



**THE COLCHESTER HALF MARATHON**  
**A CHARITABLE INCORPORATED ORGANISATION**  
***CHARITY NUMBER 1159064***

**Accounts for the year ended**  
**31 March 2020**

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The trustees are pleased to present their report together with the financial statements for the year ending 31 March 2020.

### **Our purposes and activities**

Our purpose is to further such charitable purposes (charitable under English law) as the trustees see fit from time to time by the provision of grants in Colchester and the surrounding areas. Our activities are predominantly the organisation and running of amateur sporting events, principally the Colchester Half Marathon, and other general fundraising activities. The trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance contained in the Charities Commission's general guidance on public benefit when planning future activities and making grants.

During the year the charity prepared to hold the 2020 Colchester Half Marathon. On 16 March 2020, due to UK Government advice related to the global coronavirus pandemic, the Trustees took the difficult decision to cancel the 2020 race which was due to be held on 29 March 2020. A significant amount of expenditure had already been incurred in preparing the race. All entrants have been granted discounted entry to the next event, and offered the option to receive their race medals and t-shirts. The Trustees are pleased that the reaction from the running community has been largely positive, accepting that the restrictions imposed on large scale events were designed to protect the public in uncertain times.

The accounts for the year to 31 March 2020 reflect the costs incurred in preparation for the 2020 event and the income received from entries. Provisions totalling £12k have been made to fulfil the obligations to suppliers and a further £29k for discounted entry to the next event. The Trustees agreed to make donations to the charities that had helped prepared for the 2020 event, albeit at lower amounts than previous years. Retained funds will be carried forward to the 2020/21 financial year. It is hoped that the charity partners engaged in the 2020 preparations will continue for the next event so that we are able to donate the surplus between them.

The charity maintains strong links to Colchester Colne Round Table, and all current trustees are current or former members of that organisation.

### **Trustees**

The trustees that served throughout the year and since the period end were as follows:

D Aldworth (Chair)	D Hart	E Powell
L Austin	J Lewis	J Simpson
J Cass	J MacKenzie	L Wastell

### **Governing Document**

The Colchester Half Marathon is a charitable incorporated organisation governed by its constitution dated 4 November 2014. It is registered as a charity with the Charity Commission (No.1159064).

### **Trustee's responsibilities**

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

By order of the trustees



D Aldworth  
Chair

14-Apr-21

**EXAMINER'S UNQUALIFIED REPORT (FOR A NON-COMPANY CHARITY)**

**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Colchester Half Marathon**

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 March 2020, which are set out on pages 1 to 3.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The charity's 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
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention

**Basis of independent examiner's report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 seeking explanations from you as 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 present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the next statement.

**Independent examiner's statement**

In connection with 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 130 of the 2011 Act and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have 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



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**Relevant professional qualification or body:** FCCA

**Address:** Frinton - on - Sea

**Date:** 14/04/2021

## The Colchester Half Marathon

Income & Expenditure Account  
For the year ended 31 March 2020



	2020 £	2020 £	2019 £	2019 £
<b>Incoming resources</b>				
Donations:				
None	-		-	
Charitable activities:				
Operation of the Colchester Half Marathon	69,365.78		112,089.01	
<b>Total incoming resources</b>		<b>69,365.78</b>		<b>112,089.01</b>
<b>Resources expended</b>				
Grants provided:				
Headway	(24,000.00)		(16,250.00)	
The Robin Cancer Trust	(8,000.00)		-	
Multiple Sclerosis Resource Centre	-		(48,750.00)	
Costs incurred for closure of 2020 event	(7,661.76)		-	
Governance costs	(300.00)			
Charitable activities:				
Operation of the Colchester Half Marathon	(22,651.87)		(43,316.07)	
<b>Total resources expended</b>		<b>(62,613.63)</b>		<b>(108,316.07)</b>
<b>Net incoming resources for the period</b>		<b>6,752.15</b>		<b>3,772.94</b>
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>				
Total funds brought forward		10,526.54		6,753.60
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>		<b>17,278.69</b>		<b>10,526.54</b>

## The Colchester Half Marathon

Balance Sheet  
As at 31 March 2020



	2020 £	2020 £	2019 £	2019 £
<b>Current Assets</b>				
Bank Account	93,589.64		77,056.88	
Debtors	5,000.00		9,560.50	
		98,589.64		86,617.38
<b>Current Liabilities</b>				
Race creditors	(38,419.19)		(74,030.84)	
Other creditors	(300.00)			
Provision for cancellation costs	(7,661.76)		-	
Income deferred to future event	(29,130.00)			
Deferred race entries x200 & £29 (2019: x206)	(5,800.00)		(2,060.00)	
		(81,310.95)		(76,090.84)
<b>Net Assets</b>		<b>17,278.69</b>		<b>10,526.54</b>
<b>The funds of the charity:</b>				
Unrestricted income funds		17,278.69		10,526.54
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