

BIGNALL END MINERS' WELFARE INSTITUTE AND  
RECREATION GROUND

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT AND  
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED  
30 NOVEMBER 2024

Charity number: 522607

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## **Trustees Report for the Year Ended 30th November 2024**

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 30th

November 2024. The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with FRS102.

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**Charity Information**

**Name: Bignall End Miners' Welfare Institute and Recreation Ground**

**Charity Number: 522607**

**Principal Office:**

**Boon Hill**

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## Trustees and Advisers

The names of the trustees and details of the charity's advisers are given on page 3 & 4

### 1. Statement of Trustees Responsibilities

The following statement, which should be read in conjunction with the statement of the Independent Examiners responsibilities included in the Independent Examiners Report, is made with a view to distinguishing the respective responsibilities of the trustees and the Independent Examiner in relation to the accounts.

The Charities Act 2011 requires the trustees to keep proper books of accounts with respect to the affairs of the charity and to prepare statements of accounts for each financial year. The trustees also have the responsibility for safeguarding the charity's assets and consequently for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of error, fraud and other irregularities.

In preparing the accounts the trustees are expected to: -

- Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently, making judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- Follow the recommendation of the Charity Commission and of the accounting profession with regards to the form and contents of the accounts and to disclose and explain any departure from them.
- Prepare the accounts on a going concern basis unless it is not appropriate to presume that the charity will continue its activities.

## 1. Governance

Bignall End Cricket Club and Miners' Welfare Institute is an unincorporated body constituted by a Trust Deed. The governing document of the scheme is dated 15th November 2004.

Management of the Charity is vested in the Management Committee who hold regular meetings.

New trustees are appointed by the Management Committee

## 2. Objectives and Activities

The principal object of the Bignall End Cricket Club and Miners' Welfare Institute continues to be the provision of facilities for such forms of physical exercise, recreation and other leisure time occupation, as are conducive to the improvements of the conditions of living of the inhabitants of the district of Bignall End and the neighbourhood thereof and in particular (but not exclusively) such of the said inhabitants as are member of the mining community.

In setting out our objectives and planning our activities, the Trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission general guidance on public benefit.

## 3. Achievements and performance

### Cricket Season

The first team achieved a notable promotion to the Premier League B after coming close the previous season.

It's been a while since we played at this level & we know it will be difficult, but we are looking forward to testing ourselves at this higher standard.

We do not operate on a large cricket budget & there are Clubs at this level that pay out sizeable amounts of money. Our first aim is just to survive this first season & go forward from there.

The second Team again battled extremely hard in a very competitive division against many other clubs first teams and so it was bound to be difficult. That they survived again is of great credit to them.

Our Sunday side 3rd Team won the Bailey Shield in a really exciting final at Newcastle & Hartshill coming back from what looked a hopeless position to win the game in the last over.

We continue to try & develop our Junior Section & watching our junior side is great fun & when the U13's play on a Sunday morning Michael Moulton has organised a great 'Breakfast' Team producing the full monty which is worth going up to the Club just to sample - & a lot of people do!

### Income & Expenditure

For the Financial Year ending 30th November 2024 gross Charitable income was recorded as £63k (2023: £81k) from donations & other trading activities. Included was Gift Aid of £18k from the Social Club (2023: £15k).

With the ever-increasing costs of utilities not reflected in the rent charged to the Social Club and increased depreciation charges, the overall results indicate a loss of £10k in this year's accounts (2023: loss of £13k).

The Social Club continues to thrive, continuing with reduced profit margins as we have continued to try and keep drinks price increases to a minimum. This has resulted, along with increases in wages, in reduced profitability. However, this year the gift aid receipt is marginally higher than last year.

So turnover is down in comparison to 2023 by £21k. However, profitability has increased from 2023 and moving in the right direction. 2025 promises to be back at more 'normal' levels. The team have striven to increase the number of functions which drive turnover and profitably and with innovations such as the Tuesday club and the Thursday quiz night, Bikers Weekend, and the Beer Festival a further increase in profit is forecast.

## Facilities

Our improved facilities including Changing Rooms, Nets (& a new roll-on Net), Sight Screens & such meant we were given a Staffordshire Cricket First Team Cup game at the Club.

It was Staffordshire v Suffolk & it attracted cricket fans from all over.

Bob Taylor (ex-England Wicket Keeper & former Bignall End player) was our guest of honour & a good day was had by all & our catering volunteers worked their socks off. Thanks to all of you.

## Memorial Garden

The garden has now grown up & it is becoming a very popular place for spectators & also acting as a beer garden when there is no cricket happening.

When the weather is good it is a great spot from which to watch the world go by either with friends or alone.

## Clubhouse

I am moving forward a bit from the end of November 2024 because we have also succeeded in getting a grant to improve the seating & decoration in the Club & get some new Banqueting Chairs

for the Function Room.

The work is not yet completed & we will involve members in any decisions regarding displaying our old photos & momentous in the best manner.

It's good to move forward in a more modern way but we must not forget our history & where we came from especially as it is our 150th Anniversary in 2025

## Solar

A lot of hard work went into getting another grant from Walley's Quarry for Solar Panels.

Our initial request was turned down, but we did get funding for 42 solar panels & this has reduced our electricity charges considerably in the Clubhouse.

## Reserve Policy

Bignall End Cricket Club and Institute will hold reserves to act as a cushion against any shortfall in revenue and to continue to fulfil its charitable purposes.

The Trustees review the reserves policy annually and aim to maintain reserves at the level of one year's support costs have due regard to uncertainties relating to future levels of funding.

## Employees

Bignall End Cricket Club has no employees (2023: nil)

FOR AND BEHALF OF THE TRUSTEES



JD Myatt

Date: 12/18/25

## **Independent Examiners Report to the Trustees of Bignall End Miners' Welfare Institute and Recreation Ground**

I report on the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 30th November 2024

### **Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner**

The Charity 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 my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act
- Follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act and
- State whether particular matters have come to my attention

### **Basis of the Independent Examiner's Statement**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes consideration 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 or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanation 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 represent a true and fair view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

## Independent Examiner's Statement

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

- (a) Which gives me 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 record comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met: or
- (b) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Tracy Maddox MAAT (Accountant)

Maddox Accountancy

Date:

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES for the year ended 30 November 2024**

|                                   | Notes | Unrestricted funds<br>2024 | Unrestricted funds<br>2023 |
|-----------------------------------|-------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Income                            |       | £                          | £                          |
| Donations & Legacies              |       |                            |                            |
| Income from Charitable activities | 2     | 18,051                     | 47,341                     |
| Amortisation of Grant             |       | 11,958                     | 10,626                     |
| Other Trading Activities          | 3     | 32,202                     | 22,951                     |
| Interest Income                   |       | 868                        | 185                        |
| Gross income                      |       | <u>63,079</u>              | <u>81,103</u>              |
| Expenditure                       |       |                            |                            |
| Charitable activities             | 4     |                            |                            |
| Governance Costs                  | 5     | (0)                        | (976)                      |
| Total Expenditure                 |       | (72,832)                   | (93,295)                   |
| Net income/(expenditure)          |       | <u>(9,753)</u>             | <u>(13,168)</u>            |
| Net movement in funds             |       | (9,753)                    | (13,168)                   |
| Reconciliation of funds           |       |                            |                            |
| Total funds brought forward       | 10    | 103,938                    | 117,106                    |
| Net movement in funds             |       | (9,753)                    | (13,168)                   |
| Total funds carried forward       | 10    | <u>94,185</u>              | <u>103,938</u>             |

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION as at 30 November 2024**

|  | Notes | Total funds<br>2024<br>£ | Total funds<br>2023<br>£ |
|--|-------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>Tangible Fixed Assets</b>                       |       |                          |                          |
| Current assets                                     | 6     | 248,311                  | 265,920                  |
| Other Debtors and Prepayments                      | 7     | 19,331                   | 993                      |
| Cash at bank and in hand                           |       | 27,222                   | 35,178                   |
|  |       | 46,553                   | 36,171                   |
| Current liabilities                                |       |                          |                          |
| Creditors  | 8     | (55,169)                 | (40,685)                 |
| Net current assets                                 |       | <u>(8,616)</u>           | <u>(4,514)</u>           |
| Creditors: Falling due after more<br>than one year | 9     | (145,540)                | (157,498)                |
| Net assets   | 10    | <u>94,185</u>            | <u>103,908</u>           |
| The funds of the charity:                          |       | 94,185                   | 103,908                  |
| Unrestricted income funds                          |       |                          |                          |
| Total charity funds                                |       | <u>94,185</u>            | <u>103,908</u>           |

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 13th June 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

JD Myatt



Trustee

## **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the year ended 30 November 2024**

### **1. Accounting Policies**

#### **Basis of Preparation**

The financial statements have been prepared under historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant notes to these accounts. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland (FRS102) and with the Charities Act 2011.

#### **General Income**

Income from the occupational licence granted to Bignall End Social Club Limited is included in the Statement of Financial Activities as it falls due. All other general income is recognised on receipt.

#### **Incoming Resources**

Voluntary income including donations, gifts, legacies and grants that provide core funding or are of a general nature are recognised where there is entitlement, certainty of receipt and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability. Such income is only deferred when: The donor specified that the grant or donation, must only be used in future accounting periods or, the donor has imposed conditions, which must be met before the charity has unconditional entitlement.

Income from trading activities is recognised as earned (as related goods and services are provided).

Investment income is recognised on a receivable basis.

## Resources expended

Resources expended have been included in the financial statements when an obligation to transfer value to a third party has been entered into.

## Allocation of expenditure

Expenditure is allocated on the following basis:

- a) Expenditure wholly incurred on activities falling with each category is charged direct.
- b) Governance costs are allocated to the charity's sole charitable activity income as the amount in respect of other income is considered to be negligible.

## Tangible Fixed Assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

|                            |                  |
|----------------------------|------------------|
| Land & Buildings           | Nil              |
| Cricket Ground improvement | Nil              |
| Equipment and other assets | 5% - 15% on cost |
| Scorebox                   | 4% on cost       |

## Grants

Grants relating to revenue shall be recognised in income on a systematic basis over the periods in which the related costs for which the grant is intended to compensate. Where grants are received for the general operation of the charity and not for compensation against specific expenses, the revenue shall be recognised in the period the grant was received.

Grants relating to expenditure on tangible fixed assets are credited to turnover at the same rate as the depreciation on the assets to which the grant relates. The deferred element of the grants is included in creditors.

## Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted which are available to use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the company and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Restricted funds are funds which are used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors. Those funds have been raised by the charity for particular purposes. The cost of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund.

There are no restricted funds held at 30th November 2024 or at any point in the current or comparative financial year.

## Going concern

The Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason, the going concern basis continues to be used in the financial statements.

#### 4. Charitable Activities – Expenditure

|                        | 2024          | 2023          |
|------------------------|---------------|---------------|
|                        | £             | £             |
| Clubhouse Running Cost | 33,335        | 42,672        |
| Cricket Team Expenses  | 21,888        | 34,516        |
| Depreciation           | 17,609        | 16,106        |
|                        | <u>72,832</u> | <u>93,294</u> |

#### 5. Governance Costs

|                  | 2024 | 2023       |
|------------------|------|------------|
|                  | £    | £          |
| Accountancy Fees | -    | <u>976</u> |

#### 2. Income from Donations

|                                       | 2024          | 2023          |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
|                                       | £             | £             |
| Donations and Other Income            | -             | 32,543        |
| Gift Aid from Bignall End Social Club | 18,051        | 14,798        |
|                                       | <u>18,051</u> | <u>47,341</u> |

#### 3. Other Trading Income

|  | 2024          | 2023          |
|--|---------------|---------------|
|  | £             | £             |
| Government Coronavirus support grants received | -             | -             |
| Income from other trading activities           | 32,202        | 22,951        |
|  | <u>32,202</u> | <u>22,951</u> |

Governance costs are allocated to the charity's sole charitable activity income as the amount in respect of other income is considered to be negligible.

## Bignall End Miners' Welfare Institute & Recreation Ground

### 6. Fixed Assets

|                         | Land &<br>Buildings | Equipment &<br>Changing Rooms | Cricket Ground<br>Improvements | Other    | Total     |
|-------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------|-----------|
|                         | £                   | £                             | £                              | £        | £         |
| <b>Cost</b>             |                     |                               |                                |          |           |
| At 1st December 2022    | 28,044              | 277,852                       | 3,276                          | 28,645   | 337,817   |
| Additions               | 16,716              | 66,501                        | -                              | -        | 83,217    |
| Disposals               | -                   | -                             | -                              | -        | -         |
| At 30th November 2023   | 44,760              | 344,353                       | 3,276                          | 28,645   | 421,034   |
| <b>Depreciation</b>     |                     |                               |                                |          |           |
| As 1st December 2022    | -                   | (110,363)                     | -                              | (28,645) | (139,008) |
| Charge for 2022         | -                   | (16,106)                      | -                              | -        | (16,106)  |
| Elimination on Disposal | -                   | -                             | -                              | -        | -         |
| At 30th November 2023   | -                   | (126,469)                     | -                              | (28,645) | (155,114) |
| <b>Depreciation</b>     |                     |                               |                                |          |           |
| As 1st December 2023    | -                   | (126,469)                     | -                              | -        | (126,469) |
| Charge for 2023         | -                   | (17,609)                      | -                              | -        | (17,609)  |
| Elimination on Disposal | -                   | -                             | -                              | -        | -         |
| Net Book Value 2023     | 44,760              | 200,275                       | 3,276                          | -        | 265,920   |
| At 30th November 2024   | -                   | (144,078)                     | -                              | -        | (144,078) |
| Net Book Value 2024     | 44,760              | 200,275                       | 3,276                          | -        | 248,311   |
| Net Book Value 2023     | 44,760              | 217,884                       | 3,276                          | -        | 265,920   |
| Net Book Value 2022     | 28,044              | 167,489                       | 3,276                          | -        | 198,809   |

The land at Bignall End belonging to the charity is vested in the Official Custodian for Charities under a deed dated 27th October 1981.

All tangible fixed assets are held by the charity for its own use on direct charitable activities.

No depreciation has been provided on the buildings or on improvements to the cricket grounds. It is the club's policy to maintain these assets in a good state of repair resulting in a high residual value which eliminated the need for depreciation to be charged

7. Debtors

|  | 2024          | 2023       |
|--|---------------|------------|
|  | £             | £          |
| Amount due from Bignall End Cricket Club | -             | -          |
| Other Debtors and Prepayments            | <u>19,331</u> | <u>993</u> |

8. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

|  | 2024            | 2023            |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|
|  | £               | £               |
| Amount due to Bignall End Cricket Club | (46,572)        | (32,072)        |
| Accruals and deferred income           | (7,797)         | (8,063)         |
| England and Wales Cricket Trust Loan   | (550)           | (550)           |
|  | <u>(54,819)</u> | <u>(40,685)</u> |

9. Creditors: amounts falling due after one year

|                                 | 2024      | 2023      |
|---------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
|                                 | £         | £         |
| Grant Received (Changing rooms) | (119,344) | (125,974) |
| Grant Received (Nets)           | (26,196)  | (£31,524) |
| Grant movement                  | (145,540) | (157,498) |

|                       |                  |                  |
|-----------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Grant Opening Balance | (157,498)        | (132,604)        |
| Additions             | -                | (35,520)         |
| Ammortisation         | 11,958           | 10,626           |
| Disposals             | -                | -                |
| Closing balance       | <u>(145,540)</u> | <u>(157,498)</u> |

#### 10. Funds

|                       | 2024          | 2023           |
|-----------------------|---------------|----------------|
|                       | Unrestricted  | Unrestricted   |
|                       | Funds         | Funds          |
|                       | £             | £              |
| Total brought forward | 103,938       | 117,106        |
| Income                | 63,079        | 81,103         |
| Expenditure           | (72,832)      | (94,271)       |
|                       | <u>94,185</u> | <u>103,938</u> |

## 11. Trustee's Remuneration and Expenses

No remuneration was paid or is payable for the year to any trustee or person(s) known to be connected with them directly or indirectly out of the funds of the charity.

No reimbursement of expenses has been made or is due to be made to any of the trustees during the year.

## 12. Related Party Transactions

Related party transactions consist of the Gift Aid from Bignall End Social Club to the Charity

(£18k; 2023: £15k) and movements in the intercompany loan balance (balance at 30th November 2024: £47k; 2023: £32k). There have been no further related party transactions in the year ended 30th November 2024.