



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1 April 2020 (Period start date) to 31 March 2021 (Period end date)

Charity name: **SILSOE COMMUNITY RECREATIONAL TRUST**

Charity registration number: **1162018**

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The provision of recreational and other leisure time occupations for individuals within the Parish of Silsoe Bedfordshire
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	Primarily, the provision and maintenance of a sports centre and adjoining sports fields.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The Trustees have had regard to the relevant guidance.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	Not applicable.
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	Not applicable.
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	Not applicable.
Other		None.

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>(Reference should be made to the previous Trustees' Reports since the inception of the Trust).</p> <p>In the period covered by this Report the activities of the Trust were severely curtailed by the Covid pandemic. In accordance with statutory requirements the sports centre and the associated football pitches were closed for normal use between March 2020 and August 2020, between November 2020 and December 2020, and between January 2021 and April 2021.</p> <p>Under the terms of the management Contract with Stevenage Leisure Limited (SLL) it continued to bear responsibility for the staff and for all health and safety measures needed to protect the staff and visitors. The Trustees kept up a regular engagement with SLL throughout and were fully consulted at all times.</p> <p>Once the facilities were permitted to re-open for use it was necessary to observe social distancing, to instigate extra cleaning and health safety measures, and to limit the number of people using the facilities. These were all managed by SLL following consultation with the Trustees. Despite these limitations the support from the membership using the facilities was very encouraging and the facilities were used to the full. There was also little drop-off in membership with very few resignations or withdrawals of support. (In fact, since the ending of the third lock-down period the number of users of the facilities has returned to pre-pandemic levels already).</p> <p>The relaxing of restrictions also meant that the café was able to reopen for use by both sports users, non-sports users, and by casual users. The café has become something of a meeting place for the village.</p> <p>One very encouraging aspect this year was the renewal of interest in cricket as witnessed by the re-starting of the</p>

		<p>Silsoe Village Cricket Club. Although the cricket pitch is still owned by the site developers the Trust was able to take over effective control of this area which has been managed and maintained by the Trust and the Cricket Club working together. The Trust was also able to assist the Cricket Club with new equipment (mowers and tractors) and with storage facilities. The arrangements remain informal at present pending the handover of the land by the site developers but it has been heartening to see cricket back in the centre of the village.</p> <p>The village continues to benefit from the presence of these recreation facilities.</p>
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	<p>Regrettably the Trustees were unable to make much progress with the site developers and the local authority regarding the handing over of additional facilities, primarily the adjoining cricket pitch. Negotiations for this are continuing. It had been hoped that this matter would have been settled by now.</p> <p>A further problem which affects the facilities is the rising level of vandalism and anti-social behaviour within the village. This is being addressed but remains a depressingly sad matter which works to the detriment of the Trust's aims.</p>
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	<p>The management Contract with SLL requires SLL to be responsible for all staff costs and for meeting the costs of maintaining the facilities. This is so whether or not the facilities are open or not. There is no liability on the Trust.</p> <p>However, the fact that the income from users was severely reduced meant that there was no surplus in the year to be shared with the Trust. The reduced income also meant that the obligation on SLL to adjust the profit and loss account to pay a notional rent was not met.</p> <p>As a consequence Trust has derived no income during this period. This is not immediately detrimental to the Trust but will put back the opportunity for development.</p>
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The reserves are to meet some aspects of maintenance on the buildings and grounds and to meet the cost of some replacement and renewals outside the responsibility of SLL.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£7,934.67
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	Not applicable.
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	Not applicable.
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	The Trustees have no concerns about this.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	

Other		
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Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution dated 26 January 2015.
How is the charity constituted? (e.g. unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Unincorporated association.
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	<p>Under the Constitution a Trustee is appointed for a term of 4 years by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the Trustees.</p> <p>Silsoe Parish Council has the power to nominate 2 trustees. That power has been exercised.</p> <p>In the period covered by this report the tenure of 2 trustees was renewed. David John Swain was reappointed a Trustee until 26 January 2025. Ian James Kelly (an appointee of Silsoe Parish Council) was reappointed a Trustee until 8 February 2025.</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Silsoe Community Recreational Trust
Other name the charity uses	None
Registered charity number	1162008

Charity's principal address	72 Newbury Lane, Silsoe, Bedfordshire MK45 4EX

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	John Robinson	Trustee	Whole year	
2	Philip John Kevan	Trustee	Whole year	Nominated by Silsoe Parish Council
3	David John Swain	Trustee	Whole year	
4	Ian James Kelly	Trustee	Whole year	Nominated by Silsoe Parish Council
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
None		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
None		

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	Not applicable.
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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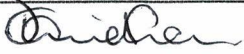
Other optional information

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Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	David John Swain	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Trustee	
Date	28 January 2022	



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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date	To	Period end date
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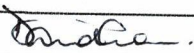
Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	-	-	-	-	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	-	-	-	-	-
A3 Payments					
Electrical works	1,324	-	-	1,324	-
Phone and broadband connection	742	-	-	742	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	2,066	-	-	2,066	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	2,066	-	-	2,066	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 2,066	-	-	- 2,066	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	- 2,066	-	-	- 2,066	-

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cash in bank	7,934	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	7,934	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities		Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	David John Swain	28.1.22