

COLCHESTER COMMUNITY STADIUM LTD
REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE PERIOD 1ST JUNE 2007 TO 30TH JUNE 2008

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COLCHESTER COMMUNITY STADIUM LTD

**COMPANY INFORMATION
FOR THE PERIOD 1ST JUNE 2007 TO 30TH JUNE 2008**

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Linda Barton
Clive Gilham
Graham Leaf
David Murthwaite
Adrian Pritchard
Michael Springett
Anne Turrell

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COLCHESTER COMMUNITY STADIUM LTD

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS FOR THE PERIOD 1ST JUNE 2007 TO 30TH JUNE 2008

The directors present their report with the financial statements of the company for the period 1st June 2007 to 30th June 2008.

COMMENCEMENT OF TRADING

The company was incorporated on 1st June 2007 as a company limited by guarantee, with the guarantor being Colchester Borough Council.

The company is run and managed by its board of directors who meet regularly, usually monthly, throughout the financial year. In the period under review the board of directors first met formally on 17th January 2008 and has since met monthly thereafter.

The board of directors consists of five representatives from key stakeholders in the community stadium together with four independents, including the Chair and Chief Executive. Specifically the stakeholders represented are from Colchester Borough Council, [Colchester Borough Councillors], Colchester United Football Club ("the Club") and Colchester United Community Sports Trust ("the Trust").

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

The principal activity of the company in the period under review was that of providing strategic management oversight of the Colchester Community Stadium - which has been named the Weston Homes Community Stadium. The Company also acts as the "agent" on behalf of Colchester Borough Council in the collection of rents due from tenants.

The directors are confident that the Weston Homes Community Stadium will be extensively used in the future for a wide variety of community and commercial events and activities in addition to providing an excellent 10,000 seat football stadium for the Club. In addition the stadium will provide accommodation for the Club and the Trust as well as a separate dedicated community space.

DIRECTORS

The directors who have held office during the period from 1st June 2007 to the date of this report are as follows:

Tony Barton - appointed 1st June 2007
Linda Barton - appointed 19th June 2008
Clive Gilham - appointed 1st February 2008
Peter Heard - appointed 17th December 2007
Graham Leaf - appointed 26th June 2007
David Murthwaite - appointed 28th June 2007
Adrian Pritchard - appointed 17th December 2007
Michael Springett - appointed 17th December 2007
Anne Turrell - appointed 19th June 2008
Robert Davidson - appointed 17th December 2007 - resigned 15th May 2008
Brian Jarvis - appointed 17th December 2007 - resigned 15th May 2008

Peter Heard ceased to be a director after 30th June 2008 but prior to the date of this report.

All the directors who are eligible offer themselves for election at the forthcoming first Annual General Meeting.

STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

The directors are responsible for preparing the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). The financial statements are required by law to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

COLCHESTER COMMUNITY STADIUM LTD

**REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS
FOR THE PERIOD 1ST JUNE 2007 TO 30TH JUNE 2008**

STATEMENT AS TO DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION TO AUDITORS

So far as the directors are aware, there is no relevant audit information (as defined by Section 234ZA of the Companies Act 1985) of which the company's auditors are unaware, and each director has taken all the steps that he or she ought to have taken as a director in order to make himself or herself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditors are aware of that information.

AUDITORS

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

Clive Gilham - Director

24th March 2009

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE MEMBERS OF COLCHESTER COMMUNITY STADIUM LTD

We have audited the financial statements of Colchester Community Stadium Ltd for the period ended 30th June 2008 on pages five to eight. These financial statements have been prepared under the accounting policies set out therein.

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Section 235 of the Companies Act 1985. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members 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 company and the company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

The directors' responsibilities for preparing the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) are set out on page two.

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland).

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view and are properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985. We also report to you whether in our opinion the information given in the Report of the Directors is consistent with the financial statements.

In addition, we report to you if, in our opinion, the company has not kept proper accounting records, if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or if information specified by law regarding directors' remuneration and other transactions is not disclosed.

We read the Report of the Directors and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements within it.

Basis of audit opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the directors in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

Opinion

In our opinion:

- the financial statements give a true and fair view, in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, of the state of the company's affairs as at 30th June 2008 and of its loss for the period then ended;
- the financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985; and
- the information given in the Report of the Directors is consistent with the financial statements.

Baker Chapman & Bussey
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25th March 2009

COLCHESTER COMMUNITY STADIUM LTD

**PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT
FOR THE PERIOD 1ST JUNE 2007 TO 30TH JUNE 2008**

	Notes	£
TURNOVER		-
Administrative expenses		<u>21,743</u>
OPERATING LOSS	2	(21,743)
Interest receivable and similar income		<u>1,078</u>
		(20,665)
Interest payable and similar charges		<u>886</u>
LOSS ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION		(21,551)
Tax on loss on ordinary activities	3	<u>-</u>
LOSS FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD AFTER TAXATION		<u>(21,551)</u>

CONTINUING OPERATIONS

None of the company's activities were acquired or discontinued during the current period.

TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES

The company has no recognised gains or losses other than the loss for the current period.

The notes form part of these financial statements

COLCHESTER COMMUNITY STADIUM LTD

**BALANCE SHEET
30TH JUNE 2008**

	Notes	£
CURRENT ASSETS		
Debtors	4	45,344
Cash at bank		312,103
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		357,447
CREDITORS		
Amounts falling due within one year	5	343,998
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NET CURRENT ASSETS		13,449
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TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		13,449
CREDITORS		
Amounts falling due after more than one year	6	35,000
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NET LIABILITIES		(21,551)
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RESERVES		
Profit and loss account	8	(21,551)
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	12	(21,551)
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These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 24th March 2009 and were signed on its behalf by:

Graham Leaf - Director

Clive Gilham - Director

The notes form part of these financial statements

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE PERIOD 1ST JUNE 2007 TO 30TH JUNE 2008**

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**Accounting convention**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Turnover

Turnover represents management charges and non-match day income receivable, excluding value added tax. There was no turnover in the period.

2. OPERATING LOSS

The operating loss is stated after charging:

Auditors' remuneration	£ <u>1,500</u>
Directors' emoluments and other benefits etc	<u>18,000</u>

3. TAXATION**Analysis of the tax charge**

No liability to UK corporation tax arose on ordinary activities for the period.

4. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

Other debtors	£ <u>45,344</u>
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5. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

Accrued expenses	£ <u>343,998</u>
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6. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR

Other loans (see note 7)	£ <u>35,000</u>
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7. LOANS

An analysis of the maturity of loans is given below:

Amounts falling due between two and five years: CBC Loan - (see note 11)	£ <u>35,000</u>
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8. RESERVES

	Profit and loss account £
Deficit for the period	<u>(21,551)</u>
At 30th June 2008	<u>(21,551)</u>

9. **TRANSACTIONS WITH DIRECTORS**

During the period the company paid £7,500 to Straight Bat (UK) Limited a company controlled by Clive Gilham in respect of the supply of services of the Chief Executive.

The other independent directors, Tony Barton, Graham Leaf and David Murthwaite have been paid fees and expenses £3,000, £3,000, £4,500, respectively.

10. **RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES**Colchester Borough Council

Other creditors due after one year includes £35,000 due to Colchester Borough Council. The loan is repayable within 7 years with the first payment falling due 29th January 2010. The loan currently carries interest at a rate of 6% per annum.

Accruals includes £337,500 in respect of rents received on behalf of Colchester Borough Council which were paid to them in July 2008.

11. **ULTIMATE CONTROLLING PARTY**

The ultimate controlling party is Colchester Borough Council.

12. **RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN RESERVES**

Loss for the financial period	£ (21,551)
Net reduction of reserves	(21,551)
Opening reserves	-
Closing reserves	(21,551)

13. **GOING CONCERN**

The company suffered an operating loss in its first year of trading due to incurring start up costs before its income streams commenced. The loss is reflected in the balance sheet as a deficit. The company is forecast to break even for the next year.

Subsequent to the balance sheet date it has been decided that the current structure of the company does not achieve the intended objectives of the member. As a result the member and the directors are looking in to transferring the activities to an alternative vehicle and the company ultimately wound up.

In the directors opinion it is appropriate that the financial statements be prepared as a going concern as the transfer would take place on that basis.

COLCHESTER COMMUNITY STADIUM LTD

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT
FOR THE PERIOD 1ST JUNE 2007 TO 30TH JUNE 2008

	£	£
Income		-
Other income		
Bank interest		1,078
		<u>1,078</u>
Expenditure		
Chief Executive's fees	7,500	
Directors' fees and expenses	10,500	
Advertising	1,609	
Insurance	600	
Sundry expenses	15	
Auditors' remuneration	1,500	
	<u> </u>	21,724
		<u>(20,646)</u>
Finance costs		
Bank charges	19	
CBC interest	886	
	<u> </u>	905
NET LOSS		<u><u>(21,551)</u></u>

This page does not form part of the statutory financial statements