TRENT VALE COMMUNITY SPORTS ASSOCIATION

Annual Report 2025

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1. Chairperson's Report

It is my pleasure to present the 2025 Annual Report for Trent Vale Community Sports Association.

The association continues to play an important role in promoting sport, physical activity, community participation and social inclusion. Our work is built around the belief that sport can bring people together, improve physical and mental wellbeing, develop confidence and create positive opportunities for people of all ages and abilities.

Throughout 2025, the association sought to support its members, encourage participation in sport and strengthen its contribution to the local community. These aims rely on the commitment of our volunteers, coaches, committee members, participants, supporters and partner organisations.

We recognise that running a community sports association presents both opportunities and challenges. The costs of facilities, equipment, insurance and participation continue to require careful management, while recruiting and retaining volunteers remains essential to our long-term sustainability.

Despite these challenges, we remain committed to developing the association, improving the experience of our members and ensuring that our activities are welcoming, safe and accessible.

I would like to thank everyone who contributed to the association during 2025. Your time, energy and support are greatly valued.

Looking ahead to 2026, our priorities will be to build on our existing foundations, encourage wider participation, strengthen our financial position and develop further opportunities for the community to benefit from sport and physical activity.

Sarah Green
Chairperson
Trent Vale Community Sports Association

2. About the Association

Trent Vale Community Sports Association exists to promote and support community sport and physical activity, providing opportunities for people to participate, develop skills and enjoy the benefits of an active lifestyle.

The association seeks to create an inclusive and supportive environment in which participants, volunteers and families feel welcome and valued.

Our work is guided by the following principles:

- **Community:** Bringing people together through sport and shared activities.
- **Inclusion:** Encouraging participation regardless of background, ability or experience.
- **Wellbeing:** Supporting physical health, confidence and social connection.
- **Development:** Helping participants and volunteers learn new skills.
- **Safeguarding:** Promoting safe participation and the welfare of children and adults at risk.
- **Sustainability:** Managing our resources responsibly and planning for the future.

Our principal activities during 2025 included providing squash and football facilities for the Beeston community.

3. Review of the Year

The association's work during 2025 focused on maintaining and developing community sports opportunities, supporting members and strengthening our local presence.

Participation and membership

During the year, the association supported [insert number] members and participants across its activities.

Membership and participation remain central to our purpose. We aim to provide positive sporting and social experiences that encourage people to remain active, develop friendships and feel connected to their community.

Key membership and participation developments during 2025 included:

- Letting the function room to FSD Dance Academy on a five-year lease
- Inviting Men In Sheds to set up a Shed in Beeston Rylands

Sporting activities and programmes

Throughout 2025, the association delivered high quality grass football pitches for Beeston FC, a community football club as well as 2 squash courts for use by Trent Vale Squash Club

Our activities aimed to provide opportunities for participants to develop their skills, enjoy sport and benefit from regular physical activity.

Highlights of the year include purchasing our own tractor, with help from Football Foundation, to enable us to maintain the 9-acre site ourselves.

4. Community Impact

Trent Vale Community Sports Association recognises that its contribution extends beyond sporting activity alone.

Community sport can help reduce social isolation, encourage healthier lifestyles, develop teamwork and confidence, and create opportunities for people to build lasting relationships.

During 2025, our contribution included the following areas.

Physical and mental wellbeing

Our activities encouraged participants to be active, develop healthy habits and enjoy the social benefits of taking part in sport.

Social inclusion

The association aims to provide welcoming opportunities for people from different backgrounds and with different levels of sporting experience.

Youth development

Where youth activities are delivered, we seek to support the development of confidence, discipline, teamwork, respect and personal responsibility.

Volunteering and community leadership

Our volunteers help deliver activities, organise events, maintain facilities and support the day-to-day running of the association. Their contribution is fundamental to our success.

Local partnerships

Working with local organisations, schools, community groups, businesses and public bodies can help us reach more people and develop sustainable opportunities.

5. Volunteers and People

The association depends on the goodwill and commitment of its volunteers.

During 2025, volunteers contributed to administration of the charity, promoting Men In Sheds, fundraising, and facilities management.

We are grateful to everyone who gave their time and skills to support our activities.

We recognise that volunteer recruitment, retention, training and succession planning are important to our future. We will continue to seek ways to make volunteering rewarding, manageable and accessible to new people.

Our priorities include:

- Recruiting additional volunteers to support activities and administration.
- Providing appropriate training and development opportunities.
- Recognising the contribution of volunteers.
- Ensuring responsibilities are shared fairly.
- Developing future committee members and activity leaders.

6. Safeguarding, Welfare and Inclusion

The welfare and safety of participants are fundamental responsibilities of the association.

During 2025, the association sought to maintain appropriate safeguarding and welfare arrangements in line with its activities and applicable requirements.

Our approach includes appropriate policies and procedures, clear reporting routes, suitable checks and training where required, and a commitment to treating all participants with dignity and respect.

Where children and young people participate, the association recognises the importance of appropriate safeguarding arrangements, including designated welfare responsibilities and compliance with relevant governing-body requirements.

We also recognise the importance of equality, diversity and inclusion in creating a positive sporting environment.

During 2026, we will continue to review our policies, promote awareness of welfare responsibilities and ensure that safeguarding arrangements remain appropriate to our activities.

7. Governance and Management

The association is managed through its committee and relevant officers, in accordance with its constitution and applicable governance arrangements.

Good governance helps ensure that the association is accountable to its members, manages its resources responsibly and makes decisions in the best interests of its objectives.

During 2025, the committee's responsibilities included:

- Overseeing the association's activities and strategic direction.
- Monitoring financial performance and expenditure.
- Supporting volunteers and activity leaders.
- Reviewing operational risks and insurance arrangements.
- Maintaining appropriate policies and procedures.
- Developing relationships with funders, sponsors and community partners.

8. Financial Review

Responsible financial management is essential to maintaining the association's activities and securing its future.

During 2025, income was received from Reckitts, Beeston FC, FSD Dance Academy and the Football Foundation.

Expenditure related to [insert confirmed categories, such as facility hire, equipment, insurance, affiliation fees, coaching, administration and events].

The committee continued to recognise the importance of monitoring costs, maintaining appropriate financial records and ensuring that available funds were used to support the association's objectives.

Financial summary

Financial item	2025 amount
Opening balance at 1 January 2025	£13309
Grants and donations	£24943
Other income	£24360
Total income	**£49303**
Operating and activity expenditure	£[amount]
Equipment and facility expenditure	£19800
Other expenditure	£41110
Total expenditure	**£60910**
Surplus/(deficit) for the year	**£(11607)**
Closing balance at 31 December 2025	£1702

The committee's financial priorities for 2026 are to maintain appropriate financial controls, identify potential new funding opportunities, review expenditure and ensure that sufficient resources are available to sustain the association's activities.

9. Facilities, Equipment and Resources

Suitable facilities and equipment are essential to delivering safe and enjoyable sporting opportunities.

During 2025, key developments included the acquisition of an Ineki tractor and mower.

Looking ahead, we will continue to assess the condition and suitability of our facilities and equipment, identify funding opportunities for improvements and ensure that resources are used effectively.

10. Challenges and Lessons Learned

Like many community sports organisations, the association faces challenges in balancing the needs of participants with the resources available.

Issues considered during 2025 included:

- The cost of facilities, equipment, insurance and other operating expenses.
- The recruitment and retention of volunteers.
- The need to maintain and grow participation.
- The availability of external funding and sponsorship.
- The importance of effective governance and succession planning.
- The need to maintain safe, inclusive and accessible activities.

These challenges reinforce the importance of forward planning, strong partnerships, effective communication and responsible financial management.

The committee will use the experience gained during 2025 to inform priorities and improve the association's future delivery.

11. Priorities for 2026

The association will seek to build on its work during 2025 through a practical programme of development.

Priority 1: Increase participation

Promote existing activities, encourage new members and identify opportunities to extend provision where resources allow.

Priority 2: Strengthen financial sustainability

Develop fundraising and sponsorship opportunities, identify suitable grants and improve financial forecasting.

Priority 3: Develop volunteers

Recruit new volunteers, support existing role holders and encourage greater involvement in the association's management and activities.

Priority 4: Improve facilities and resources

Review equipment and facility requirements, prioritise essential improvements and explore external funding.

Priority 5: Maintain high standards of welfare and governance

Keep policies and procedures under review, support appropriate training and ensure that responsibilities are clear.

Priority 6: Strengthen community partnerships

Develop constructive relationships with local organisations, schools, businesses, public bodies and other sporting groups.

Priority 7: Measure our impact

Improve the collection of membership, participation, volunteer and activity information so that the association can demonstrate its contribution and identify areas for improvement.

Progress against these priorities will be reviewed by the committee throughout 2026.

12. Acknowledgements

The association would like to thank everyone who supported Trent Vale Community Sports Association during 2025.

Our thanks go to:

- All members and participants.
- Volunteers, coaches, activity leaders and committee members.
- Parents, carers and families who support participation.
- Sponsors, donors and fundraising supporters.
- Grant providers and community partners.
- Facility providers and suppliers.
- Local residents and everyone who has encouraged our work.

The contribution of these individuals and organisations helps sustain community sport and creates opportunities for people to participate and benefit.

We look forward to continuing to work together during 2026.

13. Conclusion

The 2025 reporting year provides an opportunity to reflect on the association's activities, recognise the contribution of our volunteers and members, and identify the steps needed to strengthen our future.

Trent Vale Community Sports Association remains committed to promoting participation, supporting wellbeing and providing positive opportunities through community sport.

With continued support from our members, volunteers, partners and funders, we aim to build on our foundations and make a lasting contribution to the community in the years ahead.

Sarah Green
Chairperson

Liam Hamilton
Treasurer

For and on behalf of Trent Vale Community Sports Association

Date: 30th September 2026