

Gladstone Memorial Recreation Ground

**Accounts for the year ended
31st March 2023**

Registered Charity Number: 270919

Independent Examiners Statement to the Gladstone Memorial Recreation Ground

We report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2023 as set out in this document.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES AND EXAMINER

The Charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is our responsibility to:

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

BASIS OF INDEPENDANT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

Our examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes the review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items of disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

INDEPENDANT EXAMINERS STATEMENT

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to our attention:

- 1) which gives us reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act.have not been met; or
- 2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Dated: 12th March 2024

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Trustees Annual Reprt For the year ended 31st March 2023

The Gladstone Recreation Ground, situated in Inkpen Road Kintbury, was created in 1925 by the donation of land and buildings laid out for recreation for the inhabitants of Kintbury. In 1977 the Charity Commission approved a scheme to vary the Charity by determining that Kintbury Parish Council be appointed the Sole Trustee.

The Recreation Ground continues to be well managed, through the efforts of the individual clubs, which occupy various parts of the Ground and by the continued employment, by Kintbury Parish Council, of a grounds maintenance contractor. These combined efforts have resulted in maintaining and improving the condition and appearance of all areas of the Recreation Ground. The Recreation Ground also incorporates the Jubilee Sports Centre which was built in 1981 and was taken into management by the Trustee with effect from 1 April 2016 following the withdrawal of funding from West Berkshire Council. The Trustee appointed a Management Committee of volunteers who have undertaken the management of the Centre, reporting to the Trustee. The Centre has gone from strength to strength since 2016 both financially and in improvements to the Centre and an increase in activities. The Centre was subject to closure during the Covid Pandemic but received Government support via West Berkshire Council during closure.

The Parish Council continues to take its responsibilities as Trustee very seriously and has spent £40,542 (2022: £57,182) of Council Taxpayers money in 2022/23 on maintenance, repairs and contributions to the running costs of the Recreation Ground. These are costs not covered by grants. It included completion of extension and tarmac of car park, completion of drainage adjacent to Bowls club, continuing financial support to Bowls club, Tennis club, Football club and the Kintbury Jubilee Centre, maintenance of Skate Park, maintenance and further upgrades to the children's playground including bench installation, planting of cherry trees and hedge work. The Council also insures the Ground and its buildings at a cost of Circa £1,500 per annum. The Football, Tennis and Bowls Clubs continue to maintain their respective playing areas to a high standard on a day to day basis. The Clubs have responsibility for the repair and maintenance of the pavilions.

During the financial year (1 April 2022 to 31 March 2023) the total income of the Trust was £109,579 and expenditure of £139,989. The balance carried forward at the end of 2022/2023 was £56,573. Within these funds at the year end, £11,824 was being held in the bank account of Kintbury Parish Council due to a change of bank account and was paid back in soon after.

The Trust did not receive any mast rental like it had done in previous years because of the lease renewal under new regulations.

There are no other issues of concern that the Trustee has regarding the Gladstone Memorial Recreation Ground or its administration.


R Smalley
Chairman of Kintbury Parish Council acting as Trustee.
Dated: 12th March 2024

Trustee of the Gladstone Memorial Recreation Ground
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**Receipts & Payments Account
For the year ended 31st March 2023**

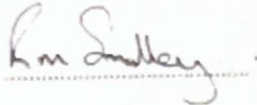
	2023		2022	
	£	£	£	£
<u>Income</u>				
Mast rental		-	6,667	
Wayleave – Scottish & Southern Elec	6		6	
Bank Interest	330		163	
VAT reimbursement	6,984		3,912	
Club contributions	500		500	
Jubilee Centre Revenues	15,391		12,217	
NatWest Compensation	300		0	
West Berks Council Covid Grants	-		12,420	
HMRC Furlough Support	-		801	
West Berks Council Grants	20,000		14,899	
Kintbury PC Grants	45,000		25,802	
Greenham Grants	21,047		-	
Other	21		-	
Total Income		109,579		77,387
<u>Expenses</u>				
Auditors Fee	200		200	
Legal fees	414		2,996	
West Berks Council ND Rates	1,280		653	
Maintenance and running costs	33,720		25,546	
Play Equipment	4,928		23,305	
Staff Costs	-		7,032	
Ground Improvements	79,688		7,034	
Contributions to Clubs	15,835		3,700	
VAT	118		4,634	
Other	3,806		-	
Total Expenditure		139,989		75,100
Net (Deficit)/Excess from Receipts & Expenses in year		(30,410)		2,287
<u>Reconciliation of Funds</u>				
Balance of funds brought forward		86,983		84,695
Balance of funds carried forward		<u>56,573</u>		<u>86,983</u>

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Statement of Assets & Liabilities
As at 31st March 2023

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
	£	£
Cash at Bank:		
NatWest Current Account	100	3 486
NatWest Capital Reserve Account	101	29 109
Monies Held on Behalf by Kintbury Parish Council (on charge of banks)	11,824	-
TSB Treasurers Account	1,245	2,994
TSB Business Call Account	43,304	51,198
PayPal	-	184
Petty Cash	-	31
	<u>56,573</u>	<u>86,983</u>
Funds		
Balance of Funds	56,573	86,983
	<u>56,573</u>	<u>86,983</u>

Signed:



Richard Smalley
Chairman of Trustees



Angela Boyce
Honorary Secretary

Dated: 12th March 2024