



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
East London Community Sports Association

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31st March 2025

**Charity no
(if any)**

1011564

Set out on pages

1 of 2 remember to include the page numbers on additional sheets

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31st March 2025

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent
examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

Date:

19/02/2026

Name:

Paul J Charles

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

FMAAT

Address: Berkeley Coach House ,Woods Hill, Bath ,BA2 7FS

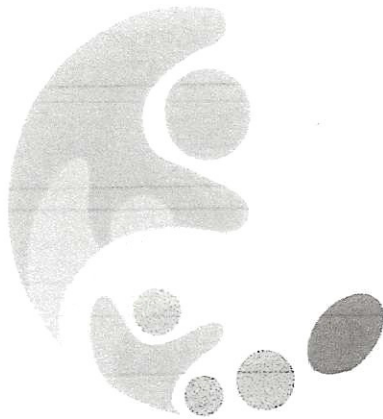
Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

--



ELCSA

EAST LONDON

COMMUNITY SPORTS ASSOCIATION

Chairpersons Statement January 2026 (for the Financial Year 2024-25)

As we approach 45 years of Rugby at Memorial Park, ELCSA continues to celebrate the rich development of sport in the London Borough of Newham. We continue to work closely with the borough council to facilitate our 60 member clubs over 15 different sports.

ELCSA continues to provide affordable facilities to our member clubs which we subsidise through the commercial operations of our subsidiary companies. These companies provide hireable venues, and food and beverage services for our users and our local community. Hall hire bookings provide affordable events space for local residents and our new office space is used for local community meetings and home school tutoring throughout the week. Within our commercial space we have a very successful strength and fitness gym and a "bike school" providing lessons and testing for "compulsory basic training" for mopeds and motorbikes.

As our commercial enterprises expand we can continue to subsidise the cost of pitch hire.

Much of the increased commercial operations have been achievable since the completion of our new building which has now been in use for over a year. Additional storage and physio space has been invaluable to our clubs. In addition our repayment of our two business loans, intended to ensure business continuity during the difficult Covid years, are due for completion in January 2026, putting the charity in a strong financial position moving forward.

The successful commercial activities of our subsidiary companies, means our member clubs benefitted collectively from significant discounts to their pitch hire and hall hire costs over the 2024-25 season. These discounts allow the clubs to focus their limited funding on their core purpose of growing grass roots sports.

ELCSA has also been fortunate enough to benefit from two RFU grants. Both of these grants were provided to improve sporting provision for women and girls rugby as part of the Women's Rugby World Cup 2025. The first grant of £5000 was for improvements to our women's toilet facilities and the works were completed towards the start of the 2024/25 year. The second grant for £10,000 is agreed for improvements to our social spaces, which we are using to improve our small lounge bar. Work on this project will take place in Autumn 2025 with receipt of the grant agreed on completion.

df 20/2/26

Last year we welcomed East End Electric, a touch rugby team who have grown to be one of our largest sports groups during the summer months and this year we have introduced Softball to the park. Both of these sports are key to our continued priority of promoting a more inclusive sporting environment as both sports promote gender diversity. In addition to this ELCSA continues to fund East London Rugby Clubs youth rugby programs with their Minis and Midis program, school outreach program and their new Girls rugby team.

Elsewhere in inclusive sport Memorial Park is now the home ground to eight of the capital's LGBT+ inclusive football teams who compete in GFSN National League. We are also home to the London Unity League (an LGBT+ inclusive football league) who benefit from our sporting subsidies as part of an effort to promote sport to communities who traditionally do not engage in team sport. We have also seen an increase participation with our walking football club increasing our engagement with disability sport.

In my predecessors last statement as chair he looked forward to our 2024/25 charitable priorities: *"increasing our engagement with the local community and member sports clubs to encourage participation in sport and recreation in the Park"*. It is clear from the successes outlined above that we are meeting this priority head on. In addition to this we continue to anticipate the first families moving in the 4000 new homes currently being built adjacent to West Ham Station and the opportunity these will bring. We continue to develop our relationship with the London Borough of Newham through a period that has been challenging for the local authority both politically and financially. LBN recognises the benefits that volunteer lead organisations bring to the community and are committed to enhancing our relationship through the continued renewal of our Service Level agreement and negotiation of future leasing arrangements. We continue to work with LBN on improving our grass pitches and are exploring additional improvements in the park.

Further to the priorities laid out in last years statement the trustees have held two strategy days to explore our longer term goals for Memorial Park in terms of our governance, finances and facilities improvements. Our new trustees are now fully embedded within the governance structures and we continue to explore developing our trustee skills and knowledge and expanding our volunteer base. Our new website provides a portal for users and the community to engage with our history and future and our new booking system aims to maximise usage of the facilities, particularly the artificial pitch.

In July 2024 our interim Chair, John Haley stood down. John has been involved with Memorial park since the arrival of East London Rugby Club in the late 1970s. He is a custodian of much of the parks history and is an expert on our facilities and building. John has agreed to continue as trustee of the charity so that we continue to benefit from his expertise. I would like to thank John for his continued dedication to community sport in East London.

Joseph Gillin
Chair
East London Community Sports Association
January 2026

AF 20/2/26

EAST LONDON COMMUNITY SPORTS ASSOCIATION yearly profit and loss 2024-04-01 to 312025-03-31

EAST LONDON COMMUNITY SPORTS ASSOCIATION - Profit & Loss; Accounting Year 2024/25

Turnover	66,917
Donations	40,917
Kings Cross Steelers	9,480
East London Football Club	7,920
Costs recovered from freshshields -Maintenance costs assistant contributions	3,600
RFU grant	5,000
Gross Profit	66,917
less Administration Expenses	33,132
Governance-Rates	2,455
Governance -Loan Interest	2,392
Goveremace Maintenance	3,600
British Gas	4,211
Governance -Water Rates	2,433
Youth Rugby	11,940
Direct Charity Activity -Office & trustees meetings	3,974
Web Hosting	1,100
Direct Charity Activity-Legal & Professional Fees	40
Direct Charity Activity-Subscriptions	170
Interest Payable	700
Bank/Finance Charges	118
Operating Profit	33,785
Funds Spent in Period	
Revenue expenditure	33132
Capital Expenditure in Club House	5641
Total Expenditure	38773

OK 20/2/26