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Holywood Football Club (HFC) Trustee report

1st April 2023 to 31st March 2024

Registered charity no: 101260

Registered charity address: 84a High Street
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Structure, Governance and Management

Governance	The club is governed by seven trustees who are supported by a management committee and experienced football coaches
Trustee board/executive committee	Mr Michael Geddis (Chair) Mr Colin McFrederick (Secretary) Mr Stephen Graham (Treasurer) Mr Graham Wells (Trustee) Mr Hugh Craig (Trustee) Mr John Geddis (Trustee)
Membership of organisations	Holywood FC (HFC) has two teams in the Northern Amateur Football League and two in the Down Area Winter Football League. HFC is affiliated to the Irish Football Association (IFA), Co. Antrim Football Association and the Down Area Winter Football League.
Trustees & volunteers	All trustees and volunteers give their time freely and no remuneration is paid.

Objectives and Activities

<p>Summary of the club's objectives</p>	<p>HFC welcomes players from all communities & backgrounds and aims to provide a safe & enjoyable environment for them to learn & develop their potential soccer skills. The club achieves this by providing the players with the facilities to interact on both a one-to-one basis and also within a team environment through experienced coaches & former players.</p>
<p>Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to those objectives</p>	<p>The club provides safe facilities to allow approximately 70 senior players from the local community / surrounding area to enjoy football in a well supervised environment regardless of race, religion or perceived ability.</p> <p>The club encourages its members to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Foster, develop and promote the game of football in Hollywood and its surrounding area. • Assist in the development of sportsmanship and community spirit. • Respect its codes of conduct, coaching guidelines and playing regulations. • Participate and support football competitions within the local area and under the jurisdiction of the relevant football authorities.
<p>Additional objectives & activities</p>	<p>A considerable personal contribution is made by coaches and volunteers each season. The Trustees are grateful for the huge commitment that is made by everyone within the club. Time is given freely by all our members.</p>
<p>Future plans</p>	<p>The Trustees & coaches will continue to ensure that a structure is in place to support all its members and to progress any future development of the club. HFC will continue to develop its volunteers with the best in training and seek to further expand the club.</p>

Achievements & performance

Summary of the main achievements	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A highly successful season for the club saw the First team promoted to Division 1A of the NAFL and the Third team promoted to Division 1 of the DAWFL.• A newly formed Fourths team, competing in the Reserve 2 division of the DAWFL, missed promotion on goal difference• The four teams fulfilled their expected league & cup fixtures in addition to a full programme of pre-season friendlies.• Sponsorship of the club remained strong with c50% allocated to new kit and equipment
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Financial review

Review of income & expenditure	<p>The Club recorded a surplus of £1.5k for the year. Total income increased to almost £28k primarily due to a fundraising quiz that generated over £4k. Players subscriptions increased to £10.5k and Gate Receipts increased by more than £1k on the previous year to almost £3k.</p> <p>Costs decreased by £2.5k to £26k. Pitch hire at just over £10k was again the highest expense. Referee fees increased to £4k.</p> <p>At 31 March 2024 the club's bank & cash balance totalled £8,399.40, all of which was unrestricted funds. These funds are held to meet all planned & unforeseen expenditure that may occur and to assist with the on-going development of the club.</p>
Financial review details	<p>The club's main sources of funding came from sponsorship, the quiz event and players' subscriptions with some additional self-generated fundraising activity.</p>

Declaration

The trustees have confirmed that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity trustees:

Signature	
Full name	Michael Geddis
Position	Chairman
Date	23 rd January 2024