

THE DOUGLAS CENTRE TRUST

England & Wales · Charity number 1047038

Details

Other names	THE CORNERHOUSE
Status	Registered
Legal form	Charitable company
Company number	03057887
Registered	1995-06-08
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

Address	Community Arts Centre The Cornerhouse 116 Douglas Road Surbiton Surrey KT6 7SB
Phone	0000 000 0000
Email	info@thecornerhouse.org
Website	http://www.thecornerhouse.org

Activities

Objects: TO PROMOTE, MAINTAIN, IMPROVE AND ADVANCE EDUCATION PARTICULARLY BY THE ENCOURAGEMENT OF THE ARTS INCLUDING THE ARTS OF DRAMA, MIME, OPERA, MUSIC, SINGING, DANCE, LITERATURE, BALLET, SCULPTURE, DRAWING AND PAINTING.

Activities: Operates the corner house, a community arts centre.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** Education/training, Arts/culture/heritage/science
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** NOT DEFINED ,IN PRACTICE SURRY,GREATER LONDON
- Kingston Upon Thames
- Surrey

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£70,850	£32,176	-	-
2023-12-31	£71,154	£45,942	-	-
2022-12-31	£57,491	£32,259	-	-
2021-12-31	£22,369	£27,030	-	-
2020-12-31	£36,078	£21,302	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
JEREMY THORN	Chair	2012-01-18
BARBARA JANE THORN		
IAN ROBERT DAVIES		
Joan Matilda Scriven		2013-09-01
MR ANDREW JAMES KEANE		
PHILLIP JOHN COOPER		

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THE DOUGLAS CENTRE TRUST

REPORT AND ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

Charity Registration Number 1047038

Company Registration Number 3057887

Douglas Centre Trust

Trustees' Report for the year ended 31/12/2024

The Trustees present their report and accounts for the year ended 31/12/2024

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Review of Activities:

The activities of the Trust are described in full in the Chairman's report.

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Reporting accountant – Tim Lucas

10 Presbury Road

New Malden

KT3 5AH

Review of the Financial Position

Asset Cover for Funds

The Trust's assets are held as short-term bank deposits. These are sufficient to meet the trust's immediate obligations.

Reserves Policy and Risk Management

The Trust reviews its reserves and risk policies routinely as part of its management of the Charity's operations.

The Trust identifies the biggest risk to its activities as the withdrawal of the virtually free premises. To address this, it continues to negotiate the agreement with the Parochial Council which sets out the non-commercial nature of the provision of the premises. The other significant risk is an interruption to day-to-day activities which would impact on income whilst requiring continued meeting of outgoings. The Trust considers that it needs to be able to meet these outgoings for a period of at least six months to enable it to manage such crisis. The experience of the pandemic reinforced our view that this was a sensible course. It therefore will continue to reserve £12,000 to meet basic cost commitments for six months.

TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES IN RELATION TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

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SMALL COMPANY PROVISION

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to companies subject to the small companies regime within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

Approved by the Trustees on _____ and _____

Signed on its behalf by _____

Douglas Centre Trust
Chair's Report for 2024

2024 saw a continuance of the process I reported on last year and the year before the gradual reduction in the impact of the COVID pandemic. Income finally surpassed pre-COVID levels and audience numbers have now surpassed those of 2018 and 2019. Fuel costs remain a challenge. Expenditure increased substantially, focusing on maintaining the building, investing in new equipment to improve standards, efficiency and resilience, including improved heating, LED lighting and gantry equipment. Almost all of this work was carried out by volunteers, including an encouraging number of new people. Our reserves have continued to rise, putting us in a strong position to meet future needs in maintenance, investment, emergency resources for unexpected events and meeting the growing needs of the local community. 2024's Panto, a key element in our income, had good audience numbers. Other in-house activity produced positive results.

We now intend to invest in infrastructure as a key priority. There was an expansion in our visual arts work and the trend of bringing in children and families for events, aimed specifically at them, continued. Once again, we participated in the Surbiton Literary Festival and Black History month events.

A wide range of regular hirers represented local schools, colleges and charities. The diverse nature of the community was also reflected in attendees at the film club and in our Singalong initiative for sufferers of dementia and their supporters. Comedy featuring locally and nationally known performers was again an important part of our offering. Poetry, both through our own poetry group and from visiting poets, including Roger McGough, was a strong feature. Folk music continued to expand and to draw large audiences.

All in all it was a highly successful year.

We are now embarking on a number of changes to management and governance structures. Once again we owe a debt of gratitude to our willing and resourceful volunteers, to our generous landlords, St Matthews Church, to our inspector of accounts, Tim Lucas and to our outgoing Treasurer, David Itcovitz.

Jeremy Thorn

Chair of Trustees

April 2025



Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/directors/members of The Douglas Centre Trust

On accounts for the year ended 31/12/2024

Charity no.:	1047038	Company no.:	3057887
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I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31/12/2024.

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Independent examiner's statement I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that:

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- the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS102).

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.

Signed: T. Lucas **Date:** 27/06/2025

Name: Timothy Lucas

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):

ACA

Address:

10 Presburg Road, New Malden, Surrey. KT3 5AH

Section B

Disclosure

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Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

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Consolidated Statement of Financial Activities
For the Year ended 31 December 2024

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
INCOME				
Box Office	28,046	0	28,046	16,328
Hire	22,033	0	22,033	20,196
Donations & Fund Raising	660	0	660	0
Bank Interest	2,583	0	2,583	1,442
Bar Takings	33,875	0	33,875	27,187
Miscellaneous Income	0	0	0	0
Grants	0	0	0	6,000
Gross Incoming Resources	87,197	0	87,197	71,154
Less Cost of Goods Sold - Bar Supplies	(16,347)	0	(16,347)	(14,182)
Net Incoming Resources	70,850	0	70,850	56,972
EXPENDITURE				
Utilities	10,076	0	10,076	10,203
Cleaning	2,218	0	2,218	2,103
Maintenance & Sundries	2,632	0	2,632	1,428
Electrical Work	2,315	0	2,315	483
New Equipment	6,750	0	6,750	5,422
Production Props & Costs	1,345	0	1,345	1,199
Insurance	2,336	0	2,336	4,151
Licences	604	0	604	1,024
Photocopier	213	0	213	288
Volunteer Expenses	2,359	0	2,359	1,594
IT & Website	1,897	0	1,897	936
Office and Accounts Supplies	15	0	15	0
Marketing and Publicity	3,707	0	3,707	1,981
Inhouse Performance Costs	772	0	772	366
Charcomm, Comp House & Audit	139	0	139	408
Medical Training	1,215	0	1,215	0
Warm Hub Spending	0	0	0	175
Donations	35	0	35	0
Long Term Liability Write offs	(6,452)	0	(6,452)	0
Total Resources Expended	32,176	0	32,176	31,760
Net Income	38,674	0	38,674	25,212
Net Movement in Funds	38,674	0	38,674	25,212
Fund Balances brought forward from 2023	135,984	0	135,984	110,772
Fund Balances carried forward 2024	174,658	0	174,658	135,984

THE DOUGLAS CENTRE TRUST

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

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Resources expended are included in the Statement of Financial Activities on an accruals basis.

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Approved by the Trustees on 19/4/2024 and

Signed on its behalf by JEREMY THORN

J J Thorn

Trustee


21/8/2024

Douglas Centre Trust
Chair's Report for 2023

2023 saw a continuance of the process that I reported on last year; the gradual reduction of the impact of the COVID pandemic. Income finally exceeded pre-COVID levels and audience numbers got very much closer to those experienced in 2018 and 2019. Fuel costs remained a challenge. Expenditure increased substantially, focussing on maintaining the building, investing in new equipment to increase standards, efficiency and resilience, including improved heating, LED lighting and gantry equipment. Almost all this work was carried out by volunteers, including an encouraging number of new people.

Our reserves rose, putting us in a strong position to meet our future needs of maintenance, investment, emergency resources for unexpected events and meeting the growing needs of the local community. 2023's panto, a key element in our income, had good audience numbers (although a pattern of late booking seems to have stayed with our patrons).

There was an expansion in our visual arts work and the trend of bringing in children and families though events aimed specifically at them continued. Once again, we hosted the Surbiton Literary Festival and Black History events. We participated in the "Warm Hub" initiative, which was a new venture for us.

A wide range of regular hirers represented local schools, colleges and charities. The diverse nature of the community was also reflected in attendees to the film club and in our Singalong initiative for sufferers from dementia and their supporters.

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All in all, it was a successful year.

Once again, we owe a debt of gratitude to our willing and resourceful volunteers, to our generous landlords St Matthew's Church and to our inspectors of accounts, *****

Jeremy Thorn, Chair of Trustees,

April 2024



Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/directors/members of

The Douglas Centre Trust

On accounts for the year ended

31/12/2023

Charity no.: 1047038 Company no.: 3057887

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Signed: T. Lucas

Date: 22/08/2024

Name: Timothy Lucas

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THE DOUGLAS CENTRE TRUST
THE CORNERHOUSE

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023

	2023	2022
	£	£
FIXED ASSETS:	0	0
CURRENT ASSETS:		
Stocks	1,437	1,051
Debtors	0	606
Cash at Bank and in Hand	141,939	122,525
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	143,376	124,182
Current Liabilities	(1,746)	(7,764)
NET CURRENT ASSETS	141,630	116,418
Other Liabilities		
British Gas Refund Held in Reserve	(2,246)	(2,246)
Creditors amounts falling due within one year	(3,400)	(3,400)
NET ASSETS	135,984	110,772
Unrestricted Funds	135,984	110,772
TOTAL FUNDS	135,984	110,772

The trustees are satisfied that the company is entitled to exemption under section 477(1) of the Companies Act 2006 and that no member or members have requested an audit pursuant to section 476 of the Act.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and for the preparation of accounts.

The company's annual accounts have been prepared in accordance with special provisions relating to companies subject to the small companies regime within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

Approved by the Board on

19/4/2024

and

Signed on its behalf by

JEREMY THORN

JJ Thorn

) Director

Company Number: 3057887

24/8/2024

THE DOUGLAS CENTRE TRUST
THE CORNERHOUSE
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE
For the Year ended 31 December 2023

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
<u>INCOMING RESOURCES</u>				
Box Office	16,328	0	16,328	16,474
Hire	20,196	0	20,196	15,913
Donations & Fund Raising	0	0	0	223
Bank Interest	1,442	0	1,442	193
Bar Takings	27,187	0	27,187	24,663
Miscellaneous Income	0	0	0	25
Grants	6,000	0	6,000	0
Total Incoming Resources	71,154	0	71,154	57,491
Cost of Goods Sold - Bar Supplies	(14,182)	0	(14,182)	(10,958)
Net Incoming Resources	56,972	0	56,972	46,533
<u>RESOURCES EXPENDED</u>				
Utilities	10,203	0	10,203	7,914
Cleaning	2,103	0	2,103	1,151
Maintenance & Sundries	1,428	0	1,428	598
Electrical Work	483	0	483	947
New Equipment	5,422	0	5,422	1,396
Production Props & Costs	1,199	0	1,199	801
Insurance	4,151	0	4,151	3,810
Licences	1,024	0	1,024	563
Photocopier	288	0	288	75
Volunteer Expenses	1,594	0	1,594	1,700
IT & Website	936	0	936	1,328
Office and Accounts Supplies	0	0	0	102
Publicity	481	0	481	0
Panto Costs	366	0	366	630
One Acts	0	0	0	136
Box Office Split	0	0	0	87
Props and Production Costs	0	0	0	50
Charcomm, Comp House & Audit	408	0	408	13
Marketing	1,500	0	1,500	0
Warm Hub Spending	175	0	175	0
Total Resources Expended	31,760	0	31,760	21,301
Net Income	25,212	0	25,212	25,232
Net Movement in Funds	25,212	0	25,212	25,232
Fund Balances brought forward from 2022	110,772	0	110,772	85,540
Fund Balances carried forward 2023	135,984	0	135,984	110,772

THE DOUGLAS CENTRE TRUST

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J J Thorn



Trustee

Douglas Centre Trust

Chair's Report for 2022

2022 was the year when we finally began to return to some sort of normality as most of the COVID-related restrictions receded. Income from regular hire and audience numbers both returned to something like 2019 levels. Rising energy costs as a result of war in Ukraine, however, posed a major new threat to our solvency. We took steps to control costs, postponing high cost projects and investing in new technology, for instance in controlling heating from off site. Volunteers contributed hugely to this process, introducing improved access to the gantry, carrying out PAT testing, and setting up the HIVE system.

We saw improvements in our reserve finances, but held back from most large project expenditure because of the uncertain situation.

We started the year with a highly successful panto, albeit with reduced audience numbers (to maintain social distancing). Later in the year the One Acts festival involved local actors, directors and writers.

We continued to develop the visual arts and an expanding range of varied activities, bringing children to the centre for the "Rewilding day", for instance, and working with Regency Books on the Surbiton Literary Festival. Black History month was celebrated in poetry and song.

A wide range of visiting companies came to us, including youth theatre groups and innovative touring shows. Comedy was well represented by Whole Lotta Comedy and Outside the Box.

Folk at the cornerHOUSE, starting in 2022, became a regular and popular feature.

At the heart of our work is our association with local schools and colleges and charitable and community groups. This diversity was also represented by our Film club and Singalong, both involving a wide range of age groups.

As always, we are indebted to our heroic band of volunteers, to our generous landlords, St Matthews Church and to our inspectors of accounts, Sloane Winckless.

Jeremy Thorn April, 2023.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Thorn', with a long horizontal flourish underneath.

THE DOUGLAS CENTRE TRUST
COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022

We report to the charity trustees on our examination of the accounts of the charitable company for the year ended 31st December 2022.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND BASIS OF REPORT

As the charity's trustees of the company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied ourselves that the accounts of the company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, we report in respect of our examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out our examination, we have followed the directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

We have completed our examination. We confirm that no matters have come to our attention in connection with the examination giving us cause to believe:-

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)).

We 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.

6 June 2023

2-4 Stoneleigh Park Road
 Epsom
 Surrey KT19 0QT

Sloane Winckless & Co

SLOANE WINCKLESS & CO

Chartered Accountants

THE DOUGLAS CENTRE TRUST
THE CORNERHOUSE
Consolidated Statement of Financial Activities
For the Year ended 31 December 2022

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
<u>INCOMING RESOURCES</u>				
Box Office	16,474	0	16,474	3,925
Hire	15,913	0	15,913	9,113
Donations & Fund Raising	223	0	223	712
Bank Interest	193	0	193	9
Bar Takings	24,663	0	24,663	8,590
Miscellaneous Income	25	0	25	20
Grants	0	0	0	0
Total Incoming Resources	57,491	0	57,491	22,368
Cost of Goods Sold - Bar Supplies	(10,958)	0	(10,958)	(4,326)
Net Incoming Resources	46,533	0	46,533	18,043
<u>RESOURCES EXPENDED</u>				
Utilities	7,914	0	7,914	3,592
Cleaning	1,151	0	1,151	1,417
Maintenance & Sundries	598	0	598	7,321
Electrical Work	947	0	947	2,030
New Equipment	1,396	0	1,396	391
Production Props & Costs	801	0	801	600
Insurance	3,810	0	3,810	3,704
Licences	563	0	563	1,682
Photocopier	75	0	75	39
Volunteer Expenses	1,700	0	1,700	504
IT & Website	1,328	0	1,328	1,389
Office and Accounts Supplies	102	0	102	21
Publicity	0	0	0	0
Panto Costs	630	0	630	0
One Acts	136	0	136	0
Box Office Split	87	0	87	0
Props and Production Costs	50	0	50	0
Charcomm, Comp House & Audit	13	0	13	13
Total Resources Expended	21,301	0	21,301	22,704
Net Income	25,232	0	25,232	(4,662)
Net Movement in Funds	25,232	0	25,232	(4,662)
Fund Balances brought forward from 2021	73,540	12,000	85,540	90,201
Fund Balances carried forward 2022	98,772	12,000	110,772	85,540

THE DOUGLAS CENTRE TRUST
THE CORNERHOUSE

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2022

	2022	2021
	£	£
FIXED ASSETS:	0	0
CURRENT ASSETS:		
Stocks	1,051	557
Debtors	606	256
Cash at Bank and in Hand	122,525	92,045
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TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	124,182	92,858
Current Liabilities	(7,764)	(1,672)
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NET CURRENT ASSETS	116,418	91,186
Other Liabilities		
British Gas Refund Held in Reserve	(2,246)	(2,246)
Creditors amounts falling due within one year	(3,400)	(3,400)
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NET ASSETS	110,772	85,540
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Restricted Funds	12,000	12,000
Unrestricted Funds	98,772	73,540
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TOTAL FUNDS	110,772	85,540
	=====	=====

The trustees are satisfied that the company is entitled to exemption under section 477(1) of the Companies Act 2006 and that no member or members have requested an audit pursuant to section 476 of the Act.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and for the preparation of accounts.

The company's annual accounts have been prepared in accordance with special provisions relating to companies subject to the small companies regime within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

Approved by the Board on *5/5/2023* and

Signed on its behalf by

JJ Thorn



) Director

Company Number: 3057887

THE DOUGLAS CENTRE TRUST

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022

ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting Convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention in accordance with FRS 102 Section 1A, the Statement of Recommended Practice “Accounting and Reporting by Charities” issued in March 2015 (SORP 2015), The Companies Act 2006.

The company is limited by guarantee and consequently does not have share capital.

The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are as follows:-

INCOMING RESOURCES

Income from events and centre hires are included in incoming resources in the period in which the relevant event takes place. Income from donations and grants is included in incoming resources, when these are receivable except where the donor specifies that the grant must be used in future accounting periods. In such cases, the income is deferred until the relevant period.

Interest is included when receivable by the charity.

RESOURCES EXPENDED

Resources expended are included in the Statement of Financial Activities on an accruals basis.

Certain expenditure is directly attributable to specific activities and has been included in those categories.

Certain other costs, which are attributable to more than one activity, are apportioned across cost categories on the basis of an estimate of the proportion that can reasonably be costed to the category.

THE DOUGLAS CENTRE TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 1047038

Accounts

THE DOUGLAS CENTRE TRUST

REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2020

CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER

1047038

COMPANY REGISTRATION NUMBER

3057887

THE DOUGLAS CENTRE TRUST

TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2020

The Trustees present their report and accounts for the year ended 31st December 2020.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE, MANAGEMENT AND OBJECTS

The Douglas Centre Trust was established by a charitable trust deed on 8th June 1995.

The objectives of the trust are:-

- To promote the ideals of lifelong learning in the arts and maximise the potential of the arts to further personal and social development.
- To ensure equality of opportunity and access to the facilities.
- To reflect in its programme and activities the rich diversity which is manifest in the community at large.
- To endeavour to give access to the very best contemporary artistic practice.
- Trustees are required to participate in an induction and training programme at the start of their term.

EMPLOYEES

The Douglas Centre Trust has no employees.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

The activities of the Trust are described in full in the Chairman's Report.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The details are set out in the attached financial statements.

TRUSTEES

The Trustees who served at 31st December 2020 were:-

Jeremy John Thorn
Barbara Jane Thorn
Ian Robert Davies
Phillip John Cooper
Joan Matilda Scriven
Andrew James Keane
Paul Geoffrey Atkins

Registered Office	-	The Cornerhouse, 116 Douglas Road, Surbiton, Surrey KT6 7SB
Working Name	-	The Cornerhouse
Charity Number	-	1047038
Company Number	-	3057887
Reporting Accountants	-	Sloane Winckless & Co Chartered Accountants 2-4 Stoneleigh Park Road Epsom Surrey KT19 0QT

REVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL POSITION

Asset Cover for Funds

The Trust's assets are held as short-term bank deposits. These are sufficient to meet the Trust's immediate obligations.

Reserves Policy and Risk Management

The Trust reviews its reserves and risk policies routinely as part of its management of the Charity's operations.

The Trust identifies the biggest risk to its activities as the withdrawal of the virtually free premises. To address this, it continues to negotiate the agreement with the Parochial Church Council which sets out the non-commercial nature of the provision of the premises. The other significant risk is an interruption to day-to-day activities which would impact on income whilst requiring continued meeting of outgoings. The Trust considers that it needs to be able to meet these outgoings for a period of at least six months to enable it to manage any such crisis. The experience of the pandemic reinforced our view that this was a sensible course. It therefore continues to reserve £12,000 to meet basic cost commitments for six months.

TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES IN RELATION TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The charity trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing a trustees' annual report and financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the charity trustees to prepare financial statements for each year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and the group and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable group for that period. In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are required to:-

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.


The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

SMALL COMPANY PROVISION

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to companies subject to the small companies regime within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

Approved by the Trustees on 15/3/2021 and

Signed on its behalf by


 12/4/2021

J J Thorn

) Trustee)

THE DOUGLAS CENTRE TRUST

CHAIR'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2020

2019 was, arguably, the most successful year in our history. By contrast, 2020 presented us with unprecedented challenges.

At the end of 2019 we took the decision to increase our reserve specifically allocated to keeping the centre going when unable to generate income. We were thinking of some disaster befalling our ageing building, not a global pandemic. In practice, the pandemic stopped us earning, either completely or partially, from mid-March onwards. Nonetheless, we were able to successfully survive the year, by a mixture of opening to reduced audiences in COVID-secure conditions, reducing expenditure wherever possible and maintaining and extending our online presence.

We were also much helped by a generous grant from the government's coronavirus support fund, and by a successful start to the year, most notably through our annual pantomime.

A fairly small group of dedicated volunteers continued to work hard to maintain the centre and get in ready for use in the periods when that was possible. Our treasurer has worked wonders, despite shielding throughout this difficult period.

As always, we are indebted to our benevolent landlords, St. Matthew's Church.

Thanks also go to Sloane Winckless & Co., Chartered Accountants, who again inspected our accounts without charge.



Jeremy Thorn

April 2021

THE DOUGLAS CENTRE TRUST
COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2020

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RESPONSIBILITIES AND BASIS OF REPORT

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Having satisfied ourselves that the accounts of the company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, we report in respect of our examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out our examination, we have followed the directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

We have completed our examination. We confirm that no matters have come to our attention in connection with the examination giving us cause to believe:-

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4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

We 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.

13th APRIL 2021

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Chartered Accountants

THE DOUGLAS CENTRE TRUST
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2020

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2020 £	Total 2019 £
<u>INCOMING RESOURCES</u>				
Centre hire	9,301	-	9,301	16,640
Donations and gifts	132	-	132	150
Grants receivable	10,000	-	10,000	1,500
Bank interest	63	-	63	113
Box office	7,797	-	7,797	15,179
Other income	808	-	808	1,033
Bar takings	7,977	-	7,977	25,557
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<u>TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES</u>	<u>36,078</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>36,078</u>	<u>60,172</u>
	=====	=====	=====	=====
<u>RESOURCES EXPENDED</u>				
Production costs	1,781	-	1,781	3,146
Utilities	4,827	-	4,827	5,784
Office costs	2,029	-	2,029	2,803
Insurance	3,701	-	3,701	3,712
Licences	218	-	218	1,320
Maintenance	3,606	-	3,606	9,604
Other expenditure	1,036	-	1,036	3,549
Bar supplies	3,910	-	3,910	11,954
Publicity	194	-	194	189
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<u>TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED</u>	<u>21,302</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>21,302</u>	<u>42,061</u>
	=====	=====	=====	=====
Net incoming resources	14,776	-	14,776	18,111
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Net movements in funds	14,776	-	14,776	18,111
Fund balances brought forward from 2019	63,425	12,000	75,425	57,314
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<u>FUND BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD 2020</u>	<u>78,201</u>	<u>12,000</u>	<u>90,201</u>	<u>75,425</u>
	=====	=====	=====	=====

THE DOUGLAS CENTRE TRUST
BALANCE SHEET AT 31ST DECEMBER 2020

	£	<u>2020</u>	£	£	<u>2019</u>	£
<u>CURRENT ASSETS</u>						
Stocks		360			695	
Cash at bank and in hand		95,487			80,376	
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		95,847			81,071	
		=====			=====	
<u>CREDITORS</u> (Amounts falling due within one year)						
		5,646			5,646	
		=====			=====	
<u>NET CURRENT ASSETS</u>						
		90,201			75,425	
<u>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</u>						
		90,201			75,425	
		=====			=====	
<u>THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY</u>						
Restricted funds		12,000			12,000	
Unrestricted funds		78,201			63,425	
		-----			-----	
		90,201			75,425	
		=====			=====	

The trustees are satisfied that the company is entitled to exemption under section 477(1) of the Companies Act 2006 and that no member or members have requested an audit pursuant to section 476 of the Act.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and for the preparation of accounts.

The company's annual accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to companies subject to the small companies regime within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

Approved by the Board on _____ and
signed on its behalf by

J J Thorn) Director

Company Number: 3057887

THE DOUGLAS CENTRE TRUST

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2020

ACCOUNTING POLICIES

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