

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31ST JANUARY 2023
FOR
THE NORTH EAST SCOTLAND CRICKET SCIO**

CHARITY NUMBER: SC048890

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Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31st January 2023

Reference and administration details

Charity Name	The North East Scotland Cricket SCIO
Registered Charity Number	SC048890
Charity's Principal Address	c/o Bain Henry Reid 4 West Craibstone Street Bon-Accord Square Aberdeen, AB11 6YL

Charity Trustees

B. Lynas	Chair
L. Watson	Vice Chair
A. Burnett	Treasurer
I. Pandit	Secretary
M. Auld	
T. Khan	
T. Malik	
R. Swiergon	
C. Watson (resigned during the year)	
A. Ajazi (appointed during the year)	
S. Gollakota (appointed during the year)	

Other officials

P. Gray	Administrator
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Charitable Status

The North East Scotland Cricket (NESC) SCIO have been a registered charity from 6th December 2018.

Governing Document

The organisation operates under a SCVO constitution.

Charitable Purpose

The purposes of the NESC SCIO, as stated in its constitution, are:

- the advancement of public participation in cricket within the North East of Scotland
- the organisation of recreational activities, with the object of improving the conditions of life for the persons for whom the facilities or activities are primarily intended, and only in relation to recreational or activities which are available to members of the public at large.

Trustee Remuneration and expenses

There were no transactions between the SCIO and the trustees or their interests during the year.

Financial Review

The accounts show an overall surplus for the year of £21,367 (2022: surplus £1,557), made up of: a surplus of £1,831 on unrestricted funds and a surplus of £19,536 on restricted funds.

Reserves

At the end of the year the SCIO held total unrestricted reserves of £6,117 and restricted funds of £19,536.

The SCIO will retain reserves which are commensurate with the activities & aims of the organisation. These will be reviewed annually to ensure that there are sufficient funds for the SCIO to continue to operate throughout the coming year with any funds over and above that level being available for strategic development opportunities.

Restricted funds are to be spent on installing artificial pitches.

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Activities and achievements

For the North East Scotland Cricket SCIO, this year has seen cricket across all categories with an increasing focus on Women's cricket, Disability cricket and junior cricket. For the 2022 season, the SCIO was able to complete all its competitions.

The return to normality was highlighted by the holding of the first SCIO Annual cricket dinner and presentation night since the onset of the pandemic. This was an opportunity to raise funds for the SCIO, and for the cricketing community to come together. We had a strong attendance and excellent presentations from Alan Sendorek, a trustee of the Cricket Builds Hope charity, and Michael Leask a current Scottish international player originally from Aberdeen.

Cricket in Scotland continues to deal with the Plan4Sport review into racism within Scottish cricket, and Martin Auld has represented the SCIO in the aftermath and contributed to ongoing efforts to improve the running of the game at a national level and optimise participation. New Governance models are being established and cascaded to the regions and the SCIO will align with these strategies and look for opportunities to link into initiatives around participation and fund raising.

The 2022 senior league season saw 27 active teams across 3 leagues with an obvious and pleasing increase in the number of juniors playing senior cricket. The trustees are considering applications from 2 new teams for the 2023 season.

Availability of facilities remains a concern with Sheddocksley ceasing to be used for cricket. The concern has been proactively addressed through discussions with Sport Aberdeen and Aberdeen City Council which have led to an agreement to establish an initial 2 artificial pitches at a dedicated cricket location at Inverdee in Aberdeen managed by the SCIO. An additional artificial pitch is also planned at the site and the intention is to develop the site as a core base for local and regional cricket. The NESCC intends to improve the outfielders at the facility and provide additional cricket facilities such as a pavilion and net practice facility as and when funding supports this. We are grateful to Sport Aberdeen Chief Executive Alistair Robertson and his staff for facilitating the Inverdee project, and to the Aberdeen City Council Common Good Fund and the Cricket Scotland Development Trust for their financial support. We are also grateful to staff at Sport Scotland for their advice on potential sources of future funding.

The SCIO acknowledges the continued efforts by Tony McKenna our regional development lead for Cricket Scotland to promote junior cricket, Women's and Girls, and Disability cricket in the region. It is pleasing to see women and girls' cricket become more established in the area through the Northern Light's team and the holding of indoor Wee Bash events. The availability of courses for umpiring and child protection are a positive, as are work with schools and clubs to nurture young players. Cricket Scotland continues to provide support with us for this activity and are also working with clubs to provide opportunities for disability cricket.

The SCIO is also proud to continue to support the Cricket charity Chance to Shine, who in partnership with Cricket Scotland took cricket into schools in Aberdeen and Aberdeenshire through its 'Schools' cricket programme. This gave children the opportunity to play, learn and develop through cricket, teaching key life skills and supporting their physical, social, and mental wellbeing.

The Aberdeenshire programme thanks Inverurie-based butcher Donald Russell and their parent company Vestey Foods Group for their generous and continued support of this initiative.

For the SCIO, its financial position remains strong, with all clubs and associate members supporting the SCIO. This led to a trustee decision to reduce subscriptions to support the clubs' recovery. New trustees joined over the year and these members provide further expertise in cricket development across the fundraising as well as on the playing side for women, junior and men's cricket. The SCIO also refined its development strategy at the end of 2022 which will be fully aligned with Cricket Scotland plans as these emerge.

Finally, as Chairman, I would like to thank all the trustees for all their time and work over the last year. Particular thanks go to the SCIO's administrator - Paul Gray, whose tireless work has been instrumental in organising the fixtures, managing cup matches and supporting the SCIO and its sub-committees in its work.

I would also like to thank Martin Auld, who has remained as a trustee to represent SCIO on the Cricket Scotland Council and associated Management Groups. This connection is critical in ensuring strong alignment strategically between the SCIO and Cricket Scotland. He has also helped me transition into my new role

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf:

Brian Lynas

Chair – NESC SCIO (Charity Number SC048890)

13/02/2023

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Receipts and Payments Account for the year ended 31st January 2023

		Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2023 Total Funds £	2022 Total Funds £
	Notes				
Receipts					
Donations	1	344	-	344	144
Grants	2	-	19,536	19,536	-
Fundraising	3	737	-	737	-
Bank Interest		-	-	-	-
Receipts from Charitable Activities	4	8,899	-	8,899	7,388
Other Income		-	-	-	-
Total receipts		9,980	19,536	29,516	7,532
Payments					
Governance Costs	5	1,200	-	1,200	1,300
Charitable activities	6	6,949	-	6,949	4,675
Total payments		8,149	-	8,149	5,975
Surplus/(Deficit) for year		1,831	19,536	21,367	1,557

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Statement of Balances as at 31st January 2023

		Unrestricted	Restricted		
	Notes	Funds	Funds	2023	2022
		£	£	£	£
Bank and cash in hand					
Opening balances		4,286	-	4,286	2,729
Surplus/(Deficit) for year		1,831	19,536	21,367	1,557
Closing balances		<u>6,117</u>	<u>19,536</u>	<u>25,653</u>	<u>4,286</u>
 Debtors					
None		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
 Creditors					
None		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf:

A Burnett

Trustee

Date: 12/02/2023

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Receipts and Payments Account Notes for the year ended 31st January 2023

	Note	Year to 31/01/2023 £	Year to 31/01/2022 £
Receipts			
<u>Donations:</u>	1		
Cricket Scotland - Zoom		144	144
Charities Aid Foundation		<u>200</u>	<u>-</u>
		344	144
<u>Grants</u>			
Common Good Fund	2	19,536	-
<u>Fundraising</u>	3		
Annual Dinner		737	-
<u>Bank Interest</u>		-	-
<u>Receipts from Charitable Activities</u>	4		
Membership Fees		2,885	2,875
Ball Levy		12	595
Cricket Scotland recharges		1,020	1,030
Pitch Hire recharges		4,957	2,838
Player Transfer fees		<u>25</u>	<u>50</u>
		8,899	7,388
<u>Other Income</u>			
None		-	-
 TOTAL		 <u>29,516</u>	 <u>7,532</u>

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	Note	Year to 31/01/2023 £	Year to 31/01/2022 £
Payments			
<u>Governance Costs:</u>	5		
Admin Honoraria		1,200	1,300
<u>Charitable activities:</u>	6		
Cricket Scotland subscriptions		1,080	1,090
Cup finals/ Representative Games etc		298	180
Pitch Hire costs		4,660	2,514
Cost of meetings etc		184	171
Website costs		120	120
Insurance (PL & Trophy)		85	80
Trophy engraving & upkeep		522	500
Other misc expenses		-	20
		6,949	4,675
TOTAL		8,149	5,975

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
The North East Scotland Cricket SCIO**

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st January 2023 which are set out on pages 5 to 8.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. The charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10 (1)(d) of the Accounts Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under section 44(1)(c) of the Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. An examination includes a 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 or disclosures in the accounts, and seeks explanations 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 I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 44(1)(a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations, and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulationshave 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.

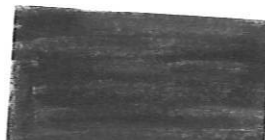
Signed:

Name:

Ian McCallum

Relevant professional body:

Address:



Date:

20/02/2023