

COLCHESTER COMMUNITY STADIUM LIMITED
REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE PERIOD
2ND APRIL 2009 TO 31ST MARCH 2010

COLCHESTER COMMUNITY STADIUM LIMITED

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FOR THE PERIOD 2ND APRIL 2009 TO 31ST MARCH 2010**

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COLCHESTER COMMUNITY STADIUM LIMITED

**COMPANY INFORMATION
FOR THE PERIOD 2ND APRIL 2009 TO 31ST MARCH 2010**

DIRECTORS:

C M Gilham
G P Leaf
A B Barton
D C Murthwaite
A R Pritchard
M J Springett
Cllr A Turrell
R A Cowling
Cllr C M C Hunt

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REGISTERED NUMBER:

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Statutory Auditor
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COLCHESTER COMMUNITY STADIUM LIMITED

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS FOR THE PERIOD 2ND APRIL 2009 TO 31ST MARCH 2010

The directors present their report with the financial statements of the company for the period 2nd April 2009 to 31st March 2010.

INCORPORATION

The company was incorporated on 2nd April 2009 and commenced trading on 1st July 2009. The sole shareholder is Colchester Borough Council. The company passed a special resolution on 30th April 2009 changing its name from CCSL Newco Limited to Colchester Community Stadium Limited.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

The principal activity of the company in the period under review was that of providing strategic management oversight and overall management of the Weston Homes Community Stadium.

The company is managed by its board of directors who meet regularly throughout the financial year. 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 (CBC), Colchester United Football Club ("the Club") and Colchester United Community Sports Trust ("the Trust").

REVIEW OF BUSINESS

The directors are pleased that the Weston Homes Community Stadium has been extensively used throughout the year for a wide variety of community activities and commercial events in addition to providing an excellent 10,000 seat football stadium for the Club. The stadium also provides accommodation for the Club and Sports Trust including a separate dedicated community space and two 5-a-side football pitches.

DIRECTORS

The directors who have held office during the period from 2nd April 2009 to the date of this report are as follows:

C M Gilham - appointed 13th May 2009
G P Leaf - appointed 2nd April 2009
A B Barton - appointed 13th May 2009
D C Murthwaite - appointed 13th May 2009
A R Pritchard - appointed 13th May 2009
M J Springett - appointed 13th May 2009
Cllr A Turrell - appointed 13th May 2009
R A Cowling - appointed 17th September 2009
Cllr C M C Hunt - appointed 1st July 2009

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 Report of the Directors and 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). Under company law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they 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 accounting 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 adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. 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 LIMITED

**REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS
FOR THE PERIOD 2ND APRIL 2009 TO 31ST MARCH 2010**

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 418 of the Companies Act 2006) 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.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

C M Gilham - Director

27th May 2010

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF COLCHESTER COMMUNITY STADIUM LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements of Colchester Community Stadium Limited for the period ended 31st March 2010 on pages five to nine. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. 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 a Report of the Auditors 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

As explained more fully in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities set out on page two, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

Scope of the audit of the financial statements

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of: whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed; the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the directors; and the overall presentation of the financial statements.

Opinion on financial statements

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31st March 2010 and of its loss for the period 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.

Opinion on other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion the information given in the Report of the Directors for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Jacqueline Frost (Senior Statutory Auditor)
for and on behalf of Baker Chapman & Bussey
Statutory Auditor
3 North Hill
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CO1 1DZ

9th June 2010

COLCHESTER COMMUNITY STADIUM LIMITED

**PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT
FOR THE PERIOD 2ND APRIL 2009 TO 31ST MARCH 2010**

	Notes	£
TURNOVER		267,047
Administrative expenses		<u>277,004</u>
OPERATING LOSS	2	(9,957)
Interest receivable and similar income		<u>1</u>
		(9,956)
Interest payable and similar charges		<u>1,575</u>
LOSS ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION		(11,531)
Tax on loss on ordinary activities	3	<u>-</u>
LOSS FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD AFTER TAXATION		<u>(11,531)</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 LIMITED

**BALANCE SHEET
31ST MARCH 2010**

	Notes	£
CURRENT ASSETS		
Debtors	4	177,798
Cash at bank		22,933
		<u>200,731</u>
CREDITORS		
Amounts falling due within one year	5	184,261
		<u>184,261</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>16,470</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>16,470</u>
CREDITORS		
Amounts falling due after more than one year	6	28,000
		<u>28,000</u>
NET LIABILITIES		<u><u>(11,530)</u></u>
CAPITAL AND RESERVES		
Called up share capital	8	1
Profit and loss account	9	(11,531)
		<u>(11,531)</u>
SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	12	<u><u>(11,530)</u></u>

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 27th May 2010 and were signed on its behalf by:

G P Leaf - Director

C M Gilham - Director

The notes form part of these financial statements

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE PERIOD 2ND APRIL 2009 TO 31ST MARCH 2010**

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**Accounting convention**

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

Financial Reporting Standard Number 1

Exemption has been taken from preparing a cash flow statement on the grounds that the company qualifies as a small company.

Turnover

Turnover represents net invoiced sales of services, excluding value added tax.

Deferred tax

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed at the balance sheet date.

Hire purchase and leasing commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

2. OPERATING LOSS

The operating loss is stated after charging:

	£
Other operating leases	225,000
Auditors' remuneration	1,000
	<u>226,000</u>
Directors' remuneration and other benefits etc	29,250
	<u>29,250</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

	£
Trade debtors	107,742
Other debtors	70,056
	<u>177,798</u>

5. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	£
Trade creditors	89,888
Taxation and social security	916
Other creditors	93,457
	<u>184,261</u>

6. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR

	£
Other creditors	28,000
	<u>28,000</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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7. LOANS

An analysis of the maturity of loans is given below:

	£
Amounts falling due within one year or on demand:	
Other loans	<u>7,000</u>
Amounts falling due between one and two years:	
Other loans	<u>7,000</u>
Amounts falling due between two and five years:	
Other loans	<u>21,000</u>

8. CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL

Allotted and issued:		Nominal value:	£
Number:	Class:		
1	Share capital 1	£1	<u>1</u>

1 £1 Ordinary share of £1 was allotted at par during the period.

9. RESERVES

	Profit and loss account £
Deficit for the period	<u>(11,531)</u>
At 31st March 2010	<u>(11,531)</u>

10. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

During the period the company paid £13,500 to Straight Bat (UK) Limited, a company controlled by Clive Gilham, in respect of the supply of services of the Chief Executive. At the period end the company owed Straight Bat (UK) Ltd £1,763.

The other independent directors, Tony Barton, Graham Leaf and David Murthwaite have been paid fees of £4,500, £4,500 and £6,750 respectively.

Included in other creditors is a loan of £35,000 from Colchester Borough Council. The loan is interest bearing and is repayable in instalments of £7,000. Interest of £1,575 has been charged in the period.

In addition, Colchester Borough Council charged the company rent of £225,000. At the period end the company owed Colchester Borough Council £88,125.

During the period the company charged Colchester United Football Club, an entity controlled by Robbie Cowling, rent of £225,000 and non match day income of £15,000. At the period end the company was owed £88,125 by Colchester United Football Club.

In addition, during the period the company charged Colchester United Community Sports Trust, a company whose directors include Mike Springett, £14,062 and £11,250 for hire of community space and premises respectively. At the period end the company was owed £19,617 by Colchester United Community Sports Trust.

Included in overheads is a fee of £18,035 in respect of set up costs recharged by the previous stadium company when it ceased trading.

11. **ULTIMATE CONTROLLING PARTY**

The company's ultimate controlling party is Colchester Borough Council.

12. **RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS**

	£
Loss for the financial period	(11,531)
Share capital issued in period	<u>1</u>
Net reduction of shareholders' funds	(11,530)
Opening shareholders' funds	<u>-</u>
Closing shareholders' funds	<u><u>(11,530)</u></u>
Equity interests	<u><u>(11,530)</u></u>

13. **GOING CONCERN**

The company made a loss in the year due to a one-off recharge of set-up costs of £18,035. The directors anticipate that the company will trade profitably in future years and is therefore a going concern.

COLCHESTER COMMUNITY STADIUM LIMITED

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT
FOR THE PERIOD 2ND APRIL 2009 TO 31ST MARCH 2010

	£	£
Turnover		
Community space	14,062	
Premises	11,250	
Non match day income	15,000	
Stadium rent	225,000	
Other income	1,735	
	<hr/>	267,047
Other income		
Deposit account interest		1
		<hr/>
		267,048
Expenditure		
Rent	225,000	
Directors' salaries	13,500	
Directors' fees	15,750	
Insurance	3,679	
Sundry expenses	1	
Management fee	18,035	
Auditors' remuneration	1,000	
	<hr/>	276,965
		<hr/>
		(9,917)
Finance costs		
Bank charges	39	
CBC loan interest	1,575	
	<hr/>	1,614
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NET LOSS		<u>(11,531)</u>

This page does not form part of the statutory financial statements