to create an unrestricted reserve the equivalent of 3 months running costs, which now stands at a target of £40,000. This reserve will be held to be used in the event the charity's income streams cease at any time.

In accordance with the Constitution, the trustees retire by rotation and, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

Compliance with Sector-Wide Legislation and Standards
The charity engages pro-actively with legislation, standards and codes which are developed for the sector. Rathfriland Football Club subscribes to and is compliant with the following:
- The Charities SORP (FRS 102)

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 4.3.2025 **and signed on its behalf by:**

Howard Newman Murray
Trustee

Desmond Davenport
Trustee

Rathfriland Football Club
STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES
for the financial year ended 31 December 2024

The trustees are responsible for preparing the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

The law applicable to charities in Northern Ireland requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities and financial position of the charity as at the financial year end date and of the surplus or deficit of the charity and otherwise comply with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008.

In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:
- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether the financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards, identify those standards, and note the effect and the reasons for any material departure from those standards; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the above requirements in preparing the financial statements.

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 4.3.2025 **and signed on its behalf by:**

Howard Newman Murray
Trustee

Desmond Davenport
Trustee

Rathfriland Football Club
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF RATHFRILAND FOOTBALL CLUB

We have examined the financial statements of the charity for the financial year ended 31 December 2024, which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and the related notes.

This report is made solely to the charity's members, as a body, in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008. Our work has been undertaken so that we might compile the financial statements that we have been engaged to compile, report to the Board of Trustees that we have done so, and state those matters that we have agreed to state to them in this report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's members, as a body, for our work, or for this report.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner
The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this financial year under the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 and that an independent examination is required.

It is our responsibility to:
- examine the financial statements under section 65 of the Charities Act;
- follow the procedures laid down by the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to our attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report
We have examined your charity financial statements as required under section 65 of the Charities Act and our examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the financial statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements 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 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.

In connection with our examination, no matter has come to our attention which gives us cause to believe that in, any material respect:
- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 63 of the Charities Act
- the financial statements do not accord with those accounting records
- the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102)
- there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Independent examiner's statement
We 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 financial statements to be reached.

DALY PARK & COMPANY LTD
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Lurgan
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Date: 4/3/2025

Rathfriland Football Club
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
for the financial year ended 31 December 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Restricted Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2024 £	Unrestricted Funds 2023 £	Restricted Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2023 £
Income							
Donations and legacies	4.1	25,953	1,270	27,223	12,063	24,773	36,836
Charitable activities							
Fees and sponsorship	4.2	50,983	-	50,983	34,125	-	34,125
Other trading activities	4.3	61,727	-	61,727	40,164	-	40,164
Investments	4.4	32	-	32	50	-	50
Total income		138,695	1,270	139,965	86,402	24,773	111,175
Expenditure							
Raising funds	5.1	1,280	-	1,280	2,174	-	2,174
Charitable activities	5.2	125,158	1,270	126,428	34,377	24,773	59,150
Other trading activities	5.3	32,584	-	32,584	19,472	-	19,472
Total Expenditure		159,022	1,270	160,292	56,023	24,773	80,796
Net income/(expenditure)		(20,327)	-	(20,327)	30,379	-	30,379
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-	-	-
Other recognised gains/(losses):							
Surplus/(deficit) for the financial year		(20,327)	-	(20,327)	30,379	-	30,379
Net gains/(losses) on investments		-	-	-	192,833	-	192,833
Net movement in funds for the financial year		(20,327)	-	(20,327)	223,212	-	223,212
Reconciliation of funds:							
Total funds beginning of the year	16	896,014	-	896,014	672,802	-	672,802
Total funds at the end of the year		875,687	-	875,687	896,014	-	896,014

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the financial year.
All income and expenditure relate to continuing activities.

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BALANCE SHEET
as at 31 December 2024

	Notes	2024 £	2023 £
Fixed Assets			
Tangible assets	10	868,782	871,443
Current Assets			
Stocks	11	896	662
Debtors	12	-	2,230
Cash at bank and in hand		10,906	23,359
		11,802	26,251
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	13	(4,897)	(1,680)
Net Current Assets		6,905	24,571
Total Assets less Current Liabilities		875,687	896,014
Funds			
General fund (unrestricted)		875,687	896,014
Total funds	16	875,687	896,014

The total unrestricted funds includes a revaluation reserve of £(192,833) (2023 - £(192,833))

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime and in accordance with FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland", applying Section 1A of that Standard.

Approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 4.3.2025 **and signed on its behalf by**

Howard Newman Murray
Trustee

Desmond Davenport
Trustee

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Rathfriland Football Club is a charity incorporated in Northern Ireland. The registered office of the company is Rathfriland Football Club, Iveagh Park, Rathfriland, Co. Down, BT34 5NQ, Northern Ireland which is also the principal place of business of the company The financial statements have been presented in Pound (£) which is also the functional currency of the company.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the charity's financial statements.

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis under the historical cost convention, modified to include certain items at fair value. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland FRS 102", applying Section 1A of that Standard.

As permitted by the Companies Act 2006, the charity has varied the standard formats in that act for the Statement of Financial Activities and the Balance Sheet. Departures from the standard formats are to comply with the requirements of the Charities SORP and are in compliance with section 4.7, 10.6 and 15.2 of that SORP.

Statement of compliance

The financial statements of the charity for the financial year ended 31 December 2017 have been prepared on the going concern basis and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland FRS 102", applying Section 1A of that Standard.

Fund accounting

The following are the categorises of funds maintained:

Restricted funds

Restricted funds represent income received which can only be used for particular purposes, as specified by the donors. Such purposes are within the overall objectives of the charity.

Unrestricted funds

Unrestricted funds consist of General and Designated funds.

- General funds represent amounts which are expendable at the discretion of the board, in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.
- Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that the board has, at its discretion, set aside for particular purposes. These designations have an administrative purpose only, and do not legally restrict the board's discretion to apply the fund.

Income

Voluntary income or capital is included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to it, its financial value can be quantified with reasonable certainty and there is reasonable certainty of its ultimate receipt. Entitlement to legacies is considered established when the charity has been notified of a distribution to be made by the executors. Income received in advance of due performance under a contract is accounted for as deferred income until earned. Grants for activities are recognised as income when the related conditions for legal entitlement have been met. All other income is accounted for on an accruals basis.

Expenditure

All resources expended are accounted for on an accruals basis. Charitable activities include costs of services and grants, support costs and depreciation on related assets. Costs of generating funds similarly include fundraising activities. Non-staff costs not attributed to one category of activity are allocated or apportioned pro-rata to the staffing of the relevant service. Finance, HR, IT and administrative staff costs are directly attributable to individual activities by objective. Governance costs are those associated with constitutional and statutory requirements.

Tangible fixed assets and depreciation
Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost or at valuation, less accumulated depreciation. The charge to depreciation is calculated to write off the original cost or valuation of tangible fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives as follows:

Land and buildings freehold	-	2% reducing balance
Long leasehold property	-	
Plant and machinery	-	20% reducing balance
Fixtures, fittings and equipment	-	10% reducing balance

The land owned by the charity is not depreciated as it is not expected to decrease in value.

Stock
Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items. Cost includes all costs incurred in the normal course of business in bringing them to their present location and condition. Stocks comprise fundraising materials. It is not considered practicable to value stock of unsold donated goods at the year end.

Debtors
Debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due. Income recognised by the charity from government agencies and other co-funders, but not yet received at year end, is included in debtors.

Cash at bank and in hand
Cash at bank and in hand comprises cash on deposit at banks requiring less than three months notice of withdrawal.

Taxation
No current or deferred taxation arises as the charity has been granted charitable exemption. Irrecoverable valued added tax is expensed as incurred.

3. PERIOD OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
The comparative figures relate to the 7 month period ended 31st December 2023.

4. INCOME

4.1 DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2024 £	2023 £
Donations and legacies	24,855	-	24,855	12,063
Grant Income	1,098	1,270	2,368	24,773
	25,953	1,270	27,223	36,836

4.2 CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2024 £	2023 £
Income from charitable activities	45,747	-	45,747	32,815
Football Income	5,236	-	5,236	1,310
	50,983	-	50,983	34,125

4.3 OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2024 £	2023 £
Bar Income	61,727	-	61,727	40,164

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4.4 INVESTMENTS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2024 £	2023 £
Investments	32	-	32	50

5. EXPENDITURE

5.1 RAISING FUNDS

	Direct Costs £	Other Costs £	Support Costs £	2024 £	2023 £
Raising funds	-	-	1,280	1,280	2,174

5.2 CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Direct Costs £	Other Costs £	Support Costs £	2024 £	2023 £
Expenditure on charitable activites	662	6,341	40,240	47,243	26,813
Football expenditure	-	49,028	30,157	79,185	32,337
	662	55,369	70,397	126,428	59,150

5.3 OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	Direct Costs £	Other Costs £	Support Costs £	2024 £	2023 £
Bar expenses	32,584	-	-	32,584	19,472

6. ANALYSIS OF SUPPORT COSTS

	2024 £	2023 £
Depreciation	29,241	15,696
Fundraising costs	1,280	1,674
Accountancy	1,626	995
Subscriptions	2,486	656
Coaches & referees	5,948	3,353
Gear & gym expenses	20,651	2,869
Prizes	-	500
Premises costs	10,445	8,704
	71,677	34,447

7. NET INCOME

	2024 £	2023 £
Net Income is stated after charging/(crediting):		
Depreciation of tangible assets	29,241	15,696

8. INVESTMENT AND OTHER INCOME

	2024 £	2023 £
Bank interest	32	50

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9. EMPLOYEES AND REMUNERATION

The staff costs comprise:	2024 £	2023 £
Wages and salaries	4,040	-

10. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Land and buildings freehold £	Long leasehold property £	Plant and machinery £	Fixtures, fittings and equipment £	Total £
Cost					
At 1 January 2024	705,845	134,309	109,824	36,990	986,968
Additions	26,580	-	-	-	26,580
At 31 December 2024	732,425	134,309	109,824	36,990	1,013,548
Depreciation					
At 1 January 2024	65,154	-	36,779	13,592	115,525
Charge for the financial year	12,885	-	14,016	2,340	29,241
At 31 December 2024	78,039	-	50,795	15,932	144,766
Net book value					
At 31 December 2024	**654,386**	**134,309**	**59,029**	**21,058**	**868,782**
At 31 December 2023	640,691	134,309	73,045	23,398	871,443

11. STOCKS

	2024 £	2023 £
Finished goods and goods for resale	896	662

12. DEBTORS

	2024 £	2023 £
Prepayments and accrued income	-	2,230

13. CREDITORS

Amounts falling due within one year	2024 £	2023 £
Taxation and social security costs (Note 14)	3,389	-
Accruals and deferred income	1,508	1,680
	4,897	1,680

14. TAXATION AND SOCIAL SECURITY

	2024 £	2023 £
Creditors:		
VAT	3,389	-

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15. RESERVES

	Revaluation reserve	Funds	Total
	£	£	£
At the beginning of the year	192,833	703,181	896,014
(Deficit)/Surplus for the financial year	-	(20,327)	(20,327)
At the end of the year	**192,833**	**682,854**	**875,687**

16. FUNDS
16.1 RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds £
At 6 June 2023	672,802	672,802
Movement during the financial year	223,212	223,212
At 31 December 2023	896,014	896,014
Movement during the financial year	(20,327)	(20,327)
At 31 December 2024	**875,687**	**875,687**

16.2 ANALYSIS OF MOVEMENTS ON FUNDS

	Balance 1 January 2024	Income	Expenditure	Transfers between funds	Balance 31 December 2024
	£	£	£	£	£
ABC Council	-	1,270	1,270	-	-
Unrestricted funds					
General Reserve	24,573	138,695	129,781	(26,580)	6,907
Land & Buildings	871,441	-	29,241	26,580	868,780
	896,014	138,695	(159,022)	-	875,687
Total funds	**896,014**	**139,965**	**160,292**	**-**	**875,687**

17. POST-BALANCE SHEET EVENTS

There have been no significant events affecting the Charity since the financial year-end.

18. TRUSTEES REMUNERATION

The trustees did not receive, nor did they waive, any remuneration during the current or previous financial period.

19. INDEPENDENT EXAMINATION REMUNERATION

The independent examiner's remuneration amounts to an independent examination fee of £750 (Dec-23 - £750).

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Northern Ireland - Charity number 104638

Accounts

Charity Number: NIC104638

Rathfriland Football Club

Annual Report and Unaudited Financial Statements

for the financial period ended 31 December 2023

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Rathfriland Football Club
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Rathfriland Football Club
TRUSTEES' AND OTHER INFORMATION

Trustees	Howard Newman Murray Lindsay Bronte Desmond Davenport Mark Ingram David Gilmore Glen Bell Lee McDowell
Chairperson	Adrian Megaw
Charity Number in Northern Ireland	NIC104638
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Rathfriland Football Club
TRUSTEES' REPORT
for the financial period ended 31 December 2023

The trustees present their Trustees' Report and the unaudited financial statements for the financial period ended 31 December 2023.

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their financial statements in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

The Trustees' Report contains the information required to be provided in the Trustees' Annual Report under the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) guidelines. The trustees of the company are also charity trustees for the purpose of charity law and under the company's constitution are known as members of the board of trustees.

In this report the trustees of Rathfriland Football Club present a summary of its purpose, governance, activities, achievements and finances for the financial financial period 31 December 2023.

The charity is a registered charity and hence the report and results are presented in a form which complies with the requirements of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 and, although not obliged to comply with the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland FRS 102, the organisation has implemented its recommendations where relevant in these financial statements.

Mission, Objectives and Strategy

Mission Statement
The Charity has given careful consideration to the NI Charity Commission guidance on public benefit to ensure that the activities entered in during the year have helped to achieve the charity's aim and objectives as well as providing a public benefit.

Objectives
The Club has been established to promote fitness, advance education and facilitate social development from the age of 6 through healthy participation in sports and Association Football.

To provide a cross community social recreational facility with an emphasis on sporting and recreational activities within ABC Council Borough without distinction of age, sex, race, political, religious or other public opinion.

To work with local statutory agencies and provide a modern, fit for purpose shared facility with the objective of improving the conditions for the said inhabitants.

Structure, Governance and Management

Structure
Rathfriland Football Club is governed by a Constitution and a management committee that is elected from the body of the floor at the AGM. The Committee will ensure that the club members and volunteers adhere to the aims and rules described in the constitution. They are also responsible for the day to day management of the club and facilities, ensuring fully compliant with all Insurance/Licence/Fire/Health & Safety and Child Protection guidelines.

Governance
The Committee are responsible for the appointment of 7 Trustees. These individuals will only be appointed when the committee is clear that they fulfil the criteria of the NI Charity Commission:-

That they are eligible by:-
- having no unspent convictions
- promoting the ethos of the Club and to be fully knowledgeable of the Constitution
- take decisions made free from prejudice and in the Charity's best interests
- make sure the Club is sustainable and resources are managed responsibly
- be accountable to the members
- adhere to NI Charity Commission guidance and reporting requirements

- Brian Todd (President)
- Adrian Megaw (Chairperson) & Bobby McDowell (Vice Chairperson)
- Lindsay Bronte (Secretary) & Kathy Thompson (Asst Secretary)
- Paul Gibbons (Treasurer) & Howard Murray (Asst Treasurer)
- Eric Annett (PRO)
- Gordon Wilson (Facilities Manager)
- Alan Shaw (Commercial Manager) & Mervyn Groves (Asst Commercial Manager)
- David Gilmore (Youth Development Manager)

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Public Benefit Statement
The Charity has given careful consideration to the NI Charity Commission guidance on public benefit to ensure that the activities entered in during the year have helped to achieve the charity's aim and objectives as well as providing a public benefit.

Review of Activities, Achievements and Performance
Aims

The Club continues to encourage and promote fitness activities for ALL from the age of 6 and to facilitate in the development of association football. It is through healthy participation in our sporting activities and the integral social inclusion programmes that will aid the development of our members and result in better life conditions and opportunities. The Clubs' ethos is to improve sporting and social development of members of the community and to foster good cross community relations in the ABC Council Borough area. A key priority is to see the successful development of youth football and unconditionally supporting other community and voluntary organisations and activities. The Club currently have 3 senior teams, 210 junior members and 40 coaches.
"The club is established to promote health, fitness, advance education and facilitate social development, through participation in sports and Association Football, who reside in Rathfriland and it's environs of ABC Council without the distinction of age, gender, disability, sexual orientation, nationality, ethnic identity, political or religious opinion, in a common effort to advance education, and to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and or other leisure-time occupation, with the objectives of improving health and well-being of said people".

Achievements

The committee once again must be commended for their own personal donations, and efforts in securing sponsorship and helping to organise events and nights to raise much needed revenue to meet the costs of managing a successful club. A special mention to Mr Gary Wilson and Mr David Niblock for their efforts and commitment in generated much needed income through organising various events, match day sponsorship and season tickets.

The pitches were again maintained at a high level with many games taking place even with inclement weather. The club are indebted to Gordon/Junior/Dessie/John and the chairman for the diligent work and many hours spent maintaining the pitch and the facilities. A thankless job and the club need to recognise the countless hours undertaken sometimes forgotten, however the workload taken on needs to be spread as the club grows the workload increases.

Following 35 long and successful years in the NI Amateur League, 2024 season took Rathfriland Rangers and their supporters to many new grounds for the first time in NIFL. Rathfriland can look back on the year with pride, finishing their first season in 4th and as the 27th best supported team in Northern Ireland. Boxing Day 2023 will be long remembered in the history of Rathfriland FC, hosting the Bob Radcliffe Cup Final. A great community day, the biggest crowd in the club's history saw the Rangers dominate local rival Moneyslane and run out comfortable 6 nil winners. Congratulations to Ethan Trimble for leading the Swifts to their first Cup win and a big thank you to Justy Brown, David Gilmore and Gary Young for all their work and success with Rathfriland Reserves.and wishing them the best in their move to Tandragee Rovers.

As always, Rathfriland FC are a forward-thinking club and continue to make improvements to their facilities. Work completed on new floodlighting on Iveagh Park allowing Rathfriland Rangers to host competitive match for the first time in their history. The club's first game under the new lights was against local rivals, Banbridge Town, with a crowd of over 400 in attendance. The Club are also indebted to many new volunteers that have helped in various different ways over the season, Ben Graham helping at various events and Elaine Scott central to increasing the profile of ladies football in the local area.

Rathfriland Football secured various grants from different funders, and we are indebted to all our sponsors for their continued commitment and support. The Club strive to grow its membership and modernise existing facilities, all within a strict financial regime, ensuring we are able to meet all our financial commitments and ensure sustainable of the club. An overspend on erecting new Solar Panels and LED floodlighting around Iveagh Park, resulted in the club temporarily needing a small overdraft facility, which it seeks to repay in full 2024/25.

The club continue to make their facilities available to the community of Rathfriland, with various schools, religious organisations and community associations using the club's facilities/pitches.

Once again, the Club are again thankful for the endless number of volunteer hours put into by all committee members and community, but a special thank you must be also be given to Alison Megaw, Jennifer Groves, Flo Shaw, Shelia Todd, Kathy and events committee.

Results and Dividends
At the end of the financial period the charity has assets of £897,694 (Jun 23 - £673,642) and liabilities of £1,680 (Jun 23 - £840). The net assets of the charity have increased by £223,212.

Plans for the Future
The Club's main goal is to continue the path followed over the last few years, maintaining the policy of sound management, by monitoring all aspects of our finances and encouraging community support for all activities. With the introduction of a new Under 21 team proposed for the incoming season and a lack of local training facilities, Rathfriland would like to create a much needed training area in land adjacent to car park.

Rathfriland Football Club have identified several projects and have engage in the services of Richard Forsythe to assist in the continued developments of grounds and facilities at Iveagh Park to make sure that they remain up to date and fit for 21st century. With a growing youth section, 2 ladies teams and 4 senior teams, it is always important to ensure facilities remain modern and can meet the demands of increasing use.

In accordance with the Constitution, the trustees retire by rotation and, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

Compliance with Sector-Wide Legislation and Standards
The charity engages pro-actively with legislation, standards and codes which are developed for the sector. Rathfriland Football Club subscribes to and is compliant with the following:
- The Charities SORP (FRS 102)

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 19 March 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

Howard Newman Murray
Trustee

Desmond Davenport
Trustee

Rathfriland Football Club
STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES
for the financial period ended 31 December 2023

The trustees are responsible for preparing the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

The law applicable to charities in Northern Ireland requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial period which give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities and financial position of the charity as at the financial period end date and of the surplus or deficit of the charity and otherwise comply with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008.

In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:
- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether the financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards, identify those standards, and note the effect and the reasons for any material departure from those standards; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the above requirements in preparing the financial statements.

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 19 March 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

Howard Newman Murray
Trustee

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Trustee

Rathfriland Football Club

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF RATHFRILAND FOOTBALL CLUB

We have examined the financial statements of the charity for the financial period ended 31 December 2023, which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and the related notes.

This report is made solely to the charity's members, as a body, in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008. Our work has been undertaken so that we might compile the financial statements that we have been engaged to compile, report to the Board of Trustees that we have done so, and state those matters that we have agreed to state to them in this report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's members, as a body, for our work, or for this report.

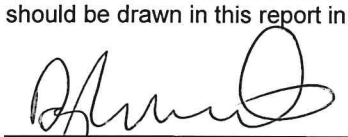
Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner
The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this financial period under the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 and that an independent examination is required.

It is our responsibility to:
- examine the financial statements under section 65 of the Charities Act;
- follow the procedures laid down by the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to our attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report
We have examined your charity financial statements as required under section 65 of the Charities Act and our examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the financial statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements 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 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.

In connection with our examination, no matter has come to our attention which gives us cause to believe that in, any material respect:
- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 63 of the Charities Act
- the financial statements do not accord with those accounting records
- the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102)
- there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Independent examiner's statement
We 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 financial statements to be reached.



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Date: 19 March 2024

Rathfriland Football Club
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
for the financial period ended 31 December 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds Dec 23 £	Restricted Funds Dec 23 £	Total Funds Dec 23 £	Total Funds Jun 23 £
Income					
Donations and legacies	4.1	**12,063**	**24,773**	**36,836**	63,845
Charitable activities					
Fees and sponsorship	4.2	**34,125**	**-**	**34,125**	37,203
Other trading activities	4.3	**40,164**	**-**	**40,164**	66,327
Investments	4.4	**50**	**-**	**50**	69
Total income		**86,402**	**24,773**	**111,175**	167,444
Expenditure					
Raising funds	5.1	**2,174**	**-**	**2,174**	1,400
Charitable activities	5.2	**34,377**	**24,773**	**59,150**	108,307
Other trading activities	5.3	**19,472**	**-**	**19,472**	27,057
Total Expenditure		**56,023**	**24,773**	**80,796**	136,764
Net income/(expenditure)		**30,379**	**-**	**30,379**	30,680
Transfers between funds		**-**	**-**	**-**	-
Other recognised gains/(losses):					
Surplus/(deficit) for the financial period		**30,379**	**-**	**30,379**	30,680
Net gains/(losses) on investments		**192,833**	**-**	**192,833**	-
Net movement in funds for the financial period		**223,212**	**-**	**223,212**	30,680
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds beginning of the year	14	**672,802**	**-**	**672,802**	642,122
Total funds at the end of the year		**896,014**	**-**	**896,014**	672,802

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the financial period.
All income and expenditure relate to continuing activities.

Rathfriland Football Club
BALANCE SHEET
as at 31 December 2023

	Notes	Dec 23 £	Jun 23 £
Fixed Assets			
Tangible assets	9	871,443	659,734
Current Assets			
Stocks	10	662	689
Debtors	11	2,230	2,230
Cash at bank and in hand		23,359	10,989
		26,251	13,908
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	12	(1,680)	(840)
Net Current Assets		24,571	13,068
Total Assets less Current Liabilities		896,014	672,802
Funds			
General fund (unrestricted)		896,014	672,802
Total funds	14	896,014	672,802

The total unrestricted funds includes a revaluation reserve of £(192,833)

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime and in accordance with FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland", applying Section 1A of that Standard.

Approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 19 March 2024 and signed on its behalf by

Howard Newman Murray
Trustee

Desmond Davenport
Trustee

Rathfriland Football Club
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
for the financial period ended 31 December 2023

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Rathfriland Football Club is a charity incorporated in Northern Ireland. The registered office of the company is Rathfriland Football Club, Iveagh Park, Rathfriland, Co. Down, BT34 5NQ, Northern Ireland which is also the principal place of business of the company The financial statements have been presented in Pound (£) which is also the functional currency of the company.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the charity's financial statements.

Basis of preparation
The financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis under the historical cost convention, modified to include certain items at fair value. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland FRS 102", applying Section 1A of that Standard.

As permitted by the Companies Act 2006, the charity has varied the standard formats in that act for the Statement of Financial Activities and the Balance Sheet. Departures from the standard formats are to comply with the requirements of the Charities SORP and are in compliance with section 4.7, 10.6 and 15.2 of that SORP.

Statement of compliance
The financial statements of the charity for the financial period ended 31 December 2017 have been prepared on the going concern basis and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland FRS 102", applying Section 1A of that Standard.

Fund accounting
The following are the categorises of funds maintained:

Restricted funds
Restricted funds represent income received which can only be used for particular purposes, as specified by the donors. Such purposes are within the overall objectives of the charity.

Unrestricted funds
Unrestricted funds consist of General and Designated funds.

- General funds represent amounts which are expendable at the discretion of the board, in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.
- Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that the board has, at its discretion, set aside for particular purposes. These designations have an administrative purpose only, and do not legally restrict the board's discretion to apply the fund.

Income
Voluntary income or capital is included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to it, its financial value can be quantified with reasonable certainty and there is reasonable certainty of its ultimate receipt. Entitlement to legacies is considered established when the charity has been notified of a distribution to be made by the executors. Income received in advance of due performance under a contract is accounted for as deferred income until earned. Grants for activities are recognised as income when the related conditions for legal entitlement have been met. All other income is accounted for on an accruals basis.

Expenditure
All resources expended are accounted for on an accruals basis. Charitable activities include costs of services and grants, support costs and depreciation on related assets. Costs of generating funds similarly include fundraising activities. Non-staff costs not attributed to one category of activity are allocated or apportioned pro-rata to the staffing of the relevant service. Finance, HR, IT and administrative staff costs are directly attributable to individual activities by objective. Governance costs are those associated with constitutional and statutory requirements.

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Tangible fixed assets and depreciation
Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost or at valuation, less accumulated depreciation. The charge to depreciation is calculated to write off the original cost or valuation of tangible fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives as follows:

Land and buildings freehold	-	2% reducing balance
Long leasehold property	-	
Plant and machinery	-	20% reducing balance
Fixtures, fittings and equipment	-	10% reducing balance

During this financial year the committee made the decision to change the depreciation on the buildings & stands to 2% reducing balance rather than the previous 10% rate. They feel this change in accounting policy is more reflective of the assets useful life.

The land owned by the charity is not depreciated as it is not expected to decrease in value.

Stock
Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items. Cost includes all costs incurred in the normal course of business in bringing them to their present location and condition. Stocks comprise fundraising materials. It is not considered practicable to value stock of unsold donated goods at the year end.

Debtors
Debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due. Income recognised by the charity from government agencies and other co-funders, but not yet received at year end, is included in debtors.

Cash at bank and in hand
Cash at bank and in hand comprises cash on deposit at banks requiring less than three months notice of withdrawal.

Taxation
No current or deferred taxation arises as the charity has been granted charitable exemption. Irrecoverable valued added tax is expensed as incurred.

3. PERIOD OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
The financial statements are for the 7 month period ended 31 December 2023.

4. INCOME

4.1 DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Dec 23 £	Jun 23 £
Donations and legacies	**12,063**	**-**	**12,063**	16,675
Grant Income	**-**	**24,773**	**24,773**	33,194
	12,063	**24,773**	**36,836**	49,869

4.2 CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Dec 23 £	Jun 23 £
Grants from governments and other co-funders:				
Income from charitable activities	**32,815**	**-**	**32,815**	49,254
Football Income	**1,310**	**-**	**1,310**	1,925
	34,125	**-**	**34,125**	51,179

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4.3 OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Dec 23	Jun 23
	£	£	£	£
Bar Income	**40,164**	**-**	**40,164**	66,327

4.4 INVESTMENTS

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Dec 23	Jun 23
	£	£	£	£
Investments	**50**	**-**	**50**	69

5. EXPENDITURE

5.1 RAISING FUNDS

	Direct Costs	Other Costs	Support Costs	Dec 23	Jun 23
	£	£	£	£	£
Raising funds	**-**	**-**	**2,174**	**2,174**	1,400

5.2 CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Direct Costs	Other Costs	Support Costs	Dec 23	Jun 23
	£	£	£	£	£
Expenditure on charitable activites	**689**	**1,799**	**24,325**	**26,813**	51,252
Football expenditure	**-**	**24,389**	**7,948**	**32,337**	57,055
	689	**26,188**	**32,273**	**59,150**	108,307

5.3 OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	Direct Costs	Other Costs	Support Costs	Dec 23	Jun 23
	£	£	£	£	£
Bar expenses	**19,472**	**-**	**-**	**19,472**	27,057

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6. ANALYSIS OF SUPPORT COSTS

	Dec 23 £	Jun 23 £
Depreciation	**15,696**	23,842
Fundraising costs	**1,674**	400
Accountancy	**995**	3,100
Subscriptions	**656**	3,596
Coaches & referees	**3,353**	4,028
Gear & gym expenses	**2,869**	11,503
Prizes	**500**	1,000
Premises costs	**8,704**	19,362
	34,447	66,831

7. NET INCOME

	Dec 23 £	Jun 23 £
Net Income is stated after charging/(crediting):		
Depreciation of tangible assets	**15,696**	23,842

8. INVESTMENT AND OTHER INCOME

	Dec 23 £	Jun 23 £
Bank interest	**50**	69

9. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Land and buildings freehold £	Long leasehold property £	Plant and machinery £	Fixtures, fittings and equipment £	Total £
Cost or Valuation					
At 7 June 2023	507,536	134,309	80,728	36,990	759,563
Additions	5,476	-	29,096	-	34,572
Revaluation	192,833	-	-	-	192,833
At 31 December 2023	705,845	134,309	109,824	36,990	986,968
Depreciation					
At 7 June 2023	60,139	-	27,547	12,143	99,829
Charge for the financial period	5,015	-	9,232	1,449	15,696
At 31 December 2023	65,154	-	36,779	13,592	115,525
Net book value					
At 31 December 2023	**640,691**	**134,309**	**73,045**	**23,398**	**871,443**
At 6 June 2023	447,397	134,309	53,181	24,847	659,734

10. STOCKS

	Dec 23 £	Jun 23 £
Finished goods and goods for resale	**662**	689

11. DEBTORS

	Dec 23 £	Jun 23 £
Prepayments and accrued income	**2,230**	2,230

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12. CREDITORS

Amounts falling due within one year	Dec 23 £	Jun 23 £
Accruals and deferred income	**1,680**	840

13. RESERVES

	Revaluation reserve	Funds	Total
	£	£	£
At the beginning of the year	-	672,802	672,802
Surplus for the financial period	192,833	-	192,833
	-	30,379	30,379
At the end of the year	**192,833**	**703,181**	**896,014**

14. FUNDS

14.1 RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds £
At 7 June 2022	642,122	642,122
Movement during the financial year	30,680	30,680
At 6 June 2023	672,802	672,802
Movement during the financial year	223,212	223,212
At 31 December 2023	**896,014**	**896,014**

14.2 ANALYSIS OF MOVEMENTS ON FUNDS

	Balance 7 June 2023 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers between funds £	Gains and losses £	Balance 31 December Dec 23 £
ABC Council	-	13,093	13,093	-	-	-
Irish FA	-	11,240	11,240	-	-	-
Barclays	-	440	440	-	-	-
	-	24,773	24,773	-	-	-
Unrestricted funds						
General Reserve	13,070	86,402	40,327	(34,572)	-	24,573
Land & Buildings	659,732	-	15,696	34,572	192,833	871,441
	672,802	86,402	(56,023)	-	192,833	896,014
Total funds	**672,802**	**111,175**	**80,796**	**-**	**192,833**	**896,014**

15. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

We can confirm there have been no transactions involving trustees outside the normal course of business during the period ended 31st December 2023.

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16. POST-BALANCE SHEET EVENTS

There have been no significant events affecting the Charity since the financial period-end.

17. TRUSTEES REMUNERATION

The trustees did not receive, nor did they waive, any remuneration during the current or previous financial period.

18. INDEPENDENT EXAMINATION REPORT

The independent examiner's remuneration amounts to an independent examination fee of £750 (June-23 - £750). From year end December 2024, Daly Park & Company Ltd will also be providing VAT and PAYE services.

Rathfriland Football Club

Northern Ireland - Charity number 104638

Annual report

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Rathfriland Football Club
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Rathfriland Football Club
TRUSTEES' AND OTHER INFORMATION

Trustees	Howard Newman Murray Lindsay Bronte Desmond Davenport Mark Ingram David Gilmore Glen Bell Lee McDowell
Chairperson	Adrian Megaw
Charity Number in Northern Ireland	NIC104638
Principal Address	Rathfriland Football Club Iveagh Park Rathfriland Co. Down BT34 5NQ Northern Ireland
Independent Examiner	Daly Park & Company Ltd Chartered Accountants 4 Carnegie Street Lurgan Co. Armagh BT66 6AS Northern Ireland
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Rathfriland Football Club
TRUSTEES' REPORT
for the financial period ended 31 December 2023

The trustees present their Trustees' Report and the unaudited financial statements for the financial period ended 31 December 2023.

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their financial statements in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

The Trustees' Report contains the information required to be provided in the Trustees' Annual Report under the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) guidelines. The trustees of the company are also charity trustees for the purpose of charity law and under the company's constitution are known as members of the board of trustees.

In this report the trustees of Rathfriland Football Club present a summary of its purpose, governance, activities, achievements and finances for the financial financial period 31 December 2023.

The charity is a registered charity and hence the report and results are presented in a form which complies with the requirements of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 and, although not obliged to comply with the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland FRS 102, the organisation has implemented its recommendations where relevant in these financial statements.

Mission, Objectives and Strategy

Mission Statement
The Charity has given careful consideration to the NI Charity Commission guidance on public benefit to ensure that the activities entered in during the year have helped to achieve the charity's aim and objectives as well as providing a public benefit.

Objectives
The Club has been established to promote fitness, advance education and facilitate social development from the age of 6 through healthy participation in sports and Association Football.

To provide a cross community social recreational facility with an emphasis on sporting and recreational activities within ABC Council Borough without distinction of age, sex, race, political, religious or other public opinion.

To work with local statutory agencies and provide a modern, fit for purpose shared facility with the objective of improving the conditions for the said inhabitants.

Structure, Governance and Management

Structure
Rathfriland Football Club is governed by a Constitution and a management committee that is elected from the body of the floor at the AGM. The Committee will ensure that the club members and volunteers adhere to the aims and rules described in the constitution. They are also responsible for the day to day management of the club and facilities, ensuring fully compliant with all Insurance/Licence/Fire/Health & Safety and Child Protection guidelines.

Governance
The Committee are responsible for the appointment of 7 Trustees. These individuals will only be appointed when the committee is clear that they fulfil the criteria of the NI Charity Commission:-

That they are eligible by:-
- having no unspent convictions
- promoting the ethos of the Club and to be fully knowledgeable of the Constitution
- take decisions made free from prejudice and in the Charity's best interests
- make sure the Club is sustainable and resources are managed responsibly
- be accountable to the members
- adhere to NI Charity Commission guidance and reporting requirements

- Brian Todd (President)
- Adrian Megaw (Chairperson) & Bobby McDowell (Vice Chairperson)
- Lindsay Bronte (Secretary) & Kathy Thompson (Asst Secretary)
- Paul Gibbons (Treasurer) & Howard Murray (Asst Treasurer)
- Eric Annett (PRO)
- Gordon Wilson (Facilities Manager)
- Alan Shaw (Commercial Manager) & Mervyn Groves (Asst Commercial Manager)
- David Gilmore (Youth Development Manager)

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Public Benefit Statement
The Charity has given careful consideration to the NI Charity Commission guidance on public benefit to ensure that the activities entered in during the year have helped to achieve the charity's aim and objectives as well as providing a public benefit.

Review of Activities, Achievements and Performance
Aims

The Club continues to encourage and promote fitness activities for ALL from the age of 6 and to facilitate in the development of association football. It is through healthy participation in our sporting activities and the integral social inclusion programmes that will aid the development of our members and result in better life conditions and opportunities. The Clubs' ethos is to improve sporting and social development of members of the community and to foster good cross community relations in the ABC Council Borough area. A key priority is to see the successful development of youth football and unconditionally supporting other community and voluntary organisations and activities. The Club currently have 3 senior teams, 210 junior members and 40 coaches.
"The club is established to promote health, fitness, advance education and facilitate social development, through participation in sports and Association Football, who reside in Rathfriland and it's environs of ABC Council without the distinction of age, gender, disability, sexual orientation, nationality, ethnic identity, political or religious opinion, in a common effort to advance education, and to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and or other leisure-time occupation, with the objectives of improving health and well-being of said people".

Achievements

The committee once again must be commended for their own personal donations, and efforts in securing sponsorship and helping to organise events and nights to raise much needed revenue to meet the costs of managing a successful club. A special mention to Mr Gary Wilson and Mr David Niblock for their efforts and commitment in generated much needed income through organising various events, match day sponsorship and season tickets.

The pitches were again maintained at a high level with many games taking place even with inclement weather. The club are indebted to Gordon/Junior/Dessie/John and the chairman for the diligent work and many hours spent maintaining the pitch and the facilities. A thankless job and the club need to recognise the countless hours undertaken sometimes forgotten, however the workload taken on needs to be spread as the club grows the workload increases.

Following 35 long and successful years in the NI Amateur League, 2024 season took Rathfriland Rangers and their supporters to many new grounds for the first time in NIFL. Rathfriland can look back on the year with pride, finishing their first season in 4th and as the 27th best supported team in Northern Ireland. Boxing Day 2023 will be long remembered in the history of Rathfriland FC, hosting the Bob Radcliffe Cup Final. A great community day, the biggest crowd in the club's history saw the Rangers dominate local rival Moneyslane and run out comfortable 6 nil winners. Congratulations to Ethan Trimble for leading the Swifts to their first Cup win and a big thank you to Justy Brown, David Gilmore and Gary Young for all their work and success with Rathfriland Reserves.and wishing them the best in their move to Tandragee Rovers.

As always, Rathfriland FC are a forward-thinking club and continue to make improvements to their facilities. Work completed on new floodlighting on Iveagh Park allowing Rathfriland Rangers to host competitive match for the first time in their history. The club's first game under the new lights was against local rivals, Banbridge Town, with a crowd of over 400 in attendance. The Club are also indebted to many new volunteers that have helped in various different ways over the season, Ben Graham helping at various events and Elaine Scott central to increasing the profile of ladies football in the local area.

Rathfriland Football secured various grants from different funders, and we are indebted to all our sponsors for their continued commitment and support. The Club strive to grow its membership and modernise existing facilities, all within a strict financial regime, ensuring we are able to meet all our financial commitments and ensure sustainable of the club. An overspend on erecting new Solar Panels and LED floodlighting around Iveagh Park, resulted in the club temporarily needing a small overdraft facility, which it seeks to repay in full 2024/25.

The club continue to make their facilities available to the community of Rathfriland, with various schools, religious organisations and community associations using the club's facilities/pitches.

Once again, the Club are again thankful for the endless number of volunteer hours put into by all committee members and community, but a special thank you must be also be given to Alison Megaw, Jennifer Groves, Flo Shaw, Shelia Todd, Kathy and events committee.

Results and Dividends
At the end of the financial period the charity has assets of £897,694 (Jun 23 - £673,642) and liabilities of £1,680 (Jun 23 - £840). The net assets of the charity have increased by £223,212.

Plans for the Future
The Club's main goal is to continue the path followed over the last few years, maintaining the policy of sound management, by monitoring all aspects of our finances and encouraging community support for all activities. With the introduction of a new Under 21 team proposed for the incoming season and a lack of local training facilities, Rathfriland would like to create a much needed training area in land adjacent to car park.

Rathfriland Football Club have identified several projects and have engage in the services of Richard Forsythe to assist in the continued developments of grounds and facilities at Iveagh Park to make sure that they remain up to date and fit for 21st century. With a growing youth section, 2 ladies teams and 4 senior teams, it is always important to ensure facilities remain modern and can meet the demands of increasing use.

In accordance with the Constitution, the trustees retire by rotation and, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

Compliance with Sector-Wide Legislation and Standards
The charity engages pro-actively with legislation, standards and codes which are developed for the sector. Rathfriland Football Club subscribes to and is compliant with the following:
- The Charities SORP (FRS 102)

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 19 March 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

Howard Newman Murray
Trustee

Desmond Davenport
Trustee

Rathfriland Football Club
STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES
for the financial period ended 31 December 2023

The trustees are responsible for preparing the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

The law applicable to charities in Northern Ireland requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial period which give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities and financial position of the charity as at the financial period end date and of the surplus or deficit of the charity and otherwise comply with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008.

In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:
- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether the financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards, identify those standards, and note the effect and the reasons for any material departure from those standards; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the above requirements in preparing the financial statements.

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 19 March 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

Howard Newman Murray
Trustee

Desmond Davenport
Trustee

Rathfriland Football Club

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF RATHFRILAND FOOTBALL CLUB

We have examined the financial statements of the charity for the financial period ended 31 December 2023, which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and the related notes.

This report is made solely to the charity's members, as a body, in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008. Our work has been undertaken so that we might compile the financial statements that we have been engaged to compile, report to the Board of Trustees that we have done so, and state those matters that we have agreed to state to them in this report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's members, as a body, for our work, or for this report.

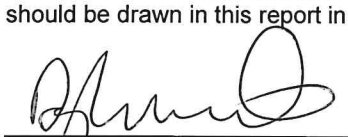
Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner
The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this financial period under the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 and that an independent examination is required.

It is our responsibility to:
- examine the financial statements under section 65 of the Charities Act;
- follow the procedures laid down by the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to our attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report
We have examined your charity financial statements as required under section 65 of the Charities Act and our examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the financial statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements 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 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.

In connection with our examination, no matter has come to our attention which gives us cause to believe that in, any material respect:
- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 63 of the Charities Act
- the financial statements do not accord with those accounting records
- the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102)
- there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Independent examiner's statement
We 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 financial statements to be reached.



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Date: 19 March 2024

Rathfriland Football Club
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
for the financial period ended 31 December 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds Dec 23 £	Restricted Funds Dec 23 £	Total Funds Dec 23 £	Total Funds Jun 23 £
Income					
Donations and legacies	4.1	**12,063**	**24,773**	**36,836**	63,845
Charitable activities					
Fees and sponsorship	4.2	**34,125**	**-**	**34,125**	37,203
Other trading activities	4.3	**40,164**	**-**	**40,164**	66,327
Investments	4.4	**50**	**-**	**50**	69
Total income		**86,402**	**24,773**	**111,175**	167,444
Expenditure					
Raising funds	5.1	**2,174**	**-**	**2,174**	1,400
Charitable activities	5.2	**34,377**	**24,773**	**59,150**	108,307
Other trading activities	5.3	**19,472**	**-**	**19,472**	27,057
Total Expenditure		**56,023**	**24,773**	**80,796**	136,764
Net income/(expenditure)		**30,379**	**-**	**30,379**	30,680
Transfers between funds		**-**	**-**	**-**	-
Other recognised gains/(losses):					
Surplus/(deficit) for the financial period		**30,379**	**-**	**30,379**	30,680
Net gains/(losses) on investments		**192,833**	**-**	**192,833**	-
Net movement in funds for the financial period		**223,212**	**-**	**223,212**	30,680
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds beginning of the year	14	**672,802**	**-**	**672,802**	642,122
Total funds at the end of the year		**896,014**	**-**	**896,014**	672,802

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the financial period.
All income and expenditure relate to continuing activities.

Rathfriland Football Club
BALANCE SHEET
as at 31 December 2023

	Notes	Dec 23 £	Jun 23 £
Fixed Assets			
Tangible assets	9	871,443	659,734
Current Assets			
Stocks	10	662	689
Debtors	11	2,230	2,230
Cash at bank and in hand		23,359	10,989
		26,251	13,908
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	12	(1,680)	(840)
Net Current Assets		24,571	13,068
Total Assets less Current Liabilities		896,014	672,802
Funds			
General fund (unrestricted)		896,014	672,802
Total funds	14	896,014	672,802

The total unrestricted funds includes a revaluation reserve of £(192,833)

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime and in accordance with FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland", applying Section 1A of that Standard.

Approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 19 March 2024 and signed on its behalf by

Howard Newman Murray
Trustee

Desmond Davenport
Trustee

Rathfriland Football Club
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
for the financial period ended 31 December 2023

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Rathfriland Football Club is a charity incorporated in Northern Ireland. The registered office of the company is Rathfriland Football Club, Iveagh Park, Rathfriland, Co. Down, BT34 5NQ, Northern Ireland which is also the principal place of business of the company The financial statements have been presented in Pound (£) which is also the functional currency of the company.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the charity's financial statements.

Basis of preparation
The financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis under the historical cost convention, modified to include certain items at fair value. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland FRS 102", applying Section 1A of that Standard.

As permitted by the Companies Act 2006, the charity has varied the standard formats in that act for the Statement of Financial Activities and the Balance Sheet. Departures from the standard formats are to comply with the requirements of the Charities SORP and are in compliance with section 4.7, 10.6 and 15.2 of that SORP.

Statement of compliance
The financial statements of the charity for the financial period ended 31 December 2017 have been prepared on the going concern basis and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland FRS 102", applying Section 1A of that Standard.

Fund accounting
The following are the categorises of funds maintained:

Restricted funds
Restricted funds represent income received which can only be used for particular purposes, as specified by the donors. Such purposes are within the overall objectives of the charity.

Unrestricted funds
Unrestricted funds consist of General and Designated funds.

- General funds represent amounts which are expendable at the discretion of the board, in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.
- Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that the board has, at its discretion, set aside for particular purposes. These designations have an administrative purpose only, and do not legally restrict the board's discretion to apply the fund.

Income
Voluntary income or capital is included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to it, its financial value can be quantified with reasonable certainty and there is reasonable certainty of its ultimate receipt. Entitlement to legacies is considered established when the charity has been notified of a distribution to be made by the executors. Income received in advance of due performance under a contract is accounted for as deferred income until earned. Grants for activities are recognised as income when the related conditions for legal entitlement have been met. All other income is accounted for on an accruals basis.

Expenditure
All resources expended are accounted for on an accruals basis. Charitable activities include costs of services and grants, support costs and depreciation on related assets. Costs of generating funds similarly include fundraising activities. Non-staff costs not attributed to one category of activity are allocated or apportioned pro-rata to the staffing of the relevant service. Finance, HR, IT and administrative staff costs are directly attributable to individual activities by objective. Governance costs are those associated with constitutional and statutory requirements.

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Tangible fixed assets and depreciation
Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost or at valuation, less accumulated depreciation. The charge to depreciation is calculated to write off the original cost or valuation of tangible fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives as follows:

Land and buildings freehold	-	2% reducing balance
Long leasehold property	-	
Plant and machinery	-	20% reducing balance
Fixtures, fittings and equipment	-	10% reducing balance

During this financial year the committee made the decision to change the depreciation on the buildings & stands to 2% reducing balance rather than the previous 10% rate. They feel this change in accounting policy is more reflective of the assets useful life.

The land owned by the charity is not depreciated as it is not expected to decrease in value.

Stock
Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items. Cost includes all costs incurred in the normal course of business in bringing them to their present location and condition. Stocks comprise fundraising materials. It is not considered practicable to value stock of unsold donated goods at the year end.

Debtors
Debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due. Income recognised by the charity from government agencies and other co-funders, but not yet received at year end, is included in debtors.

Cash at bank and in hand
Cash at bank and in hand comprises cash on deposit at banks requiring less than three months notice of withdrawal.

Taxation
No current or deferred taxation arises as the charity has been granted charitable exemption. Irrecoverable valued added tax is expensed as incurred.

3. PERIOD OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
The financial statements are for the 7 month period ended 31 December 2023.

4. INCOME

4.1 DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Dec 23 £	Jun 23 £
Donations and legacies	**12,063**	**-**	**12,063**	16,675
Grant Income	**-**	**24,773**	**24,773**	33,194
	12,063	**24,773**	**36,836**	49,869

4.2 CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Dec 23 £	Jun 23 £
Grants from governments and other co-funders:				
Income from charitable activities	**32,815**	**-**	**32,815**	49,254
Football Income	**1,310**	**-**	**1,310**	1,925
	34,125	**-**	**34,125**	51,179

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4.3 OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Dec 23	Jun 23
	£	£	£	£
Bar Income	**40,164**	**-**	**40,164**	66,327

4.4 INVESTMENTS

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Dec 23	Jun 23
	£	£	£	£
Investments	**50**	**-**	**50**	69

5. EXPENDITURE

5.1 RAISING FUNDS

	Direct Costs	Other Costs	Support Costs	Dec 23	Jun 23
	£	£	£	£	£
Raising funds	**-**	**-**	**2,174**	**2,174**	1,400

5.2 CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Direct Costs	Other Costs	Support Costs	Dec 23	Jun 23
	£	£	£	£	£
Expenditure on charitable activites	**689**	**1,799**	**24,325**	**26,813**	51,252
Football expenditure	**-**	**24,389**	**7,948**	**32,337**	57,055
	689	**26,188**	**32,273**	**59,150**	108,307

5.3 OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	Direct Costs	Other Costs	Support Costs	Dec 23	Jun 23
	£	£	£	£	£
Bar expenses	**19,472**	**-**	**-**	**19,472**	27,057

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6. ANALYSIS OF SUPPORT COSTS

	Dec 23 £	Jun 23 £
Depreciation	**15,696**	23,842
Fundraising costs	**1,674**	400
Accountancy	**995**	3,100
Subscriptions	**656**	3,596
Coaches & referees	**3,353**	4,028
Gear & gym expenses	**2,869**	11,503
Prizes	**500**	1,000
Premises costs	**8,704**	19,362
	34,447	66,831

7. NET INCOME

	Dec 23 £	Jun 23 £
Net Income is stated after charging/(crediting):		
Depreciation of tangible assets	**15,696**	23,842

8. INVESTMENT AND OTHER INCOME

	Dec 23 £	Jun 23 £
Bank interest	**50**	69

9. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Land and buildings freehold £	Long leasehold property £	Plant and machinery £	Fixtures, fittings and equipment £	Total £
Cost or Valuation					
At 7 June 2023	507,536	134,309	80,728	36,990	759,563
Additions	5,476	-	29,096	-	34,572
Revaluation	192,833	-	-	-	192,833
At 31 December 2023	705,845	134,309	109,824	36,990	986,968
Depreciation					
At 7 June 2023	60,139	-	27,547	12,143	99,829
Charge for the financial period	5,015	-	9,232	1,449	15,696
At 31 December 2023	65,154	-	36,779	13,592	115,525
Net book value					
At 31 December 2023	**640,691**	**134,309**	**73,045**	**23,398**	**871,443**
At 6 June 2023	447,397	134,309	53,181	24,847	659,734

10. STOCKS

	Dec 23 £	Jun 23 £
Finished goods and goods for resale	**662**	689

11. DEBTORS

	Dec 23 £	Jun 23 £
Prepayments and accrued income	**2,230**	2,230

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12. CREDITORS

Amounts falling due within one year	Dec 23 £	Jun 23 £
Accruals and deferred income	**1,680**	840

13. RESERVES

	Revaluation reserve	Funds	Total
	£	£	£
At the beginning of the year	-	672,802	672,802
Surplus for the financial period	192,833	-	192,833
	-	30,379	30,379
At the end of the year	**192,833**	**703,181**	**896,014**

14. FUNDS

14.1 RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds £
At 7 June 2022	642,122	642,122
Movement during the financial year	30,680	30,680
At 6 June 2023	672,802	672,802
Movement during the financial year	223,212	223,212
At 31 December 2023	**896,014**	**896,014**

14.2 ANALYSIS OF MOVEMENTS ON FUNDS

	Balance 7 June 2023 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers between funds £	Gains and losses £	Balance 31 December Dec 23 £
ABC Council	-	13,093	13,093	-	-	-
Irish FA	-	11,240	11,240	-	-	-
Barclays	-	440	440	-	-	-
	-	24,773	24,773	-	-	-
Unrestricted funds						
General Reserve	13,070	86,402	40,327	(34,572)	-	24,573
Land & Buildings	659,732	-	15,696	34,572	192,833	871,441
	672,802	86,402	(56,023)	-	192,833	896,014
Total funds	**672,802**	**111,175**	**80,796**	**-**	**192,833**	**896,014**

15. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

We can confirm there have been no transactions involving trustees outside the normal course of business during the period ended 31st December 2023.

Rathfriland Football Club
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16. POST-BALANCE SHEET EVENTS

There have been no significant events affecting the Charity since the financial period-end.

17. TRUSTEES REMUNERATION

The trustees did not receive, nor did they waive, any remuneration during the current or previous financial period.

18. INDEPENDENT EXAMINATION REPORT

The independent examiner's remuneration amounts to an independent examination fee of £750 (June-23 - £750). From year end December 2024, Daly Park & Company Ltd will also be providing VAT and PAYE services.

Rathfriland Football Club

Northern Ireland - Charity number 104638

Annual return

Charity Number: NIC104638

Rathfriland Football Club

Annual Report and Unaudited Financial Statements

for the financial period ended 31 December 2023

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Rathfriland Football Club
TRUSTEES' AND OTHER INFORMATION

Trustees	Howard Newman Murray Lindsay Bronte Desmond Davenport Mark Ingram David Gilmore Glen Bell Lee McDowell
Chairperson	Adrian Megaw
Charity Number in Northern Ireland	NIC104638
Principal Address	Rathfriland Football Club Iveagh Park Rathfriland Co. Down BT34 5NQ Northern Ireland
Independent Examiner	Daly Park & Company Ltd Chartered Accountants 4 Carnegie Street Lurgan Co. Armagh BT66 6AS Northern Ireland
Principal Bankers	Ulster Bank 22 Bridge Street Banbridge Co. Down BT32 3JT Northern Ireland
Solicitors	Gordon Bell & Son 9-11 Newry Street Rathfriland Co. Down BT34 5PY Northern Ireland

Rathfriland Football Club
TRUSTEES' REPORT
for the financial period ended 31 December 2023

The trustees present their Trustees' Report and the unaudited financial statements for the financial period ended 31 December 2023.

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their financial statements in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

The Trustees' Report contains the information required to be provided in the Trustees' Annual Report under the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) guidelines. The trustees of the company are also charity trustees for the purpose of charity law and under the company's constitution are known as members of the board of trustees.

In this report the trustees of Rathfriland Football Club present a summary of its purpose, governance, activities, achievements and finances for the financial financial period 31 December 2023.

The charity is a registered charity and hence the report and results are presented in a form which complies with the requirements of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 and, although not obliged to comply with the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland FRS 102, the organisation has implemented its recommendations where relevant in these financial statements.

Mission, Objectives and Strategy

Mission Statement
The Charity has given careful consideration to the NI Charity Commission guidance on public benefit to ensure that the activities entered in during the year have helped to achieve the charity's aim and objectives as well as providing a public benefit.

Objectives
The Club has been established to promote fitness, advance education and facilitate social development from the age of 6 through healthy participation in sports and Association Football.

To provide a cross community social recreational facility with an emphasis on sporting and recreational activities within ABC Council Borough without distinction of age, sex, race, political, religious or other public opinion.

To work with local statutory agencies and provide a modern, fit for purpose shared facility with the objective of improving the conditions for the said inhabitants.

Structure, Governance and Management

Structure
Rathfriland Football Club is governed by a Constitution and a management committee that is elected from the body of the floor at the AGM. The Committee will ensure that the club members and volunteers adhere to the aims and rules described in the constitution. They are also responsible for the day to day management of the club and facilities, ensuring fully compliant with all Insurance/Licence/Fire/Health & Safety and Child Protection guidelines.

Governance
The Committee are responsible for the appointment of 7 Trustees. These individuals will only be appointed when the committee is clear that they fulfil the criteria of the NI Charity Commission:-

That they are eligible by:-
- having no unspent convictions
- promoting the ethos of the Club and to be fully knowledgeable of the Constitution
- take decisions made free from prejudice and in the Charity's best interests
- make sure the Club is sustainable and resources are managed responsibly
- be accountable to the members
- adhere to NI Charity Commission guidance and reporting requirements

- Brian Todd (President)
- Adrian Megaw (Chairperson) & Bobby McDowell (Vice Chairperson)
- Lindsay Bronte (Secretary) & Kathy Thompson (Asst Secretary)
- Paul Gibbons (Treasurer) & Howard Murray (Asst Treasurer)
- Eric Annett (PRO)
- Gordon Wilson (Facilities Manager)
- Alan Shaw (Commercial Manager) & Mervyn Groves (Asst Commercial Manager)
- David Gilmore (Youth Development Manager)

Rathfriland Football Club
TRUSTEES' REPORT
for the financial period ended 31 December 2023

Public Benefit Statement
The Charity has given careful consideration to the NI Charity Commission guidance on public benefit to ensure that the activities entered in during the year have helped to achieve the charity's aim and objectives as well as providing a public benefit.

Review of Activities, Achievements and Performance
Aims

The Club continues to encourage and promote fitness activities for ALL from the age of 6 and to facilitate in the development of association football. It is through healthy participation in our sporting activities and the integral social inclusion programmes that will aid the development of our members and result in better life conditions and opportunities. The Clubs' ethos is to improve sporting and social development of members of the community and to foster good cross community relations in the ABC Council Borough area. A key priority is to see the successful development of youth football and unconditionally supporting other community and voluntary organisations and activities. The Club currently have 3 senior teams, 210 junior members and 40 coaches.
"The club is established to promote health, fitness, advance education and facilitate social development, through participation in sports and Association Football, who reside in Rathfriland and it's environs of ABC Council without the distinction of age, gender, disability, sexual orientation, nationality, ethnic identity, political or religious opinion, in a common effort to advance education, and to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and or other leisure-time occupation, with the objectives of improving health and well-being of said people".

Achievements

The committee once again must be commended for their own personal donations, and efforts in securing sponsorship and helping to organise events and nights to raise much needed revenue to meet the costs of managing a successful club. A special mention to Mr Gary Wilson and Mr David Niblock for their efforts and commitment in generated much needed income through organising various events, match day sponsorship and season tickets.

The pitches were again maintained at a high level with many games taking place even with inclement weather. The club are indebted to Gordon/Junior/Dessie/John and the chairman for the diligent work and many hours spent maintaining the pitch and the facilities. A thankless job and the club need to recognise the countless hours undertaken sometimes forgotten, however the workload taken on needs to be spread as the club grows the workload increases.

Following 35 long and successful years in the NI Amateur League, 2024 season took Rathfriland Rangers and their supporters to many new grounds for the first time in NIFL. Rathfriland can look back on the year with pride, finishing their first season in 4th and as the 27th best supported team in Northern Ireland. Boxing Day 2023 will be long remembered in the history of Rathfriland FC, hosting the Bob Radcliffe Cup Final. A great community day, the biggest crowd in the club's history saw the Rangers dominate local rival Moneyslane and run out comfortable 6 nil winners. Congratulations to Ethan Trimble for leading the Swifts to their first Cup win and a big thank you to Justy Brown, David Gilmore and Gary Young for all their work and success with Rathfriland Reserves.and wishing them the best in their move to Tandragee Rovers.

As always, Rathfriland FC are a forward-thinking club and continue to make improvements to their facilities. Work completed on new floodlighting on Iveagh Park allowing Rathfriland Rangers to host competitive match for the first time in their history. The club's first game under the new lights was against local rivals, Banbridge Town, with a crowd of over 400 in attendance. The Club are also indebted to many new volunteers that have helped in various different ways over the season, Ben Graham helping at various events and Elaine Scott central to increasing the profile of ladies football in the local area.

Rathfriland Football secured various grants from different funders, and we are indebted to all our sponsors for their continued commitment and support. The Club strive to grow its membership and modernise existing facilities, all within a strict financial regime, ensuring we are able to meet all our financial commitments and ensure sustainable of the club. An overspend on erecting new Solar Panels and LED floodlighting around Iveagh Park, resulted in the club temporarily needing a small overdraft facility, which it seeks to repay in full 2024/25.

The club continue to make their facilities available to the community of Rathfriland, with various schools, religious organisations and community associations using the club's facilities/pitches.

Once again, the Club are again thankful for the endless number of volunteer hours put into by all committee members and community, but a special thank you must be also be given to Alison Megaw, Jennifer Groves, Flo Shaw, Shelia Todd, Kathy and events committee.

Results and Dividends
At the end of the financial period the charity has assets of £897,694 (Jun 23 - £673,642) and liabilities of £1,680 (Jun 23 - £840). The net assets of the charity have increased by £223,212.

Plans for the Future
The Club's main goal is to continue the path followed over the last few years, maintaining the policy of sound management, by monitoring all aspects of our finances and encouraging community support for all activities. With the introduction of a new Under 21 team proposed for the incoming season and a lack of local training facilities, Rathfriland would like to create a much needed training area in land adjacent to car park.

Rathfriland Football Club have identified several projects and have engage in the services of Richard Forsythe to assist in the continued developments of grounds and facilities at Iveagh Park to make sure that they remain up to date and fit for 21st century. With a growing youth section, 2 ladies teams and 4 senior teams, it is always important to ensure facilities remain modern and can meet the demands of increasing use.

In accordance with the Constitution, the trustees retire by rotation and, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

Compliance with Sector-Wide Legislation and Standards
The charity engages pro-actively with legislation, standards and codes which are developed for the sector. Rathfriland Football Club subscribes to and is compliant with the following:
- The Charities SORP (FRS 102)

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 19 March 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

Howard Newman Murray
Trustee

Desmond Davenport
Trustee

Rathfriland Football Club
STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES
for the financial period ended 31 December 2023

The trustees are responsible for preparing the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

The law applicable to charities in Northern Ireland requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial period which give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities and financial position of the charity as at the financial period end date and of the surplus or deficit of the charity and otherwise comply with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008.

In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:
- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether the financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards, identify those standards, and note the effect and the reasons for any material departure from those standards; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the above requirements in preparing the financial statements.

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 19 March 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

Howard Newman Murray
Trustee

Desmond Davenport
Trustee

Rathfriland Football Club

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF RATHFRILAND FOOTBALL CLUB

We have examined the financial statements of the charity for the financial period ended 31 December 2023, which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and the related notes.

This report is made solely to the charity's members, as a body, in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008. Our work has been undertaken so that we might compile the financial statements that we have been engaged to compile, report to the Board of Trustees that we have done so, and state those matters that we have agreed to state to them in this report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's members, as a body, for our work, or for this report.

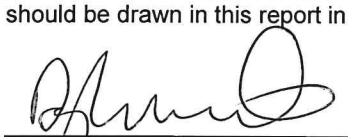
Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner
The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this financial period under the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 and that an independent examination is required.

It is our responsibility to:
- examine the financial statements under section 65 of the Charities Act;
- follow the procedures laid down by the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to our attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report
We have examined your charity financial statements as required under section 65 of the Charities Act and our examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the financial statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements 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 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.

In connection with our examination, no matter has come to our attention which gives us cause to believe that in, any material respect:
- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 63 of the Charities Act
- the financial statements do not accord with those accounting records
- the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102)
- there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Independent examiner's statement
We 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 financial statements to be reached.



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Chartered Accountants
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Date: 19 March 2024

Rathfriland Football Club
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
for the financial period ended 31 December 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds Dec 23 £	Restricted Funds Dec 23 £	Total Funds Dec 23 £	Total Funds Jun 23 £
Income					
Donations and legacies	4.1	**12,063**	**24,773**	**36,836**	63,845
Charitable activities					
Fees and sponsorship	4.2	**34,125**	**-**	**34,125**	37,203
Other trading activities	4.3	**40,164**	**-**	**40,164**	66,327
Investments	4.4	**50**	**-**	**50**	69
Total income		**86,402**	**24,773**	**111,175**	167,444
Expenditure					
Raising funds	5.1	**2,174**	**-**	**2,174**	1,400
Charitable activities	5.2	**34,377**	**24,773**	**59,150**	108,307
Other trading activities	5.3	**19,472**	**-**	**19,472**	27,057
Total Expenditure		**56,023**	**24,773**	**80,796**	136,764
Net income/(expenditure)		**30,379**	**-**	**30,379**	30,680
Transfers between funds		**-**	**-**	**-**	-
Other recognised gains/(losses):					
Surplus/(deficit) for the financial period		**30,379**	**-**	**30,379**	30,680
Net gains/(losses) on investments		**192,833**	**-**	**192,833**	-
Net movement in funds for the financial period		**223,212**	**-**	**223,212**	30,680
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds beginning of the year	14	**672,802**	**-**	**672,802**	642,122
Total funds at the end of the year		**896,014**	**-**	**896,014**	672,802

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the financial period.
All income and expenditure relate to continuing activities.

Rathfriland Football Club
BALANCE SHEET
as at 31 December 2023

	Notes	Dec 23 £	Jun 23 £
Fixed Assets			
Tangible assets	9	871,443	659,734
Current Assets			
Stocks	10	662	689
Debtors	11	2,230	2,230
Cash at bank and in hand		23,359	10,989
		26,251	13,908
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	12	(1,680)	(840)
Net Current Assets		24,571	13,068
Total Assets less Current Liabilities		896,014	672,802
Funds			
General fund (unrestricted)		896,014	672,802
Total funds	14	896,014	672,802

The total unrestricted funds includes a revaluation reserve of £(192,833)

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime and in accordance with FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland", applying Section 1A of that Standard.

Approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 19 March 2024 and signed on its behalf by

Howard Newman Murray
Trustee

Desmond Davenport
Trustee

Rathfriland Football Club
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
for the financial period ended 31 December 2023

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Rathfriland Football Club is a charity incorporated in Northern Ireland. The registered office of the company is Rathfriland Football Club, Iveagh Park, Rathfriland, Co. Down, BT34 5NQ, Northern Ireland which is also the principal place of business of the company The financial statements have been presented in Pound (£) which is also the functional currency of the company.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the charity's financial statements.

Basis of preparation
The financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis under the historical cost convention, modified to include certain items at fair value. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland FRS 102", applying Section 1A of that Standard.

As permitted by the Companies Act 2006, the charity has varied the standard formats in that act for the Statement of Financial Activities and the Balance Sheet. Departures from the standard formats are to comply with the requirements of the Charities SORP and are in compliance with section 4.7, 10.6 and 15.2 of that SORP.

Statement of compliance
The financial statements of the charity for the financial period ended 31 December 2017 have been prepared on the going concern basis and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland FRS 102", applying Section 1A of that Standard.

Fund accounting
The following are the categorises of funds maintained:

Restricted funds
Restricted funds represent income received which can only be used for particular purposes, as specified by the donors. Such purposes are within the overall objectives of the charity.

Unrestricted funds
Unrestricted funds consist of General and Designated funds.

- General funds represent amounts which are expendable at the discretion of the board, in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.
- Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that the board has, at its discretion, set aside for particular purposes. These designations have an administrative purpose only, and do not legally restrict the board's discretion to apply the fund.

Income
Voluntary income or capital is included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to it, its financial value can be quantified with reasonable certainty and there is reasonable certainty of its ultimate receipt. Entitlement to legacies is considered established when the charity has been notified of a distribution to be made by the executors. Income received in advance of due performance under a contract is accounted for as deferred income until earned. Grants for activities are recognised as income when the related conditions for legal entitlement have been met. All other income is accounted for on an accruals basis.

Expenditure
All resources expended are accounted for on an accruals basis. Charitable activities include costs of services and grants, support costs and depreciation on related assets. Costs of generating funds similarly include fundraising activities. Non-staff costs not attributed to one category of activity are allocated or apportioned pro-rata to the staffing of the relevant service. Finance, HR, IT and administrative staff costs are directly attributable to individual activities by objective. Governance costs are those associated with constitutional and statutory requirements.

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Tangible fixed assets and depreciation
Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost or at valuation, less accumulated depreciation. The charge to depreciation is calculated to write off the original cost or valuation of tangible fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives as follows:

Land and buildings freehold	-	2% reducing balance
Long leasehold property	-	
Plant and machinery	-	20% reducing balance
Fixtures, fittings and equipment	-	10% reducing balance

During this financial year the committee made the decision to change the depreciation on the buildings & stands to 2% reducing balance rather than the previous 10% rate. They feel this change in accounting policy is more reflective of the assets useful life.

The land owned by the charity is not depreciated as it is not expected to decrease in value.

Stock
Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items. Cost includes all costs incurred in the normal course of business in bringing them to their present location and condition. Stocks comprise fundraising materials. It is not considered practicable to value stock of unsold donated goods at the year end.

Debtors
Debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due. Income recognised by the charity from government agencies and other co-funders, but not yet received at year end, is included in debtors.

Cash at bank and in hand
Cash at bank and in hand comprises cash on deposit at banks requiring less than three months notice of withdrawal.

Taxation
No current or deferred taxation arises as the charity has been granted charitable exemption. Irrecoverable valued added tax is expensed as incurred.

3. PERIOD OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
The financial statements are for the 7 month period ended 31 December 2023.

4. INCOME

4.1 DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Dec 23 £	Jun 23 £
Donations and legacies	**12,063**	**-**	**12,063**	16,675
Grant Income	**-**	**24,773**	**24,773**	33,194
	12,063	**24,773**	**36,836**	49,869

4.2 CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Dec 23 £	Jun 23 £
Grants from governments and other co-funders:				
Income from charitable activities	**32,815**	**-**	**32,815**	49,254
Football Income	**1,310**	**-**	**1,310**	1,925
	34,125	**-**	**34,125**	51,179

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4.3 OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Dec 23	Jun 23
	£	£	£	£
Bar Income	**40,164**	**-**	**40,164**	66,327

4.4 INVESTMENTS

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Dec 23	Jun 23
	£	£	£	£
Investments	**50**	**-**	**50**	69

5. EXPENDITURE

5.1 RAISING FUNDS

	Direct Costs	Other Costs	Support Costs	Dec 23	Jun 23
	£	£	£	£	£
Raising funds	**-**	**-**	**2,174**	**2,174**	1,400

5.2 CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Direct Costs	Other Costs	Support Costs	Dec 23	Jun 23
	£	£	£	£	£
Expenditure on charitable activites	**689**	**1,799**	**24,325**	**26,813**	51,252
Football expenditure	**-**	**24,389**	**7,948**	**32,337**	57,055
	689	**26,188**	**32,273**	**59,150**	108,307

5.3 OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	Direct Costs	Other Costs	Support Costs	Dec 23	Jun 23
	£	£	£	£	£
Bar expenses	**19,472**	**-**	**-**	**19,472**	27,057

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6. ANALYSIS OF SUPPORT COSTS

	Dec 23 £	Jun 23 £
Depreciation	**15,696**	23,842
Fundraising costs	**1,674**	400
Accountancy	**995**	3,100
Subscriptions	**656**	3,596
Coaches & referees	**3,353**	4,028
Gear & gym expenses	**2,869**	11,503
Prizes	**500**	1,000
Premises costs	**8,704**	19,362
	34,447	66,831

7. NET INCOME

	Dec 23 £	Jun 23 £
Net Income is stated after charging/(crediting):		
Depreciation of tangible assets	**15,696**	23,842

8. INVESTMENT AND OTHER INCOME

	Dec 23 £	Jun 23 £
Bank interest	**50**	69

9. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Land and buildings freehold £	Long leasehold property £	Plant and machinery £	Fixtures, fittings and equipment £	Total £
Cost or Valuation					
At 7 June 2023	507,536	134,309	80,728	36,990	759,563
Additions	5,476	-	29,096	-	34,572
Revaluation	192,833	-	-	-	192,833
At 31 December 2023	705,845	134,309	109,824	36,990	986,968
Depreciation					
At 7 June 2023	60,139	-	27,547	12,143	99,829
Charge for the financial period	5,015	-	9,232	1,449	15,696
At 31 December 2023	65,154	-	36,779	13,592	115,525
Net book value					
At 31 December 2023	**640,691**	**134,309**	**73,045**	**23,398**	**871,443**
At 6 June 2023	447,397	134,309	53,181	24,847	659,734

10. STOCKS

	Dec 23 £	Jun 23 £
Finished goods and goods for resale	**662**	689

11. DEBTORS

	Dec 23 £	Jun 23 £
Prepayments and accrued income	**2,230**	2,230

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12. CREDITORS

Amounts falling due within one year	Dec 23 £	Jun 23 £
Accruals and deferred income	**1,680**	840

13. RESERVES

	Revaluation reserve	Funds	Total
	£	£	£
At the beginning of the year	-	672,802	672,802
Surplus for the financial period	192,833	-	192,833
	-	30,379	30,379
At the end of the year	**192,833**	**703,181**	**896,014**

14. FUNDS

14.1 RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds £
At 7 June 2022	642,122	642,122
Movement during the financial year	30,680	30,680
At 6 June 2023	672,802	672,802
Movement during the financial year	223,212	223,212
At 31 December 2023	**896,014**	**896,014**

14.2 ANALYSIS OF MOVEMENTS ON FUNDS

	Balance 7 June 2023 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers between funds £	Gains and losses £	Balance 31 December Dec 23 £
ABC Council	-	13,093	13,093	-	-	-
Irish FA	-	11,240	11,240	-	-	-
Barclays	-	440	440	-	-	-
	-	24,773	24,773	-	-	-
Unrestricted funds						
General Reserve	13,070	86,402	40,327	(34,572)	-	24,573
Land & Buildings	659,732	-	15,696	34,572	192,833	871,441
	672,802	86,402	(56,023)	-	192,833	896,014
Total funds	**672,802**	**111,175**	**80,796**	**-**	**192,833**	**896,014**

15. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

We can confirm there have been no transactions involving trustees outside the normal course of business during the period ended 31st December 2023.

Rathfriland Football Club
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for the financial period ended 31 December 2023

16. POST-BALANCE SHEET EVENTS

There have been no significant events affecting the Charity since the financial period-end.

17. TRUSTEES REMUNERATION

The trustees did not receive, nor did they waive, any remuneration during the current or previous financial period.

18. INDEPENDENT EXAMINATION REPORT

The independent examiner's remuneration amounts to an independent examination fee of £750 (June-23 - £750). From year end December 2024, Daly Park & Company Ltd will also be providing VAT and PAYE services.

Rathfriland Football Club

Northern Ireland - Charity number 104638

Accounts

Charity Number: NIC104638

Rathfriland Football Club

Annual Report and Unaudited Financial Statements

for the financial year ended 6 June 2023

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TRUSTEES' AND OTHER INFORMATION

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Rathfriland Football Club
TRUSTEES' REPORT
for the financial year ended 6 June 2023

The trustees present their Trustees' Report and the unaudited financial statements for the financial year ended 6 June 2023.

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their financial statements in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

The Trustees' Report contains the information required to be provided in the Trustees' Annual Report under the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) guidelines. The trustees of the company are also charity trustees for the purpose of charity law and under the company's constitution are known as members of the board of trustees.

In this report the trustees of Rathfriland Football Club present a summary of its purpose, governance, activities, achievements and finances for the financial financial year 6 June 2023.

The charity is a registered charity and hence the report and results are presented in a form which complies with the requirements of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 and, although not obliged to comply with the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland FRS 102, the organisation has implemented its recommendations where relevant in these financial statements.

Mission, Objectives and Strategy

Mission Statement
The Charity has given careful consideration to the NI Charity Commission guidance on public benefit to ensure that the activities entered in during the year have helped to achieve the charity's aim and objectives as well as providing a public benefit.

Objectives
The Club has been established to promote fitness, advance education and facilitate social development from the age of 6 through healthy participation in sports and Association Football.

To provide a cross community social recreational facility with an emphasis on sporting and recreational activities within ABC Council Borough without distinction of age, sex, race, political, religious or other public opinion.

To work with local statutory agencies and provide a modern, fit for purpose shared facility with the objective of improving the conditions for the said inhabitants.

Structure, Governance and Management

Structure
Rathfriland Football Club is governed by a Constitution and a management committee that is elected from the body of the floor at the AGM. The Committee will ensure that the club members and volunteers adhere to the aims and rules described in the constitution. They are also responsible for the day to day management of the club and facilities, ensuring fully compliant with all Insurance/Licence/Fire/Health & Safety and Child Protection guidelines.

Governance
The Committee are responsible for the appointment of 7 Trustees. These individuals will only be appointed when the committee is clear that they fulfil the criteria of the NI Charity Commission:-

That they are eligible by:-
- having no unspent convictions
- promoting the ethos of the Club and to be fully knowledgeable of the Constitution
- take decisions made free from prejudice and in the Charity's best interests
- make sure the Club is sustainable and resources are managed responsibly
- be accountable to the members
- adhere to NI Charity Commission guidance and reporting requirements

- Brian Todd (President)
- Adrian Megaw (Chairperson) & Bobby McDowell (Vice Chairperson)
- Lindsay Bronte (Secretary) & Kathy Thompson (Asst Secretary)
- Paul Gibbons (Treasurer) & Howard Murray (Asst Treasurer)
- Eric Annett (PRO)
- Gordon Wilson (Facilities Manager)
- Alan Shaw (Commercial Manager) & Mervyn Groves (Asst Commercial Manager)
- David Gilmore (Youth Development Manager)

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Public Benefit Statement
The Charity has given careful consideration to the NI Charity Commission guidance on public benefit to ensure that the activities entered in during the year have helped to achieve the charity's aim and objectives as well as providing a public benefit.

Review of Activities, Achievements and Performance
Aims

The Club continues to encourage and promote fitness activities for ALL from the age of 6 and to facilitate in the development of association football. It is through healthy participation in our sporting activities and the integral social inclusion programmes that will aid the development of our members and result in better life conditions and opportunities.

The Clubs' ethos is to improve sporting and social development of members of the community and to foster good cross community relations in the ABC Council Borough area. A key priority is to see the successful development of youth football and unconditionally supporting other community and voluntary organisations and activities. The Club currently have 3 senior teams, 210 junior members and 40 coaches.

"The club is established to promote health, fitness, advance education and facilitate social development, through participation in sports and Association Football, who reside in Rathfriland and it's environs of ABC Council without the distinction of age, gender, disability, sexual orientation, nationality, ethnic identity, political or religious opinion, in a common effort to advance education, and to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and or other leisure-time occupation, with the objectives of improving health and well-being of said people".

Achievements

The committee once again must be commended for their own personal donations, and efforts in securing sponsorship and helping to organise events and nights to raise much needed revenue to meet the costs of managing a successful club.

The pitches were again maintained at a high level with many games taking place even with inclement weather. The club are indebted to Gordon/Des/John and the chairman for the diligent work and many hours spent maintaining the pitch and the facilities. A thankless job and the club need to recognise the countless hours undertaken sometimes forgotten, however the workload taken on needs to be spread as the club grows the workload increases.

Following 35 long and successful years in the NI Amateur League, 2023 will be long remembered in the history of Rathfriland FC and local community for all the right reasons - football. After winning the biggest double in the club's amateur league history, Rathfriland FC excelled again by winning the Premier League and then going on to beat two local rivals in Promotion play-off. The Club, team, supporters, and local community now look forward to the 2023/24 season and the new challenges. The team also reached the later stages of the Border and Intermediate Cups, narrowly losing in quarter finals.

As always, Rathfriland FC are a forward-thinking club and continue to make improvements to their facilities. Work completed on the new car park with a new entrance created and tarmac surface to allow for approximately 60/70 cars, including a disability section. In preparation for promotion, works took place to ensure existing facilities meet new NIFL criteria and the club were appreciated of the volunteer work provided by Phil,Darby. The club were again awarded some monies from DCMS to install some LED floodlighting, with works now almost complete. Once again, the club would like to thank Adrian Megaw and David Gilmore for all the work and time invested in the project.

Rathfriland Football secured various grants from different funders, and we are indebted to all our sponsors for their continued commitment and support. The Club strive to grow its membership and modernise existing facilities, all within a strict financial regime, ensuring we are able to meet all our financial commitments and ensure sustainable of the club.

The club continue to make their facilities available to the community of Rathfriland, with various schools, religious organisations and community associations using the club's facilities and pitches.

It is probably worth noting that 2022/23 represented many challenges for the club, particularly the impact of rising costs and inflation. No businesses over the last 18 months have been immune to this. The Club are again thankful for the endless number of volunteer hours put into by all committee members and community, but a special thank you must be also be given to Alison Megaw, Jennifer Groves, Flo Shaw, Shelia Todd, Kathy and events committee.

Results and Dividends
At the end of the financial year the charity has assets of £673,642 (2022 - £642,902) and liabilities of £840 (2022 - £780). The net assets of the charity have increased by £30,680.

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for the financial year ended 6 June 2023

Plans for the Future
The Club's main goal is to continue the path followed over the last few years, maintaining the policy of sound management, by monitoring all aspects of our finances and encouraging community support for all activities.

Rathfriland Football Club have identified several projects and have engage in the services of Richard Forsythe to assist in the continued developments of grounds and facilities at Iveagh Park to make sure that they remain up to date and fit for 21st century. With a growing youth section and 3 senior teams, it is always important to ensure facilities remain modern and can meet the demands of increasing use.

In accordance with the Constitution, the trustees retire by rotation and, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

Compliance with Sector-Wide Legislation and Standards
The charity engages pro-actively with legislation, standards and codes which are developed for the sector. Rathfriland Football Club subscribes to and is compliant with the following:
- The Charities SORP (FRS 102)

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 1 March 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

Howard Newman Murray
Trustee

Desmond Davenport
Trustee

Rathfriland Football Club
STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES
for the financial year ended 6 June 2023

The trustees are responsible for preparing the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

The law applicable to charities in Northern Ireland requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities and financial position of the charity as at the financial year end date and of the surplus or deficit of the charity and otherwise comply with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008.

In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether the financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards, identify those standards, and note the effect and the reasons for any material departure from those standards; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the above requirements in preparing the financial statements.

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 1 March 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

Howard Newman Murray
Trustee

Desmond Davenport
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Rathfriland Football Club
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF RATHFRILAND FOOTBALL CLUB

We have examined the financial statements of the charity for the financial year ended 6 June 2023, which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and the related notes.

This report is made solely to the charity's members, as a body, in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008. Our work has been undertaken so that we might compile the financial statements that we have been engaged to compile, report to the Board of Trustees that we have done so, and state those matters that we have agreed to state to them in this report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's members, as a body, for our work, or for this report.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner
The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this financial year under the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 and that an independent examination is required.

It is our responsibility to:
- examine the financial statements under section 65 of the Charities Act;
- follow the procedures laid down by the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to our attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report
We have examined your charity financial statements as required under section 65 of the Charities Act and our examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the financial statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements 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 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.

In connection with our examination, no matter has come to our attention which gives us cause to believe that in, any material respect:
- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 63 of the Charities Act
- the financial statements do not accord with those accounting records
- the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102)
- there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Independent examiner's statement
We 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 financial statements to be reached.

DALY PARK & COMPANY LTD
Chartered Accountants
4 Carnegie Street
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Northern Ireland

Date: 1 March 2024

Rathfriland Football Club
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
for the financial year ended 6 June 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds 2023 £	Restricted Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2023 £	Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Restricted Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2022 £
Income							
Donations and legacies	3.1	**35,948**	**27,897**	**63,845**	24,348	21,486	45,834
Charitable activities							
Fees and sponsorship	3.2	**37,203**	**-**	**37,203**	40,000	-	40,000
Other trading activities	3.3	**66,327**	**-**	**66,327**	40,591	-	40,591
Investments	3.4	**69**	**-**	**69**	3	-	3
Total income		**139,547**	**27,897**	**167,444**	104,942	21,486	126,428
Expenditure							
Raising funds	4.1	**1,400**	**-**	**1,400**	4,768	-	4,768
Charitable activities	4.2	**60,410**	**47,897**	**108,307**	86,697	1,486	88,183
Other trading activities	4.3	**27,057**	**-**	**27,057**	16,812	-	16,812
Total Expenditure		**88,867**	**47,897**	**136,764**	108,277	1,486	109,763
Net income/(expenditure)		**50,680**	**(20,000)**	**30,680**	(3,335)	20,000	16,665
Transfers between funds		**-**	**-**	**-**	12,734	(12,734)	-
Net movement in funds for the financial year		**50,680**	**(20,000)**	**30,680**	9,399	7,266	16,665
Reconciliation of funds:							
Total funds beginning of the year	13	**622,122**	**20,000**	**642,122**	612,723	12,734	625,457
Total funds at the end of the year		**672,802**	**-**	**672,802**	622,122	20,000	642,122

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the financial year.
All Income and expenditure relate to continuing activities.

Rathfriland Football Club
BALANCE SHEET
as at 6 June 2023

	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
Fixed Assets			
Tangible assets	8	659,734	585,937
Current Assets			
Stocks	9	689	633
Debtors	10	2,230	-
Cash at bank and in hand		10,989	56,332
		13,908	56,965
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	11	(840)	(780)
Net Current Assets		13,068	56,185
Total Assets less Current Liabilities		672,802	642,122
Funds			
Restricted funds		-	20,000
General fund (unrestricted)		672,802	622,122
Total funds	13	672,802	642,122

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime and in accordance with FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland", applying Section 1A of that Standard.

Approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 1 March 2024 and signed on its behalf by

Howard Newman Murray
Trustee

Desmond Davenport
Trustee

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Rathfriland Football Club is a charity incorporated in Northern Ireland. The registered office of the company is Rathfriland Football Club, Iveagh Park, Rathfriland, Co. Down, BT34 5NQ, Northern Ireland which is also the principal place of business of the company The financial statements have been presented in Pound (£) which is also the functional currency of the company.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the charity's financial statements.

Basis of preparation
The financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis under the historical cost convention, modified to include certain items at fair value. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland FRS 102", applying Section 1A of that Standard.

As permitted by the Companies Act 2006, the charity has varied the standard formats in that act for the Statement of Financial Activities and the Balance Sheet. Departures from the standard formats are to comply with the requirements of the Charities SORP and are in compliance with section 4.7, 10.6 and 15.2 of that SORP.

Statement of compliance
The financial statements of the charity for the financial year ended 31 December 2017 have been prepared on the going concern basis and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland FRS 102", applying Section 1A of that Standard.

Fund accounting
The following are the categorises of funds maintained:

Restricted funds
Restricted funds represent income received which can only be used for particular purposes, as specified by the donors. Such purposes are within the overall objectives of the charity.

Unrestricted funds
Unrestricted funds consist of General and Designated funds.

- General funds represent amounts which are expendable at the discretion of the board, in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.
- Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that the board has, at its discretion, set aside for particular purposes. These designations have an administrative purpose only, and do not legally restrict the board's discretion to apply the fund.

Income
Voluntary income or capital is included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to it, its financial value can be quantified with reasonable certainty and there is reasonable certainty of its ultimate receipt. Entitlement to legacies is considered established when the charity has been notified of a distribution to be made by the executors. Income received in advance of due performance under a contract is accounted for as deferred income until earned. Grants for activities are recognised as income when the related conditions for legal entitlement have been met. All other income is accounted for on an accruals basis.

Expenditure
All resources expended are accounted for on an accruals basis. Charitable activities include costs of services and grants, support costs and depreciation on related assets. Costs of generating funds similarly include fundraising activities. Non-staff costs not attributed to one category of activity are allocated or apportioned pro-rata to the staffing of the relevant service. Finance, HR, IT and administrative staff costs are directly attributable to individual activities by objective. Governance costs are those associated with constitutional and statutory requirements.

Tangible fixed assets and depreciation
Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost or at valuation, less accumulated depreciation. The charge to depreciation is calculated to write off the original cost or valuation of tangible fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives as follows:

Land and buildings freehold	-	2% reducing balance
Long leasehold property	-	
Plant and machinery	-	20% reducing balance
Fixtures, fittings and equipment	-	10% reducing balance

During this financial year the committee made the decision to change the depreciation on the buildings & stands to 2% reducing balance rather than the previous 10% rate. They feel this change in accounting policy is more reflective of the assets useful life.

The land owned by the charity is not depreciated as it is not expected to decrease in value.

Stock
Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items. Cost includes all costs incurred in the normal course of business in bringing them to their present location and condition. Stocks comprise fundraising materials. It is not considered practicable to value stock of unsold donated goods at the year end.

Debtors
Debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due. Income recognised by the charity from government agencies and other co-funders, but not yet received at year end, is included in debtors.

Cash at bank and in hand
Cash at bank and in hand comprises cash on deposit at banks requiring less than three months notice of withdrawal.

Taxation
No current or deferred taxation arises as the charity has been granted charitable exemption. Irrecoverable valued added tax is expensed as incurred.

3. INCOME

3.1 DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2023	2022
	£	£	£	£
Donations and legacies	**30,651**	**-**	**30,651**	17,143
Grant Income	**5,297**	**27,897**	**33,194**	28,691
	35,948	**27,897**	**63,845**	45,834

3.2 CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2023	2022
	£	£	£	£
Grants from governments and other co-funders:				
Income from charitable activities	**35,278**	**-**	**35,278**	34,623
Football Income	**1,925**	**-**	**1,925**	5,377
	37,203	**-**	**37,203**	40,000

3.3 OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2023	2022
	£	£	£	£
Bar Income	**66,327**	**-**	**66,327**	40,591

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3.4 INVESTMENTS

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2023	2022
	£	£	£	£
Investments	69	-	69	3

4. EXPENDITURE

4.1 RAISING FUNDS

	Direct Costs	Other Costs	Support Costs	2023	2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Raising funds	-	-	1,400	1,400	4,768

4.2 CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Direct Costs	Other Costs	Support Costs	2023	2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Football expenditure	-	37,313	19,742	57,055	47,044
Expenditure on charitable activites	633	4,930	45,689	51,252	41,139
	633	42,243	65,431	108,307	88,183

4.3 OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	Direct Costs	Other Costs	Support Costs	2023	2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Bar expenses	27,057	-	-	27,057	16,812

4.4 SUPPORT COSTS

	Cost of Raising Funds	Charitable Activities	2023	2022
	£	£	£	£
Depreciation	-	23,842	23,842	14,680
Fundraising costs	400	-	400	2,398
Accountancy	-	3,100	3,100	871
Subscriptions	-	3,596	3,596	933
Coaches & referees	-	4,028	4,028	3,086
Gear & gym expenses	-	11,503	11,503	13,049
Prizes	1,000	-	1,000	2,370
Premises costs	-	19,362	19,362	14,468
	1,400	65,431	66,831	51,855

5. ANALYSIS OF SUPPORT COSTS

	2023	2022
	£	£
Depreciation	23,842	14,680
Fundraising costs	400	2,398
Accountancy	3,100	871
Subscriptions	3,596	933
Coaches & referees	4,028	3,086
Gear & gym expenses	11,503	13,049
Prizes	1,000	2,370
Premises costs	19,362	14,468
	66,831	51,855

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6. NET INCOME

	2023	2022
	£	£
Net income is stated after charging/(crediting):		
Depreciation of tangible assets	**23,842**	14,680
Grants receivable received	**-**	(10,000)

7. INVESTMENT AND OTHER INCOME

	2023	2022
	£	£
Revenue grants received	**-**	10,000
Bank interest	**69**	3
	69	10,003

8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Land and buildings freehold	Long leasehold property	Plant and machinery	Fixtures, fittings and equipment	Total
	£	£	£	£	£
Cost					
At 7 June 2022	456,336	134,309	34,289	36,990	661,924
Additions	51,200	-	46,439	-	97,639
At 6 June 2023	507,536	134,309	80,728	36,990	759,563
Depreciation					
At 7 June 2022	51,478	-	15,127	9,382	75,987
Charge for the financial year	8,661	-	12,420	2,761	23,842
At 6 June 2023	60,139	-	27,547	12,143	99,829
Net book value					
At 6 June 2023	**447,397**	**134,309**	**53,181**	**24,847**	**659,734**
At 6 June 2022	404,858	134,309	19,162	27,608	585,937

The trustees are currently in the process of revaluing the properties held at Iveagh Park , Rathfriland Co. Down. This up to date valuation will be included in the next set of financial statements.

9. STOCKS

	2023	2022
	£	£
Finished goods and goods for resale	**689**	633

10. DEBTORS

	2023	2022
	£	£
Prepayments and accrued income	**2,230**	-

11. CREDITORS

Amounts falling due within one year	2023	2022
	£	£
Accruals and deferred income	**840**	780

12. RESERVES

	2023 £	2022 £
At the beginning of the year	**642,122**	625,457
Surplus for the financial year	**30,680**	16,665
At the end of the year	672,802	642,122

13. FUNDS

13.1 RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds £
At 7 June 2021	612,723	12,734	625,457
Movement during the financial year	9,399	7,266	16,665
At 6 June 2022	622,122	20,000	642,122
Movement during the financial year	50,680	(20,000)	30,680
At 6 June 2023	**672,802**	**-**	**672,802**

13.2 ANALYSIS OF MOVEMENTS ON FUNDS

	Balance 7 June 2022 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers between funds £	Balance 6 June 2023 £
ABC Council	-	1,700	1,700	-	-
TADA	-	1,499	1,499	-	-
Irish FA	20,000	24,198	44,198	-	-
Barclays	-	500	500	-	-
	20,000	27,897	47,897	-	-
Unrestricted funds					
General Reserve	36,187	139,547	65,025	(97,639)	13,070
Land & Buildings	585,935	-	23,842	97,639	659,732
	622,122	139,547	(88,867)	-	672,802
Total funds	**642,122**	**167,444**	**136,764**	**-**	**672,802**

14. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

We can confirm there have been no transactions involving trustees outside the normal course of business at the year end 6th June 2023.

15. POST-BALANCE SHEET EVENTS

There have been no significant events affecting the Charity since the financial year-end.

Rathfriland Football Club

Northern Ireland - Charity number 104638

Annual report

Charity Number: NIC104638

Rathfriland Football Club

Annual Report and Unaudited Financial Statements

for the financial year ended 6 June 2023

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In this report the trustees of Rathfriland Football Club present a summary of its purpose, governance, activities, achievements and finances for the financial financial year 6 June 2023.

The charity is a registered charity and hence the report and results are presented in a form which complies with the requirements of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 and, although not obliged to comply with the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland FRS 102, the organisation has implemented its recommendations where relevant in these financial statements.

Mission, Objectives and Strategy

Mission Statement
The Charity has given careful consideration to the NI Charity Commission guidance on public benefit to ensure that the activities entered in during the year have helped to achieve the charity's aim and objectives as well as providing a public benefit.

Objectives
The Club has been established to promote fitness, advance education and facilitate social development from the age of 6 through healthy participation in sports and Association Football.

To provide a cross community social recreational facility with an emphasis on sporting and recreational activities within ABC Council Borough without distinction of age, sex, race, political, religious or other public opinion.

To work with local statutory agencies and provide a modern, fit for purpose shared facility with the objective of improving the conditions for the said inhabitants.

Structure, Governance and Management

Structure
Rathfriland Football Club is governed by a Constitution and a management committee that is elected from the body of the floor at the AGM. The Committee will ensure that the club members and volunteers adhere to the aims and rules described in the constitution. They are also responsible for the day to day management of the club and facilities, ensuring fully compliant with all Insurance/Licence/Fire/Health & Safety and Child Protection guidelines.

Governance
The Committee are responsible for the appointment of 7 Trustees. These individuals will only be appointed when the committee is clear that they fulfil the criteria of the NI Charity Commission:-

That they are eligible by:-
- having no unspent convictions
- promoting the ethos of the Club and to be fully knowledgeable of the Constitution
- take decisions made free from prejudice and in the Charity's best interests
- make sure the Club is sustainable and resources are managed responsibly
- be accountable to the members
- adhere to NI Charity Commission guidance and reporting requirements

- Brian Todd (President)
- Adrian Megaw (Chairperson) & Bobby McDowell (Vice Chairperson)
- Lindsay Bronte (Secretary) & Kathy Thompson (Asst Secretary)
- Paul Gibbons (Treasurer) & Howard Murray (Asst Treasurer)
- Eric Annett (PRO)
- Gordon Wilson (Facilities Manager)
- Alan Shaw (Commercial Manager) & Mervyn Groves (Asst Commercial Manager)
- David Gilmore (Youth Development Manager)

Rathfriland Football Club
TRUSTEES' REPORT
for the financial year ended 6 June 2023

Public Benefit Statement
The Charity has given careful consideration to the NI Charity Commission guidance on public benefit to ensure that the activities entered in during the year have helped to achieve the charity's aim and objectives as well as providing a public benefit.

Review of Activities, Achievements and Performance
Aims

The Club continues to encourage and promote fitness activities for ALL from the age of 6 and to facilitate in the development of association football. It is through healthy participation in our sporting activities and the integral social inclusion programmes that will aid the development of our members and result in better life conditions and opportunities.

The Clubs' ethos is to improve sporting and social development of members of the community and to foster good cross community relations in the ABC Council Borough area. A key priority is to see the successful development of youth football and unconditionally supporting other community and voluntary organisations and activities. The Club currently have 3 senior teams, 210 junior members and 40 coaches.

"The club is established to promote health, fitness, advance education and facilitate social development, through participation in sports and Association Football, who reside in Rathfriland and it's environs of ABC Council without the distinction of age, gender, disability, sexual orientation, nationality, ethnic identity, political or religious opinion, in a common effort to advance education, and to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and or other leisure-time occupation, with the objectives of improving health and well-being of said people".

Achievements

The committee once again must be commended for their own personal donations, and efforts in securing sponsorship and helping to organise events and nights to raise much needed revenue to meet the costs of managing a successful club.

The pitches were again maintained at a high level with many games taking place even with inclement weather. The club are indebted to Gordon/Des/John and the chairman for the diligent work and many hours spent maintaining the pitch and the facilities. A thankless job and the club need to recognise the countless hours undertaken sometimes forgotten, however the workload taken on needs to be spread as the club grows the workload increases.

Following 35 long and successful years in the NI Amateur League, 2023 will be long remembered in the history of Rathfriland FC and local community for all the right reasons - football. After winning the biggest double in the club's amateur league history, Rathfriland FC excelled again by winning the Premier League and then going on to beat two local rivals in Promotion play-off. The Club, team, supporters, and local community now look forward to the 2023/24 season and the new challenges. The team also reached the later stages of the Border and Intermediate Cups, narrowly losing in quarter finals.

As always, Rathfriland FC are a forward-thinking club and continue to make improvements to their facilities. Work completed on the new car park with a new entrance created and tarmac surface to allow for approximately 60/70 cars, including a disability section. In preparation for promotion, works took place to ensure existing facilities meet new NIFL criteria and the club were appreciated of the volunteer work provided by Phil,Darby. The club were again awarded some monies from DCMS to install some LED floodlighting, with works now almost complete. Once again, the club would like to thank Adrian Megaw and David Gilmore for all the work and time invested in the project.

Rathfriland Football secured various grants from different funders, and we are indebted to all our sponsors for their continued commitment and support. The Club strive to grow its membership and modernise existing facilities, all within a strict financial regime, ensuring we are able to meet all our financial commitments and ensure sustainable of the club.

The club continue to make their facilities available to the community of Rathfriland, with various schools, religious organisations and community associations using the club's facilities and pitches.

It is probably worth noting that 2022/23 represented many challenges for the club, particularly the impact of rising costs and inflation. No businesses over the last 18 months have been immune to this. The Club are again thankful for the endless number of volunteer hours put into by all committee members and community, but a special thank you must be also be given to Alison Megaw, Jennifer Groves, Flo Shaw, Shelia Todd, Kathy and events committee.

Results and Dividends
At the end of the financial year the charity has assets of £673,642 (2022 - £642,902) and liabilities of £840 (2022 - £780). The net assets of the charity have increased by £30,680.

Rathfriland Football Club
TRUSTEES' REPORT
for the financial year ended 6 June 2023

Plans for the Future
The Club's main goal is to continue the path followed over the last few years, maintaining the policy of sound management, by monitoring all aspects of our finances and encouraging community support for all activities.

Rathfriland Football Club have identified several projects and have engage in the services of Richard Forsythe to assist in the continued developments of grounds and facilities at Iveagh Park to make sure that they remain up to date and fit for 21st century. With a growing youth section and 3 senior teams, it is always important to ensure facilities remain modern and can meet the demands of increasing use.

In accordance with the Constitution, the trustees retire by rotation and, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

Compliance with Sector-Wide Legislation and Standards
The charity engages pro-actively with legislation, standards and codes which are developed for the sector. Rathfriland Football Club subscribes to and is compliant with the following:
- The Charities SORP (FRS 102)

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 1 March 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

Howard Newman Murray
Trustee

Desmond Davenport
Trustee

Rathfriland Football Club
STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES
for the financial year ended 6 June 2023

The trustees are responsible for preparing the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

The law applicable to charities in Northern Ireland requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities and financial position of the charity as at the financial year end date and of the surplus or deficit of the charity and otherwise comply with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008.

In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether the financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards, identify those standards, and note the effect and the reasons for any material departure from those standards; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the above requirements in preparing the financial statements.

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

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Trustee

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Rathfriland Football Club
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF RATHFRILAND FOOTBALL CLUB

We have examined the financial statements of the charity for the financial year ended 6 June 2023, which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and the related notes.

This report is made solely to the charity's members, as a body, in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008. Our work has been undertaken so that we might compile the financial statements that we have been engaged to compile, report to the Board of Trustees that we have done so, and state those matters that we have agreed to state to them in this report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's members, as a body, for our work, or for this report.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner
The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this financial year under the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 and that an independent examination is required.

It is our responsibility to:
- examine the financial statements under section 65 of the Charities Act;
- follow the procedures laid down by the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to our attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report
We have examined your charity financial statements as required under section 65 of the Charities Act and our examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the financial statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements 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 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.

In connection with our examination, no matter has come to our attention which gives us cause to believe that in, any material respect:
- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 63 of the Charities Act
- the financial statements do not accord with those accounting records
- the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102)
- there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Independent examiner's statement
We 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 financial statements to be reached.

DALY PARK & COMPANY LTD
Chartered Accountants
4 Carnegie Street
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Northern Ireland

Date: 1 March 2024

Rathfriland Football Club
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
for the financial year ended 6 June 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds 2023 £	Restricted Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2023 £	Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Restricted Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2022 £
Income							
Donations and legacies	3.1	**35,948**	**27,897**	**63,845**	24,348	21,486	45,834
Charitable activities							
Fees and sponsorship	3.2	**37,203**	**-**	**37,203**	40,000	-	40,000
Other trading activities	3.3	**66,327**	**-**	**66,327**	40,591	-	40,591
Investments	3.4	**69**	**-**	**69**	3	-	3
Total income		**139,547**	**27,897**	**167,444**	104,942	21,486	126,428
Expenditure							
Raising funds	4.1	**1,400**	**-**	**1,400**	4,768	-	4,768
Charitable activities	4.2	**60,410**	**47,897**	**108,307**	86,697	1,486	88,183
Other trading activities	4.3	**27,057**	**-**	**27,057**	16,812	-	16,812
Total Expenditure		**88,867**	**47,897**	**136,764**	108,277	1,486	109,763
Net income/(expenditure)		**50,680**	**(20,000)**	**30,680**	(3,335)	20,000	16,665
Transfers between funds		**-**	**-**	**-**	12,734	(12,734)	-
Net movement in funds for the financial year		**50,680**	**(20,000)**	**30,680**	9,399	7,266	16,665
Reconciliation of funds:							
Total funds beginning of the year	13	**622,122**	**20,000**	**642,122**	612,723	12,734	625,457
Total funds at the end of the year		**672,802**	**-**	**672,802**	622,122	20,000	642,122

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the financial year.
All Income and expenditure relate to continuing activities.

Rathfriland Football Club
BALANCE SHEET
as at 6 June 2023

	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
Fixed Assets			
Tangible assets	8	659,734	585,937
Current Assets			
Stocks	9	689	633
Debtors	10	2,230	-
Cash at bank and in hand		10,989	56,332
		13,908	56,965
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	11	(840)	(780)
Net Current Assets		13,068	56,185
Total Assets less Current Liabilities		672,802	642,122
Funds			
Restricted funds		-	20,000
General fund (unrestricted)		672,802	622,122
Total funds	13	672,802	642,122

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime and in accordance with FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland", applying Section 1A of that Standard.

Approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 1 March 2024 and signed on its behalf by

Howard Newman Murray
Trustee

Desmond Davenport
Trustee

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Rathfriland Football Club is a charity incorporated in Northern Ireland. The registered office of the company is Rathfriland Football Club, Iveagh Park, Rathfriland, Co. Down, BT34 5NQ, Northern Ireland which is also the principal place of business of the company The financial statements have been presented in Pound (£) which is also the functional currency of the company.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the charity's financial statements.

Basis of preparation
The financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis under the historical cost convention, modified to include certain items at fair value. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland FRS 102", applying Section 1A of that Standard.

As permitted by the Companies Act 2006, the charity has varied the standard formats in that act for the Statement of Financial Activities and the Balance Sheet. Departures from the standard formats are to comply with the requirements of the Charities SORP and are in compliance with section 4.7, 10.6 and 15.2 of that SORP.

Statement of compliance
The financial statements of the charity for the financial year ended 31 December 2017 have been prepared on the going concern basis and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland FRS 102", applying Section 1A of that Standard.

Fund accounting
The following are the categorises of funds maintained:

Restricted funds
Restricted funds represent income received which can only be used for particular purposes, as specified by the donors. Such purposes are within the overall objectives of the charity.

Unrestricted funds
Unrestricted funds consist of General and Designated funds.

- General funds represent amounts which are expendable at the discretion of the board, in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.
- Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that the board has, at its discretion, set aside for particular purposes. These designations have an administrative purpose only, and do not legally restrict the board's discretion to apply the fund.

Income
Voluntary income or capital is included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to it, its financial value can be quantified with reasonable certainty and there is reasonable certainty of its ultimate receipt. Entitlement to legacies is considered established when the charity has been notified of a distribution to be made by the executors. Income received in advance of due performance under a contract is accounted for as deferred income until earned. Grants for activities are recognised as income when the related conditions for legal entitlement have been met. All other income is accounted for on an accruals basis.

Expenditure
All resources expended are accounted for on an accruals basis. Charitable activities include costs of services and grants, support costs and depreciation on related assets. Costs of generating funds similarly include fundraising activities. Non-staff costs not attributed to one category of activity are allocated or apportioned pro-rata to the staffing of the relevant service. Finance, HR, IT and administrative staff costs are directly attributable to individual activities by objective. Governance costs are those associated with constitutional and statutory requirements.

Tangible fixed assets and depreciation
Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost or at valuation, less accumulated depreciation. The charge to depreciation is calculated to write off the original cost or valuation of tangible fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives as follows:

Land and buildings freehold	-	2% reducing balance
Long leasehold property	-	
Plant and machinery	-	20% reducing balance
Fixtures, fittings and equipment	-	10% reducing balance

During this financial year the committee made the decision to change the depreciation on the buildings & stands to 2% reducing balance rather than the previous 10% rate. They feel this change in accounting policy is more reflective of the assets useful life.

The land owned by the charity is not depreciated as it is not expected to decrease in value.

Stock
Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items. Cost includes all costs incurred in the normal course of business in bringing them to their present location and condition. Stocks comprise fundraising materials. It is not considered practicable to value stock of unsold donated goods at the year end.

Debtors
Debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due. Income recognised by the charity from government agencies and other co-funders, but not yet received at year end, is included in debtors.

Cash at bank and in hand
Cash at bank and in hand comprises cash on deposit at banks requiring less than three months notice of withdrawal.

Taxation
No current or deferred taxation arises as the charity has been granted charitable exemption. Irrecoverable valued added tax is expensed as incurred.

3. INCOME

3.1 DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2023	2022
	£	£	£	£
Donations and legacies	**30,651**	**-**	**30,651**	17,143
Grant Income	**5,297**	**27,897**	**33,194**	28,691
	35,948	**27,897**	**63,845**	45,834

3.2 CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2023	2022
	£	£	£	£
Grants from governments and other co-funders:				
Income from charitable activities	**35,278**	**-**	**35,278**	34,623
Football Income	**1,925**	**-**	**1,925**	5,377
	37,203	**-**	**37,203**	40,000

3.3 OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2023	2022
	£	£	£	£
Bar Income	**66,327**	**-**	**66,327**	40,591

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3.4 INVESTMENTS

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2023	2022
	£	£	£	£
Investments	69	-	69	3

4. EXPENDITURE

4.1 RAISING FUNDS

	Direct Costs	Other Costs	Support Costs	2023	2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Raising funds	-	-	1,400	1,400	4,768

4.2 CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Direct Costs	Other Costs	Support Costs	2023	2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Football expenditure	-	37,313	19,742	57,055	47,044
Expenditure on charitable activites	633	4,930	45,689	51,252	41,139
	633	42,243	65,431	108,307	88,183

4.3 OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	Direct Costs	Other Costs	Support Costs	2023	2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Bar expenses	27,057	-	-	27,057	16,812

4.4 SUPPORT COSTS

	Cost of Raising Funds	Charitable Activities	2023	2022
	£	£	£	£
Depreciation	-	23,842	23,842	14,680
Fundraising costs	400	-	400	2,398
Accountancy	-	3,100	3,100	871
Subscriptions	-	3,596	3,596	933
Coaches & referees	-	4,028	4,028	3,086
Gear & gym expenses	-	11,503	11,503	13,049
Prizes	1,000	-	1,000	2,370
Premises costs	-	19,362	19,362	14,468
	1,400	65,431	66,831	51,855

5. ANALYSIS OF SUPPORT COSTS

	2023	2022
	£	£
Depreciation	23,842	14,680
Fundraising costs	400	2,398
Accountancy	3,100	871
Subscriptions	3,596	933
Coaches & referees	4,028	3,086
Gear & gym expenses	11,503	13,049
Prizes	1,000	2,370
Premises costs	19,362	14,468
	66,831	51,855

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6. NET INCOME

	2023	2022
	£	£
Net income is stated after charging/(crediting):		
Depreciation of tangible assets	**23,842**	14,680
Grants receivable received	**-**	(10,000)

7. INVESTMENT AND OTHER INCOME

	2023	2022
	£	£
Revenue grants received	**-**	10,000
Bank interest	**69**	3
	69	10,003

8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Land and buildings freehold	Long leasehold property	Plant and machinery	Fixtures, fittings and equipment	Total
	£	£	£	£	£
Cost					
At 7 June 2022	456,336	134,309	34,289	36,990	661,924
Additions	51,200	-	46,439	-	97,639
At 6 June 2023	507,536	134,309	80,728	36,990	759,563
Depreciation					
At 7 June 2022	51,478	-	15,127	9,382	75,987
Charge for the financial year	8,661	-	12,420	2,761	23,842
At 6 June 2023	60,139	-	27,547	12,143	99,829
Net book value					
At 6 June 2023	**447,397**	**134,309**	**53,181**	**24,847**	**659,734**
At 6 June 2022	404,858	134,309	19,162	27,608	585,937

The trustees are currently in the process of revaluing the properties held at Iveagh Park , Rathfriland Co. Down. This up to date valuation will be included in the next set of financial statements.

9. STOCKS

	2023	2022
	£	£
Finished goods and goods for resale	**689**	633

10. DEBTORS

	2023	2022
	£	£
Prepayments and accrued income	**2,230**	-

11. CREDITORS

Amounts falling due within one year	2023	2022
	£	£
Accruals and deferred income	**840**	780

12. RESERVES

	2023 £	2022 £
At the beginning of the year	**642,122**	625,457
Surplus for the financial year	**30,680**	16,665
At the end of the year	672,802	642,122

13. FUNDS

13.1 RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds £
At 7 June 2021	612,723	12,734	625,457
Movement during the financial year	9,399	7,266	16,665
At 6 June 2022	622,122	20,000	642,122
Movement during the financial year	50,680	(20,000)	30,680
At 6 June 2023	**672,802**	**-**	**672,802**

13.2 ANALYSIS OF MOVEMENTS ON FUNDS

	Balance 7 June 2022 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers between funds £	Balance 6 June 2023 £
ABC Council	-	1,700	1,700	-	-
TADA	-	1,499	1,499	-	-
Irish FA	20,000	24,198	44,198	-	-
Barclays	-	500	500	-	-
	20,000	27,897	47,897	-	-
Unrestricted funds					
General Reserve	36,187	139,547	65,025	(97,639)	13,070
Land & Buildings	585,935	-	23,842	97,639	659,732
	622,122	139,547	(88,867)	-	672,802
Total funds	**642,122**	**167,444**	**136,764**	**-**	**672,802**

14. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

We can confirm there have been no transactions involving trustees outside the normal course of business at the year end 6th June 2023.

15. POST-BALANCE SHEET EVENTS

There have been no significant events affecting the Charity since the financial year-end.

Rathfriland Football Club

Northern Ireland - Charity number 104638

Annual return

Charity Number: NIC104638

Rathfriland Football Club

Annual Report and Unaudited Financial Statements

for the financial year ended 6 June 2023

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Rathfriland Football Club
TRUSTEES' AND OTHER INFORMATION

Trustees	Howard Newman Murray Lindsay Bronte Desmond Davenport Mark Ingram David Gilmore Glen Bell Lee McDowell
Chairperson	Adrian Megaw
Charity Number in Northern Ireland	NIC104638
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Rathfriland Football Club
TRUSTEES' REPORT
for the financial year ended 6 June 2023

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Objectives
The Club has been established to promote fitness, advance education and facilitate social development from the age of 6 through healthy participation in sports and Association Football.

To provide a cross community social recreational facility with an emphasis on sporting and recreational activities within ABC Council Borough without distinction of age, sex, race, political, religious or other public opinion.

To work with local statutory agencies and provide a modern, fit for purpose shared facility with the objective of improving the conditions for the said inhabitants.

Structure, Governance and Management

Structure
Rathfriland Football Club is governed by a Constitution and a management committee that is elected from the body of the floor at the AGM. The Committee will ensure that the club members and volunteers adhere to the aims and rules described in the constitution. They are also responsible for the day to day management of the club and facilities, ensuring fully compliant with all Insurance/Licence/Fire/Health & Safety and Child Protection guidelines.

Governance
The Committee are responsible for the appointment of 7 Trustees. These individuals will only be appointed when the committee is clear that they fulfil the criteria of the NI Charity Commission:-

That they are eligible by:-
- having no unspent convictions
- promoting the ethos of the Club and to be fully knowledgeable of the Constitution
- take decisions made free from prejudice and in the Charity's best interests
- make sure the Club is sustainable and resources are managed responsibly
- be accountable to the members
- adhere to NI Charity Commission guidance and reporting requirements

- Brian Todd (President)
- Adrian Megaw (Chairperson) & Bobby McDowell (Vice Chairperson)
- Lindsay Bronte (Secretary) & Kathy Thompson (Asst Secretary)
- Paul Gibbons (Treasurer) & Howard Murray (Asst Treasurer)
- Eric Annett (PRO)
- Gordon Wilson (Facilities Manager)
- Alan Shaw (Commercial Manager) & Mervyn Groves (Asst Commercial Manager)
- David Gilmore (Youth Development Manager)

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for the financial year ended 6 June 2023

Public Benefit Statement
The Charity has given careful consideration to the NI Charity Commission guidance on public benefit to ensure that the activities entered in during the year have helped to achieve the charity's aim and objectives as well as providing a public benefit.

Review of Activities, Achievements and Performance
Aims

The Club continues to encourage and promote fitness activities for ALL from the age of 6 and to facilitate in the development of association football. It is through healthy participation in our sporting activities and the integral social inclusion programmes that will aid the development of our members and result in better life conditions and opportunities.

The Clubs' ethos is to improve sporting and social development of members of the community and to foster good cross community relations in the ABC Council Borough area. A key priority is to see the successful development of youth football and unconditionally supporting other community and voluntary organisations and activities. The Club currently have 3 senior teams, 210 junior members and 40 coaches.

"The club is established to promote health, fitness, advance education and facilitate social development, through participation in sports and Association Football, who reside in Rathfriland and it's environs of ABC Council without the distinction of age, gender, disability, sexual orientation, nationality, ethnic identity, political or religious opinion, in a common effort to advance education, and to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and or other leisure-time occupation, with the objectives of improving health and well-being of said people".

Achievements

The committee once again must be commended for their own personal donations, and efforts in securing sponsorship and helping to organise events and nights to raise much needed revenue to meet the costs of managing a successful club.

The pitches were again maintained at a high level with many games taking place even with inclement weather. The club are indebted to Gordon/Des/John and the chairman for the diligent work and many hours spent maintaining the pitch and the facilities. A thankless job and the club need to recognise the countless hours undertaken sometimes forgotten, however the workload taken on needs to be spread as the club grows the workload increases.

Following 35 long and successful years in the NI Amateur League, 2023 will be long remembered in the history of Rathfriland FC and local community for all the right reasons - football. After winning the biggest double in the club's amateur league history, Rathfriland FC excelled again by winning the Premier League and then going on to beat two local rivals in Promotion play-off. The Club, team, supporters, and local community now look forward to the 2023/24 season and the new challenges. The team also reached the later stages of the Border and Intermediate Cups, narrowly losing in quarter finals.

As always, Rathfriland FC are a forward-thinking club and continue to make improvements to their facilities. Work completed on the new car park with a new entrance created and tarmac surface to allow for approximately 60/70 cars, including a disability section. In preparation for promotion, works took place to ensure existing facilities meet new NIFL criteria and the club were appreciated of the volunteer work provided by Phil,Darby. The club were again awarded some monies from DCMS to install some LED floodlighting, with works now almost complete. Once again, the club would like to thank Adrian Megaw and David Gilmore for all the work and time invested in the project.

Rathfriland Football secured various grants from different funders, and we are indebted to all our sponsors for their continued commitment and support. The Club strive to grow its membership and modernise existing facilities, all within a strict financial regime, ensuring we are able to meet all our financial commitments and ensure sustainable of the club.

The club continue to make their facilities available to the community of Rathfriland, with various schools, religious organisations and community associations using the club's facilities and pitches.

It is probably worth noting that 2022/23 represented many challenges for the club, particularly the impact of rising costs and inflation. No businesses over the last 18 months have been immune to this. The Club are again thankful for the endless number of volunteer hours put into by all committee members and community, but a special thank you must be also be given to Alison Megaw, Jennifer Groves, Flo Shaw, Shelia Todd, Kathy and events committee.

Results and Dividends
At the end of the financial year the charity has assets of £673,642 (2022 - £642,902) and liabilities of £840 (2022 - £780). The net assets of the charity have increased by £30,680.

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for the financial year ended 6 June 2023

Plans for the Future
The Club's main goal is to continue the path followed over the last few years, maintaining the policy of sound management, by monitoring all aspects of our finances and encouraging community support for all activities.

Rathfriland Football Club have identified several projects and have engage in the services of Richard Forsythe to assist in the continued developments of grounds and facilities at Iveagh Park to make sure that they remain up to date and fit for 21st century. With a growing youth section and 3 senior teams, it is always important to ensure facilities remain modern and can meet the demands of increasing use.

In accordance with the Constitution, the trustees retire by rotation and, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

Compliance with Sector-Wide Legislation and Standards
The charity engages pro-actively with legislation, standards and codes which are developed for the sector. Rathfriland Football Club subscribes to and is compliant with the following:
- The Charities SORP (FRS 102)

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 1 March 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

Howard Newman Murray
Trustee

Desmond Davenport
Trustee

Rathfriland Football Club
STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES
for the financial year ended 6 June 2023

The trustees are responsible for preparing the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

The law applicable to charities in Northern Ireland requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities and financial position of the charity as at the financial year end date and of the surplus or deficit of the charity and otherwise comply with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008.

In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether the financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards, identify those standards, and note the effect and the reasons for any material departure from those standards; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the above requirements in preparing the financial statements.

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 1 March 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

Howard Newman Murray
Trustee

Desmond Davenport
Trustee

Rathfriland Football Club
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF RATHFRILAND FOOTBALL CLUB

We have examined the financial statements of the charity for the financial year ended 6 June 2023, which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and the related notes.

This report is made solely to the charity's members, as a body, in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008. Our work has been undertaken so that we might compile the financial statements that we have been engaged to compile, report to the Board of Trustees that we have done so, and state those matters that we have agreed to state to them in this report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's members, as a body, for our work, or for this report.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner
The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this financial year under the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 and that an independent examination is required.

It is our responsibility to:
- examine the financial statements under section 65 of the Charities Act;
- follow the procedures laid down by the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to our attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report
We have examined your charity financial statements as required under section 65 of the Charities Act and our examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the financial statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements 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 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.

In connection with our examination, no matter has come to our attention which gives us cause to believe that in, any material respect:
- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 63 of the Charities Act
- the financial statements do not accord with those accounting records
- the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102)
- there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Independent examiner's statement
We 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 financial statements to be reached.

DALY PARK & COMPANY LTD
Chartered Accountants
4 Carnegie Street
Lurgan
Co. Armagh
BT66 6AS
Northern Ireland

Date: 1 March 2024

Rathfriland Football Club
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
for the financial year ended 6 June 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds 2023 £	Restricted Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2023 £	Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Restricted Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2022 £
Income							
Donations and legacies	3.1	**35,948**	**27,897**	**63,845**	24,348	21,486	45,834
Charitable activities							
Fees and sponsorship	3.2	**37,203**	**-**	**37,203**	40,000	-	40,000
Other trading activities	3.3	**66,327**	**-**	**66,327**	40,591	-	40,591
Investments	3.4	**69**	**-**	**69**	3	-	3
Total income		**139,547**	**27,897**	**167,444**	104,942	21,486	126,428
Expenditure							
Raising funds	4.1	**1,400**	**-**	**1,400**	4,768	-	4,768
Charitable activities	4.2	**60,410**	**47,897**	**108,307**	86,697	1,486	88,183
Other trading activities	4.3	**27,057**	**-**	**27,057**	16,812	-	16,812
Total Expenditure		**88,867**	**47,897**	**136,764**	108,277	1,486	109,763
Net income/(expenditure)		**50,680**	**(20,000)**	**30,680**	(3,335)	20,000	16,665
Transfers between funds		**-**	**-**	**-**	12,734	(12,734)	-
Net movement in funds for the financial year		**50,680**	**(20,000)**	**30,680**	9,399	7,266	16,665
Reconciliation of funds:							
Total funds beginning of the year	13	**622,122**	**20,000**	**642,122**	612,723	12,734	625,457
Total funds at the end of the year		**672,802**	**-**	**672,802**	622,122	20,000	642,122

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the financial year.
All Income and expenditure relate to continuing activities.

Rathfriland Football Club
BALANCE SHEET
as at 6 June 2023

	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
Fixed Assets			
Tangible assets	8	659,734	585,937
Current Assets			
Stocks	9	689	633
Debtors	10	2,230	-
Cash at bank and in hand		10,989	56,332
		13,908	56,965
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	11	(840)	(780)
Net Current Assets		13,068	56,185
Total Assets less Current Liabilities		672,802	642,122
Funds			
Restricted funds		-	20,000
General fund (unrestricted)		672,802	622,122
Total funds	13	672,802	642,122

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime and in accordance with FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland", applying Section 1A of that Standard.

Approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 1 March 2024 and signed on its behalf by

Howard Newman Murray
Trustee

Desmond Davenport
Trustee

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Rathfriland Football Club is a charity incorporated in Northern Ireland. The registered office of the company is Rathfriland Football Club, Iveagh Park, Rathfriland, Co. Down, BT34 5NQ, Northern Ireland which is also the principal place of business of the company The financial statements have been presented in Pound (£) which is also the functional currency of the company.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the charity's financial statements.

Basis of preparation
The financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis under the historical cost convention, modified to include certain items at fair value. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland FRS 102", applying Section 1A of that Standard.

As permitted by the Companies Act 2006, the charity has varied the standard formats in that act for the Statement of Financial Activities and the Balance Sheet. Departures from the standard formats are to comply with the requirements of the Charities SORP and are in compliance with section 4.7, 10.6 and 15.2 of that SORP.

Statement of compliance
The financial statements of the charity for the financial year ended 31 December 2017 have been prepared on the going concern basis and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland FRS 102", applying Section 1A of that Standard.

Fund accounting
The following are the categorises of funds maintained:

Restricted funds
Restricted funds represent income received which can only be used for particular purposes, as specified by the donors. Such purposes are within the overall objectives of the charity.

Unrestricted funds
Unrestricted funds consist of General and Designated funds.

- General funds represent amounts which are expendable at the discretion of the board, in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.
- Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that the board has, at its discretion, set aside for particular purposes. These designations have an administrative purpose only, and do not legally restrict the board's discretion to apply the fund.

Income
Voluntary income or capital is included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to it, its financial value can be quantified with reasonable certainty and there is reasonable certainty of its ultimate receipt. Entitlement to legacies is considered established when the charity has been notified of a distribution to be made by the executors. Income received in advance of due performance under a contract is accounted for as deferred income until earned. Grants for activities are recognised as income when the related conditions for legal entitlement have been met. All other income is accounted for on an accruals basis.

Expenditure
All resources expended are accounted for on an accruals basis. Charitable activities include costs of services and grants, support costs and depreciation on related assets. Costs of generating funds similarly include fundraising activities. Non-staff costs not attributed to one category of activity are allocated or apportioned pro-rata to the staffing of the relevant service. Finance, HR, IT and administrative staff costs are directly attributable to individual activities by objective. Governance costs are those associated with constitutional and statutory requirements.

Tangible fixed assets and depreciation
Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost or at valuation, less accumulated depreciation. The charge to depreciation is calculated to write off the original cost or valuation of tangible fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives as follows:

Land and buildings freehold	-	2% reducing balance
Long leasehold property	-	
Plant and machinery	-	20% reducing balance
Fixtures, fittings and equipment	-	10% reducing balance

During this financial year the committee made the decision to change the depreciation on the buildings & stands to 2% reducing balance rather than the previous 10% rate. They feel this change in accounting policy is more reflective of the assets useful life.

The land owned by the charity is not depreciated as it is not expected to decrease in value.

Stock
Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items. Cost includes all costs incurred in the normal course of business in bringing them to their present location and condition. Stocks comprise fundraising materials. It is not considered practicable to value stock of unsold donated goods at the year end.

Debtors
Debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due. Income recognised by the charity from government agencies and other co-funders, but not yet received at year end, is included in debtors.

Cash at bank and in hand
Cash at bank and in hand comprises cash on deposit at banks requiring less than three months notice of withdrawal.

Taxation
No current or deferred taxation arises as the charity has been granted charitable exemption. Irrecoverable valued added tax is expensed as incurred.

3. INCOME

3.1 DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2023	2022
	£	£	£	£
Donations and legacies	**30,651**	**-**	**30,651**	17,143
Grant Income	**5,297**	**27,897**	**33,194**	28,691
	35,948	**27,897**	**63,845**	45,834

3.2 CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2023	2022
	£	£	£	£
Grants from governments and other co-funders:				
Income from charitable activities	**35,278**	**-**	**35,278**	34,623
Football Income	**1,925**	**-**	**1,925**	5,377
	37,203	**-**	**37,203**	40,000

3.3 OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2023	2022
	£	£	£	£
Bar Income	**66,327**	**-**	**66,327**	40,591

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3.4 INVESTMENTS

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2023	2022
	£	£	£	£
Investments	69	-	69	3

4. EXPENDITURE

4.1 RAISING FUNDS

	Direct Costs	Other Costs	Support Costs	2023	2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Raising funds	-	-	1,400	1,400	4,768

4.2 CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Direct Costs	Other Costs	Support Costs	2023	2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Football expenditure	-	37,313	19,742	57,055	47,044
Expenditure on charitable activites	633	4,930	45,689	51,252	41,139
	633	42,243	65,431	108,307	88,183

4.3 OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	Direct Costs	Other Costs	Support Costs	2023	2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Bar expenses	27,057	-	-	27,057	16,812

4.4 SUPPORT COSTS

	Cost of Raising Funds	Charitable Activities	2023	2022
	£	£	£	£
Depreciation	-	23,842	23,842	14,680
Fundraising costs	400	-	400	2,398
Accountancy	-	3,100	3,100	871
Subscriptions	-	3,596	3,596	933
Coaches & referees	-	4,028	4,028	3,086
Gear & gym expenses	-	11,503	11,503	13,049
Prizes	1,000	-	1,000	2,370
Premises costs	-	19,362	19,362	14,468
	1,400	65,431	66,831	51,855

5. ANALYSIS OF SUPPORT COSTS

	2023	2022
	£	£
Depreciation	23,842	14,680
Fundraising costs	400	2,398
Accountancy	3,100	871
Subscriptions	3,596	933
Coaches & referees	4,028	3,086
Gear & gym expenses	11,503	13,049
Prizes	1,000	2,370
Premises costs	19,362	14,468
	66,831	51,855

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6. NET INCOME

	2023	2022
	£	£
Net income is stated after charging/(crediting):		
Depreciation of tangible assets	**23,842**	14,680
Grants receivable received	**-**	(10,000)

7. INVESTMENT AND OTHER INCOME

	2023	2022
	£	£
Revenue grants received	**-**	10,000
Bank interest	**69**	3
	69	10,003

8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Land and buildings freehold	Long leasehold property	Plant and machinery	Fixtures, fittings and equipment	Total
	£	£	£	£	£
Cost					
At 7 June 2022	456,336	134,309	34,289	36,990	661,924
Additions	51,200	-	46,439	-	97,639
At 6 June 2023	507,536	134,309	80,728	36,990	759,563
Depreciation					
At 7 June 2022	51,478	-	15,127	9,382	75,987
Charge for the financial year	8,661	-	12,420	2,761	23,842
At 6 June 2023	60,139	-	27,547	12,143	99,829
Net book value					
At 6 June 2023	**447,397**	**134,309**	**53,181**	**24,847**	**659,734**
At 6 June 2022	404,858	134,309	19,162	27,608	585,937

The trustees are currently in the process of revaluing the properties held at Iveagh Park , Rathfriland Co. Down. This up to date valuation will be included in the next set of financial statements.

9. STOCKS

	2023	2022
	£	£
Finished goods and goods for resale	**689**	633

10. DEBTORS

	2023	2022
	£	£
Prepayments and accrued income	**2,230**	-

11. CREDITORS

Amounts falling due within one year	2023	2022
	£	£
Accruals and deferred income	**840**	780

12. RESERVES

	2023 £	2022 £
At the beginning of the year	**642,122**	625,457
Surplus for the financial year	**30,680**	16,665
At the end of the year	672,802	642,122

13. FUNDS

13.1 RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds £
At 7 June 2021	612,723	12,734	625,457
Movement during the financial year	9,399	7,266	16,665
At 6 June 2022	622,122	20,000	642,122
Movement during the financial year	50,680	(20,000)	30,680
At 6 June 2023	**672,802**	**-**	**672,802**

13.2 ANALYSIS OF MOVEMENTS ON FUNDS

	Balance 7 June 2022 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers between funds £	Balance 6 June 2023 £
ABC Council	-	1,700	1,700	-	-
TADA	-	1,499	1,499	-	-
Irish FA	20,000	24,198	44,198	-	-
Barclays	-	500	500	-	-
	20,000	27,897	47,897	-	-
Unrestricted funds					
General Reserve	36,187	139,547	65,025	(97,639)	13,070
Land & Buildings	585,935	-	23,842	97,639	659,732
	622,122	139,547	(88,867)	-	672,802
Total funds	**642,122**	**167,444**	**136,764**	**-**	**672,802**

14. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

We can confirm there have been no transactions involving trustees outside the normal course of business at the year end 6th June 2023.

15. POST-BALANCE SHEET EVENTS

There have been no significant events affecting the Charity since the financial year-end.