

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1041288

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2023
FOR
BRIDGNORTH DRY BAR TRUST

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BRIDGNORTH DRY BAR TRUST
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2023

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30th June 2023. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The objectives of the Trust, as stated in the governing document, are:

1. To benefit the inhabitants of Bridgnorth and the surrounding locality and in particular young persons by providing a venue for the sale and consumption of non-alcoholic drinks in which participants may develop their recreational and leisure-time activities and enjoyment thereby encouraging the maturity of young people and promoting the good health and well being of all inhabitants and promoting a temperate lifestyle.
2. The protection and preservation of good health by the provision of counselling on alcohol abuse to those persons who are addicted to or are most at risk of becoming addicted to or dependent upon alcohol
3. To advance the education of young people by providing training and experience in the arts

In pursuit of these objectives the trust leases a building in the centre of Bridgnorth, which it runs as The Bridge Youth Centre.

The Trust pursues its objectives by providing this high quality, safe centre to work from, a professional team of youth working staff and volunteers, and a supportive programme of activities.

Sessions for young people are run at the Bridge Youth Centre as follows:

Tuesday@thebridge 6.30pm - 8.00pm for years 6 - 8

Friday@thebridge 5.30pm - 9.30pm for years 7 - 13

Our sessions include the full use of our two storey facility which has a Café, a Disco venue, a computer suite, an activity garden, and a games room with pool table and air hockey table. Depending upon the aim of any particular session we are able to provide catering and cooking workshops, a crafts programme, indoor and outdoor sport, as well as board games and consoles. In addition the trust runs a programme of outings and other activities outside the centre for young people who attend The Bridge. In July 2022 and December 2022 the trust also ran a HAF (Health, Activity and Food) Programme sponsored by Shropshire Council.

As part of the trust's objective of helping young people to grow in maturity we also run a volunteering programme which gives the young people an opportunity to begin to give back to their community. Volunteers learn a range of skills and have an opportunity to develop those skills in small group leading, craft, cooking, games leading, money handling, etc. Most young volunteers are with us for three months and will volunteer for forty hours, while others stay on for much longer.

In addition to the general support provided to young people during sessions, where possible the Trust also provides one-to-one mentoring support for young people who have particular needs. These young people may be attendees of The Bridge, or maybe referred to us by the local schools or by their parents.

The Bridge Curriculum

The following areas serve as the curriculum framework that young people attending from year 6 to year 13 will have access to through a range of sessions, trips, mentoring relationships and young volunteering.

Above all the principle worked to is that young people are on an individual journey and so work will be done one to one to gauge where the programme should focus within the curriculum framework.

The four key outcomes sought are that each young person should become:

- Secure
- Successful
- Proactive

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Independent

Areas of Work

Young people will move forward in each of the four outcomes through engaging in the following

Activity	Youth led activity programme Fun Challenge
Targeted Discussions	Sexuality Diversity Drugs Alcohol Relationships Beliefs Reflective Practice Attitudes Time Money CV preparation
Being Mentored	Help and support Targeted projects Access to relevant services School referral
Learning to lead	Run activities Organise areas of The Bridge Develop areas of The Bridge Cook for peer group Put on events/activities for peer group Volunteer in younger clubs
Learning to give	Volunteering Put on events/activities for peer group Fund raising

Benefits to young people

Our aim is to help young people to progress through experience in the above 'areas of work' in a safe and supportive environment. In this way young people will benefit in the following areas:

- Confidence
- Practical skills
- Freedom to express themselves
- Experience of volunteering
- Experience of leadership
- Access to more opportunities
- A deeper understanding of themselves and the world around them

Some statistics for the year to July 2023

159 Individual young people attended The Bridge
18 young people took part in the Young Volunteers Programme
5 young people were mentored in education

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FINANCIAL REVIEW

The Trust is entirely dependent upon the generosity of local individuals, businesses and trusts to maintain its activities. In addition it seeks grants from local authorities and other grant making bodies where possible. Donations were received during the year from: Lowe & Fletcher, Libra Systems, Torchbearers Trust, Edspin and several generous individuals. Grants were also received from Shropshire Council (for the HAF programme).

The agreement with the Bridgnorth Youth and Schools Project to provide part-time management and staffing of the Bridge Youth Centre has been a flexible one which allows the Trust to pay as much as it can towards the true cost, currently £14,000 per annum.

The level of contribution which the Trust is able to make is dependent upon the success of its fund raising activities and in the year reported on the Trust was only able to make a full contribution of £14,000.

The close cooperation and shared management between the Trust and the Bridgnorth Youth and Schools Project has been very effective in terms of the coordinated delivery of services to young people in the town and area. However, for a variety of reasons, the trustees have decided to resume full responsibility for the management of the Bridge programme so the arrangement with Bridgnorth Youth and Schools Project is being terminated at the end of 2023. Suitable staffing provision will be made to make this possible.

Reserves Policy

Funds are given to the Trust in the expectation that they will be used for the objectives of the Trust during the year in which they are given, so the trustees do not feel it appropriate to seek to build up any significant level of reserves. As a result any balances are held in current or deposit bank accounts.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing Document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust dated 13th September 1994, and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

Appointment of new trustees

Appointment of trustees is governed by the trust deed of the charity. The trustees are authorised to appoint new trustees and to fill vacancies arising throughout the period by resolution.

Trust Organisation

The trustees normally meet three times each year to review the activities of the trust and to agree plans for the future. In exercising their powers and duties the trustees have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission.

Under an agreement which commenced in September 2013 the day-to-day management of the Bridge Youth Centre and the running of the Centre's programme are provided by the Bridgnorth Youth and Schools Project, which provides a part-time manager and a part-time assistant manager to run the Centre. Additional session workers are employed to assist with the session programme and a team of volunteers provide additional staffing for each session.

Trustee Induction and Training

New trustees are given an induction to the role of trustee and the workings of the Trust through discussion and reference to relevant documents, as follows:

1. The role and responsibilities of a trustee - by reference to the relevant Charity Commission publications
2. The Trust Deed - a copy of the trust deed is provided to each new trustee
3. Current Financial Position - through availability of the latest published accounts, together with subsequent management accounts for the current year
4. Future plans and objectives are discussed before appointment and at each trustees meeting

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Risk Management

The trustees are responsible for the management of risks faced by the charity. Risks are identified, assessed and controls established as necessary. Written policies are maintained for all key aspects of the trust's activities, including:

- Child Protection
- Health & Safety
- Youth Centre Risk Assessment
- Fire
- Volunteering
- Equal Opportunities
- Confidentiality
- Code of Conduct
- Transport
- Anti-Bullying
- Staff/Volunteer Grievance
- Smoking/E-Cigarettes
- Alcohol
- Money
- Media
- Relationships

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

1041288

Principal address

52a Whitburn Street
Bridgnorth
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Trustees

Mrs R Jennings
Mr R Cookson
Mr M Gibbons
Mr K Bowley

Independent Examiner

Mrs A Hill FCA
Stanton Ralph & Co Limited
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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 27/3/24 and signed on its behalf by:



Mr K Bowley - Trustee

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
BRIDGNORTH DRY BAR TRUST

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Bridgnorth Dry Bar Trust

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Bridgnorth Dry Bar Trust (the Trust) for the year ended 30th June 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under Section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by Section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Mrs A Hill FCA

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Date: 20/3/24

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	30.6.23 Total funds £	30.6.22 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		40,666	-	40,666	37,062
Other trading activities	2	235	-	235	757
Other income		5,378	-	5,378	4,720
Total		<u>46,279</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>46,279</u>	<u>42,539</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds	3	45,987	-	45,987	43,151
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		292	-	292	(612)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		9,131	-	9,131	9,743
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u>9,423</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,423</u>	<u>9,131</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

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BALANCE SHEET
30TH JUNE 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	30.6.23 Total funds £	30.6.22 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	6	3,610	-	3,610	5,117
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	7	1,746	-	1,746	1,575
Cash at bank and in hand		4,360	-	4,360	2,980
		<u>6,106</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,106</u>	<u>4,555</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	8	(293)	-	(293)	(541)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>5,813</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,813</u>	<u>4,014</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>9,423</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,423</u>	<u>9,131</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>9,423</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,423</u>	<u>9,131</u>
FUNDS	9				
Unrestricted funds				<u>9,423</u>	<u>9,131</u>
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>9,423</u>	<u>9,131</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 27/3/24 and were signed on its behalf by:


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Mr K Bowley - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2023

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The accounts have been prepared in sterling (£).

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Equipment - 20% on cost

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	30.6.23	30.6.22
	£	£
Fundraising events	235	757
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3. RAISING FUNDS

Raising donations and legacies

	30.6.23	30.6.22
	£	£
Food	2,606	1,674
Drink	-	469
Support costs	43,381	41,008
	<u>45,987</u>	<u>43,151</u>

4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 30th June 2023 nor for the year ended 30th June 2022.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 30th June 2023 nor for the year ended 30th June 2022.

5. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	37,062	-	37,062
Other trading activities	757	-	757
Other income	4,720	-	4,720
	<u>42,539</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>42,539</u>
Total			
	<u>42,539</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>42,539</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	43,151	-	43,151
	<u>43,151</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>43,151</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(612)	-	(612)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	9,743	-	9,743
	<u>9,743</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,743</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>9,131</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,131</u>

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6. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Premises alteration costs £	Equipment £	Totals £
COST			
At 1st July 2022	19,947	24,295	44,242
Additions	-	216	216
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At 30th June 2023	19,947	24,511	44,458
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DEPRECIATION			
At 1st July 2022	19,947	19,178	39,125
Charge for year	-	1,723	1,723
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At 30th June 2023	19,947	20,901	40,848
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NET BOOK VALUE			
At 30th June 2023	-	3,610	3,610
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At 30th June 2022	-	5,117	5,117
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7. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	30.6.23 £	30.6.22 £
Prepayments	1,746	1,575
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8. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	30.6.23 £	30.6.22 £
Accrued expenses	293	541
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9. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.7.22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 30.6.23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	9,131	292	9,423
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TOTAL FUNDS	9,131	292	9,423
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Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	46,279	(45,987)	292
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TOTAL FUNDS	46,279	(45,987)	292
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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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9. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.7.21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 30.6.22 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	9,743	(612)	9,131
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>9,743</u>	<u>(612)</u>	<u>9,131</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	42,539	(43,151)	(612)
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>42,539</u>	<u>(43,151)</u>	<u>(612)</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.7.21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 30.6.23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	9,743	(320)	9,423
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>9,743</u>	<u>(320)</u>	<u>9,423</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	88,818	(89,138)	(320)
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>88,818</u>	<u>(89,138)</u>	<u>(320)</u>

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10. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 30th June 2023.

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2023

	30.6.23 £	30.6.22 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	19,307	25,818
Grants	14,935	8,705
Sales	3,761	1,772
Fund raising	2,663	767
	<u>40,666</u>	<u>37,062</u>
Other trading activities		
Fundraising events	235	757
Other income		
Rent recovered	5,378	4,720
	<u>46,279</u>	<u>42,539</u>
Total incoming resources		
EXPENDITURE		
Raising donations and legacies		
Food	2,606	1,674
Drink	-	469
	<u>2,606</u>	<u>2,143</u>
Support costs		
Management		
Wages	10,860	11,448
Rent	6,000	6,000
Insurance	1,091	1,038
Heat, light and water	3,472	3,062
Telephone and stationery	227	297
Sundries	200	126
Kitchen consumables/cleaning	1,537	1,369
Repairs and maintenance	1,485	2,993
Training	360	-
Licences	521	440
Bridgnorth YSP - for Management Services	14,000	8,000
Travel	86	260
Session materials etc	892	1,660
Events and gigs	927	3,028
Equipment	1,723	1,287
	<u>43,381</u>	<u>41,008</u>
Total resources expended	<u>45,987</u>	<u>43,151</u>
Net income/(expenditure)	<u>292</u>	<u>(612)</u>

This page does not form part of the statutory financial statements