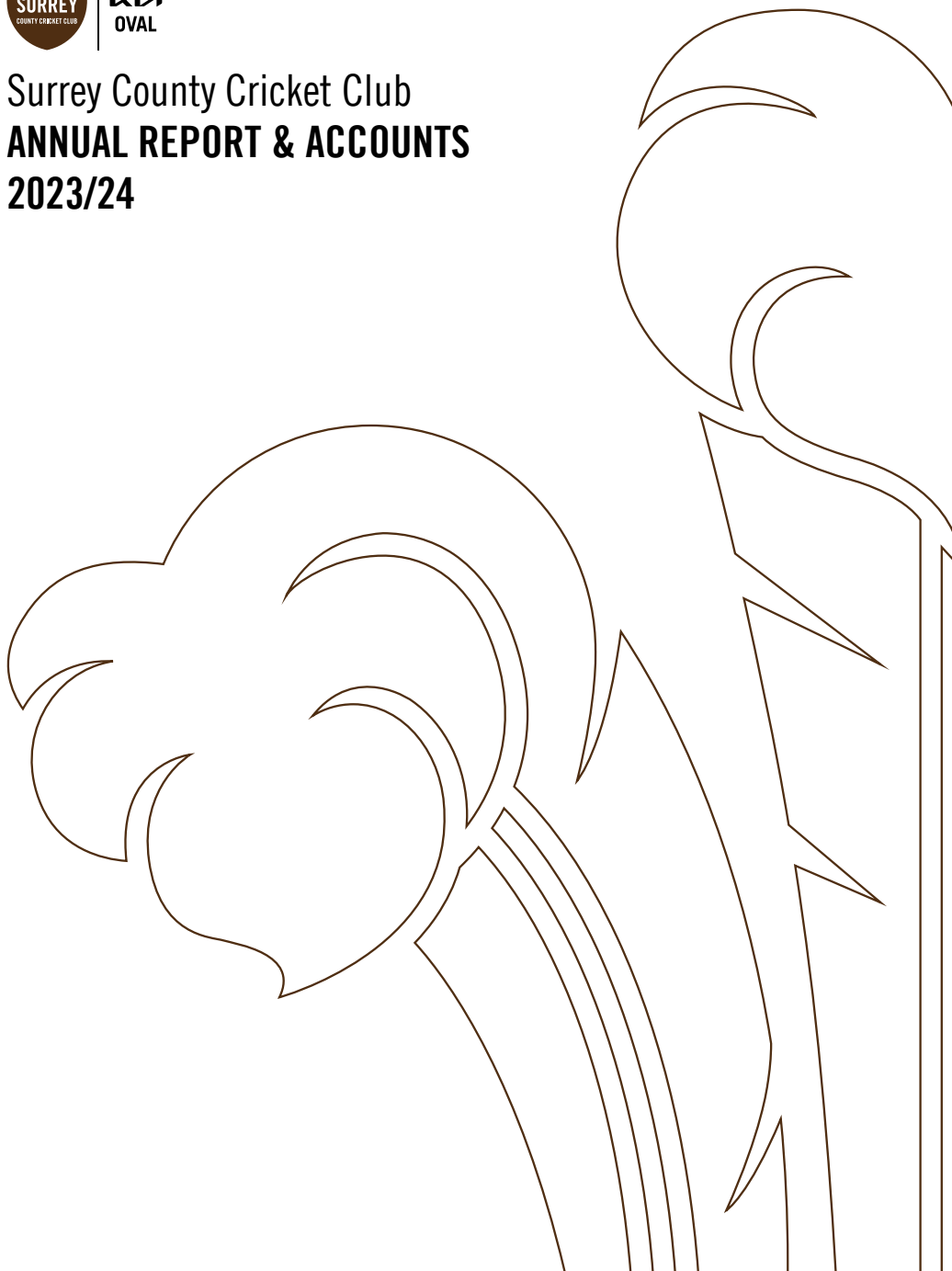




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ANNUAL REPORT & ACCOUNTS
2023/24





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Surrey County Cricket Club

Patron: HRH The Prince of Wales

Management: 2023/24 (as at 21st March 2024)

Officers	General Committee	Surrey CCC Board
President:	Chair:	Chair:
P L Garrard	O M Slipper (co-opted)	O M Slipper
Deputy President:	Members:	Directors:
Lord A S Grabiner KC		L K Cordingley
	Retire 2024:	M J Eadon
Immediate Past President:	P J Garrard	S Elworthy MBE
D J Pakeman	K Olafare JP (co-opted)	A J Lane
	B A Qureshi	U Naidoo
Past Presidents:	Dr M A Searle	K Olafare JP
V J Dodds		A N Lewis
B G K Downing OBE	Retire 2025:	C L Samuelson
R Harman	J N L Hudson	A J Stewart OBE
R D V Knight OBE	M Tee	
Rt Hon Sir John Major KG CH	R J Trinick	
Sir Trevor McDonald OBE	A J Tudor	Audit, Risk & Governance Committee
Sir Michael Pickard		
P I Pocock	Retire 2026:	Chair:
K D Schofield CBE	D Gill	M J Eadon
M J Soper	A Harinath	
M J Stewart OBE	L A Rolles	Members:
Sir Richard Stilgoe OBE DL	C E J Thompson	E J Hurst
D T Watts DL		W R Jones
	Retire 2027:	E A M Nourse KC
Honorary Treasurer:	K P Kumaria	J E Ryan
M J Eadon	C D Payne	C L Samuelson
	P I Pocock	
	M G Reeve	
	Ex Officio:	
	President	
	Deputy President	
	Honorary Treasurer	

Annual General Meeting

Dear Member,

The Annual General Meeting of Members will be held on Tuesday 30th April in the 175 Suite at The Kia Oval, Kennington, London SE11 5SS, commencing at 6pm. Guidance for Members wishing to attend the meeting is on page 5.

The agenda for business to be transacted is given below.

By order of the Committee.



Steve Elworthy, CEO
21 March 2024

Agenda

1. To confirm the minutes of the previous Annual General meeting held on **4th May 2023**.
2. To consider and, if appropriate, adopt the Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended **31st January 2024**, which accompany this notice.
3. To elect, re-elect or declare elected:-
 - i) The President
 - ii) The Deputy President
 - iii) The Honorary Treasurer
 - iv) Honorary Life Vice Presidents
4. To re-appoint Deloitte LLP as Auditors for Surrey County Cricket Club Ltd.
5. To announce the names of those Members of the Club elected to the General Committee, pursuant to Rule 19 (see note 2, page 21).
6. To announce the names of Honorary Life Members elected by the Committee, pursuant to Rule 7.4.

Full details on the election process and how to vote can be accessed on that page.

If you would like any assistance, or to request a postal ballot, please contact our election providers Mi-Voice on support@mi-voice.com or by calling +44 (0)23 8076 3987.

Mi-Voice Support is available 09:00-17:00, Monday-Friday (excluding bank holidays). The election will close on 22nd April at 17:00, with the election results announced at the Annual General Meeting.

Guidance for attending the Annual General Meeting

The 2024 Annual Meeting will take place at 6pm on Tuesday 30th April, in the 175 Suite at The Kia Oval.

In attendance on the top table from Surrey County Cricket Club will be the Chair, CEO, Director of Cricket, Honorary Treasurer and Director of Finance & Services.

Members are asked to register in advance if they are attending in person, to allow the Club to comfortably accommodate all attendees.

For those seeking to attend in person:

- ♦ Please login to your online ticketing account and head to the ticketing section of the site to make your reservation for the AGM. If you have any issues with this, please email our Membership team at membership@surreycricket.com, where we can assist.
- ♦ The closest entry gate to the 175 Suite is the John Edrich Gate, nearest Oval tube station.

Please contact the Club if you are planning to attend and have accessibility requirements.

For those seeking to join via Zoom:

- ♦ The 2024 Annual General Meeting will be streamed on Zoom to Members only.
- ♦ Please login to your online ticketing account and head to the ticketing section of the site to make your online reservation. If you have any issues, please email our Membership team at membership@surreycricket.com, where we can assist.
- ♦ To access the meeting please follow the link that will be emailed to you approximately 4 days prior to the AGM.

♦ If you join online and would like to submit a question, please enter your query into the 'chat function' along with your Membership number (which will allow us to verify that you are a Member).

Please note: Only those attending in person will count towards quorum and be able to vote.

Questions for the panel will be taken from those in the room and those watching online. Any further questions on the above can be directed to cdoyle@surreycricket.com or membership@surreycricket.com.

Yours sincerely,

Callum Doyle
Company Secretary



Chief Executive's Report 2023

2023 was one of the busiest summers in the recent history of Surrey and The Kia Oval. As well as the usual domestic cricket calendar we hosted two Test Matches, four international fixtures and five days of The Hundred. To say I am unbelievably proud of everyone associated with the club and how they delivered the summer of cricket would be an understatement.

Over the course of the season, we saw our fantastic membership grow to just over 18,500 and we welcomed over 500,000 cricket spectators to the ground to enjoy the action-packed summer on show.

On the domestic front, no one will forget that crowning moment at the Ageas Bowl when the County Championship team lifted the trophy, for the second season in a row. A huge amount of praise needs to go to Alec, Gareth and Rory for the role they played in galvanising the team in the backdrop of a very tough season to retain the title. Whilst there was disappointment at the penultimate hurdle in the Vitality Blast, the team delivered in key moments during the campaign.

The South East Stars have also had a successful summer and although they have no silverware to show for the season, they have produced numerous players that have gone on to play for England and have been awarded central contracts by the ECB. Surrey's county women's team continued to develop some very talented players who we are all excited to watch grow and progress in the coming years.

In franchise cricket, the Oval Invincibles men's team lifted The Hundred trophy for the first time after a fiercely fought final. This is the third year of The Hundred and an Oval Invincibles team have won The Hundred in every year, the first two years by the women's team.

Another very successful indicator for the Club has been the number of women and men that have gone on to represent England and the pathway of players is full of talent and I am sure this trend will continue. Congratulations to them all.

Away from the cricketing side of things, our conference and events team have done a brilliant job in continuing to establish the venue as one of the premier destinations in the city. Our local partnerships have grown stronger with the Surrey Cricket Foundation, the ACE Programme, and our Sixth Form state school cricket programme. These are vitally important organisations and programmes to keep driving the fantastic work that is being done up and down the county to give anyone who wants to play or get involved in the game, the opportunity to do so. We are committed as a Club to driving this forward as it is something I am personally very passionate about.

This has been an outstanding year for the Club and the venue, and it wouldn't have been possible without the hard work of the remarkable staff that we are fortunate to have.

Steve Elworthy
CEO



Chair's Statement 2023

It is an incredible honour to have been asked to Chair this historic Club. Surrey has been a part of my life since I was a little boy and to now be tasked with steering the Club through a key period for the sport is a challenge I relish.

2023 showed exactly what is possible when hard-work, commitment and passion are combined. This was never more manifested than in the performances of Rory Burns' back-to-back County Championship winning side. To lift the trophy at Southampton was a terrific effort and the ultimate source of pride for the Club and its Members. I am passionate about ensuring that success in the red-ball competition is top on the priority list at Surrey.

The international summer was a tremendous success and for the venue to host the ICC World Test Championship Final was a great honour. I know that every member of staff stood up to demonstrate why this is one of the best grounds in the world to play cricket. This was just the start of a very busy summer and the Women's Ashes fixture was another remarkable success, setting an attendance record for a women's international. The Men's Ashes series did not disappoint either and no-one who was there that day will forget the atmosphere as Stuart Broad bowled England to victory in his final appearance.

My tenure as Chair started in October of 2023, so I can take little credit for the terrific year and I'd like to thank Martin Eadon, who stepped in as Interim Chair, for his service and for leading the Club so well.

2024 will be another very important year for the Club and for the game. It is no secret that there are some seriously important decisions to be made in the coming months that will dictate how the medium to long-term future of the sport develops. Surrey will play

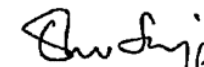
a key role in any such developments, and will commit to always representing the best interests of the Club.

The first decision will see the return of the professional women's game to the counties. I am confident that Surrey have submitted a strong bid and would be thrilled to see a women's team stand shoulder-to-shoulder with the men under the Surrey banner. Hand-in-hand with that bid is the commitment to finding a second venue that is owned and operated by Surrey. This will be crucial given the time and space limitations of The Kia Oval.

Further down the line will come more considerations around the future of The Hundred. I have listened to, and understand, many Members' strong concerns regarding the competition but I have also heard from many for whom the competition has been a brilliant new experience. We will endeavour to place Surrey at the heart of the future of the game.

I'd like to finish by thanking the Surrey Membership for not only welcoming me to the role but also for their unwavering support for the Club. We are incredibly fortunate to be part of the Surrey Family and I look to meeting many more of you over the summer.

Oli Slipper
Chair



Treasurer's Report

GROUP RESULTS FOR YEAR ENDED 31 JANUARY 2024

Alongside an outstanding year for Surrey on the pitch, I am pleased to report record financial results for the Club with profit before tax (excluding fair value adjustments) of £7.6m on turnover of £65.4m.

The most significant contribution to this excellent performance was the successful delivery of both a Men's Ashes Test and the ICC World Test Championship Final between India and Australia. Both matches were sold out, with more than 230,000 spectators attending Test cricket at The Kia Oval in 2023, generating very strong ticket, hospitality and retail catering revenues. We also hosted the Women's Ashes IT20 and sold more than 20,000 tickets. This was the first Women's international match at the ground for 14 years. As part of our new Staging Agreement we will host three women's fixtures in the next four years.

Attendances at the T20 Vitality Blast were strong considering a challenging schedule. The Hundred was also well attended with three of the five days sold out.

Membership numbers increased to 18,739, generating an increase in revenue of £0.5m over the previous year to £3.9m. We typically experience a surge in Membership in an Ashes year but encouragingly the indications for 2024 Membership numbers continue to be very positive. This is vital to the financial stability of the Club and we continue to believe that a Surrey membership is both attractive and good value for money.

Our Conference & Events business continued to grow and generated revenues of £7.8m, despite having reduced capacity for a large part of June to accommodate the World Test Championship Final.

Profitability was adversely affected by significant cost pressures. Margins were

lower as a result of significant food and labour cost increases – both well ahead of headline inflation, and an ongoing challenge for the hospitality industry generally.

Overheads increased by £6.3m over 2022. This reflects an increase in our rent, which is turnover-related, the end of business rates relief enjoyed in 2022, and increased payroll costs. These arise from both labour cost inflation and a continuing increase in staffing levels: to rebuild following the reductions in the Covid period; to strengthen our infrastructure to deal with the increasing scale and complexity of our business; and to invest in our community, EDI and sustainability commitments.

BALANCE SHEET

The strong financial performance in the year has generated an increase in reserves of £8m to £29.2m.

At the balance sheet date our cash balances were £11.0m, and our net current liabilities were £12.8m. These amounts are after funding the hotel development costs out of our own cash resources. Having completed the development since the year end we are now able to draw down on our agreed bank loan facility of £6m, which will increase our cash balances and reduce our net current liabilities position. As in previous years, net current liabilities includes deferred income - relating to membership subscriptions, advance ticket sales and hospitality deposits - which does not represent future cash outflows.

Our bank debt at the year end stood at £9.5m, repayable over the next four years. This debt and the hotel loan drawn down since the year end is at favourable fixed or hedged rates obtained before the 2023 interest rate rises.

In January, to provide a prudent level of financial flexibility for our capital expenditure opportunities, we offered bondholders - who are all Members - the opportunity to roll over their investment for a further five years when it becomes due for repayment in September 2024. Around 60% of bondholders took up this option. The balance sheet therefore includes £4.1m repayable in September 2024 and £6.2m repayable in 2029. In view of current uncertainty around the outlook for interest rates, the roll-over was offered at a variable rate linked to base rate but we have protected the Club from any interest rate increases over the next five years by hedging.

DEVELOPMENTS AND CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

The hotel development was completed, on budget, and opened in February.

As explained last year, the hotel is carried in our balance sheet as an investment property at "fair value," which is assessed annually. This year's valuation has resulted in a write-up of £2.5m, partially reversing last year's write down of £4.5m. The increase in the valuation reflects the successful completion of the development offset by adverse changes in market yields. We are satisfied that the hotel represents a valuable long term investment for the Club and generates an attractive regular annual income, offering some further protection against the more cyclical income from our core cricket activities.

Our development expenditure in the medium term is focused on improvements to The Kia Oval, as well as exploring further potential opportunities adjacent to the ground and opportunities for a second ground away from The Kia Oval.

OUTLOOK

We have delivered an excellent financial performance in 2023 and look forward to continuing growth over the medium term. In the short term however, we expect a difficult year in 2024. We have a Friday start in our Test match, and an IT20 not an ODI. This schedule inevitably produces lower revenues but with similar delivery demands. We will also continue to experience margin and cost challenges across our business. We have an excellent executive team and are well equipped to deal with these challenges, and we have rebuilt our balance sheet following the ravages of the Covid years. We are well placed to continue our strong progress going forward.

A NOTE OF THANKS

Finally I would like to thank our Members, our executive leadership and our staff for your support to me during my tenure as Interim Chair. In particular I would like to recognise the contribution of Warwick Jones, who stepped in as Interim Treasurer during that period. Warwick's financial experience and expertise, his deep understanding of the Club, and the insight and independence of mind he has brought to the Board and the General Committee has been of great value.

Martin Eadon Honorary Treasurer



Match Attendances 2023

	Member Attendance	Public Attendance	Total Attendance
LV= County Championship			
Surrey v Hampshire	4,807	3,228	8,035
Surrey v Middlesex	5,521	3,042	8,563
Surrey v Kent	4,692	2,800	7,492
Surrey v Lancashire	5,179	4,213	9,392
Surrey v Nottinghamshire	4,187	2,471	6,658
Surrey v Warwickshire	3,652	3,536	7,188
Surrey v Northamptonshire	3,130	1,535	4,665
Metro Bank One-Day Cup			
Surrey v Leicestershire	1,940	2,230	4,170
Surrey v Kent	2,604	4,725	7,329
Surrey v Lancashire (at Guildford)			1,506
Surrey v Hampshire (at Guildford)			1,250
Vitality Blast			
Surrey v Kent	5,138	11,750	16,888
Surrey v Sussex	2,985	6,420	9,405
Surrey v Hampshire	2,945	7,185	10,130
Surrey v Glamorgan	3,869	9,293	13,162
Surrey v Middlesex	4,707	16,093	20,800
Surrey v Somerset	4,285	15,897	20,182
Surrey v Essex	3,197	9,609	12,806
The Hundred			
Oval Invincibles v Welsh Fire*	3,320	16,235	19,555
Oval Invincibles v Manchester Originals*	4,261	17,620	21,881
Oval Invincibles v London Spirit*	4,569	17,291	21,860
Oval Invincibles v Trent Rockets*	4,268	17,353	21,621
The Hundred Eliminator*	1,817	15,346	17,163
International			
England v New Zealand ODI		25,278	25,278
England v Australia Women's Ashes T20		20,328	20,328
England v Australia Men's Ashes Test Match		126,305	126,305
Australia v India World Test Champ. Final		112,655	112,655

* Double Header Matches

Independent Auditor's Statement to the Members of Surrey County Cricket Club

We have examined the Summary financial statements for the year ended 31 January 2024 which comprise the Consolidated Profit and Loss Account, Consolidated Balance Sheet, Consolidated Cash Flow Statement and Notes on pages 12 to 15.

Respective responsibilities of the Club's General Committee and auditor

The Club's General Committee is responsible for preparing the Summary financial statements and the supplementary material in accordance with applicable United Kingdom law.

Our responsibility is to report to you our opinion on the consistency of the Summary financial statements with the Consolidated financial statements of Surrey County Cricket Club for the year ended 31 January 2024. We also read the other information contained in the Annual Report & Accounts and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements or material inconsistencies with the Summary financial statements. The other information comprises only the chief executive's report, chair's statement, treasurer's report, sustainability report, match attendances and reports on pages 16 to 23.

Basis of opinion

Our examination involved agreeing the balances in the Summary financial statements to the Consolidated financial statements.

Our report on the Surrey County Cricket Club Consolidated financial statements describes the basis of our opinion on those financial statements.

Opinion

In our opinion, the Summary financial statements are consistent with the Consolidated financial statements of Surrey County Cricket Club for the year ended 31 January 2024.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the Club's Members, as a body, in accordance with the terms of our letter of engagement with the Club. Our work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Club's Members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's 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 Club and the Club's Members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, for our audit report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Deloitte LLP

Statutory Auditor
London, United Kingdom
25 March 2024

Consolidated Profit and Loss Account

For the year ended 31st January 2024

	2024 £'000s	2023 £'000s
Turnover		
Membership	3,872	3,325
ECB	3,976	4,002
Domestic Cricket	3,063	2,929
International Matches	16,295	8,313
Advertising and Commercial	3,366	3,335
Retail and Cricket Centres	1,406	1,064
Oval Events	33,412	23,551
	65,390	46,519
Cost of Sales		
Ticketing and Membership	(1,446)	(895)
Match Day	(7,525)	(3,138)
Commercial and Marketing	(1,034)	(616)
Retail and Cricket Centres	(1,333)	(825)
Oval Events	(16,242)	(12,097)
	(27,580)	(17,571)
Overheads		
Commercial and Marketing	(3,179)	(2,337)
Stadium	(8,575)	(5,995)
Administration and Finance	(8,570)	(7,430)
Oval Events	(3,916)	(2,950)
Cricket	(5,708)	(4,955)
	(29,948)	(23,667)
Operating Profit	7,862	5,281
Fair Value movement in Investment Property	2,519	(4,500)
Other interest receivable	494	71
Interest payable	(799)	(813)
Profit on activities before taxation	10,076	39
Taxation	(2,044)	(1,356)
Profit/(Loss) on activities after taxation	8,032	(1,317)
Minority Interest	(33)	(15)
Profit/(Loss) for the year	7,999	(1,332)

Consolidated Balance Sheet

At 31st January 2024

	2024 £'000s	2023 £'000s
Fixed Assets		
Tangible Assets	56,982	59,043
Investment Property	18,825	7,941
	75,807	66,984
Current Assets		
Stocks	585	829
Debtors	8,463	11,076
Investments	487	483
Cash at bank and in hand	10,977	15,967
	20,512	28,355
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	(33,327)	(35,430)
Net current liabilities	(12,815)	(7,075)
Total assets less current liabilities	62,992	59,909
Creditors: amount falling due after more than one year		
Long term loans and deferred income	(30,643)	(35,679)
Provisions for liabilities	(3,149)	(3,063)
	29,200	21,167
Capital and Reserve		
Called up Share Capital	1	-
General Reserve	29,053	21,054
Minority Interest	146	113
	29,200	21,167

Consolidated Cash Flow Statement

For the year ended 31st January 2024

	2024 £'000s	2023 £'000s
Net cash inflow from operating activities before tax	9,243	15,743
Returns on investments and servicing of finance		
Interest received	494	71
Interest paid	(799)	(813)
Net cash outflow from returns on investments and servicing of finance	(305)	(742)
Taxation		
UK Corporation Tax paid	(1,234)	(1,166)
Capital expenditure		
Payments to acquire tangible fixed assets	(1,836)	(2,275)
Payments to acquire investment properties	(8,365)	(4,459)
Net cash (outflow)/inflow before financing	(2,497)	7,101
Financing		
New loans	1,000	-
Repayment of loans	(3,493)	(2,880)
Net cash outflow from financing	(2,493)	(2,880)
(Decrease)/increase in cash	(4,990)	4.221

Notes forming part of the financial statements

For the year ended 31st January 2024

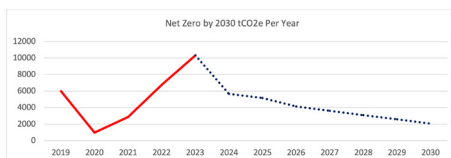
	2024 £'000s	2023 £'000s
Debtors		
Trade debtors	6,784	8,695
Other debtors and prepayments	1,679	2,381
	8,463	11,076
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		
Bank loans	1,000	2,000
Trade creditors	1,584	1,049
Other taxation and social security	1,849	2,942
Unsecured loans	4,100	-
Corporation Tax	1,305	643
Other creditors and accruals	5,331	4,561
Deferred income	17,762	23,803
Loan notes	396	432
	33,327	35,430
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year		
Bank loans	8,479	9,939
Deferred income	6,229	5,735
Other creditors	9,300	9,300
Unsecured loans	6,635	10,705
	30,643	35,679

Sustainability

This year the decision was made to reassess our baseline from 2019 to 2023 to reflect the addition of the hotel and its construction into our portfolio, as well as the operations associated with The Hundred.

This does not affect our commitment to be Net Zero by 2030 and we will continue to make strides to reach this ambitious target within our new parameters.

We have now completed our carbon footprint for the financial year 2023-24 and have set out our Net Zero Pathway below, reaching an 80% reduction in our carbon footprint by 2030:



Due to the change in base year, we have reevaluated our targets for the previous year in comparison to 2022:

Reduce our electricity usage against 2022

In FY23/24 we decreased our electricity use by 5.96% against 2022. We are currently exploring voltage optimisation to reduce our electricity consumption as well as internal LEDs.

Increase recycling rates to 50%

In FY23/24 we achieved recycling rates of 47.89%, which although not achieving our target of 50% it is a 27.44%(pt) increase on 2022.

Instigate positive behavioural change within all business stakeholders

We have delivered eight full day sessions on carbon literacy in the sports sector. We have 37% of staff now accredited as carbon literate, with the aim to get at least 80% of staff accredited by the end of the year.

In this coming year our targets are:

- A 45% reduction in our carbon footprint against our base year of 2023
- An increase in our recycling rates to 60%
- A reduction in our electricity use against our base year of 2023
- The release of our full strategy and transition plan by the end of the year

Emily Iveson-Pritchard Head of Sustainability



Prince William visited the ground to celebrate the Earthshot Prize winner Notpla, who secured a multi-million pound contract to deliver seaweed-based, natural food packaging to over 50 venues including The Kia Oval. The Kia Oval, 8 March 2024.

Equality, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI)

Our commitment to ensuring cricket is a game for everyone continued at great speed and depth in 2023. To ensure a more robust governance framework for delivering on our EDI commitments, the Culture and Values Board was split into two parts: a Culture and Values Committee – a sub-committee of the Board made up of independent directors and non-executive directors – and a Culture and Values Working Group, made up of our CEO and 12 executive members of staff. Together, this framework is responsible for the strategy and delivery of projects and initiatives relating to the Club's ESG, EDI and sustainability work.

At the end of 2023, we welcomed new members from across the Club to the Culture and Values Working Group via an inclusive process which required applicants to provide details on how they can support the Club to be more inclusive through sharing their lived experience of facing discrimination or barriers, their knowledge of ESG, EDI, sustainability or community engagement, or their passion for making Surrey County Cricket Club more inclusive.



Surrey v Middlesex, D40 match played at The Kia Oval, 7 May 2023

Our 2023 EDI Plan, which is published on our website, was ambitious. We had 19 goals and 38 actions to meet those goals, spanning, four pillars and four inclusion imperatives as highlighted in last year's Annual Report. To deliver on the goals we developed a system of tracking which required all stakeholders and leaders in the business to update their goals every two months via a RACI (Responsible, Accountable, Consulted, Informed) system.

Of the 38 actions, we achieved 31 in full, four in part, and four have not yet been delivered. This is an 87% success rate against an extremely ambitious plan that focussed on everything from reviewing and revising all our people policies; going beyond our minimum legal requirements; to changing our recruitment processes to be more inclusive; attending training and to reviewing our talent pathway processes. We look forward to publishing the full results in due course but as part of our ongoing assessments by the ECB on our game-wide commitments, we are already leading on six of the nine.

The work does not stop there. We are conscious that we are on a journey of maturity and that we must integrate EDI into everything we do. We understand and believe that EDI is not a standalone initiative. We will continue to focus on our four pillars:

- Creating a warmer welcome
- Building a diverse community
- Being the best neighbour
- Holding ourselves to account

Therefore, in 2024 we will see our goals and KPIs evolve to ensure that our organisation and the work that we do is truly challenging the status quo and delivering on the promise of creating a game that truly is for everyone.

Emily Foster Equality, Diversity & Inclusion Officer

Long Standing Members 2024

50 years

S P Magee
W P Birmingham
R D Neil
C C H Watts
D T Watts
G J Head
J G Dearmer
C J Atkinson
J Howe
D C Langford
P Walter
C S McNicol
P B Molyneux
P J Neal
V J Bixley
G Massey

60 years

R W N Payne
A G L Beaton
A P Gasson

70 years

C J N Sykes
J R Millard



Club President Patricia Garrard, Chair Martin Eadon and CEO Steve Elworthy present mementoes to a group of long standing Surrey Members during the County Championship match between Surrey and Hampshire at The Kia Oval, 15 April 2023

Attendance of Meetings

General Committee Meetings Attended April 2023 to March 2024

Name	Attended	Notes
C F Dymond	2 of 4	Co-opted from 4 May 2023 to 2 August 2023
M J Eadon	8 of 8	Interim Chair from 1 September 2022 to 1 October 2023; Honorary Treasurer
P J Garrard	8 of 8	
P L Garrard	8 of 8	
D Gill	7 of 8	
Lord A S Grabiner KC	5 of 7	
A Harinath	6 of 8	
J N L Hudson	6 of 8	
W R Jones	4 of 5	Interim Treasurer from 1 September 2022 to 1 October 2023; Co-Opted
K P Kumaria	5 of 7	
K Olafare JP	8 of 8	Co-opted
C D Payne	7 of 7	
P I Pocock	6 of 7	
B A Qureshi	7 of 8	
M G Reeve	7 of 7	
L A Rolles	7 of 8	
Dr M A Searle	8 of 8	
O M Slipper	4 of 4	Co-Opted from 2 August 2023; Chair from 1 October 2023
M Tee	8 of 8	
C E J Thompson	5 of 8	
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Proposed President and Deputy President for election

President – Patricia Garrard

Patricia has been a Member of Surrey County Cricket Club since 1985. In 1990 she was appointed to the Admin Sub-Committee and in 1992 she was the first female Member to be elected to the General Committee, serving four terms on the Committee to date. She served as Deputy President in 2021 and 2022 and President in 2023.



Patricia helped run the supporters' marquee in Guildford for 19 years, raising money for Surrey Youth Cricket, and ran a creche at The Kia Oval during Sunday League games in the mid-to-late 1990s. Patricia was elected as an Honorary Life Member in 1997.

Outside of cricket, Patricia worked as Catering and Facilities Manager for Willis-Faber Insurance for 20 years.

Deputy President - Anthony Grabiner KC, The Lord Grabiner

Lord Grabiner KC is a British barrister, academic, administrator and life peer. He was called to the Bar in 1968 and took silk in 1981. Since then, he has acted for some of the world's largest companies as well as serving as a Deputy High Court Judge.

Within the sports industry, Lord Grabiner is a long-standing member of both Surrey CCC and the MCC. He previously sat on the Surrey CCC Management Board between 2011 and 2021 and was Deputy President in 2023. He also served on the MCC Development Committee.



Lord Grabiner was appointed a member of the House of Lords in 1999 and sits as a crossbench Peer. He has also sat on the Financial Services Law Committee of the Bank of England and, between 2014 and 2022, served as a non-executive director at Goldman Sachs. Further to this, Lord Grabiner was Chair of the Management and Standards Committee at News International, served as Chair of Governors at the London School of Economics from 1998 until 2007 and was Master of Clare College, Cambridge from 2014 to 2021.

Notes

1. Copies of the 2023 AGM Minutes are available on our website www.kiaoval.com and will also be available for inspection on the day of the meeting in the 175 Suite from 5pm or by emailing cdoyle@surreycricket.com.

2. Nominations for election to the General Committee have been received from the following: Zafar Ansari, Warwick Jones, Emma Lewendon, Ewen Macleod, Richard Mantell, Simon Menneer, Oli Slipper, Steve Wootten and David Wright.

3. The attention of Members is drawn to the following extracts from the Rules:-

Rule 19.2 Provisions in Case of More Nominations than Vacancies

(a) If there shall be more nominations than there are vacancies for membership of the Committee, the Chief Executive shall be required to distribute, with the notice of Annual General Meeting, to Members entitled to vote at General Meetings, election forms on which shall appear the name of each candidate properly nominated as aforesaid and willing to serve on the Committee (and the decision as to whether a candidate has been properly nominated shall be in the absolute discretion of the Chief Executive whose decision shall be final and binding), and the names of the five nominating Members of each candidate, together with a memorandum giving details of each candidate's professional and general qualifications.

(b) Election forms shall be returned to the Chief Executive or to such other person and address as the Chief Executive may designate, by the date indicated on the election forms.

(c) Each Member entitled to vote at General Meetings shall have one vote for each vacancy on the Committee but shall not give more than one vote to any one candidate.

(d) Any election forms which do not comply with the conditions or requirements for their completion and return shall be invalid.

(e) The Committee shall appoint not less than three scrutineers (of whom one may be the Chief Executive) to examine the election forms, and the decision of the majority of the scrutineers acting as experts on the validity of any election forms or papers and as to the outcome of the election shall be final and binding.

(f) Those candidates shall be elected to the Committee who receive the highest number of votes in the ballot and, in the event of two or more Members (not otherwise elected) receiving an equal number of votes (but receiving more votes than others (if any) also not otherwise elected) the candidate(s) to be elected from amongst them shall be decided by lot in a manner to be prescribed by the President.

Rule 27.5c Business

If any ten or more Members entitled to vote at General Meetings wish any matter concerning the business or affairs of the Club to be discussed at an Annual General Meeting, those Members shall give written notice to the Chief Executive by 1st February of the matter to be discussed. The Chief Executive may, at the Chief Executive's discretion, require sufficient details to be set out in or added to such written notice so as to ensure that Members, on receipt of the notice of the Annual General Meeting, have adequate information concerning the matter to be discussed but no resolution may be put to the vote of the meeting under this item.

Rule 27.6 Decisions and Actions of the Committee

It shall not be competent for any Annual General Meeting to alter or interfere with any decision or action of the Committee, the Board, or the Audit Committee or other competent person or persons taken or done in pursuance of the powers conferred by these Rules.”

Rule 30 Voting at General Meetings

30.1 Qualification

Only those Members who are qualified to do so under Rule 7.2 shall be permitted to vote at General Meetings.

30.2 Methods

Voting on ordinary business and voting on special business shall be in accordance with the provisions of Rule 30.3.

30.3 Voting on General Meetings

(a) Except as provided by the Acts and except as provided in Rule 34 and Rule 40, voting on ordinary business and on special business shall be by a show of hands unless the Committee in its absolute discretion considers that any resolution to be proposed at any General Meeting is of sufficient importance to the Club to justify the use of proxy voting or postal voting in relation to that resolution, so as to enable Members to vote on that resolution without having to be present at the meeting, in which case the Committee may so require. It shall be at the absolute discretion of the Committee as to whether proxy or postal voting is to be used. Proxy voting shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions set out in Rule 30.6 as supplemented by any Regulations made from time to time by the Committee and postal voting shall be conducted in accordance with Bye-laws and Regulations made from time to time by the Committee.

(b) In addition, the Chair of the meeting shall be entitled to call for any matter to be determined by poll or by postal ballot (as the Committee may elect) either before or after the result of a show of hands is declared and the Committee shall make the appropriate arrangements in its discretion.

(c) In particular, but without limitation, the Committee shall at its absolute discretion have the right to appoint the Electoral Reform Society or any other independent scrutineer appointed by the Committee to examine the ballot papers, and the decision of the scrutineer acting as an expert on the validity of any ballot paper or papers and as to the outcome of the voting on a resolution shall be final and binding.

30.4 Majority Required for Passing of Resolution

(a) Unless otherwise provided by the Acts or in these Rules, any resolution shall, in order to be passed, require in favour of the resolution a majority of the votes cast by Members who (being entitled to do so) vote.

30.5 Casting Vote of Chair

In the event of an equality of votes at a General Meeting, the chair of such meeting shall be entitled to a second or casting vote.

30.6 Proxy Voting

Voting by proxy shall be carried out in the following manner:-

(a) The instrument appointing a proxy shall be in writing under the hand of the appointor.
(b) A proxy must be a Member entitled to attend and vote at a General Meeting.

(c) The instrument appointing a proxy shall be delivered in accordance with Rule 41 to the Chief Executive at the registered office

of the Club (or such other place as may be specified for the delivery of instruments of proxy in the notice convening the meeting or other document sent therewith) so that such instrument reaches the Chief Executive not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the meeting or adjourned meeting at which the Member named in the instrument proposes to vote. In default the instrument of proxy shall not be treated as valid.

30.7 Declaration by Chair

A declaration by the chair of a General Meeting to the effect that a particular resolution has been passed (or not) or passed by a particular majority (or not) shall, subject to the Acts, be final and binding on all Members.”

The Accounts published in this report are in summary form but Members who wish to have a copy of the full Accounts should contact the Membership Department via membership@surreyccricket.com.

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