

Trustee's Annual report

The trustees present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2024. The trustees who served during the year and up to the date of this report are set out on page 2. The accounts have been prepared on the receipts and payments basis.

Structure

The organisation is an unincorporated association registered as a charity by the NI Charities Commission in March 2021 (registration number NIC 107675). Our governing document is our Constitution.

Objectives and Activities

The objectives of the charity is to promote and encourage;

- The advancement of amateur football in the Cregagh area and surrounding communities within East Belfast
- The use of football to enhance the social development of young people in the Cregagh area and surrounding communities within East Belfast
- The use of football to promote community safety and good relations in the Cregagh area and surrounding communities within East Belfast

The direct benefits flowing from the organisation's purposes include:

- Increased physical activity levels, improved health, a more connected community and enhanced participation in amateur football
- Increased community connectivity, development of local partnerships and reduced social exclusion through a greater awareness of local opportunities available
- The provision of volunteer opportunities and skills development for local individuals. This in turn will ensure we can continue to provide health-promoting activities for the community
- Child welfare, safeguarding and the health and safety of our users.
- The promotion of inclusivity, equality and fairness, which will result in enhanced good relations and respect for diversity in our community.

Financial Review

The organisations total income is up by £16,126 from last year. The main changes in income to last year include;

- Our income from grants increased by £19,093, a variance of almost 363%.
- We increased our coaching income by £2034 in comparison with the year previous.

Our total expenditure for the year ending 31 August 2024 increased by £13,870 from the year previous. The main changes in expenditure include;

- An increase in kits and equipment expenses of £2,169 in comparison to the previous year, decreasing by nearly 28%
- Our pitch hire costs increased by £5,155, mainly from increased activity from the previous year.
- Expenditure on general costs rose by £446
- Coaching costs rose by 466%, £2330, to reach a total of £2,830

This year's accounts show a total excess in income over expenditure of £4,919.

Trustees' Statement of Compliance

When designing our yearly objectives and targets and creating our plan of activities our trustees carefully and thoroughly considered the Charity Commission's advice and guidance on public benefit. This ensured that the activities and services we organised, managed and ran throughout the year were in line with the objectives of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland and guaranteed our charity's purposes were met.

This report was approved by the Trustees and is signed on its behalf by:

JULIE SMYTH

Club Treasurer