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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2026

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 64th Annual General Meeting of the Club will be held in the Clubhouse on Monday 7th December at 7.00pm.

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7. Appointment of Independent Examiner for the Accounts for 2026/2027

8. Election of the Management Committee

   Nominations have already been received as follows:

Chairman	Alastair McCubbin
Honorary Secretary/Welfare Officer	Jo MacGovern
Honorary Treasurer	Charles Whittaker
Tennis Manager	Sue Rush
Membership Secretary	Kathryn Fulker
Bar Secretary	Darren Grigg
Sponsorship & Marketing Secretary	Ashley How

   NOTE: Nominations for the Officers of the Committee for 2027 are requested to be notified to the Hon. Secretary by midday on Friday 4th December 2026 at the latest.

9. Any other business

ANGMERING-ON-SEA LAWN TENNIS CLUB

Minutes of the 63rd Annual General Meeting of the Club held in the Clubhouse on Monday 8th December 2025 at 7.00 pm.

PRESENT Alastair McCubbin – Chairperson
Jo MacGovern – Hon. Secretary
Andrew Cook, Head Coach and Premises Manager

The attendance of a 29 members was recorded. This attendance included other members of the Management Committee.

Also in attendance: Sarah Fisher, Club Administrator (Note-taking) and Chay Took, Kreston Reeves.

Alastair opened the meeting on schedule and welcomed everyone to the club's 63rd Annual General Meeting. He appreciated that so many members had attended and thanked them for their time. He asked that everyone signed the attendance sheet before the meeting ended and to say their name first if they wanted to ask a question at any time throughout the meeting. This would assist with recording purposes.

1. APOLOGIES

The Secretary read a list of 20 apologies for absence.

2. MINUTES OF THE 62nd ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Liz Linton asked whether Ian's surname, as President of the club, could be included in the recording of his speech in the 62nd Annual General Meeting. This would be amended accordingly. The minutes were then approved as a true recording of the 62nd Annual General Meeting held on Monday 25th November 2024, proposed firstly by Sue Rush and then seconded by Keith Barrett. They were then passed unanimously by all other members.

3. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Alastair McCubbin explained there would be no President's speech this year as the club had not replaced Ian Robinson after his recent resignation. He, therefore, proceeded with the Chairman's report. He started by giving his thanks to the volunteers on the Management Committee who had supported him throughout the year. Sadly two members would be resigning. Paulette Girach, Entertainment Secretary, would not carry on the role in 2026. He thanked Paulette for her time and efforts in organising social events at the club over the last three years. He then had to announce that Charles Whittaker had to return to Somerset for personal reasons and could not commit to the role of Hon. Treasurer at present. Alastair praised Charles for the solid systems he had introduced to the club's accounts which would make a handover easy for the next Treasurer. Filling this role was of importance to the club so he would be grateful if someone could step forward quickly.

He went on to thank all members of the club who volunteered in other areas of the club, for example tennis teams, grounds, premises and functions at the club. There are many people behind the scenes who put their time and dedication into assisting with the club to run smoothly. Without these volunteers the club would be forced to hire external contractors which would add extra costs when budgeting each year. He was very grateful to these members who helped to avoid this.

In 2025, Ian Robinson had resigned as President. Alastair wanted to personally thank him for the advice and support he had given him in his role as Chairman. When Alastair had received Ian's resignation he immediately sought advice from the club's vice-presidents to gain an understanding of the process to find another president for the club. He had been informed that having a president at the club was the Chairman's choice. Alastair presented this advice to the committee, including the Junior Representative, who then agreed, after discussion, time should be taken to find another president as it was felt it needed careful consideration to get it right. He confirmed to the meeting the role was still but in the meantime would be assessing what the president would be at the club and whether the club actually required one.

This year court fencing had been replaced at the back of Court 2 and 3 and alongside Court 5 and 6. He reported further maintenance would need to be carried out on Court 4 in 2026. He had, however, been advised by the contractor that the fences were in overall good condition. The committee would focus on Court 4 this year as the hedge had impacted on the fence and would need resolving as quickly as possible.

The re-surfacing of Court 1 had been on the agenda for the AGM with a ballot carried out 2-3 weeks before the meeting. This was to seek members' approval for the Management Committee's recommendation of artificial clay as the replacement surface. The information with the ballot had listed the advantages and disadvantages of each considered surface. Alastair explained the committee had come to the decision of artificial clay on Court 1, given its ability to drain. This would satisfy the demand for a seventh court at the club by providing maximum availability throughout the year. The current surface took the court out of play frequently in the winter months. The Management Committee's goal was to have a court that would be safe and playable all year round. The cost of the project also included putting a barrier over the roots of the surrounding hedges to impede any further growth onto the court. This would future proof the court to save costs and extensive work at a later date. The paperwork with the ballot had arranged this information for members to consult and make their choice whether to support the Management Committee's recommendation or not.

He went on to report the club's finances were in a healthy situation and that this would be discussed in the financial report along with the 10 year plan later in the meeting. He guaranteed the club could afford its capital projects for 2026 and ongoing years as long as members continued to renew.

To finish his report Alastair summarised the Management Committee's priorities for 2026 which would be the re-surfacing of Court 1, finishing the repairs to the court fencing and producing a solid 10-year plan once finances were clear. This would then allow for thought for future projects at the club.

He then asked for any questions. There were no questions raised regarding his presentation or from the chairperson's report in the booklet sent out ahead of the meeting. Alastair, therefore, asked for his report to be adopted. This was proposed by Ashley How and seconded by Carole Chandler. It was also passed unanimously by all members.

4. TREASURER'S REPORT AND SUBMISSION OF ANNUAL ACCOUNTS

Jo, in the absence of the Hon. Treasurer for the club presented the financial report for the annual accounts April 2024 – March 2025. She explained that Charles Whittaker had taken on the role of Treasurer in February 2025 and proceeded to implement streamlined and effective systems to record the club's monthly accounts to help forecast spending at the club. Charles had been able to complete the accounts up to the end of November before he left

the role of Treasurer. Jo explained that she and Alastair would continue to authorize all the clubs incomings and outgoings, with the administration of Sarah (Club Administrator). Jo confirmed a credit card had been set up for the club to enable larger transactions to be carried out within the bar and premises roles. This had been working effectively.

The club made a profit of nearly £26,000 before depreciation for the financial year 2024-2025. This had come about mostly from subscriptions, bar takings and cost savings across court maintenance and grounds which could be attributed to Andrew as Premises Manager and his team of Geordie, Keith and other volunteers who had contributed to the upkeep of the courts and the grounds at the club. Jo thanked them for all for their commitment to the club which continued to promote it as a community club. The savings had enabled the club to absorb costs due to the rises to salaries, pensions and utilities whilst maintaining a healthy bank balance. The profit would allow for next year's capital spending on Court 1 resurfacing and completing the fencing repairs.

Liz Linton asked why the column 29/30 on the 10 year capital programme in the booklet was the same amount as 26/27 considering there would probably be a rise in costs in the country throughout the years. She questioned whether in 29/30 there would be enough capital set aside for the resurfacing of two courts that would be due that financial year considering these potential rises. Alastair thought that was a fair question and pointed out a couple of lean years in between. He promised, though, to review the 10 year plan so that the amount would reflect more accurately. Andrew explained that the two courts scheduled for re-surfacing in 29/30 should be a straight swap as they would not need the maintenance or preparation work that was required for Court 1. This made the capital spend less for these courts compared to the large expenditure for Court 1 in 26/27.

Nigel Dungey then pointed out that Courts 2&3, where they had been put back on the 10 year forecast, would be 16/17 years old. Their guarantee was for 10 years. He felt they may have to come forward in the 10 year plan. The sunshine would degrade the plastic material of the courts so they would need to be continuously monitored until replaced. Alastair explained that the contractor for Court 1 witnessed, at the time of their visit, the regular maintenance that is carried by the club. The contractor had been impressed with the upkeep and suggested this would help Court 2&3's longevity. Nigel felt that where the club had made its cost savings a deep clean should be carried out alongside the regular maintenance. This had been missed for a couple of years. He felt the deep clean would also contribute to the length of Courts 2&3. Alastair reassured the members that the club had not cut back on essentials at the club only that the committee were constantly seeking value for money to make savings. Andrew, in his role of Premises Manager, agreed that an external maintenance visit each year was ideal for the club and that he would be arranging this. It had been held up because he had been sourcing an alternative contractor after being unsatisfied with the previous one. This had taken time since taking over as Premises Manager. Keith Barrett offered a contact to Andrew to help him with his decision.

David Bush asked if the club had enough sand on the courts. His question had been based on his knowledge of courts, especially working in the tropical countries. He felt this would keep the mould away and that the lack of sand made the surface slippery. Andrew reported that the last external maintenance contractor confirmed there was enough sand on the courts. Andrew explained that in warmer countries more sand was laid because of the effects of the sun whereas in England the rain makes the sand sink. Nigel confirmed, in his previous club role as Grounds Representative, that the courts had the right level of sand for this country's conditions. Nigel had put extra sand down when in his role but it had been removed on the advice of the maintenance contractor as not needed.

Nigel Dungey asked about the depreciation of the courts. How many years had they been depreciated over as they were all over ten years old. He asked whether they would no longer be on the accounts. There was no treasurer to answer this question but Chay Took, who was in attendance for Kreston Reeves was able to explain they would be accounted for on a reducing balance basis rather than a straight line, the rate of depreciation decreases as they get older but they rarely reach zero.

There were no further questions so Alastair asked for the Treasurer's report to be adopted. The report was proposed by Nigel Dungey and seconded by Mike Barker. This was unanimously passed by all members in attendance.

He then asked for the accounts to be approved. These were proposed by Ashley How and seconded by Paulette Girach. The members passed the accounts unanimously.

5. COURT 1 PROPOSAL

Alastair spoke about the discussions and research the committee had carried out to reach the recommendation of an artificial clay surface for the re-surfacing of Court 1. A detailed report of the findings for all surfaces including artificial clay had been circulated to the membership ahead of the AGM. This document had asked members to take a vote based on this information to either agree or not agree with the recommended surface for Court 1. The results of this ballot were read out by Alastair as 86 returned which 80 were 'for' and 6 'against'. There were no abstainers. He thanked the membership for taking the time to vote which now allowed the committee to follow through with their recommendation. He explained the next steps would be to continue to talk with the chosen contractor to ensure they had everything covered. Comparing the level of work and costs detailed in all three quotes had raised questions by the committee for the selected contractor and they now wanted to make sure the work would not throw up any extra costs as the contractor undertook the project. The work quoted involved changing the surface of the court and also putting in a root barrier to avoid any future growth in that area for the new surface. Alastair felt the roots should be addressed with the re-surfacing to avoid any unexpected costs in the future. He wanted to make sure it was all done correctly as, on discussing with other clubs, mistakes had been made with resurfacing which posed problems for future decisions and finances of these clubs. Alastair would be pursuing the project after the approval of the membership but he ensured the members he would still be investigating the project as a whole so that the committee felt completely secure with their decisions. He knew he would like the court in play as soon as possible but appreciated this was a big decision to make for the club. He would continue to communicate with the membership as the project developed.

Keith Barrett then asked whether the process of a postal ballot to make decisions at the club was the correct procedure for such a large expenditure of members' money and he felt that an EGM would have been more democratic to open up discussions on the project. Alastair took this point on board and informed the membership the committee had taken a lot of advice from Andrew Cook, Head Coach and Premises Manager who had visited a club with an alternative porous surface and seen that it would not work for this club. This research resulted in details of options to be used in the report for voting on which he felt had been fair. Alastair felt this process did not require the need for an EGM but would check the rules. He assured the members that all areas for views had been covered even including the juniors through the Junior Representative on the committee.

Peter Sellar asked Andrew Cook if he was aware of the amount of different clay court surface options available. He had wanted to make sure the club had chosen the right clay court surface from the options available. Peter had played on at least three or four different types

in tournaments he had competed in. These being Advantage Red Court, Lano and Tiger Turf Clay. Andrew explained all three of these had been quoted for and considered. He explained the fibres were different with each type, each having their own benefits. On speaking with the selected contractor they had confirmed that clay surfaces had come on a long way since the first generation clay that had been laid on Courts 6&7. The infill on these first generation courts dyed the lines making it difficult to determine court lines but that had now changed as technology had moved on since Courts 6&7 were laid in 2009. Andrew felt confident with the new generation clay surfaces especially the one chosen by the committee.

Mike Barker contributed to the point that had been raised by Keith previous to Peter to say that the rules had been changed at the last AGM to allow for postal/electronic voting whereby the procedure was set up in the notice of the meeting. Mike confirmed the process carried out was democratic and followed the club's rules. Mike added that if there was a significant rise in costs for the completion of the project then this should be returned to the membership for a further vote.

Liz Linton asked about the junior section of the club and whether they could be consulted as to which surface should be arranged for Court 1. She felt it was important to consider remaining with an acrylic surface to practice on as they entered tournaments around the county with a variety of surfaces. Andrew explained there was only one other club in Sussex that had a porous acrylic surface and that it was rare to play on tarmac nowadays. He confirmed the majority of the external courts the juniors competed on were artificial clay as it was the safest and most suitable surface to play on all year round. Andrew had been advised while talking to contractors that Court 1 should not be replaced with tarmac or acrylic as the moss and algae would continue to present its problems and would continue to make it unplayable at certain times of the year. Andrew emphasized the need for another all year round playable court especially with club sessions being so popular. The club was now experiencing a significant waiting list for the repeatedly, fully booked club sessions. David Bush commented that neither artificial grass or clay were not recognized ITF surfaces so raised concerns that there would not be appropriate and legitimate surfaces for the club's juniors to practice on. Andrew clarified that the club only had twenty competing juniors, if that and that entering a tournament was becoming more costly for families so he was uncertain of the uptake of competing in the foreseeable future. Andrew reassured the members that his views for replacing Court 1 took into account all members at the club including the juniors. He felt the most important factor was that there was another court available to play and practice on at all times.

Keith took the opportunity to advise the members he had investigated the large hedge around Court 1 which blocked the sun and allowed for algae and moss to grow on the court. He confirmed it would be huge project whereas the hedges on the car park side could be cut back a couple of metres. He would, then be happy to clean the courts of algae and moss a couple of times a year or every two to three months. This would prevent the court from getting too slippery if the current surface was used again.

Alastair confirmed that he had investigated the removal of the biggest hedge surrounding Court 1. He agreed with Keith that this would be a huge but also costly task. Alastair felt the hedge also continued to be a respectful barrier between the tennis club and the residents surrounding this area of the club. He acknowledged the removal of the hedges would create more airflow on the court but there would still be the problem of the houses close to the area blocking the sun and preventing the surface from drying out effectively. Alastair thanked Keith for his comments.

Nigel Dungey felt the club should put money aside for maintaining the court surface to keep it to a high standard over the next ten years.

Keith Barrett asked that when the fencing on Court 4 was carried out should there be angular fence to prevent tennis balls going over into the hedge alongside. Alastair made a note of this.

Alastair went on to thank everyone for their comments and reassured the members the committee would not be rushing into the project so that advice could continue to be sought from contractors for the right decision to be made for the court.

6. RESOLUTIONS

Jo MacGovern, Hon. Secretary confirmed there were no resolutions to pass at this year's AGM.

7. SUBSCRIPTIONS, ENTRANCE FEES AND ALLOWANCES FOR 2026

The proposed subscription rates for the year 1st April 2026 to 31st March 2027 were on display in the Clubhouse four weeks before the meeting took place and at the same time circulated to all members. Alastair explained the rise in fees would help maintain the club, support this year's projects and build finances for future plans at the club.

SUBSCRIPTIONS	**Annual**	**Monthly**
Adult Playing Membership 31 and over	£397	£35.20
Adult Playing Coached Membership 31 and over	£397	£35.20
Intermediate Membership 19-30	£278	£24.50
Intermediate Coached Membership 19-30	£278	£24.50
Student Membership 19&over in full time education in county	£197	£17.40
Student Membership 19&over in full time education outside county	£158	£13.80
Junior Membership 11-18	£158	£13.80
Junior Membership 11-18 out of county	£118	£10.40
Mini 9 - 10	£131	£11.50
Mini 8 & under	£105	£9.20
Parent/Guardian of child 14 and under. Restricted to playing only with the child & before 6 pm weekdays plus weekends when courts are available.	£68	£6.10
Social Membership (non-playing) (inclusive of VAT)	£42	£4.40

All ages to be as at time of joining or renewal

- Subscriptions received after **1st April 2026** will incur a late payment fee of £20 per adult member and £10 per junior member.
- Any member who has not paid the correct fee or set up a standing order at **1st April 2026** will not be eligible to use the club facilities or represent the club in matches.

JOINING FEES

New members joining the Club are required to pay a joining fee:

Adult/Intermediate/Coached Member	£50
Parent/Guardian	£20*
Student/Junior Members	£20
Mini/Social	no charge
Maximum for family living in the same household and joining at the same time	£95

*If the Parent/Guardian later decides to join as an Adult Playing/Coached member, the joining fee at that time to be £30

It was proposed by Nigel Dungey and seconded by Keith Barrett that the Subscriptions, Entrance Fees and Allowances for 2026-2027 be approved. These were passed unanimously by the members.

8. APPOINTMENT OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER OF THE ACCOUNTS

Jo MacGovern thanked Chay Took and all who helped him at Kreston Reeves for looking over the accounts, once again, for the club at the end of the financial year. She asked that Kreston Reeves be appointed Independent Examiner for the financial year April 2025 - March 2026.

The appointment of Kreston Reeves as Independent Examiner was then proposed by Ian Howard and seconded by Andrew Cook. This was passed unanimously by all members at the meeting.

9. ELECTION OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Alastair read out the nominees for the election of the Management Committee for 2026 and asked that they be elected en bloc. Ashley How asked if a non-member but family member of a club member could put themselves forward as Treasurer. Alastair said this could be taken into consideration. He felt the role, which Charles in his short tenure, had simplified with strong, effective procedures would allow for someone externally to understand them. Alastair expressed his concern that if the role did not get filled he would have no choice but to hire an external company to complete the accounts at the club. Peter King asked how many members volunteered at the club (50-60) and whether the emphasis of volunteering at the club should be introduced to new members to encourage more commitment. Alastair agreed with this as he wanted to avoid putting subscriptions up to cover the costs of going to people outside of the club. After discussion, the names were put forward for the committee for 2026.

Chairperson	Alastair McCubbin
Honorary Secretary	Jo MacGovern
Honorary Treasurer	Vacant
Tennis Manager	Sue Rush
Premises Secretary	Andrew Cook
Bar Secretary	Darren Grigg
Social Secretary	Vacant
Membership Secretary	Kathryn Fulker
Sponsorship & Marketing Representative	Ashley How
Junior Representative	Sienna Rolland

The election of the Management Committee was proposed by Mike Barker and seconded by Keith Barrett and then passed unanimously by the other members in attendance.

10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Liz Linton asked if there was a procedure for hiring out the clubhouse. She had felt there was not adequate notice to members that the clubhouse would be closed due to an event. The members were notified a couple of days, or on the day of the event. She also asked about the cost of hiring the clubhouse for a private event. Jo MacGovern explained the club had a hiring policy and this had been circulated to the members. It could also be found on the members website and be requested from the administration office. Liz then went on to say that she could not find any club policy documents. It was confirmed that they were all on the website for members to access. Jo justified the timing of the notice to members. The committee felt that if it was any earlier it would be forgotten about. Jo explained members could still access the toilets and that part of the clubhouse when there was a private function. Andrew explained that members were always considered when private events were arranged so that they were less disruptive. It was recognized that the club was a members club but hiring out the club contributed to the profits of the club. Alastair explained that the committee had debated the hiring of the clubhouse on many occasions either to make it more available or to stop it all together but could not ignore that the hire and use of the bar would bring extra income for the club.

Liz then raised her concerns about the court booking system as she had noticed coaches of the club booked slots for up to five hours whereas members could only book courts for an hour and a half. She asked if there was a policy to govern the amount of hours the coaches booked the courts. Andrew reported that there was no policy. Liz responded by asking if there could be one as she felt the courts were heavily booked up by the coaches**.** She also observed the club sessions were continuously fully booked which she did not agree with and recommended that the club sessions revert to the rotational system where members turned up without booking. This would allow for members to join in and at least get a game by playing first to four and then sit out to give another group of players a turn. She felt there should be more communication between the coaches to prevent the courts being unavailable around the club sessions as this had prevented members from booking a court to arrange their own game if there was no space on the club session. Alastair will address the amount of court hours a coach uses at the club. As for the rotational system he would look in to this but knew that there was a preference for the current structure. He reiterated he wanted to keep in mind the whole membership to make sure the club worked for everyone. He would continue to hear the views of all members before making any decisions. Alastair explained that to resolve the club sessions, an example put forward to host an extra session, would bring extra costs to the club which would need to be reviewed. All activities at the club would need to be cost effective. Andrew pointed out that the club also had to provide courts for players who did not attend the club sessions. Peter King suggested a extra half capacity club session would leave courts available for these members. Alastair reminded the members that another session would incur the cost of a coach to run it.

Peter Sellar, as a previous tennis manager at the club, disagreed with Liz's comments and took responsibility for the way the club had operated for the years since he was in the role. Regarding the club sessions the ambition was to come away from 'first to four' to avoid the situation when too many members turned up. He did not feel it was an efficient way to run the tennis programme. Sue Rush interjected with the argument that long wait for a game would be hard to endure. Peter's point for the coaches booking so much court time was retention. He had seen the high turnover of coaches at other clubs including tennis clubs because they could not sustain a livelihood with limited court availability. This did not provide security for the coach. The same four coaches had been at the tennis club for years because it had allowed them the use of the courts. This provided them with an income to secure the basic necessities of life. Peter felt as a club we had a duty to look after them. Alastair

confirmed that after last year's AGM the committee had held a meeting with the coaches and sought their commitment to the club by explaining what it could provide for them. The only concern Alastair would be looking out for was the booking system being updated if coaches cancelled their lesson so that the court was released for other members. Alastair reassured the meeting he would always be seeking a two way relationship with the coaches. Jo took the opportunity to thank Andrew Cook for taking into account all members at the club when organising the tennis programme.

Yvonne Sadler had heard that the bar had sometimes been unmanned at events and that Andrew had been forced to step in. She felt there were enough bar volunteers to assist if there had been more communication. She assured the committee there were bar volunteers that could help at short notice. Liz pointed out there was a bar rota for the Sunday opening of the bar. Yvonne confirmed it had occurred at other planned events that required the bar.

Carole Chandler thanked all the volunteers involved with organising entertainment at the club. She would be happy to continue arranging the quiz evenings and felt the Summer and Christmas party could be manageable as well while the club had no Entertainment Secretary. She suggested that any other ideas come from the membership. This could then be organised individually and further support social events at the club. Alastair thanked Carole as the committee had discussed the popular social events at the club. He had hoped to continue these without a secretary and now felt this was possible. The Entertainment Secretary role would be discussed at the next committee meeting.

The Dennis Stafford award was then presented, by Alastair, to Alison and Gary Medhurst for their ongoing efforts and time towards the club this year. Andrew added to this by listing how Alison and Gary had organised catering around tennis events and social events, other behind the scenes needs and maintenance around the club. He thanked them himself for their commitment to the club.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.05pm.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT 2026

I am very pleased to be writing my Chairman's annual report of the AOSLTC Management Committee at the end of my 3rd year as Chairman.

Let me initially remind you all of our club VISION "Tennis for all" – our MISSION "To ensure we make AOSLTC tennis inclusive, accessible, enjoyable and welcoming" – our VALUES "inclusivity, integrity and excellence" as we as a committee endeavour to always use these in our club management and decision process.

Before I take you through my report of activities and achievements for the year I would like to acknowledge all the hard work and personal time given to the club, not only by the Management Committee members, but also by the many other volunteers. Without this level of volunteering we would not be able to run as smoothly and effectively as we do and be able to maintain such a high quality club and premises which is the envy of many other Sussex tennis clubs.

Our club is run under the guidelines and advice of the LTA and I can report again that we are currently fully up to date with these through our local policies and risk assessments. This includes completion of our annual Venue Registration, online LTA membership register, coaches accreditations/qualifications and Welfare Officer training.

Earlier this year I created a new position of Tennis Club Manager, with Andrew Cook taking on this role. The purpose was to consolidate the day-to-day running of the club under one hands-on leader, while also formally recognising the significant contribution Andrew was already making behind the scenes as our Head Coach and Club Professional. The role incorporates responsibility for premises management, providing greater oversight of both the club's operations and facilities. I would like to thank Andrew for embracing these repsonsibilities with energy, enthusiasm and professionalism, all to the benefit of the club. I would also like to thank the Management Committee for supporting this change and continuing to contribute to the efficient running and ongoing success of the club.

Our club membership base has again remained strong. At the end of the membership year in March 2026 we had 462 members which was a slight reduction on the previous year at the same time of 484. I can report that 393 people renewed their membership in April and this has grown now to 455 which appears to be a standard cycle for the club. Again, against the backdrop of the current economic situation, I feel this is still very pleasing. Next year's fees will of course take this into consideration while at the same time helping to finance our 10 year plan of spending to maintain and grow the quality of our club and premises.

The annual accounts for the financial year 2025/2026 highlighted the following main points

- A year of healthy profit before depreciation and operating profit

- A further reduction in overheads without a drop in quality and maintenance of facilities

- A general maintenance of our Cost of Tennis

Charles Whittaker has carried out an excellent job for us as Club Treasurer and the processes he has brought to the role have made the reporting and understanding of our financial position very simple. As I said at last year's AGM one of our main objectives for 2026/2027 was the creation of a credible 10 year plan which is now complete and within the pack.

Our bar operations have yet again proved a great success and continues to be the tremendous source of income for the club. I want to thank everybody who has put any time into the bar operations in the year and would encourage all members to take advantage of the facility we have which I know from visiting tennis teams is quite envied.

Our entertainment calendar has yet again been well supported, thanks to all involved. Our Summer and Christmas parties have as usual been well supported as have our Quiz and Chips evenings. A new addition of “The Last Friday of the Month” bar opening is proving to be a hit with members and hopefully we can continue with its popularity.

Moving on to tennis, I would firstly like to mention the great success that our renewal of Court 1 has been. With our newly surfaced artificial clay court we have 7 all year-round playable courts which is helping immensely with the demand for courts. There has been a very positive response to the court now that it has “bedded-in”. The courts were opened by Brian Lee in recognition of his invaluable service to the club over 40 years and a very successful “One Point” competition was held to christen the new surface.

All aspects of club tennis continue to be very busy. Our teams are competing regularly in their respective leagues and we continue to field 4 Men’s and 4 Ladies teams in both summer and winter leagues. Thanks here to Andrew and all of the club’s coaches for their hard work in helping to keep the level of quality and improvement of our tennis.

Achievements in tennis include:-

- We have players competing at county, regional, national and international level in both the junior and adult age categories

- Our Saturday Morning Junior Tennis has never been so busy with roughly 60-70 children attending each Saturday

- Our Men’s 1st team won their treble this year – Division 1 in the Summer & Winter Sussex Doubles Leagues as well as Division 1 in the Sussex National League (Singles/Doubles League) and we believe this is the first time this has been achieved by an Angmering team

Our club sponsors now total 6 and these are Wellesley, Honda Yeoman Worthing, Medicentre Sussex, Cloud 9 Contractors, Brennan & Chatterton Estates and Kreston Reeves.

Please consider utilising these businesses in response to their generosity and loyalty to our club.

I personally believe that due to some great planning, financing and maintenance, our club courts and premises are second to none.

- We have great courts now with our new Court 1 and plans for renewal of other courts embedded in our 10 year plan

- The surrounds to the courts and grounds are always kept to a very high standard and we will be completing our fencing programme soon

- Our upgraded clubhouse, bar and changing areas are fulfilling the expectations we had when renovations were planned and are a credit to our club

Now that we have what we set out to create for our club I urge you to utilise and support the club and help us all to maintain and improve the high standards we have set for ourselves.

I hope you all continue to enjoy your tennis.

ALASTAIR MCCUBBIN

TREASURER'S REPORT AND SUBMISSION OF ANNUAL ACCOUNTS

The accounts for 2025/26 are healthy with a profit before depreciation of £36,836 (budget was £36,055).

The budget for 2026/27 is set at £31,320 and we are on target to achieve that.

The first payment for Court 1, was made in this financial year, at completion it cost a total of £57,662 and will be depreciated over 15 years.

With the intention of resurfacing the remaining six courts over the next ten years, the club will need to continue to be careful with its expenditure to achieve this goal.

10-year Capital Programme

Capital need Apr to Mar	**26/27**	**27/28**	**28/29**	**29/30**	**30/31**	**31/32**	**32/33**	**33/34**	**34/35**	**35/36**
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Renew court 1	42,500	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Renew courts 2&3	0	0	0	0	0	0	70,000	0	0	0
Renew courts 4&5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	70,000	0
Renew courts 6&7	0	0	60,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Floodlighting Replacement	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fencing Replacement	3,500	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	2,500	5,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
	48,500	5,000	70,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	80,000	10,000	80,000	10,000

CHARLES WHITTAKER
(ACTING TREASURER)

	ANGMERING-ON-SEA LAWN TENNIS CLUB						
	Trading and Profit & Loss Account						
	Year Ended 31st March 2026						
			2026			**2025**	
	note	£	£		£	£	
Income				%age			%age
Subscriptions			111,636			101,330	
Tournaments			25			1,678	
Tennis Programmes			627			695	
Tennis Camps			868			604	
Visitors Fees			1,180			971	
ACTP			5,201			3,312	
Bar Trading	2		10,708			17,298	
Social Events			1,456			2,678	
Sundries			249			235	
Sponsorship			4,329			3,696	
Donations/Grants			635			2,043	
Bank Interest			2,052			1,074	
Total Income			**138,967**			**135,614**	
Cost of Tennis							
Tennis Organisers/Head Coach		18,295			19,196		
Adult & Coached Hosting		13,772			12,680		
Junior Hosting		11,203			10,728		
Tennis Balls		2,682			2,346		
Affiliation Subscriptions		1,471			980		
Total Cost of Tennis			**47,423**			**45,931**	
Gross Profit			**91,545**	**65.9**		**89,683**	**66.1**
Overheads							
Maintenance Courts/Grounds		2,029			7,052		
Maintenance Pavilion		2,774			6,454		
Cleaning Costs		9,825			11,803		
Admin Salaries & Pension	1	19,276			15,260		
Electricity & Water		7,174			10,054		
Telephone		1,816			3,353		
Print & Stationery		65			189		
Advertising & Publicity		105			185		
Rent & rates		5,467			3,362		
Insurance		3,748			4,050		
Solicitors fees		0			0		
Bank Charges		292			209		
Sundries		628			1,921		
Disallowed VAT		1,511					
Total Overheads			**54,709**	**39.4**		**63,892**	**47.1**
Profit before depreciation			**36,836**	**26.5**		**25,791**	**19.0**
Depreciation			18,908			18,698	
Operating Profit/(loss)			**17,928**	**12.9**		**7,093**	**5.2**
Transferred to Accumulated fund			**17,928**			**7,093**	

		ANGMERING-ON-SEA LAWN TENNIS CLUB					
		Balance Sheet with Reserve Funds					
		Year Ended 31st March 2026					
		2026			**2025**		
	note	Reserve Fund	General Fund		Reserve Fund	General Fund	
Fixed Assets							
Tangible Assets	4			262,795			256,287
Trophies				662			662
Current Assets							
Stocks			2,815			3,782	
Debtors & prepayments			1,398			0	
Cash at hand & in Bank	3	65,676	63,974		78,124	32,988	
			68,187			36,770	
Current liabilities							
Subscriptions in advance			61,102			58,678	
Creditors inc Vat & Paye			5,719			390	
			66,821			59,069	
Net current assets				**1,366**			**(22,299)**
Total Assets Less Liabilities		**65,676**		**264,823**	**78,124**		**234,650**
Accumulated Funds	B/Fwd	78,124		234,650	59,302		246,379
Tfers/Surplus (loss) in year		(12,448)		30,376	18,822		(11,729)
Accumulated Funds	C/Fwd	**65,676**		**265,026**	**78,124**		**234,650**

1, Staff numbers

The average number of employed people during the year was 2 (two).

2, Bar trading

Sales				23,536			29,821
Opening Stock			3,782			1,968	
Purchases			11,862			14,337	
Closing Stock			(2,815)			(3,782)	
Total materials consumed				12,828			12,523
Net Profit				**10,708**			**17,298**

3, Capital reserves

Capital Expenditure fund		65,676			78,124		
Total Capital Reserves		**65,676**			**78,124**		

ANGMERING-ON-SEA LAWN TENNIS CLUB

Balance Sheet Note to Accounts

Year Ended 31st March 2026

Fixed Assets

	net cost 31/03/2025	additions/ Disposals 2025/26	additions/ Disposals dep in yr	accumulated Depreciation	**N B V Balance 31/03/2026**
Pavilion	157,639	0	0	(7,288)	**150,351**
Courts	32,394	15,078	0	(7,235)	**40,238**
Fencing	992	9,677	0	(387)	**10,282**
Furniture & Equipment	2,553	0	0	(657)	**1,896**
Floodlighting	62,710	0	0	(3,342)	**59,368**
TOTALS	**256,287**	**24,755**	**0**	**(18,908)**	**262,133**

RESOLUTIONS 2026

There are no resolutions to be passed at this year’s AGM.

PROPOSED SUBSCRIPTIONS & JOINING FEES
1st April 2027 to 31st March 2028

SUBSCRIPTIONS	**Annual**	**Monthly**
Adult Playing Membership 31 and over	£420	£37.00
Adult Playing Coached Membership 31 and over	£420	£37.00
Intermediate Membership 19-30	£295	£25.85
Intermediate Coached Membership 19-30	£295	£25.85
Student Membership 19&over in full time education in county	£210	£18.45
Student Membership 19&over in full time education outside county	£168	£14.70
Junior Membership 11-18	£168	£14.70
Junior Membership 11-18 out of county	£125	£11.00
Mini 9 - 10	£140	£12.25
Mini 8 & under	£113	£10.00
Parent/Guardian of child 14 and under. Restricted to playing only with the child & before 6 pm weekdays plus weekends when courts are available.	£73	£6.60
Social Membership (non-playing) (inclusive of VAT)	£45	£4.75

All ages to be as at time of joining or renewal

- Subscriptions received after **1st April 2027** will incur a late payment fee of £20 per adult member and £10 per junior member.
- Any member who has not paid the correct fee or set up a standing order at **1st April 2027** will not be eligible to use the club facilities or represent the club in matches.

JOINING FEES

New members joining the Club are required to pay a joining fee:

Adult/Intermediate/Coached Member	£50
Parent/Guardian	£20*
Student/Junior Members	£20
Mini/Social	no charge
Maximum for family living in the same household and joining at the same time	£95

*If the Parent/Guardian later decides to join as an Adult Playing/Coached member, the joining fee at that time to be £30**.**

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