FITTON HILL BULLDOGS COMMUNITY AND SPORTS CLUB

Charity number 1207197

Trustees report and Annual Accounts

For the year ended 31 July 2026



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Trustees Report
Year ended 31 July 2026

Reference and administration details

Registered address

Fitton Hill Bulldogs
St. Martins Road
Oldham
OL8 2PZ

Trustees

Name	Role	Date appointed	Date resigned
David Hughes	Chairman	26 February 2024	
Philip Edward Howarth C.Eng	Secretary	26 February 2024	
Marilyn Fisher	Treasurer	26 February 2024	
Rebecca Hughes	Rugby Coach	26 February 2024	
Hannah Warburton	Rugby Coach	26 February 2024	01 October 2026
Darren Potts	Football Manager/Coach	18 December 2024	
Phil Lavin	Football Coach	18 December 2024	
Ian Scullion	Football Coach	18 December 2024	
Steven Dean	Football Coach	22 June 2026	
Colin Garrett	Committee Member	22 June 2026	

Advisers

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Accountant	BlueFox Accounting	2 Eastway, Shaw, Oldham, OL2 8NY

Structure, governance and management

The Charity is constituted as a trust and is governed by its trust deed. New trustees are selected by appointment.

The Board of Trustees, comprising volunteers committed to our mission, oversees the Charity's operations and strategic decisions. Our governance ensures transparency, accountability, and a commitment to community welfare.

Objectives, activities achievements and performance

This financial year we have applied for, and received grants, towards the installation of fencing around the skatepark and part of the playing field.

The fencing was the priority to enable us to continue to keep our playing field safe and damage free.

We still need further funding to complete the fencing and to install drainage to our second pitch.

We would like to thank Countryside Partnerships, Oldham Council and For Housing, who provided the funding for the fencing around the skatepark.

Objectives, activities achievements and performance (Continued)

We also had solar panels donated which will help massively with the running costs for the building. These panels were provided by Rothwells Plumbing.

We welcomed 2 new Trustees:

Steven Dean – Football Coach

Colin Garrett – Committee member

We sadly lost a Trustee Hannah Warburton and we wish her well in the future.

We have continued to provide our obligation of providing a community space by allowing parents to hold childrens' birthday parties in our building.

From 1st September 2026 the community group The Place to Bee will increase their sessions, for adults with learning difficulties, by an extra day so they will then be open Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday. The extra day will provide more sessions as the demand for their services has grown considerably.

We sadly lost the chair yoga sessions on a Thursday morning. However, the instructor has secured a space close to our facility where she will carry on with her sessions.

We are also pleased to announce that plans are underway to relaunch Fitton Hill Bulldogs Junior Rugby League for children aged 6 to 9. The aim is to provide local youngsters with the opportunity to play rugby league in a safe, fun, and inclusive environment, helping to develop teamwork, confidence, discipline, and a lifelong love of the sport.

We continue to provide our Friday Over 60s meals at a cost of £3.00 which includes a meal, bread & butter and a hot or cold drink. This continues to be appreciated by the local community. From 1st September on a Friday afternoon we will provide FREE cake, and brew sessions to the over 60s.

On Saturdays we open the facility to Athletico Manchester Junior Football Club where children from 4 – 10 years old continue to train in football. They currently have approx. 70 children who attend these sessions.

We allowed Oldham Council to use our building as a Polling Station, twice during the year.

We continue to rent out an area of our field to a local builder, who are currently building approx. 350 new homes in the vicinity.

We continue to rent out part of the building to a local business who are responsible for maintaining the gardens and communal areas in the Fitton Hill area.

We are wholly run by the Trustees and volunteers and we are extremely grateful for their continued time and support.

Financial review

To ensure financial stability, we maintain a cash reserve covering six months of operational costs. Income from rentals and grants are allocated to essential needs such as sports equipment and facility maintenance.

At the period end all cash reserves remain in a surplus position.

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Declaration

The Trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' repost above.

Signed on behalf of the Charity's Trustees

Signature	M Fisher	P E Howarth
Full Name	Marilyn Fisher	Philip Edward Howarth C.Eng
Position	Trustee - Treasurer	Trustee - Secretary
Date	28/10/26	28/10/26

FITTON HILL BULLDOGS COMMUNITY AND SPORTS CLUB

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Receipts and payments accounts
For the year ended 31 July 2026

Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total funds £
Receipts				
Donations	104	-	-	104
Grants	7,049	-	-	7,049
Bank interst received	21	-	-	21
Rent received	26,125	-	-	26,125
Other income	550	-	-	550
Total receipts	33,849	-	-	33,849
Payments				
Operational costs	2,509	-	-	2,509
Premises costs	10,855	-	-	10,855
Repairs and maintenance	12,652	-	-	12,652
Telephone and internet	437	-	-	437
Insurance costs	1,201	-	-	1,201
Professional fees	1,146	-	-	1,146
Sundry expenses	642	-	-	642
Bank charges	120	-	-	120
Donations made	655	-	-	655
Total payments	30,217	-	-	30,217
Net of receipts/(payments)	3,632	-	-	3,632
A6 Cash funds last year end	9,138	-	-	9,138
Cash funds at 31 July 2026	12,770	-	-	12,770

Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £
Cash funds		
Bank	12,770	-

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £
Assets retained for the charity's own use		
Buildings	200,000	-

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £
Liabilities		
Accountancy fees	720	-

	Signature	Date
Marilyn Fisher	M Fisher	28/10/26
Philip Edward Howarth C.Eng	P E Howarth	28/10/26

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees	Charity Name FITTON HILL BULLDOGS COMMUNITY AND SPORTS CLUB		
On accounts for the period ended	31 July 2026	**Charity no (if any)**	1207197
Set out on pages	1-2		

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 July 2026.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

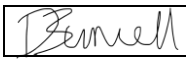
Independent examiner's statement

The charity's gross income was under £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of the Association of Certified Chartered Accountants (ACCA).

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:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

Signed:		**Date:**	31/10/2026
Name:	Dan Burnell		
Relevant professional qualification:	Association of Certified Chartered Accountants (ACCA)		
Address:	2 Eastway, Shaw, Oldham, OL2 8NY		

Section B	Disclosure
	Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material 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.	None.