

# **BOURNEVIEW MILL FOOTBALL CLUB**

## **TRUSTEES' REPORT**

### **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2024**

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The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 May 2024.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the charity's Constitution, the Charities Act 2008 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)" (effective 1 January 2019).

#### **Objectives and activities**

Established in 1962, Bourneview Mill Football Club use Pepperton Park, Tandragee Road in Portadown to provide sport and leisure activities for the residents of Portadown and the wider district council area of Armagh City, Banbridge and Craigavon Borough Council. The charitable club facilitate community events, training, workshops and functions to participants from all communities, religious and political backgrounds.

Two senior teams play in the amateur Mid Ulster Football League (MUFL). Teams train twice a week under the guidance of Irish Football Association (IFA) qualified coaches and play matches on Saturdays and, occasionally, mid-week games in spring and summer.

Through football related activities the charitable club aim to teach values such as fair play, sportsmanship, commitment and discipline as well as the core sporting skills which are important in maintaining a healthy lifestyle.

The trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland in deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

#### **Achievements and performance**

During the year there were around fifty players registered with Bourneview Mill Football Club according to the Irish Football Association (IFA).

The senior team played in Section A, the topmost league. Competing against thirteen other teams over twenty six matches they finished in bottom place and were relegated to Section B.

However, they were the winners of the Marshall Cup in June 2023. The competition had entries from all clubs within the MUFL and the Cup final was played at Holm Park, Armagh. They also competed in the Irish, Intermediate, Premier, Bob Radcliffe competitions during the year.

The Bourneview Mill 2nds team played in the Reserve League Division One with eleven other teams and finished tenth after twenty two matches. They also competed in knockout competitions, as well as the O'Hara Cup, the Wilmer Johnston Memorial Cup and the Mid-Ulster Shield.

Volunteers at the charitable club also managed the Bourneview 'Minis', for boys and girls aged between 3 and 7 years. This consisted of one hour football training lessons on Saturday mornings. In accordance with the charitable club's Child Protection Policy, all children attending the session were always accompanied with a parent or guardian. Approximately fifty children took part in the training each week from August 2023 to the end of May 2024. Bourneview Mill Minis were admitted in June 2023 to the IFA Grassroots Development Centre for the Armagh, Banbridge and Craigavon Council area. The competitive leagues of different age groupings commenced in September 2023 and Bourneview Mill Minis were represented by thirty boys and girls.

The charitable club also organised Thursday night indoor football for over 35's, running from August 2023 to May 2024. Committee members and ex players participated in the one hour sessions at the Soccer Indoors venue, Portadown.

Throughout the year the charitable club has, on request, provided use of its' pitch and facilities to various interested groups. The MUFL had the Mid-Ulster League Cup Final at Pepperton Park in June 2023, Portadown Youth Football Club organised a Family Fun Day in June 2023 and Portadown Ladies Football team used the pitch and facilities for their ten home league matches from April 2024.

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In February 2024, the charitable club achieved People and Clubs Accreditation which is the IFA's accreditation scheme for football clubs across Northern Ireland.

The charitable club continued to run various workshops, functions and community events throughout the year.

Workshops included dealing with mental health, wellbeing and sessions of first-aid training were held for the benefits of those involved, from November through to January 2024.

Three Quiz nights were held in October and November 2023 and April 2024. This helped with community and social inclusion as well as being a fund raising opportunity.

The charitable club also hosted two community Fun Day events, in June 2023 and May 2024. The events were free and open to the local community. Activities at the event included football games for various ages, bouncy castles, face painting and children's games as well as barbecue food and soft drinks.

The volunteers with the Bourneview Minis organised a family movie night in December, a Christmas party with Santa and a family fun day on St Patricks day.

The charitable club's annual end of season dinner for players, members and their families was held in June 2023.

Throughout the year the charitable club's members organised the ground maintenance of the grass football pitch with fertiliser addition and improvement of soil drainage by the addition of neutral sand as well ground slitting. Weekly grass cutting and pitch line marking was voluntarily carried out by the members. Other work improvements of the facilities included the creation of cement pathways from the clubhouse to the playing area and alongside the playing area. These pathways allowed wheel chair access and also improved health and safety issues for spectators.

#### **Financial review**

The charitable club's financial results are set out in detail on pages 5-13.

There is an overall surplus of funds for the year of £39,500. Accumulated funds consist of unrestricted funds of £34,943 and restricted funds of £4,557.

#### **Reserves**

Bourneview Mill Football club aim to retain sufficient reserves to meet its expected future expenditure requirements, as well as future capital projects.

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### Structure, governance and management

The charitable club was registered with the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland on 17 July 2020.

The trustees who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

G Anderson  
M Jackson  
J Taylor  
A Willis  
MD Boyce  
BW Moore  
M Topping

### Organisation

The day to day running of the charitable company is overseen by the trustees.

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Charity Registration No: NIC 107832

The trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.

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Trustee

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Date: *18.3.2025* .....