

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1041288

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2024
FOR
BRIDGNORTH DRY BAR TRUST

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BRIDGNORTH DRY BAR TRUST
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2024

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30th June 2024. 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 & 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 7.00pm - 9.30pm for years 7 - 13

Our sessions include the full use of our two story 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.

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
- Independent

Areas of Work

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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 Organize 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

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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 or grants were received during this reporting year from: Libra Systems, Lowe & Fletcher, Hall Garth Charitable Settlement, Torchbearers Trust, Bridgnorth Town Council, St Leonards Weaver Charity, and several generous individuals.

The agreement with the Bridgnorth Youth and Schools Project to provide part-time management and staffing of the Bridge Youth Centre came to an end in December 2023 and a further session worker was employed instead.

In December 2023 the Trust took part in the national Big Give fund-raising campaign which was very successful, raising £12000 to help secure the future of the Bridge. As a result the reserves of the Trust have increased at this year end.

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 substantial 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 has been provided by the Bridgnorth Youth and Schools Project, which provided a part-time manager and a part-time assistant manager to run the Centre. From January 2024 the management of the programme reverted to the Bridge's own staff and the trustees. An additional session worker has been 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 7th April 2025 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 2024.

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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7th April 2025

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	30.6.24 Total funds £	30.6.23 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		31,139	410	31,549	40,666
Other trading activities	2	101	-	101	235
Investment income	3	68	-	68	-
Other income		5,740	-	5,740	5,378
Total		<u>37,048</u>	<u>410</u>	<u>37,458</u>	<u>46,279</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds	4	29,080	410	29,490	45,987
NET INCOME		<u>7,968</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,968</u>	<u>292</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		9,423	-	9,423	9,131
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>17,391</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>17,391</u></u>	<u><u>9,423</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

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BALANCE SHEET
30TH JUNE 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	30.6.24 Total funds £	30.6.23 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	7	2,710	3,692	6,402	3,610
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	8	1,947	-	1,947	1,746
Cash at bank and in hand		12,734	-	12,734	4,360
		14,681	-	14,681	6,106
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	9	-	(3,692)	(3,692)	(293)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		14,681	(3,692)	10,989	5,813
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		17,391	-	17,391	9,423
NET ASSETS		17,391	-	17,391	9,423
FUNDS	10				
Unrestricted funds				17,391	9,423
TOTAL FUNDS				17,391	9,423

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 7th April 2025 and were signed on its behalf by:

Keith Bowley

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 2024**

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.

Premises alteration costs	- 10% on cost
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.

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charity's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

Average number of employees

The average number of employees during the year was 2 (2023 - 1).

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2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	30.6.24	30.6.23
	£	£
Fundraising events	101	235
	<u>101</u>	<u>235</u>

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	30.6.24	30.6.23
	£	£
Interest received	68	-
	<u>68</u>	<u>-</u>

4. RAISING FUNDS

Raising donations and legacies

	30.6.24	30.6.23
	£	£
Food	2,161	2,606
Support costs	27,329	43,381
	<u>29,490</u>	<u>45,987</u>

5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 30th June 2024 nor for the year ended 30th June 2023.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 30th June 2024 nor for the year ended 30th June 2023.

6. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	40,666	-	40,666
Other trading activities	235	-	235
Other income	5,378	-	5,378
Total	<u>46,279</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>46,279</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	45,987	-	45,987
NET INCOME	292	-	292
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	9,131	-	9,131

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6. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>9,423</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,423</u>

7. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Premises alteration costs £	Equipment £	Totals £
COST			
At 1st July 2023	19,947	24,511	44,458
Additions	<u>4,102</u>	<u>722</u>	<u>4,824</u>
At 30th June 2024	<u>24,049</u>	<u>25,233</u>	<u>49,282</u>
DEPRECIATION			
At 1st July 2023	19,947	20,901	40,848
Charge for year	<u>410</u>	<u>1,622</u>	<u>2,032</u>
At 30th June 2024	<u>20,357</u>	<u>22,523</u>	<u>42,880</u>
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 30th June 2024	<u>3,692</u>	<u>2,710</u>	<u>6,402</u>
At 30th June 2023	<u>-</u>	<u>3,610</u>	<u>3,610</u>

8. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	30.6.24	30.6.23
	£	£
Prepayments	<u>1,947</u>	<u>1,746</u>

9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	30.6.24	30.6.23
	£	£
Accrued expenses	-	293
Deferred income	<u>3,692</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>3,692</u>	<u>293</u>

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10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.7.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 30.6.24 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	9,423	7,968	17,391
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>9,423</u>	<u>7,968</u>	<u>17,391</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	37,048	(29,080)	7,968
Restricted funds			
Restricted	410	(410)	-
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>37,458</u>	<u>(29,490)</u>	<u>7,968</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.7.22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 30.6.23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	9,131	292	9,423
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>9,131</u>	<u>292</u>	<u>9,423</u>

Comparative 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
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>46,279</u>	<u>(45,987)</u>	<u>292</u>

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10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	At 1.7.22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 30.6.24 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	9,131	8,260	17,391
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>9,131</u>	<u>8,260</u>	<u>17,391</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	83,327	(75,067)	8,260
Restricted funds			
Restricted	410	(410)	-
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>83,737</u>	<u>(75,477)</u>	<u>8,260</u>

11. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 30th June 2024.

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2024

	30.6.24 £	30.6.23 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	26,630	19,307
Grants	2,558	14,935
Sales	2,361	3,761
Fund raising	-	2,663
	<hr/> 31,549	<hr/> 40,666
Other trading activities		
Fundraising events	101	235
Investment income		
Interest received	68	-
Other income		
Rent recovered	5,740	5,378
	<hr/> 37,458	<hr/> 46,279
Total incoming resources		
EXPENDITURE		
Raising donations and legacies		
Food	2,161	2,606
Support costs		
Management		
Wages	9,902	10,860
Pensions	135	-
Rent	4,500	6,000
Insurance	1,239	1,091
Heat, light and water	3,727	3,472
Telephone and stationery	87	227
Sundries	504	200
Kitchen consumables/cleaning	1,438	1,537
Repairs and maintenance	653	1,485
Training	241	360
Licences	843	521
Bridgnorth YSP - for Management Services	1,000	14,000
Travel	42	86
Session materials etc	754	892
Events and gigs	232	927
Equipment	2,032	1,723
	<hr/> 27,329	<hr/> 43,381
Total resources expended	<hr/> 29,490	<hr/> 45,987
Net income	<hr/> <hr/> 7,968	<hr/> <hr/> 292

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