



Goalball UK

Annual Report

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Welcome from the Chair

I am delighted to welcome you to Goalball UK's annual report as Chair. Having recently extended my term as chair for a further four years, I know of the importance and breadth of Goalball UK's work and take great pride in it.

Goalball UK's work, ultimately, aims to be world leading in promoting and providing sporting opportunities for blind and partially sighted people and to make goalball a universally recognised sport in the U.K. Our enhanced team and new strategy are making great headway toward this goal.

Although I have been part of Goalball UK for several years, I am still in awe of the work we do. I am inspired by the members of our community who have learned to overcome barriers in their personal lives through playing goalball. I feel honoured to steer our Board and ensure that as many people as possible can get involved with our sport.

We have achieved so much in the four years up to 2022. The 2021-22 period is no exception.

Our highlights include:

- Developing relationships with Sport England and UK Sport and of course receiving funding from Sport England to give a base for the continued development of goalball in the UK
- Seeing the GB teams advance and progress in international competition ahead of Paris 2024
- Seeing our staff team grow with the appointment of a new High-Performance Lead, Digital and Communications Lead and Fundraising Lead to complete the Senior Leadership Team
- Developing our events and outreach to provide more people with the opportunity to take part in goalball

There have been challenges, of course. We need to strengthen the recruitment of coaches into the sport at all levels. Our community faces serious challenges, of which the cost-of-living crisis is by far the greatest. We are thankful to all our funders, partners, supporters, and volunteers in helping us navigate this together.

Despite these challenges, Goalball UK has an exciting period ahead and we should all look forward to continuing the positive work of our organisation.

John Grosvenor,
Chair Goalball UK

What is Goalball?

Goalball is a **sport specifically** designed for the 360,000 registered blind and visually impaired adults and children in the UK, the largest cohort within the disability spectrum, where players shoot and defend their goal by tracking a ball with a bell in it whilst under blindfold. The sport was created after World War II to assist the rehabilitation of injured soldiers and is now a **much-loved Paralympic sport** – one of only 22 'Summer Games' sports to achieve this global status.

Whilst it is a team game that fuses several sporting elements in to one, **it is not an adaptation of another established sport**. That independence means we can be focussed and nimble on behalf of our community, although we also have to work doubly hard to achieve the recognition and resources that a 'parent' National or International Governing Body might provide.

It is a very technical, tactile and tactical team sport laced with strategies in deception; **a brilliant balance of silence and celebration** with a certain magic in how the players become so fluent in the space provided by the court. An on-court human chess match where aerobic and power-based abilities are crucial, requiring a series of mini-dynamic movements over the course of a 24-minute match and the need to take **decision-making responsibility** on-court.

People who are blind clearly face a wide range of practical and social challenges, but goalball features the scoring of goals from 18 metres away when there are trained opponents trying to stop that – **the sporting equivalent of threading the eye of a needle without vision**. Could you navigate your workplace with such precision wearing eye shades? Goalball players can!

Goalball is sometimes described as **Sport's best kept secret**. This is a label that, with your help, we would like to shed; not out of a sense of frustration or lack of appreciation, but because we believe that our community is at a natural stage where it is ready and needs to grow. We combine **elite level Paralympic sport**, featuring a desire to succeed on the global stage, **with a truly inclusive option** for those who are often excluded from physical activity and being in a team at school or recreationally.

Goalball UK is a registered charity based in Sheffield and was formed in 2010. We now have an executive staff of 13, a frugal budget and much of our energy and capacity comes through an extraordinary support network meaning that there are often more coaches, officials and volunteers at a tournament than there are players on-court. And whilst every sport has its 'critics corner', our canine version is somewhat special and unique!

We enjoy the enthusiastic financial support of Sport England in relation to growing the grassroots and club base of the sport, and we are delighted that from 2021 our national teams and programmes will be the subject of some transitional support from UK Sport as we aim to address the undoubted but bridgeable gap to international elite level performance and qualification for future Paralympic Games.



Goalball's social return on investment

No matter who you speak to, they say that **the goalball community feels like a family**. It faces challenges, strives for recognition, and provides a unique stage where VI people can demonstrate their athletic and sensory talents, that then **translate into a growing sense of personal independence and achievement in daily life**.

- 1 **We enable introversion to be replaced by a desire and ability to engage** with their community and beyond - a powerful antidote at the best of times but especially so during Covid-19 which is creating sustained periods of social isolation for people with a disability.
- 2 **Goalball enables our players to live independent lives**. For example, diary management and travelling on public transport to training and international competitions, whether alone or in a group, boosts confidence. Whilst 'sweeping' rather than 'pinpoint' techniques developed to find the ball also translate to and enhance the ability to locate domestic items at home. The net effect is that many previously protective families relax and embrace this newly acquired freedom.
- 3 **60 per cent of Goalball players are in full-time education**, with research showing that VI people are 47% more likely to enter higher education and progress further in life if they have played goalball. Whilst a significant number of our players mirror the wider VI community, where rates of unemployment can be as high as 75% and over 40% are classified as NEETS, our elite level teams also feature a doctor, teacher, city trader and a recent accountancy graduate of Oxford University, for example. Diversity is at the heart of our community.
- 4 The format of **the sport also enables community cohesion with sighted people able to be part of playing and training**. Siblings, family and friends can provide practical and emotional support simply by wearing eye shades, allowing them to truly appreciate the unique challenges faced by the players.
- 5 We have a decade of anecdotal evidence of the **profound impact** goalball has on the lives of our players and their families, and now we have the systematic research to prove this. According to independent analysis conducted by York St John University in 2020, we deliver a truly impressive **Social Return on Investment of £4.31 for each £1 invested**.



CEO Introduction

Pride is the word which best describes 2022 for us. As a collective we need to be proud of the improvements we continue to make.

Coming out of a volatile period of the Covid-19 Pandemic we now face the challenges of a cost-of-living crisis and despite this we continue to thrive.

We are mindful of rising costs to ourselves, our staff and our members and as we move into 2023 we need to be pragmatic about the decisions we make.

Coming out of lockdown we delivered a season in the backdrop of a pandemic, whilst ensuring the safety of our community. This is something we should all be proud of. Despite the challenges, additional costs and travel interruptions, we did it and what was obvious is the standard of goalball in our country continues to improve universally.

In April of 2022 Sport England awarded us £2.5m to support our governing and systemic role for 5 years and Talent for 3 years. This is an increase of over 40% and will help us to develop the sport albeit in under the shadow of a cost-of-living crisis. We are incredibly pleased and helps us towards certainty for the next five years.

We further developed safeguarding and established our own independent careline to protect the Goalball Family. We received UK Sport Funding to support our High-Performance Programme and events such as Goalfix Cup. The quality this allowed us to deliver a tournament of incredibly high quality and helped us create a blueprint for future events.

The GB Men competed internationally at the IBSA European B Championships in November 2022, taking fourth place overall. The squad made it to the semi-finals undefeated with a brilliant team effort. We are excited about their progression in to 2023 and beyond.

The GB Women reached the quarter finals after coming through an incredibly tough group. They showed incredible skill and teamwork, which bodes well for the upcoming 2023 IBSA World Games and European A Championships.

Mark Winder,
CEO of Goalball UK

Our people

We were proud of Robert Avery represented us at Tokyo as the only British referee, doing an excellent job.

Dina Murdie continues to represent us as a Senior Course conductor, travelling the world supporting, challenging, and assessing referees.

Both Dina and Robert are true ambassadors for our sport and for Goalball UK. As we grow and diversify Sport England have invested in two new roles to help us on the journey:

Gary Fraser joined us as High-Performance Lead, the first time since 2012 that we have had someone in this position. We see this role as fundamental in supporting the development of our obsession to continue to develop and grow our U.K. high performance programme, creating world class Great Britain teams.

Jo Hercberg joined us as Digital and Communications Lead in August and is already helping develop our obsession to continue to increase the awareness of goalball and Goalball U.K. across England and the United Kingdom.

Charlotte Rooke joined us in December to help address our obsession to increase funding and resource to support the growth and sustainability of goalball and Goalball U.K.

Widening opportunities

We are proud of our Goalball Academy: providing equality of opportunity to our younger players who are not afforded the same opportunities to develop as sighted athletes.

The Youth Forum is developing brilliantly and to provide voice to the young people within our sport is crucial as we continue our journey.

We all need to be proud of the Competition changes implemented by the Club and Competition Committee. This adds a real integrity to our sport.

We have launched a 'This Girl Can Programme' to provide more opportunities to women and girls to enjoy the sport, as well as to provide a strong female voice into the game.



Widening opportunities

We will continue to improve our club development and support offer into 2023 to allow new clubs to be developed and current clubs to grow.

We are committed to support for clubs to deliver inter and intra club competitions.

We do need clubs to work with us on this as we already deliver 33 days of Competition, (all at weekends), as well as Talent, High Performance, Referee Courses, Academy and Summer Camps.

We know we are not perfect, but in the recent survey the feedback overall was positive. There are things to address but our recent survey revealed:

- 97% satisfied or better with Goalball UK services
- 97% satisfied or better with their level of play

There's lots to be proud of in 2021-22 and so much to look forward to in 2022-23 with the IBSA World Games 2023 just around the corner.



Competition

Goalball UK's competition structure continues to evolve and provide an impressive 33 days of competition for players and clubs across the calendar year.



26 active clubs compete and take part in three levels of play. These are divided into Regional, Intermediate and Super Leagues with three national cup competitions.

Grassroots competition is at the heart of Goalball UK, friendships are formed, medals are won, and challenges overcome.

Goalball UK not only provides the structure but delivers the competition days including planning, promoting, organising and delivery on the day.

It doesn't stop with the final whistle though; all levels of play are celebrated on social media by Goalball UK!

An impressive 231 people took part in the 2021/22 goalball season with more expected to join in the 2022/23 season.



The Goalball UK Events Strategy

The Events Strategy was created to focus on domestic, international club and national team events.

In 2022 the appointment of a 'This Girl Can' Working Group was announced to focus on creating more opportunities for women and girls within the sport.

18 people have undertaken Safeguarding training. 9 people have also completed the Welfare specific training and The Club Event Grant funding programme was launched.

Goalfix Cup 2022

Goalfix Cup 2022 was the first ever Goalball UK domestic tournament to be live streamed with audio descriptive commentary. The live stream received an impressive 2300+ views across the weekend.

The event, and in particular the audio descriptive commentary was incredibly well received by the audience.

“ Audio description was a game changer. Fantastic commentary.”

“ As I was able to watch the games without my teammates having to tell me what was going on. This therefore ensured the venue was quiet during play.”

“ It makes the event more exciting it is a feature of an event which I think warrants investment to expand for future events across the league.”

“ It was great to be able to continue to follow the action even when going for lunch or having downtime with the team.”

“ It feels very appropriate that the event should be accessible to all, including spectators. I was delighted that this facility was made available.”

The Future for Competition

We are working hard to plan and deliver 2023/24 competition season whilst building lasting impact and legacy work linked to the IBSA World Games 2023 which will be held in Birmingham in August.

Our This Girl Can project group is now in place, with the first all-female open event organised for February 2023. The group will be working on improving and providing more opportunities for women and girls in 2023 and beyond.

As we go through the season, we look forward to delivering our 2022-31 Events Strategy with enthusiasm.

Membership

Goalball UK offers a free full membership package to anyone who wants to join.

We are almost unique amongst other National Governing Bodies to offer this for free.

Keeping our membership accessible is important to us. It means anyone can join regardless of their personal circumstances.

Benefits for players include free personal liability insurance. For members who don't play, benefits include the Goalball Plus Benefits Scheme plus early access to tickets, competitions, courses, and products.

Currently we have 445 members with steady organic growth underway.

Our membership reflects the diverse community in goalball:

- 70% of our membership actively play goalball
- 63% (279) members are male, 36% (159) are female with 1% (6) undeclared and 1 identifying as other.
- 80% (354) are white, 17% (74) are from ethnically diverse communities and 4% (17) are undeclared.
- 7% (33) of our members identify as LGBTQIA+, 71% (317) are heterosexual and 21% (95) chose not to declare their sexuality to us.

Over the coming months and years we want to broaden our membership to audiences beyond our sport and open up to charitable supporters as well.

Development

Goalball UK's Development work is key to growing awareness of goalball across the UK. Our outreach covers all of the home nations from the Shetland Islands to Bognor Regis.



Leadership courses boost the number of people able to coach and lead goalball in their schools and clubs. This is vital to increasing participation in our sport and ensuring the sport is played accurately.



Leadership Course




Goalball UK have delivered Leadership courses to 193 people across schools and clubs in the 2021-22 timeline.

Goalball UK deliver two in person Leadership courses:

-  a School Leaders course (4 hours) primarily for community sports coaches, PE staff, sports students and/or young leaders.
-  a Club Leaders course (6 hours) primarily for coaches who are going to be working with blind and partially sighted players in a competitive club environment.

These courses generate income for Goalball UK which is re-invested back into the development of the sport at grassroots level.

Between September 2021 and December 2022 Goalball UK delivered:

-  3 Open School Leaders courses (to a total of 23 people)
-  14 Closed School Leaders courses (to a total of 165 people)
-  1 Closed Club Leaders course (to a total of 5 people)

Goalball UK work with several partners to develop our Leadership courses. Partners include UK Coaching and British Blind Sport.

Working in partnership, we create online modules and supporting resources. This increases our reach by enabling people to learn more about the sport in their own time, space, and pace.

In future, we aim to offer CPD workshops to coaches and mentoring opportunities.

Partnership Events

Goalball UK regularly participate in external partnership events to raise awareness of goalball and the specific work of Goalball UK.

One of Goalball UK's main partners is British Blind Sport (BBS) and, between September 2021 and December 2022, we delivered goalball taster sessions at 12 of their 'Have A Go Days'.

The events provide good opportunities to engage with other local sports clubs/coaches and VI professionals plus recruit volunteers and find new venues.

Sight Village is another partnership event that Goalball UK regularly attends. These events provide good opportunities to meet blind and partially sighted people as well network with other professionals working in the 'VI world'.

Conferences, be it live or virtual, provide a similar networking opportunity. Goalball UK have recently been involved in conferences hosted by Sporting Heritage, Para Coach, VIEW, Summit, Sight Loss Council, Retina UK and the Albinism Fellowship.

Combined with the power of social media, the increased number of virtual events means that it is financially viable for Goalball UK to reach an even wider audience. This is beneficial for the sport on all levels.

Sight loss organisation events all help increase participation; FE and HE events can attract new volunteers; and corporate events can help increase revenue.

Schools and Young People

The Goalball UK Children and Young People projects are led by Stephen Newey, Children and Schools Officer, under the line management of Alex Bunney as Participation Lead.

Across our school programmes over two thousand children and young people have been introduced to goalball in the UK.

Of the 2200 children, 140 are registered blind or sight impaired with 1500 being classified as 'disadvantaged' (SEND, VI, receives Pupil Premium etc).

As well as delivering goalball sessions to 50 different schools, we have also delivered 5 Junior Days and 1 Summer Camp boosting the level of children and young people's goalball exposure in the UK.

For 2022/23 we are working on the development and launch of the Goalball UK Secondary School Teaching Resources to reach more people.

To ensure we make the most of major event opportunities, we are also linking and developing Children and Young People work in line with the Goalfix Cup 2023 and the IBSA World Games 2023.



High Performance

Welcome to Gary Fraser

Goalball UK appointed Gary Fraser to the new full-time role of High-Performance Lead in June 2022. Gary works with staff, athletes, and support staff to develop the programme across all levels of play in what is an exciting period for the sport at performance level.

Gary joins us with an extensive background in disability sport having spent his career championing inclusion for people of all abilities, including nine years at Scottish Disability Sport as Regional Development Manager and Performance Manager. He managed the Scottish boccia performance programme, developing high performance players to transition to the Boccia UK World Class Programme. He also led the Scotland Para Lawn Bowls team to the 2018 Gold Coast Commonwealth Games.

Gary is excited about contributing to the aims and obsessions of Goalball UK, in particular the forthcoming IBSA World Games in 2023, which are being held in Birmingham.

The creation of the role represents a huge commitment by the Board, as Goalball UK strive to further develop their high-performance men's and women's programmes.

High Performance at Goalball UK

It has been a busy year for high performance goalball as GB Men prepared for the IBSA European B Championships taking place from 12 – 20 November in Matosinhos, Portugal. This was an important event for the men's programme as we strive to get promoted to the 'A' division. A promotion would mean we are competing with the best teams in Europe, providing an opportunity to qualify from the region to the Paralympic Games.

GB Women had the excitement of the IBSA World Championships taking place in December in Matosinhos, Portugal. This is the first time a GB team has competed in the World Championships since 2010 and highlights the progress our women's team has made over the past few years.

Competing against the best teams in the world provides an opportunity to test our players and the event offers a direct qualification route to the Paralympic Games. A hugely significant achievement, and we congratulate the players, coaches, and support staff.



Plans Looking Forward

Goalball UK is reviewing the high-performance programme as we aim to improve what is being delivered to support player progression. Utilising our resources, we want to provide a programme that is aligned to our strategic ambitions in the short, medium, and long term. We are entering into a period of transition which is exciting for the sport.

2023 promises to be big a year for high performance goalball from both a delivery perspective, but also with the major events that will take place. August 2023 sees the IBSA World Games coming to Birmingham in which both our men's and women's teams will compete. This is a multi-sport event which will showcase the very best of visual impairment sport, as well as high performance goalball. In addition, 2023 will see the GB Women involved in the European A Championships, and there is hope the GB Men will also compete, however, we are awaiting official confirmation from IBSA regarding their promotion from division B.

December 2022 – November 2023 represents our Paris 2024 Paralympic Qualification period, and we are working hard to achieve this goal. However, we are also looking longer term as we strive to improve and be best prepared for the Los Angeles 2028 Cycle.

Talent and Academy

Talent sits as an integral part of the Goalball UK High Performance Programme.

Players and staff within this programme are developing themselves through learning and experiences to best prepare them for transition into the senior Great Britain squads.

A total of 27 players currently sit within the Great Britain Talent Squad and the Goalball Academy.

Current Status

In June 2022 both male and female Great Britain U19 squads attended the European Para Youth Games in Pajulahti Finland.

9 athletes competed against high level international opposition finishing 3rd in each of their representative competitions. A phenomenal achievement by both squads.

The Talent Squad now embarks on an annual programme of training camps and tournaments, supported by coaching and multi-disciplinary staff.

The Goalball Academy has delivered 5 training camps, an outdoor adventure camp and over 10 online workshops. 24 young people have participated in the project with a number graduating onto the Talent Squad.



Plans Looking Forward

Both the Talent Squad and Academy will continue to provide age and development specific opportunities for players to reach their potential in goalball. It is vital to develop our talent identification routes and this will be aided by a new partnership with York St. John University that will research into player profiling and inform our talent ID processes moving forward.

Alongside this a new partnership with TAP (Talented Athlete Project) is moving forward with TAP attending Talent Squad training and delivering online athlete development workshops. This new holistic approach will explore putting athlete's wellbeing at the heart of athlete development.

Challenges

- The cost-of-living crisis which is impacting Goalball UK, Clubs, Players, and partners with rising costs.
- Finding suitable accessible venues for our competitions, particularly those with two separate sports halls.
- Number of officials available.
- Number of coaches and education / training offer for new and current coaches.
- Locating and working with schools with visually impaired pupils.
- Locating and working with VI children and young people.





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Trustees' Report (Including Director' Report)

For the Year Ending 31 March 2022

The Trustees present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2022.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the Charity's Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Companies Act 2006 and the Statement of Recommended Practice, "Accounting and Reporting by Charities", issued in March 2005.

Chair's Review

On behalf of the Board of Directors, it gives me great pleasure to present our annual report for 2021-2.

Goalball U.K. is the governing body for the Paralympic sport of goalball across the United Kingdom.

We are committed to ensuring that the sport continues to thrive from the grass roots to our high performance systems. We are responsible for the training and selection of teams representing Great Britain and for participation in and development of goalball across the United Kingdom.

Goalball U.K. represents goalball's interests on the British Paralympic Association, the Sport and Recreation Alliance, Sport England, U.K. Sport, government and non-governmental agencies and many other organisations.

Goalball U.K.'s mission is to be world leading in promoting and providing sporting opportunities for blind and partially sighted people and to make goalball a universally recognised sport in the U.K.

We are driven to transform people's lives through our sport by:

-  Building Inclusive Partnerships.
-  Creating Safe, Exciting Opportunities.
-  Empowering Through Ownership.
-  Connecting the Goalball Family.
-  Creating Positive Communities.

As an organisation, we are committed to serve our players with passion, act with integrity and to be responsive to our stakeholders. Our pride in working at Goalball U.K. must be reflected in our drive for success at all levels.

Trustees' Report (Including Director' Report)

For the Year Ending 31 March 2022

COVID-19 restricted life for the goalball family at least if not more so than everyone else. We continued through this period to:

Business Review

- Ensure our people remain safe and well.
- Ensure our people are given the opportunity to be active.
- Endeavour for the goalball family to re-emerge from the pandemic ready to play goalball again.

At the same time, the pandemic reinforced the value of sport and of goalball as we remained connected with our goalball family, and we demonstrated where we, as a National Governing Body, add real value.

We supported the goalball family with regular support and guidance on COVID-19, interpreting Government guidelines for our sport – including our 'Returning to Goalball' guidance and our measures to ensure the 2021-22 season could take place. Through a variety of means, we supported and engaged with our people on a wide range of topics.

We also continued to deliver a variety of online activities to support our people.

Trustees' Report (Including Director' Report)

For the Year Ending 31 March 2022

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Business Review Continued

Throughout the year we delivered interim priorities with Sport England 2021/22:

- a.** Support our clubs to recover from the impact and disruption of Covid-19 and continue to deliver and support a wide range of high-quality, safe playing opportunities for children, young people and adults with a visual impairment. We are committed to supporting and boosting the numbers of players, coaches, officials and volunteers, including continuing to target underrepresented groups and tackling inequality.
- b.** Continue to provide players, coaches, officials and volunteers with safe, accessible, tangible pathways allowing them to develop their talent within the present restrictions.
- c.** Continue to increase the awareness of goalball and Goalball U.K. across England and the United Kingdom.
- d.** Continue our improvement journey towards being a high performing and well-governed National Governing Body, which is best in class with regards to its resources.
- e.** Continue to increase the resources available to support the growth and sustainability of the sport and the National Governing Body.
- f.** Ensure our alignment with, and play a full part in, supporting the delivery of the new Sport England Strategy, including continuing our focus on tackling inequality.

As well as being able to report good progress across all of these aspects, we identified a range of priorities for the next five years to support Sport England's 'Uniting the Movement' agenda. This has resulted in over a 40% increase in investment to Goalball U.K. from Sport England (2022-2027). This year was very much a year of reinvention as we prepare for post-pandemic life. We enter a period of change, and much work has gone into making sure we are ready to take goalball into a new chapter.

It is agreed we will, as part of our systemic role within the sector, recover and reinvent in a post pandemic world and we will continue to use goalball to transform the lives of people who are blind and partially sighted. We will harness and grow the unique impact of our sport to help tackle deep rooted inequalities and unlock the advantages of sport and physical activity for our underrepresented group and their support network.

We will further establish and strengthen our role within the sport and disability sectors as an expert insight leader and champion of people who are blind or partially sighted.

Consequently, we will support the ecosystem in reducing the barriers to participation and improving the life chances for people with a visual impairment (VI) irrespective of ethnicity, age, gender, sexuality, location, or socioeconomic status.

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Business Review Continued

Regards our governing role, we will further establish and strengthen our role within the sport and disability sectors as an expert deliverer, insight leader and champion of people who are blind or partially sighted.

We will create a strong, challenging learning and insight framework specific to our people, their experiences, barriers and motivations. This will not only inform our practices but ensure we can continue to work collaboratively, through informed research, with partners, to tackle inequalities.

Over the past year, all staff have undertaken significant equality, diversity and inclusion training as we continue to develop our understanding and ensure our sport is accessible to as many people as possible. This will form the foundations of developing an Equality, Diversity, and Inclusion Action Plan. We are mindful, among many other things, we address the inclusion of Transgender athletes in our sport. A working party has been established to ensure this is done in the most fair, inclusive way as possible.

We continue to develop our Safeguarding work, and pleasing progress has been made in relation to our policies and procedures. We also provided several online courses for clubs ensuring they are better placed in this area. Like the entire sector, this is still an area for attention, and we look forward to implementing improvements which will be partly informed by the Whyte Review.

We are mindful of ensuring our sport has as little impact on the environment as possible and introduced changes to our practices and delivery methods. This will be developed as we work on our Sustainability Policy and consequential action plan.

We are particularly proud of our 'Find the Next' programme, supported by Sports Aid, which is providing opportunities for children and young people, as well as coaches who wish to develop.

During the year we have embedded our 'Youth Forum' to hear the voices of our younger members. We see this group as a vital part of engaging with the future of our sport.

In addition, we will be working with our Ambassadors and Patrons to raise the awareness of our sport. They will be led by two new appointments. A Fundraising Manager and Digital and Communications Lead. Both are key appointments to support the long-term sustainability of Goalball U.K.

Our Great Britain teams both had European Championships this year.

The pandemic made preparations challenging. The men maintained their position in the European B Championship, finishing 6th. The women also finished 6th in the European A Championships, also maintaining their position.

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Business Review Continued

We are committed to supporting our high performance athletes and as a result have employed a High Performance Lead to strengthen the programme.


Our under 19s squads participated in the European Youth Paralympics in 2022. Much of 2021-22 was spent preparing the athletes for this event. Both male and female teams came away with bronze medals. This is the first time we have taken two teams to this event, demonstrating the progress we are making in developing young goalball players.

We continue to deliver a strong competition structure which saw changes in 2021-22 season. Following feedback from members we were bold in the changes which saw us deliver 33 days of competition across the season. This was challenging as we ensured COVID-19 measures remained in place throughout. There has been a lot of positives and a lot of learning as we strive to continue the development of the competitive experience for our people. We know there are changes we need to make and these are in development. We remain proud of the structure and the opportunities we present.

We are also thankful to the Worshipful Company of Spectacle Makers who allowed us to keep our grant to continue to develop goalball in London. We hope to be able to continue the momentum in 2022/2023. We held the Goalfix Cup in Brunel University this year to drive awareness in London. This event was supported by U.K. Sport, who are helping us to improve the presentation of our events as both a live experience and through digital streaming.

I would like to thank Mark Winder, our CEO, and all the Goalball U.K. team for moving goalball forward in 2021/22.

Finally, I would like to add my thanks to the entire goalball family for their positive, supportive attitude throughout a transitional year. We join you in your optimism and hope to continue developing our sport in a safe, measured way in 2022/23.



. 16 August 2022

John Grosvenor

Chair

Trustees' Report (Including Director' Report)

For the Year Ending 31 March 2022

Staff and Volunteers

The sport is highly dependent upon the large numbers of volunteers who help with every area of the sport, while Goalball U.K. is fortunate to employ exceptional, committed coaching, administrative and development staff. The directors express their thanks to all volunteers and employees for their hard work and dedication during this unprecedented past year.

Financial Review

Goalball U.K. continues to account separately for three distinct operational strands – Grass Roots, Women's High Performance and Men's High Performance. The Grass Roots operation is mainly shown as unrestricted funds and is funded principally by Sport England. The High Performance programmes are shown as restricted funds.

The Sport England funding cycle was originally intended to cover the 2017-21 period. However, because of the operational difficulties caused by the Coronavirus pandemic, to offer some financial stability Sport England agreed to replicate its 2020-21 award in the following financial year.

Both High Performance strands were the recipients of U.K. Sport and private funding during the 2021-2 financial year. The National Squad Support Funding Programme ensures that both funds will receive a level of public funding through to 31 March 2024.

The difficult funding climate resulted in the Grass Roots fund, which consists of restricted and unrestricted funds, experiencing a reduction in income by 15% during the financial year. The charity kept the recurring costs under good control with a small decrease in these costs. However, the overall costs went up by 12% as development costs resumed after the pandemic.

The Grass Roots fund therefore returned a deficit of £36,452 during the financial year. However, the level of reserves built up in the previous financial year enabled the fund to manage this deficit. As a result, the fund had a surplus going forward of £73,430 as at 31 March 2022.

The Women's High Performance fund was able to re-engage in training and competitive opportunities in the post-COVID world. Even though programme expenditure was four times higher during the financial year, the fund was still able to return a surplus of £20,449.

The Men's High Performance fund was also able to maintain its levels of activity during the year, without incurring significant deficits. It carries forward a surplus of £16,991 into the 2022-3 financial year.

It is the policy of the charity that unrestricted funds which have not been designated for a specific use should ideally be maintained at a level equivalent to between three and six month's non-project expenditure. The Trustees consider that reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of a significant drop in funding, they will be able to continue the charity's current activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised.

Trustees' Report (Including Director' Report)

For the Year Ending 31 March 2022

Financial Review

The Trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charitable company is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against known risks. The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charitable company is exposed, in particular those related to the operations and finances of the charity.

Robust corporate governance is another critical area of risk management. Sport England and U.K. Sport demand that we continuously undertake a very rigorous self-assurance process to ensure we maintain good governance across the whole organisation and are in line where realistically possible with best practice.

Significant external risks to funding present the greatest threat to the charity's future. The Board maintains close links with Sport England and U.K. Sport to ensure it has a positive and supportive relationship with them. In parallel, numerous fund raising initiatives have been undertaken and donations sought to diversify the charity's sources of income.

The Trustees have instigated insurance policies with Hiscox and Aviva Insurance.

The Trustees are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate our exposure to the major risks.

Structure, Governance and Management

Goalball U.K. is a company limited by guarantee constituted by a Memorandum and Articles of Association with charitable status.

The Trustees, who are also the directors for the purpose of company law, and who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

J Grosvenor (Chair)

A Burchell

G Clancey (Senior Independent Director)

K Coghlan

P Elliott

D Lewis-Smith

P Reid

R Singh

M Winder

None of the Trustees has any beneficial interest in the company. All of the Trustees are members of the company and guarantee to contribute £1 in the event of a winding up.

Trustees' Report (Including Director' Report)

For the Year Ending 31 March 2022

The charity's current policy concerning the payment of trade creditors is to follow the CBI's Prompt Payers Code (copies are available from the CBI, Centre Point, 103 New Oxford Street, London WC1A 1DU).

The charity's current policy concerning the payment of trade creditors is to:

- Settle the terms of payment with suppliers when agreeing the terms of each transaction.
- Ensure that suppliers are made aware of the terms of payment by inclusion of the relevant terms in contracts.
- Pay in accordance with the charity's contractual and other legal obligations.

The members of the Board are the directors/trustees of Goalball U.K. and have the powers and responsibilities of the strategic management of the business of the organisation. The Board comprises:

- The Chair (Non-Executive)
- Senior Independent Director (Non-Executive);
- Chief Executive Officer;
- Six Independent Directors (Non-Executive)

Except for the Chief Executive Officer, the Board is comprised of non-executive directors. The day to day running of the organisation is delegated to the Chief Executive Officer.

The Board has appointed four Committees to support its work:

- (i) A Competition and Club Committee - to coordinate the development of the domestic competition and support clubs.
- (ii) A Finance and Operations Group - to ensure that Goalball U.K.'s financial reporting is appropriate.
- (iii) A Risk Group - to ensure risk management procedures are comprehensive and pertinent.
- (iv) A Performance and Talent Committee - to support coaches and staff, with the input of athletes, in developing a strong talent and performance pathway and programmes.

All Board members have a responsibility to act honestly, exercise reasonable care and skill in discharging their responsibilities and to fully understand their fiduciary duties in their capacity as directors of the charity.

We have referred, and complied where relevant, to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing our purposes and objectives and in planning our future activities. In particular, the trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the purpose and objectives they have set.

Trustees' Report (Including Director' Report)

For the Year Ending 31 March 2022

Employee Involvement

Applications for employment by disabled persons are always fully considered, bearing in mind the aptitudes of the applicant concerned. In the event of members of staff becoming disabled, every effort is made to ensure that their employment within the charity continues and that the appropriate training is arranged. It is the policy of the charity that the training, career development and promotion of disabled persons should, as far as possible, be identical to that of other employees.

Disabled Persons

The charity's policy is to consult and discuss with employees, through unions, staff councils and at meetings, matters likely to affect employees' interests.

Information of matters of concern to employees is given through information bulletins and reports which seek to achieve a common awareness on the part of all employees of the financial and economic factors affecting the charity's performance.

Auditor

In accordance with the company's articles, a resolution proposing that Clarkson Hyde LLP be reappointed as auditor of the company will be put at a General Meeting.

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



J Grosvenor

(Chair)

Trustee/Director

Dated: 16 August 2022

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

For the Year Ending 31 March 2022

The trustees, who are also the directors of Goalball UK for the purpose of company law, are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the accounts in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company Law requires the Trustees to prepare accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that year.

In preparing these accounts, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the accounts; and
- prepare the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Independent Auditor's Report

To the trustees of Goalball UK

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Goalball UK (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 March 2022 which comprise the statement of financial activities, the balance sheet and notes to the financial statements, including significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 March 2022 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006, the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and regulation 8 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended).

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions Relating to Going Concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Independent Auditor's Report

To the trustees of Goalball UK

Other Information

The Trustees are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Matters on Which We Are Required to Report by Exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended) require us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the information given in the financial statements is inconsistent in any material respect with the Trustees' report; or
- sufficient and proper accounting records have not been kept; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of Trustees

As explained more fully in the statement of Trustees' responsibilities, the Trustees, who are also the directors of the charity for the purpose of company law, are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the Trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the Trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Independent Auditor's Report

To the trustees of Goalball UK

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

We have been appointed as auditor under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 and section 44(1)(c) of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and report in accordance with the Acts and relevant regulations made or having effect thereunder.

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud, is detailed below.

We gained an understanding of the legal and regulatory framework applicable to the company and the industry in which it operates, and considered the risk of acts by the company that were contrary to applicable laws and regulations, including fraud. We designed audit procedures to respond to the risk, recognising that the risk of not detecting a material misstatement due to fraud is higher than the risk of not detecting one resulting from error, as fraud may involve deliberate concealment by, for example, forgery or intentional misrepresentations, or through collusion.

We focussed on laws and regulations which could give rise to material misstatement in the financial statements, including, but not limited to, the Companies Act 2006 and UK tax legislation. Our tests included agreeing the financial statement disclosures to underlying supporting documentation and enquiries with management. There are inherent limitations in the audit procedures described above, and the further removed non-compliance with laws and regulations is from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, the less likely we would become aware of it. We did not identify any key audit matters relation to irregularities, including fraud. As in all of our audits, we also addressed the risk of management override of internal controls, including testing journals and evaluating whether there was evidence of bias by the directors that represented a risk of material misstatement due to fraud.

A further description of our responsibilities is available on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: <https://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Independent Auditor's Report

To the trustees of Goalball UK

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and regulation 10 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity's trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's trustees as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



Graham Speck

(Senior Statutory Auditor)

For and on behalf of Clarkson Hyde LLP

Chartered Accountants

Statutory Auditor

16 August 2022

3rd Floor
Chancery House
St Nicholas Way
Sutton
Surrey
SM1 1JB

Clarkson Hyde LLP is eligible for appointment as auditor of the charity by virtue of its eligibility for appointment as auditor of a company under section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006.

Statement of Financial Activities

Including Income and Expenditure Account

For the Year Ended 31 March 2022

| | | Unrestricted Funds | Restricted Funds | Total | Unrestricted Funds | Restricted Funds | Total |
|---|-------|--------------------|------------------|-----------------|--------------------|------------------|----------------|
| | Notes | 2022 | 2022 | 2022 | 2021 | 2021 | 2021 |
| | | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Income and endowments from: | | | | | | | |
| Donations and legacies | 3 | 4,915 | 20,000 | 24,915 | 14,694 | - | 14,694 |
| Charitable activities | 4 | 427,530 | 153,330 | 580,860 | 565,283 | 64,650 | 629,933 |
| Other income | 5 | 19,142 | 950 | 20,092 | 6,071 | 3,102 | 9,173 |
| Total income | | 451,587 | 174,280 | 625,867 | 586,048 | 67,752 | 653,800 |
| Expenditure on: | | | | | | | |
| Charitable activities | 6 | 488,039 | 158,728 | 646,767 | 476,565 | 66,768 | 543,333 |
| Net (expenditure)/income for the year/ Net movement in funds | | (36,452) | 15,552 | (20,900) | 109,483 | 984 | 110,467 |
| Fund balances at 1 April | | 109,882 | 47,758 | 157,640 | 399 | 46,774 | 47,173 |
| Fund balances at 31 March | | 73,430 | 63,310 | 136,740 | 109,882 | 47,758 | 157,640 |

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account under the Companies Act 2006.

Statement of Financial Activities

Balance Sheet

For the Year Ended 31 March 2022

| | Notes | 2022 | | 2021 | |
|--|-------|------------|---------|----------|---------|
| | | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Fixed Assets | | | | | |
| Tangible Assets | 10 | | 4,178 | | 1,972 |
| Current Assets | | | | | |
| Debtors | 11 | 12,640 | | 2,465 | |
| Cash at bank and in hand | | 231,461 | | 206,975 | |
| | | 244,101 | | 209,440 | |
| Creditors: amount falling due within one year | 12 | (1111,539) | | (53,772) | |
| Net Current Assets | | | 132,562 | | 155,668 |
| Total Assets less current liabilities | | | 136,740 | | 157,640 |
| Income fund | | | | | |
| Restricted funds | | | 63,310 | | 47,758 |
| Unrestricted funds | | | 73,430 | | 109,882 |
| | | | 136,740 | | 157,640 |

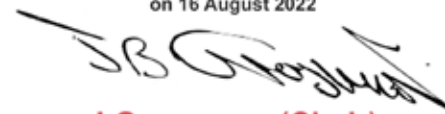
The company is entitled to the exemption from the audit requirement contained in section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, for the year ended 31 March 2022, although an audit has been carried out under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements under the requirements of the Companies Act 2006, for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

These financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 16 August 2022



J Grosvenor (Chair)
Trustee

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Company registration number 7171285

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ending 31 March 2022

1: Accounting policies

Charity information

Goalball UK is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is 3rd Floor, Chancery House, St Nicholas Way, Sutton, Surrey, SM1 1JB.

1:1 Accounting Convention

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the charity's Articles of Association, the Companies Act 2006, the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005, the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended) 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)" (as amended for accounting periods commencing from 1 January 2016). The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities applying FRS 102 Update Bulletin 1 not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest pound.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1:2 Going Concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1:3 Charitable Funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used.

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

For the Year Ending 31 March 2022

1:4 Income

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

1:5 Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis. All expenses including support costs and governance costs are allocated or apportioned to the applicable expenditure headings.

Governance costs comprise all costs involving the public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice. These costs include costs related to statutory audit and legal fees.

1:6 Tangible Fixed Assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

| | |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Playing equipment | 20% Straight Line |
| Fixtures, fittings & office equipment | 20% - 33.33% Straight Line |

The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in the statement of financial activities.

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

For the Year Ending 31 March 2022

1:7 Impairment of Fixed Assets

At each reporting end date, the charity reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any).

1:8 Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities

1:9 Financial Instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the charity's balance sheet when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Basic Financial Assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

Basic Financial Liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Derecognition of Financial Liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

Notes to the Financial Statement (Continued)

For the Year Ending 31 March 2022

1:10 Employee Benefits

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the charity is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

1:11 Retirement Benefits

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

1:12 Fund Accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the company and which have not been designed for any other purpose.

2: Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

3: Donations and Legacies

| | Unrestricted Funds | Restricted Funds | Unrestricted Funds |
|---------------------|--------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| | 2022 | 2022 | 2021 |
| | £ | £ | £ |
| Donations and Gifts | 4,915 | - | 14,694 |
| Other | - | 20,000 | - |

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

For the Year Ended 31 March 2022

4: Charitable activities

| | Sports England Grants Received | UK Sport Grants Received | TASS/Sports Aid Grants | Other grants Received | Total | Total |
|---|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|---------|---------|
| | 2022 | 2022 | 2022 | 2022 | 2022 | 2021 |
| | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Performance related grants | 421,675 | 126,280 | 23,3330 | 9,575 | 580,860 | 622,283 |
| Other income | - | - | - | - | - | 7,650 |
| | 421,675 | 126,280 | 23,3330 | 9,575 | 580,860 | 629,933 |
| Analysis by fund | | | | | | |
| Unrestricted fund | 417,955 | - | - | 9,575 | 427,530 | |
| Restricted fund | 3,720 | 126,280 | 23,330 | - | 153,330 | |
| | 421,675 | 126,280 | 23,330 | 9,575 | 580,860 | |
| For the year ended 31 March 2021 | | | | | | |
| Unrestricted fund | 448,475 | 2,750 | - | 114,058 | | 565,283 |
| Restricted fund | - | 57,000 | 7,650 | - | | 64,650 |
| | 448,475 | 59,750 | 7,650 | 114,058 | | 629,933 |

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

For the Year Ended 31 March 2022

5: Other incomes

| | Unrestricted Funds | Restricted Funds | Total | Unrestricted Funds | Restricted Funds | Total |
|--------------|--------------------|------------------|--------|--------------------|------------------|-------|
| | 2022 | 2022 | 2022 | 2022 | 2022 | 2021 |
| | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Other income | 19,142 | 950 | 20,092 | 6,071 | 3,102 | 9,173 |

6: Charitable activities

| | Staff Costs | Other | Total | Total |
|-------------------------------|-------------|---------|---------|---------|
| | 2022 | 2022 | 2022 | 2021 |
| | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Staff costs | 295,829 | - | 295,829 | 270,653 |
| Depreciation and impairment | - | 2,297 | 2,297 | 1,635 |
| Charitable expenditure | - | 344,526 | 344,526 | 266,502 |
| Governance costs (see note 7) | 295,829 | 346,823 | 642,652 | 538,790 |
| | - | 4,115 | 4,115 | 4543 |
| | 295,829 | 350,938 | 646,767 | 543,333 |

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

For the Year Ended 31 March 2022

7: Governance Costs

| | Governance Costs | Total | Total |
|--|------------------|-------|-------|
| | 2022 | 2022 | 2021 |
| | £ | £ | £ |
| Audit fees | 3,600 | 3,600 | 3,180 |
| Legal and professional | 515 | 515 | 1,363 |
| | 4,115 | 4,115 | 4,543 |
| Analysed between Charitable activities | 4,115 | 4,115 | 4,543 |

8: Trustees

In their roles as trustees, they were reimbursed a total of £225 travelling expenses (2021- £156).

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

For the Year Ended 31 March 2022

9: Employees

Number of employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

Administration

Employment costs

Wages and salaries

Pension costs

The number of employees whose annual remuneration was £60,000 or more were:

£60,001 - £70,000

| Total | Total |
|---------|---------|
| 2022 | 2021 |
| 9 | 9 |
| 289,561 | 265,105 |
| 6,268 | 5,548 |
| 295,829 | 270,653 |
| 1 | 1 |

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10: Tangible Fixed Assets

| | Playing Equipment | Fittings & Office Equipment | Total |
|------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------------|--------|
| Cost | £ | £ | £ |
| At 1 April 2021 | 15,636 | 3,577 | 19,213 |
| Additions | - | 4,504 | 4,504 |
| Disposals | - | 410 | 410 |
| At March 2022 | 15,636 | 7,671 | 23,307 |
| Depreciation and Impairment | | | |
| At 1 April 2021 | 14,519 | 2,723 | 17,242 |
| Depreciation charged in the year | 579 | 1,718 | 2,297 |
| Eliminated in respect of disposals | - | 410 | 410 |
| At 31 March 2022 | 15,098 | 4,031 | 19,129 |
| Carrying Amount | | | |
| At 31 March 2022 | 538 | 3,640 | 4,178 |
| At 31 March 2021 | 1,118 | 854 | 1,972 |

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11: Debtors

Amounts falling due within one year:

Trade debtors

Prepayments and accrued income

12: Creditors amounts falling due within one year:

Trade creditors

Other creditors

Accruals and deferred income

| 2022 | 2021 |
|--------|-------|
| Total | Total |
| £ | £ |
| 1,962 | 1,270 |
| 10,678 | 1,195 |
| 12,640 | 2,465 |

| Total | Total |
|---------|--------|
| £ | £ |
| 30,462 | 13,058 |
| 11,096 | 9,045 |
| 69,981 | 31,669 |
| 111,539 | 53,772 |

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13: Analysis of Net Assets Between Funds

Fund balances at 31 March 2022 are represented by:

Tangible assets

Current assets

| | Unrestricted Funds | Restricted Funds | Total |
|-----------------|--------------------|------------------|---------|
| | £ | £ | £ |
| Tangible assets | 4,178 | - | 4,178 |
| Current assets | 69,252 | 63,310 | 132,562 |
| | 73,430 | 63,310 | 136,740 |
| | | | |

14: Remuneration of key management personnel

The remuneration of key management personnel is as follows.

Chief Executive Officer

Chief Finance Officer

2022

2021

| Total | Total |
|--------|--------|
| £ | £ |
| 70,718 | 64,398 |
| - | 2,000 |

The balance includes £62,162 (2021: £58,500) of gross wages, £7,235 (2021: £6,585) of Employer's national insurance and £1,321 (2021: £1,313) of Employers pension contributions.

15: Transactions with related parties

During the year there were no fees received by any of the trustees.








Thank You

Goalball UK would like to thank our funders, supporters and partners including:

- Boost Charitable Trust.
- British Blind Sport.
- British Blind Sport.
- British Paralympic Association.
- CIMPSA.
- Club Matters.
- Goalfix Sports.
- Hummel Sports.
- Local Authority Sensory Support Units.
- Our Clubs (as a collective).
- Our Sub Committees.
- Our volunteers who give so much time and energy to goalball.
- Peter Harrison Foundation who awarded us funding to supplement our Men's and Women's programme.
- Sport and Recreation Alliance.
- Sport England who has supported the progression of our talent squad.
- Sports Aid who are supporting 14 athletes via their athlete Sport Aid Awards and Backing the Best Awards.
- Sports Aid via their Backing the Best project has funded our #FindTheNext Academy for 3 years.
- TAP (Talented Athlete Project) supporting to deliver a new collaborative and holistic wellbeing programme.
- TASS (Talented Athlete Scholarship Scheme) who are supporting 17 athletes with essential support services and access to expert practitioners to aid their sporting development.



Thank You

-  The Goalball UK Board
-  The National Lottery
-  The staff at Goalball UK
-  The Worshipful Company of Spectacle Makers
-  UK Coaching
-  UK Sport, who awarded us considerable support through the National Squad Support Fund
-  VICTA
-  Youth Sport Trust




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