

Coventry Godiva Harriers Accounts 2020/21 – Executive Summary

Introduction

The club has faced two main challenges over the past year which have had a significant impact on the club's finances - firstly the remaining costs incurred from the welfare investigation and secondly, the ongoing Coronavirus.

P&L and Balance Sheet Overview

P&L

The club's accounts have once again been significantly impacted by the cost of the welfare investigation with a cost of £47k in the accounting year. This is in addition to the £63k costs in the prior year, bringing the club's total legal fees to £110k, highlighting the club's commitment to the safety of all club members.

The Coronavirus has impacted the club's financial position. With government-imposed national lockdowns and social distancing measures in place the club was unable to open or, due to health and safety requirements, could not fully open. As a result of this the committee took the decision to reduce the membership fees for the year, giving a six-month discount for the periods in which we were unable to open.

This discount contributed to a reduction in membership fees for the year. In addition to the reduction of membership fees, the club received no revenue from hiring out the clubhouse or from Hungry Harrier sales, which amounted to £11k in the prior financial year.

Without the cost of the welfare investigation the club would have made a loss of £20k for the year.

The other item to mention is the club has updated its depreciation policy in respect of the clubhouse and conditioning suite. These assets are now being depreciated over the remaining years of the 25 year lease and this depreciation charge is reflected in the figures today for 2020 and 2021.

Balance Sheet

The cash balance has reduced by £80k over the current financial year, this is as a direct result of the costs of the welfare investigation and the reduction in income due to Coronavirus.

Notes to the Accounts

Notes 1 & 2 – Subscriptions & Donations

Subscription income has decreased £12k compared to 2019/20. Approximately £6k of this is as a result of the membership fees being paid before the six months' reduction was given. These fees are being carried over into 2021/22. There is a further £6k reduction in membership fees from the prior year due to lower membership numbers.

Donations received were £7k lower than 2019/20 due to a reduction in private donations and being unable to hire out the photo finish equipment.

Note 3 – Club House

Due to the Coronavirus the Hungry Harrier had no sales for the year and the club was unable to hire out the clubhouse to external organisations.

The running costs of the clubhouse dropped by £1.5k compared to 2019/20 but the majority of this was due to not using the facility.

Note 4 – Athletic Promotions

The track closure meant the club could not host the annual Godiva Classic, historically this event has generated our biggest income from hosting competitions.

The club did however host one meeting, the Lesley Mallows 800m, which generated a small profit.

Note 5 – Fund Raising

Fund raising through kit sales has typically been a breakeven activity, with only a couple of sales in the year.

Note 6 – Club Expenses

The main variance in this year's club expenses is the cost of the welfare investigation at £47k. Excluding this cost we would have spent approximately £8k which was predominately the England Athletics affiliation fees.

Note 7 – Track Charge

The club took the decision to continue to pay the standard hire fee whilst the track was out of use. This was considered a good faith payment due to the university's substantial investment in the track last year and at zero cost to the club.

Notes 8 & 9 – Travel & Gym

Travel

As there were no competitions the club did not spend money on travel.

Gym

The gym was closed for the entire year due to the Coronavirus and thus had no income.

Note 10 – Fixed Assets

The club continues to invest in assets. The club contributed towards the cost of the announcer's hut as modifications were made to the original plans for additional electrical work. This is to allow for ease of use during competitions and when the photo finish equipment is in use.

Notes 11 – 15 – Balance Sheet Accounts

Nothing specific to really add that has not already been commented on. Items in the balance sheet control the accuracy and validity of the income statement.

Any Questions