



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	01	09	2021		31	08	2022

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name Risborough & District Model Railway Club

Other names charity is known by R&DMRC, RDMRC

Registered charity number (if any) 1173659

Charity's principal address 12 Culverton Hill

Princes Risborough

Buckinghamshire

Postcode HP27 0DZ

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	Paul Wright	Chair		
2	James Aitken	Treasurer		
3	Roy Norton	Secretary		
4	Richard Neil			
5	Michael Moignard			
6	David Lane			
7	Tim Peacock			
8	Gary Day			
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

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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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution supported by Club Rules (byelaws)
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Elected by members

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

The policy for inducting new trustees follows Charity Commission guidance and is included in the Constitution.

The Club has policies on safeguarding, health & safety and data protection (GDPR).

The trustees hold regular scheduled meetings at which risks and risk management measures are reviewed.

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The objects of the Club are to advance public education, and foster a general interest, in model railways, prototype railways and allied pursuits and to encourage a high standard of railway modelling – in particular, amongst the members of the Club.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

In accordance with Section 17(5) of the Charities Act and the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008, the trustees have had regard to the guidance on public benefit, issued by the Charity Commission, when exercising any powers or duties to which the guidance may be relevant. All trustees have read the guidance and take it into account at their regular meetings and in planning the organisation's activities.

The Club provides facilities to develop skills and knowledge to construct working railway models and to research prototype railways. It provides educational instruction on the methods and tools (e.g. electronics, metal working, computer assisted design (CAD), laser cutting, 3D printing, soldering etc.) to develop scale models. The Club also holds skills workshops, led by experts, and educational talks on both the operation of prototype & model railways and the history of railways and allied transport systems.

The Club organises model railway exhibitions and educational visits and supports local events. Collectively and individually, members give talks, contribute to railway magazine articles and railway related websites and blogs.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The lifting of Covid 19 restrictions enabled the club to resume regular meetings to meet its objectives of fostering a general interest, in model railways, prototype railways and allied pursuits and encouraging a high standard of railway modelling.

However, the aftermath of the Covid 19 continued to impact the club's plans to run model railway exhibitions. Our normal venues were not available because one was being used as a vaccination centre and the other had a backlog of bookings. No suitable alternative venues were available.

In July the club held a free-to-enter open day in support of the Princes Risborough Festival. We provided demonstrations of railway modelling, opportunities for hands-on train operation and historical and modelling information on Aylesbury Station in the 1960s. This contributed to the objectives of advancing public education, and fostering a general interest, in model and prototype railways. About 100 members of the public attended.

In May, the club hosted a talk, open to the public, by well-known modeller, Jerry Clifford, on the prototype and his model of Bath Queen Square. The club also held a competition to encourage and inspire high quality railway modelling. About 40 people attended.

The Club continued to use Facebook and its free-to-view YouTube channel to maintain contact, provide advice and demonstrate modelling techniques. The Facebook Page has more than 150 followers and the YouTube channel currently has 35 videos containing demonstrations, inspirational model railways etc. There are currently over 360 subscribers and the channel has been viewed 46,739 times.

The Club produced a free, quarterly publication "Footplate" containing instructive modelling items, Club news and details of relevant model railway and prototype railway events.

Individual club members gave public talks and demonstrations during the year e.g. on the use of Templot for track construction.

These activities contributed to the objectives advancing public education and of developing and sharing skills and knowledge to construct working railway models and to research prototype railways

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The Club's policy on reserves is to retain adequate funds to meet ongoing liabilities and to accumulate sufficient funds for the purchase of permanent premises to enable the Club to enhance and extend its charitable activities.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Section F Other optional information

Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s) *R A Norton*

Full name(s) Roy Norton

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc) Secretary

Date 3/10/21

Income and Expenditure Statement for the year ending 31st August 2022

31-Aug 2021		31-Aug-2022		
£	Income	£	£	£
597.50	Members Subscriptions	5,699.00		
-0.00	Less paid in advance	-1,120		
0.00	Plus paid previous year	0.00	4,579.00	
0.00	Income from members		31.96	
0.00	Risex Exhibition (not held)		0.00	
0.00	Railex Exhibition (not held)		0.00	
0.00	Festirail		317.90	
26.85	Sale of items (clothing, laser cutting)		629.52	
6.1	Bank Interest		28.22	
0.00	Donations		76.85	
0.00	Insurance payout		2,235.00	
630.45	Total Income		7,898.45	7,898.45
	Expenditure			
879.60	Rent		4,746.05	
302.70	Insurance		317.38	
1,182.30	Total clubroom expenses		5,063.43	5,063.43
243.54	Internet / Domain name		214.54	
183.88	Sundries		216.40	
176.76	Materials and equipment purchased		421.46	
80.00	Trustee costs (insurance and room hire)		80.00	
0.00	Course costs		0.00	
684.18	Total general expenses		932.40	932.40
48.10	Okehampton		0.00	
0.00	Aylesbury P4		0.00	
0.00	Aylesbury LNWR		0.00	
0.00	Shunting puzzle		0.00	
0.00	Test track		0.00	
48.10	Total layout expenses		0.00	0.00
0.00	Risex Exhibition		574.52	
0.00	Railex Exhibition		0.00	
0.00	Festirail		190..80	
0.00	Scanappeal Donation in exchange for car parking at Stoke Mandeville stadium		0.00	
0.0	Total exhibition expenses		765.32	765.32
712.22	Depreciation of equipment			542.02
968.40	New club room expenses			990.30
3,595.20	Total expenditure			8,293.47
-2,964.75	Surplus/Loss (-) to capital account			-395.02
0.00	Less advanced subs in previous year			0.00

0.00	Added Okehampton capital	0.00
0.00	Added P4 capital	0.00
0.00	Added Shunting puzzle capital	0.00
0.00	Added equipment and materials	0.00
-2,964.75	Total capital added	-395.02

Balance sheet for the year ending 31st August 2022

31-Aug 2021	Assets	31-Aug 2022	
£		£	
10,797.97	Current account	12,036.75	
60,388.94	Business reserve account	60,417.16	
71,186.91		72,453.91	72,453.91
2,136.67	Club house contents	1,424.45	
0.00	Add capital purchases	201.60	
2,136.67		1,626.05	
-712.22	Less depreciation (1/3)	-542.02	
1,424.45		1,084.03	1,084.03
72,611.36			73,537.94
	Liabilities		
0.00	Subscriptions paid in advance	1,120.00	
75,576.11	Capital account balance	72,611.36	
-2,964.75	Capital added	-193.42	
72,611.36		73,537.94	73,537.94

Signed  Date: 31 October 2022

James A.G. Aitken (Hon treasurer)