



ANNUAL REPORT 2024/2025

TRIMDON COMMUNITY COLLEGE ASSOCIATION
Charity Number 1053363

Trimdon Community College Association (TCCA) continues to face the challenge within the current economic climate and has managed to maintain the services that have been valuable to the local community with a strong emphasis on providing sport, recreational, educational and fun activities to children and young people and social and economic support to both families with children and young people as well as those facing economic disadvantage in the area. As always, our strength remains the work of a very supportive management team whose resilience and ability to adapt to change keeps the staff team motivated and working through the challenges. The staff team continually adapt to the changes and the fluidity of constantly striving to secure funding but have taken on this challenge admirably. The organisation maintains a very busy programme of events as well as ad hoc support all of which we receive lots of praise and recognition from the local community.

The organisation employs 1x 0.5 Development Manager and a 0.5 youth and community support worker. We employ 3 admin staff and 3 youth work staff in various roles which equate to 1.08 full time hours. The staff team have worked hard to create a supportive environment, and they bring strength and continuity to the work at TCCA. Our Voluntary Management Team add strength to the team but the army of local people who volunteer and support at various times throughout the year are a valuable resource and we really would struggle without having them to hold us up in stressful and difficult times.

We still pride ourselves on working with others to be able to offer more within the community. We have recently re-instated our credit union in partnership with North East First Credit Union. This has been supported by our local councillors and a local housing provider to encourage families to find acceptable ways to manage money, save and budget therefore avoiding loan sharks and unscrupulous loan companies.

We are working with a local acting hub and have developed a social activity group around drama and expression as well as support the work of the development of a community acting hub.

We have offered fun and Food activities in the local area with the support of the local authority and other funders. We successfully fed children during all of the school holidays with the summer provision covering the entire 6 weeks. We raised funds from other providers to be able to offer a comprehensive fun filled range of diverse, physical, creative, fun and educational opportunities.

Our biggest commitment has always been and still is to the young people of the area. We offer a comprehensive programme of activities and support for children, young people and their families. We run both junior and senior youth clubs and have recently started working to deliver outreach sessions. We have plans in the future to develop a Friday Night and are being supported by LIVIN and trailblazer funding. #

TCCA also work to improve the health and the wellbeing of the community. Our on site community gym is a real asset and we work alongside local personal trainers and well-being consultants to provide a warm and welcoming space that is affordable for all and the last year has seen a real increase in numbers. The well-being group focussed around mutual support, crafts and outdoors which has been very popular is currently under review due to a variety of reasons but the facility is available to continue this support when the time is right again.

Trimdon United Junior Football Club still has its home base at TCCA. They currently have 10 junior football teams from the age of 7 to 17 one a girls' team. They also offer a mini-tots session for those 4 to 7. There are over 160 young people in attendance each week. The club has 3 trustees and over 30 volunteer coaches and managers it also supports older young people to go through their refereeing and coaching qualifications. We will continue to work with this group and to find ways to develop the facilities that are more up to date and

Sho Shin Kai Karate Club. Is a mixed adult and junior member club consisting of (approx.) 20 adult and 30 junior members. They continue to support young people to work through their grading's and offer interclub competition opportunities. We work closely with them to introduce young people to a sporting discipline in a friendly environment

TCCA has continued with its commitment to cultural and artistic events. The International Big Brass Bash was another successful date in our calendar again this year. Hosted TCCA and supported by Durham County Council funded via Trimdon Parish Council it was a resounding success and well received by the local community. Our outdoor arts and crafts festival and work within the local community garden was another success in partnership with Groundwork NE. and OASES there was a lot to offer across the whole community. We were also able to offer corporate volunteering opportunities, Opportunities to our local University students as well as our regular community volunteers.

TCCA continues to work with a wide range of providers of services to engage with the local community and ensure that the needs of the community can be met despite its rurality and poor public transport links.

Funding is always very stretched across the area but we have been able to secure funding for another year to support the work within the community. We support our funding efforts alongside of County Durham Community Foundation and the local Co-op. We also enjoy a good relationship with the local county councillors who are supportive of the work and direct agencies and funders to the work we do in the community. Moving forward it is still vitally important that we develop positive relationships with funders and continue to look to secure funding for at least 3 years to support the re-development of the organisation, replacing worn assets, ensuring we maintain a strong staff team and to continue to support the social justice element of the work at TCCA. We are fortunate that our local Parish Council still supports our work with an annual grant that can be used as match and ensures the rent and bills are paid. Our relationship with SPORTED England to develop a 5-year business plan has all but stalled due to staffing changes and reduced funding. However, there is still a long-term commitment to create a sport and social hub with changing facilities and refreshment room for all of the sporting and community groups in the area. We are looking to secure Sport England Funding to improve the very outdated facilities at the premises to support existing groups as well as offer further opportunities in the area for children and young people who do not have access to sports clubs other than Karate and Football.

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Going forward our emphasis is on filling the gaps in provision mainly for under 7s, employability support for 16+, alleviating poverty and holiday hunger and provision for young people with additional needs

As the year closes our commitment is still to continue to find ways of offering support and to look at easing the economic and financial burden on our families suffering the greatest deprivation within our community. We will continue to work with partners to develop ways of working to create positive health and well being services for those in need of support. As always, we will look to fund holiday provision with food during school holidays and constantly evaluate and update our youth work offer to respond to need. We are working with local businesses to support this work and have some very positive responses.

Finally, A big thank you to our dedicated volunteers and corporate and community partners and our funders who continue to put faith in the team at TCCA without you all none of this would be possible. We continue to be supported by our Trustees to ensure the reputation and accountability of the organisation stand up to public scrutiny. The Cash flow and accounts are a true reflection of the organisations position at the end of 2024. there is always a positivity about accessing further funds to continue the good work that has allowed the organisation to develop phenomenally since 2015.

Annette Donohue
Development Manager
On behalf of TCCA Management Group.

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FINANCIAL REPORT FOR 12 MONTHS ENDED 31 December 2024

1. Balance as at 1 January 2024

Investment Account	£159.90	
Current Account	£8865.00	
Cash in Hand	£1200	£10224.90

2. Net Income £85420.91 Net Expenditure £84040.00 (£1380.91)

3. Balance as at 31 December 2024

Investment Account	£159.90	
Current Account	£8514.40	
Cash in Hand	£700	£9374.30

4. Outstanding Income £460

5. Outstanding Expenditure £1956

6, Net Outstanding Expenditure £1496

7. Stock

Confectionery £75

8. Fund Balance - 31 December 2024 £10224.90

Balance - 1 January 2024 £9374.30

Decrease in Fund £115.09

Donations £10000

Real Decrease in fund £10115.09

Enza Usher

Treasurer

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These accounts have been prepared from the books and vouchers provided and are in accordance therewith

In my opinion the financial statements give a true and firm view of the affairs of Trimdon Community College Association

Auditor Julie Simpson Signature Julie Simpson

Date 1/12/2025