

Chair Annual Report

*Year ending- 30th April
2022*



Charity No: 1046862

www.cynonvalleypals.co.uk

email: cynonvalleypals@aol.com

Status

The organisation is a registered charity which registered 5th June 1995 and is governed by a constitution. Under the rules of the constitution the members of the management committee are elected at the AGM.

Management Committee 2021 - 2022

Miss Lisa Walstow- Chairperson

Miss Lowri Matthews – Vice Chair

Mrs Rebecca Shrubbs- Treasurer

Mrs Faye Matthews - Secretary

Mr Paul Shrubbs

Miss Rhian Smith

Mrs Rebecca Lydon

Mrs Hayley Vardon- Development Officer

Mrs Ailsa Reynolds has resigned from the Management Committee.

Principle Address

3, Hillcrest Avenue, Aberaman, Aberdare, CF44 6YH

The Management Committee present it's report and financial statements for the year ending
30th April 2022

For the third year running our programme was disrupted due to Covid 19. However, we were able to run an almost full year of activities.

May Half Term began with a Pizzeria Fakeaway with Cooking Together. Continuing the food theme we planted and grew our own strawberries. We also took part in a birthday challenge where our children had to count their steps to see if we could reach 26 miles, one for every year that Cynon Valley PALS has been running.

For our Summer Playscheme we tried to keep to similar activities on the same day each week in order to give the children a sense of routine. We offered family swim sessions at Lido Ponty, Mini Olympics at Ron Jones Stadium, sessions at Dragon's Den, Trago Playzone and Vertigo Trampoline Park. We ran a trip to Folly Farm. We also visited Abercynon Community Gardens and Daerwynno Outdoor Centre. We had an exclusive session in the new Splash Pad at Aberdare Park.

In September we held a Ziping for PALS fundraiser at Zip World Tower. We went surfing at Caswell Bay with Surfability through September and October.

During October Half Term we did a cooking session with Cooking Together which was very popular. We had our regular session at Dragons Den. We visited Parc Play in Cardiff and Trago Playzone.

With Covid cases again rising, our Christmas activities were again disrupted. We started off with a visit to Santa's Toy Mine. We had breakfast with Santa at Brewers Fayre, Aberaman and a Christmas Party at Dragon's Den. We took part in a Christmas Cook along with Cooking Together. We held our annual trip to the pantomime at New Theatre, Cardiff. Unfortunately, due to covid restrictions our trip to see Beauty and the Beast at Wales Millennium Centre was cancelled. Due to donations and funding we were able to gift advent calendars, gift vouchers, toys, games and sensory items and Christmas toys to the children.

In January we began our monthly Family Food and Craft evenings at Takitas. In February half term we enjoyed cooking with Cooking Together. We visited Daerwynno for outdoor activities and enjoyed our regular Dragons Den session.

During the Easter holidays we were able to resume our popular swimming sessions at Sobell Leisure Centre. We visited Parc Play Daerwynno and Dragons Den. We enjoyed another surfing session at Caswell Bay. We also had our first exclusive visit to Plantasia in Swansea.

Fundraising

Nos Galan - £2923

Choc Free February - £1644

Zippering for PALS - £3137

One Lottery – £871.32

Bonus Ball – £429

Amazon Smile - £5

Raffles - £392.96

Grants

Arnold Clark - £1000

Summer of Fun - £2603.75

Winter Wellbeing - £5649.70

Sydney Albert Fund - £250

Donations

Maes Gwyn - £300

Darrenlas - £110

Rhian Clark - £50

Future Strategy

We continue to evaluate the services that we provide to our families and are always looking for new ways to meet the needs of the children and the families we support. Focus for next year will be to find new ways of working and supporting families, taking in to account the cost of living crisis. We need more committee members to help out.

Risk Review

The management committee has conducted its own review of the major risks to which the charity is exposed and has set out plans to minimize these risks.

Risk 1- The charity's current committee is small in number

- Adverts for additional committee members will be arranged.
- Training for all committee members to be arranged.

Risk 2- We need more people to help put at and lead in person activities

- Adverts for playscheme volunteers will be arranged.
- Training for all volunteers to be arranged.

Risk 3- Financial stability

- although PALS have a good amount of money in the accounts a lot of this is protected and can only be used for specific spending, mainly food deliveries.
 - fundraising is proving more difficult in the current climate and while grants to provide support during lockdown have been numerous, these are no longer being offered and the number of grants available for running costs have dramatically decreased
- continue to apply for grants as they are available
- implement new ideas for fundraising including monthly raffles, fundraising events

Financial Review

The attached accounts were presented by the treasurer. A review of financial practise was carried out.

Policies Review

A review of all current policies was carried out.

Responsibilities of the Management Committee

The Charity Commission required the Management Committee to prepare financial statements for each financial year. They must ensure that the accounts are prepared and formally approve them, along with the annual report.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP)- Accounting and Reporting by Charity, and has been approved by the Management Committee on October 18th 2022, signed on its behalf by;

Lisa Walstow (Chair)

Cynon Valley PALS

Final Accounts 2021 – 2022

INCOME	
Parent Contributions	£6807.00
Bonus Ball	£710.00
Fundraising	£8158.64
Donations	£680.01
Grants	£9503.45
One Lottery	£871.32
Refunds In	£925.25
Interest	£2.12
TOTAL INCOME	£27,657.79
EXPENDITURE	
Playscheme Activities	£14298.73
Administration	£314.19
Refunds Out	£240.00
Trips	£4172.45
Development Officer	£3200.00
Family Support	£3772.03
Fundraising Expenses	£829.00
Miscellaneous	£513.01
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	£27,339.41

