

4th Annual General Meeting - December 21st at 14:00

Venue: Whitefield Bowling Club, 22 Church Lane, Whitefield, M45 7NF

Present:

- David Bevan – Director
 - Paul McMullen – Director
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Agenda

1. Welcome and Opening Remarks

The meeting will open with a warm welcome from the Directors, reflecting on the progress of the past year, including the successful completion of major works and the continued support of members and the wider community.

“We are delighted with the property and surroundings after the major works, but what surpasses all is the continued support of our members and local community.”

A huge thanks to our “retiring president” **Mr Gary Wilcox** after his year in office. A welcome to our new President for 2026, **Mr Gary Lee**. Gary has been a long-term member and was captain of our football team back in the 90s, he was a Director and had a huge and historic part in our history bringing the community interest company and our safe place into being. Welcome and thank you to Gary.

2. Financial Report

- Presentation of the **Accounts for the year ending 30th September 2025**
- Confirmation that Directors have received **no salary, expenses, or payments** in 2025.
- Recognition of the financial administration provided by our full-time accountant and Auditor.

Resolution:

Members are asked to approve the continued appointment of:

- Gillian Palmer – Accountant
- Christine Salmon – Independent Auditor
(*Show of hands to confirm agreement*)

Acknowledgements:

Thanks to key funders who supported major investment and improvements during 2025:

- UK Government – Community Ownership Fund
- Valiance Land Fill – Community Improvement Fund
- National Lottery – Community Fund
- Aarhus Fire Protection – Community Support

Asset Register and Land Ownership:

Important to report that the land and buildings are now a Community Asset and registered to Gov.UK for the next 7 years as per funding requirements.

3. Risk Management & Governance

- Update on completion of critical risk management work, including drainage repair funded by the National Lottery.
 - Thank you, **Gary Wilcox and Ian Cropper**, for valuable critical friends' duties and assistance through 2025 and continuing 2026.
 - Introduction of **Pete Cooper** as our new volunteer Health & Safety adviser, overseeing compliance and operational safety policies.
 - Introduction of **Sheila and Martin McBurnie** as additions to our critical friends and membership panel leads
 - Introduction of **Gary Lee** as a member of our critical friends.
 - Thanks to Colin Jack for his continuing support as a critical friend after many years as a director.
 - Governance document can be found on our web pages.
 - Thank you to Mike Burdaky for all his support over many years and especially last year as a critical friend.
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4. Community Support and Engagement

Highlights of continued and new community partnerships:

- Hosting **Bury Wellbeing** services every Thursday.
- Providing facilities for the **Happy Me Community Group** on Wednesdays.
- Funding support for **D-Caff**, aiding Alzheimer's community services.
- Ongoing financial contributions to **Bury Hospice**.
- Partnership with **Bury Voluntary Community Faith and Social Enterprise**

5. Member Survey & Consultation Feedback

Results from June 2025 member and partner consultation were shared, with key feedback including:

- Praise for cleanliness and inclusivity.
 - Emphasis on supporting the community through profits.
 - Suggestions for access improvements and more equitable allotment use.
 - Questions around WBC's role in the **Whitefield Town Plan**.
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6. Membership Matters

- Annual renewals remain due in January, without exception.
- Membership and re-joining protocol include application, proposers/seconders, and formal interview (with Mr. & Mrs. McBurnie + one other).

Fee Adjustments for 2026:

- All membership categories to rise by £5 – first rise in 4 years. (£30 bowling, £25 social and £20 OAP social)
- 15% higher bar prices for non-members.
- Member bar prices to remain the same as 2025 unless we see a significant rise in beer prices through the breweries
- Under-18s and community memberships remain free.

Additional cost pressures were noted, including:

- BCGBA fixed bowling member levy (£1 per member)
 - Stock and services inflation
 - Introduction of a £2,000+ door entry system
 - Increase in living wage for staff
 - Media and entertainment procurement (Sky Sports) circa £4,000
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7. Acknowledgements & Thanks

To all volunteers, staff and members. A special mention to our critical friends and advisors.

Meeting Close

WHITEFIELD BOWLING CLUB COMMUNITY INTEREST COMPANY

COMPANY NO. 13628703

FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2025

In accordance with instructions given, the attached accounts have been prepared, without carrying out an audit, from the books, invoices and other business records. I certify that the accounts are in accordance therewith.

J.H.TAXATION SERVICES

Howarth's Farm
Watling Street
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Bury
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BL8 3QR

6 December 2025

WHITEFIELD BOWLING CLUB COMMUNITY INTEREST COMPANY
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2025

<u>FIXED ASSETS</u>	Freehold Land & Buildings	Fixtures & Fittings	Plant & Machinery	Total
Net book value b/f	1,200,000	15,433	8,574	1,224,007
Depreciation	0	-772	-429	(1,201)
Net book value c/f	<u>1,200,000</u>	<u>14,661</u>	<u>8,145</u>	<u>1,222,806</u>
<u>CURRENT ASSETS:</u>				
Cash in bank		31,837		
Cash on hand		121		
Stock		5,111		
		<u>37,069</u>		
<u>CURRENT LIABILITIES</u>				
Sundry creditors		<u>-395</u>		<u>36,674</u>
<u>NET CURRENT ASSETS</u>				<u>1,259,480</u>
<u>CAPITAL AND RESERVES</u>				
Opening balance				1,277,494
Profit and loss account				(18,014)
Capital transfer				-
				<u>1,259,480</u>

The directors acknowledge their responsibility for preparing accounts which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year, and of its profit or loss for the financial year, in accordance with the requirements of section 393, and which otherwise comply with the requirements of section 393, and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act relating to the accounts, so far as is applicable to the company.

The directors acknowledge their responsibility for ensuring the company keeps accounting records which comply with Section 386 of the Companies Act 2006.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

For the year ended 30/09/25 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477(2) of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Signed(Director)

D.M.BEVAN
07-Dec-25

WHITEFIELD BOWLING CLUB COMMUNITY INTEREST COMPANY
 TRADING & PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT
 YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2025

	<u>2025</u>		<u>2024</u>
INCOME			
Bar takings	74,362		23,521
Purchases (adjusted for stock)	35,062		11,054
GROSS PROFIT	39,300		12,467
OTHER INCOME:			
League prizes	44		303
Fundraising	724		-
Snooker and geats	596		-
Advertising	154		707
Grants	15,500		266,226
Membership fees	5,755		3,455
	62,073		283,158
LESS EXPENDITURE:			
Utilities	4,562	2,043	
Fees	814	225	
Broadband and website	700	793	
Digital access	659	-	
Repairs, renewals and equipment	4,949	8,558	
Printing, postage, stationery	723	742	
Insurance	555	11	
Community projects	1,234	586	
Match funding	-	2,804	
Project work	1,419	2,143	
Accountancy, legal and professional	510	3,556	
Greenkeeping	1,734	3,353	
Green fees	755	713	
Staff costs	13,704	4,930	
Donations	-	60	
Training	150	-	
Cleaning and sundry expenses	555	1,003	
Grant expenditure	45,863	215,256	
Depreciation	1,201	1,263	248,039
NET PROFIT/LOSS	(18,014)		35,119

WHITEFIELD BOWLING CLUB COMMUNITY INTEREST COMPANY DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2025

The directors present their report with the financial statements of the company for the year ended 30 September 2025.

DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

The directors are required by the Companies Act 2006 to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of the company as at the end of the financial year and of the profit and loss for that period. It is also the Directors' responsibility to maintain adequate accounting records, safeguard the assets of the Company and prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

The directors confirm that suitable accounting policies, consistently applied and supported by reasonable and prudent judgements and estimates, have been used in the preparation of the financial statements, and that applicable accounting standards have been followed.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

The Company's principal activity is that of owning and managing land together with all bowling club activities.

DIRECTORS

The Directors who served during the year were:

D.M.BEVAN

C.JACK (resigned 13 February 2025)

P.D.McMULLEN

P.GARDNER (resigned 14 June 2025)

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

D.M.BEVAN - DIRECTOR
7 December 2025