

Report of the Society Board and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 May 2024
for
Leyton Orient Fans' Society Ltd trading
as Leyton Orient Fans' Trust (LOFT)

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for the Year Ended 31 May 2024

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Company Information
for the Year Ended 31 May 2024

TRUSTEES:

D Harper
P Arnup
T Davies
A Fleming
J Kaye
A Michaelson
P J Osborne
M Roper
G Moody
J Roper

SECRETARY:

J Kaye

REGISTERED OFFICE:

20 Market Place
Kingston Upon Thames
Surrey
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REGISTERED NUMBER:

IP29225R (England and Wales)

ACCOUNTANTS:

Mr F P Dongworth FCA
Dongworth Limited
Lowlands
3 Southbrook
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CM21 9NS

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Report of the Society Board
for the Year Ended 31 May 2024

The trustees (who are also directors) present their report with the financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 May 2024.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

The principal activity of the trust in the year under review was that of representing the interests of the supporters of Leyton Orient Football Club Limited.

TRUSTEES

The trustees shown below have held office during the whole of the period from 1 June 2023 to the date of this report.

D Harper
P Arnup
T Davies
A Fleming
J Kaye
A Michaelson
P J Osborne
M Randall - resigned 16 November 2023
M Roper
G Moody
J Roper - appointed 16 November 2023

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

Mr F P Dongworth FCA will be proposed for re-appointment as Independent Examiner.

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

TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES STATEMENT

Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the society and the surplus or deficit of the society for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- Make judgments 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 trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the society and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the society and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

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ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

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J Kaye - Secretary

Date:

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Profit and Loss Account
for the Year Ended 31 May 2024

	Notes	2024 £	2023 £
TURNOVER		2,295	2,256
Administrative expenses		<u>3,057</u>	<u>1,953</u>
		(762)	303
Interest receivable and similar income		<u>2,343</u>	<u>217</u>
SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR BEFORE TAX		1,581	520
Corporation tax		<u>(445)</u>	=
SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR AFTER TAX		1,136	520
SURPLUS BROUGHT FORWARD		<u>13,727</u>	<u>13,207</u>
SURPLUS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>14,863</u></u>	<u><u>13,727</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

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Balance Sheet
31 May 2024

	Notes	2024 £	2023 £
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash at bank		133,077	131,524
Less: CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Corporation tax		<u>445</u>	=
NET ASSETS		<u>132,632</u>	<u>131,524</u>
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Called up share capital	3	202	230
Regeneration reserve	4	117,567	117,567
Retained earnings		<u>14,863</u>	<u>13,727</u>
		<u>132,632</u>	<u>131,524</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Society Board on and were signed on its behalf by:

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D Harper - Chair

.....
P J Osborne - Treasurer

The notes form part of these financial statements

1. **ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

Basis of preparing the financial statements

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions of Section 1A "Small Entities" of Financial Reporting Standard 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention as modified by the revaluation of certain assets.

Turnover

Turnover is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable, excluding discounts, rebates, value added tax and other sales taxes.

2. **TAXATION**

The society is treated for corporation tax purposes as being mutually trading and is not liable to UK corporation tax on its surpluses. Corporation tax is chargeable on non-mutual income including investment income.

3. **CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL**

Each full member of the society owns one ordinary share of £1 in the society which is not transferable. The share is cancelled if an individual ceases to be a member.

Junior members cannot hold shares in the society nor have any voting rights.

At 31 May 2024 the society had 202 (2023 - 230) full members and 5 (2023 - 4) junior members.

4. **REGENERATION FUND**

	2024	2023
	£	£
Balance 1 June 2023 and 31 May 2024	<u>117,567</u>	<u>117,567</u>

On 2 March 2017, a restricted fund called Leyton Orient Regeneration Fund was set up with a view to regenerating the club following a period of financial crisis and management instability.

Following the takeover of the Club by a consortium on 22 June 2017 the fund was closed to further contributions.

Subject to certain rules, the donors were then entitled to a refund, request their donations remained in the regeneration fund or to donate to LOFT's general reserves for community projects.

The latest date for these requests was 31 October 2018 and on that date the regeneration fund was frozen at £117,567.

In accordance with legal advice received, the Fund will be retained for the sole purpose of the "disaster recovery" scenarios should they manifest at the Club in the future, unless the society passes a resolution at a general meeting in accordance with its Rules to re-purpose the Fund for other uses. The Board does not currently propose to re-purpose the Fund.

5. **INVESTMENT IN LEYTON ORIENT FOOTBALL CLUB LIMITED**

The Trust owns 6,280 ordinary 25p shares in Leyton Orient Football Club Limited at a total cost of £5,605. These shares are not easily transferable and, in the opinion of the society board, have no value and have therefore been written down to nil in the balance sheet.

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Report of the Independent Examiner

To the Members of Leyton Orient Fans Society Limited on the accounts for the year ended
31 May 2024 set out on pages 3 to 5

This report is made solely to the society's members, as a body. My examination work has been undertaken so that I might state to the society's members those matters I am required to state to them in an examiners' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the society and the society's members as a body, for my work, for this report, or for the opinions I have formed.

Respective responsibilities of Society Board Members and the examiner

The Society Board Members consider that an audit is not required for this year as an appropriate resolution was approved by members at the last AGM and that an independent examination is therefore appropriate.

It is my responsibility to

- examine the accounts
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by Football Supporters' Association; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with General Directions given by the Football Supporters' Association. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Society and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the Society Board Members concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion.

Independent examiner's statement

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention: -

- a) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the Society Board Members have not met the requirements to ensure that: -
 - i) proper accounting records are kept
 - ii) accounts are prepared which agree with the accounting records and comply with generally accepted accounting requirements; or
- b) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

I can also confirm that, in my opinion, the accounts have been properly prepared in accordance with and comply with the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014.

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Date:

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Profit and Loss Account
for the Year Ended 31 May 2024

	2024		2023	
	£	£	£	£
Turnover				
Membership subscriptions and donations	2,276		2,195	
Commission received and sundry income	<u>19</u>		<u>61</u>	
		2,295		2,256
Other income				
Deposit account interest		<u>2,343</u>		<u>217</u>
		4,638		2,473
Expenditure				
Sponsorship costs and donations	1,850		775	
Committee members' expenses	463		447	
Subscriptions and filing fees	360		360	
Computer expenses	<u>72</u>		<u>62</u>	
		<u>2,745</u>		<u>1,644</u>
		1,893		829
Finance costs				
Bank and PayPal charges		<u>312</u>		<u>309</u>
NET SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR		<u><u>1,581</u></u>		<u><u>520</u></u>

This page does not form part of the statutory financial statements