

2025/26 Treasurer's Report



GJFC - Financial Headlines - Season 25-26

- Income vs Expenditure shows a **deficit of (£104,282)**.
- This includes our commitment of **£125,000** made to the Guiseley School 4G project. This finalises our overall commitment to the project (which totalled £150,000), utilising funds built up over the last 10 years after careful stewardship. Excluding this spend the club made a surplus of £20,718.
- Cost pressures continue to be present in all forms of spend (pitches, courses, ref fees, etc.). However, we are keeping costs down where possible, with the help of managers in buying only what is needed, and minimising other costs (such as club fines!).
- Our **proposed membership fee for 26-27 is to remain at £170**. We believe with the facilities we now provide compared to just a few years ago, that we are arguably the best value club in the area.
- This membership fee translates to a cost of £4.47 per week to cover all training and match day facilities, equipment, league fees, ref fees, courses, tournaments, and anything else needed!!
- During the last five years, we have continued to increase training and match provision for all teams - with a greater number of weeks provided (now only excluding Christmas holidays and Easter weekend itself), improved facilities (more AWP) and pre-season as an option too.
- The completion of the facility at Guiseley School was clearly a significant milestone for the club and one which secured the long term future of the club.
- Having sufficient funds gives us flexibility as a club to invest when the opportunity arises and be able to commit to partners with confidence.

Expenditure

- Of all the money spent: -
 - 76% - facilities for training and matches
 - 10% - equipment to use
 - 5% - league fees
 - 4% - ref fees
 - 3% - courses for managers and DBS checks
 - 2% - tournaments (choice to support teams)
- Our current costs to run the club are just 0.2% - less than £500 in total - thanks to all our volunteer coaches and committee who help to run the club for free.
- Total spend on pitches/facilities has grown x2.5 times since season 19-20 (£111k vs £44k)
 - Night and day offering, e.g. Guiseley School for all ages (boys/girls); Benton Park for 9v9 and 7v7 boys (compared to poor grass pitches available from local authorities for these formats).
 - Yarnbury supports our 5v5, 7v7 and 9v9 girls offerings
 - Additional AWP provision to help our girls 11v11 format at multiple sites
 - Partnership with Ilkley Town enables provision at Ben Rhydding for training and matches (boys 7v7, 11v11)

Summary

A very good year for the club, and we remain well placed to invest as required. We have a couple of years to fully understand the developing picture in the area which would really unlock further growth in player numbers and further improve facilities for children in the local area over the longer term.