

**Registered charity number 1054096**

**Old Moat Youth Outreach Project**

**Financial Statements**

**for the period ended 31st March 2025**

**Old Moat Youth Outreach Project**  
**Report of the Trustees**  
**for the period ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025**

The Trustees present their report and unaudited financial statements for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025.

**Reference and Administrative Information**

Charity name Old Moat Youth Outreach Project

Charity Registration Number 1054096

Principal Office c/o 23 Victoria Avenue  
Levenshulme  
Manchester  
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**Trustees**

|                   |                                |
|-------------------|--------------------------------|
| Elizabeth Harding | Chairperson                    |
| Colette Crosdale  | Vice Chairperson               |
| Linda Pride       | Secretary (To November 2024)   |
| Jean Russell      | Secretary (From November 2024) |
| Frances Allen     | Treasurer                      |

**Advisors**

Gavin White

**Principal staff**

|              |                |
|--------------|----------------|
| Gemma Bennet | Project Worker |
|--------------|----------------|

**Independent Examiner**

Jennifer Daniel FCCA DChA  
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# **Old Moat Youth Outreach Project**

## **Report of the Trustees**

### **for the period ended 31 March 2025**

#### **Structure, governance and management**

The project operates as a registered charity under a constitution.

#### **Induction and training of trustees**

Trustees are encouraged to take part in the project away day.

#### **Organisational structure including recruitment and appointment of trustees**

The project is strategically managed by a committee of trustees and advisors who are recruited for the support and knowledge they can bring to the project. The project manager is responsible for the day to day management of the project and the staff and volunteers. The management of the Project Manager is undertaken by a nominated trustee with specific skills and experience.

#### **Training and staff development**

All staff are taken through induction training and are Staff are encouraged to take Continuous Professional Development opportunities when they are available and affordable.

#### **Aims, Objectives and activities**

To:

- Provide youth programmes in the community for educational, recreational and leisure purposes
- Advance education, training and employment opportunities
- Offer learning through a wide range of activities such as art, drama, music, and media.
- To increase young peoples confidence and increase involvement in the life of their community
- Promote healthier lifestyles, in particular to develop pro-active projects that tackle the issues for young people arising from substance misuse, risk taking behaviour, domestic violence and anti social behaviour.

The project works with young people aged 13-19 years and offers up to three detached sessions a week with holiday activity during the Easter and Summer breaks

The Project works within the South Youth Focus Partnership providing coordinated youth provision alongside other voluntary sector agencies and statutory services. The partnership meets regularly and works with Young Manchester to provide a coherent offer to young people in the area.

#### **Activities undertaken for public benefit in relation to objects**

In planning our activities for the year we kept in mind the Charities Commission's guidance on public benefit and the work was planned with reference to the trustees and monitored through the Trustees' meetings.

The Project continues to offer a range of activities that meet the objectives of the project. This work is planned with young people and also considers the view of young people in the community. Partnership working enables the project to avoid duplication of provision and make effective use of limited resources.

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#### **Achievements and performance**

We continue to work closely with Unity Arts, Community Minded and WELSafe as part of the 20M21 Partnership. Manchester City Council's Youth and Play funding was due to be put out for new applications during the year, however the appointment of a new Strategic Lead for Youth and Play has led to a redesigned commissioning process and this has meant the current funding has been rolled over until March 2026. This enabled the project to continue the regular detached sessions in Old Moat Park and round Withington. The project in Withington supported by the NHS has been successful in securing two year Awards 4 All funding.

This year we have had the opportunity to work more closely with Unity arts, with whom we share a co-ordinator. Unity Arts have employed a Head of Youth, Community & Creative Practice, OMYOP have taken the opportunity to 'buy in' half a day a week strategic support from that post to support the new developments. The partnership with Unity Arts is invaluable and benefits both organisations. This closer way of working is becoming the model for the whole 20M21Partership and supports the development of activities for children and young people.

There were Easter and Summer Holiday Activities in the Old Moat Park and the team supported the Holiday Activity Fund programme led by Community Minded at Old Moat Children's Centre. The summer activities were kicked off by Little Fest, a community festival held in Old Moat Park with creative activities, games, music and circus. As the holiday activities outside HAF have been funded from reserves they were not as extensive as we would wish.

It became clear that young women were not using the Withington Project as parents were not keen on them attending mixed provision. In response the team are exploring venues and funding for a Girl's Group. A local business The Ice Shack has offered a room above the shop for the group to meet so plans are being made to start the group in May 2025.

The Depot, we continue to pursue DCMS Youth Investment Funding to develop dedicated youth building at the Depot. We are part of a council led bid. Lack of facilities limit how we can develop activities and the funds we can realistically apply for. The new government has revived the fund, and the Manchester bid is being prepared. Plans for a Methods of Modern ConstructioOn building have been agreed for the Depot site and the plans will go to the Planning Committee in the summer. This is wonderful news, but it has been an emotional rollercoaster for staff and Trustees. We are working closely with the Council and have heard the funding is agreed in principle. This will open up new opportunities for young people and the project.

We attend Old Moat Ward meetings and as a partnership we play an active role in the development of the South Network and the structures being developed by the City Council. We have been developing links with the NHS. Southway Housing and Withington Methodist Church.

The Trustees express their thanks to the staff for the job they are doing in offering youth work opportunities to the young people in Old Moat and Withington.

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**Financial review**

Total income for the financial year ended 31 March 2025 is £104,952 while total expenditure is £106,492 leaving a total cash in bank and at hand of £54,941. The cash reserve at the year end is made up of £30,489 unrestricted cash reserve and £24,452 restricted cash reserve.

**Reserves policy**

The trustees have managed to build up the Charities unrestricted reserves and are able to honour financial commitments that the Trust enters into for the year ahead.

Approved by the Trustees and signed on its behalf by:

Elizabeth Harding (Chair)

Date 15<sup>th</sup> October 2025

# **Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Old Moat Youth Outreach Project**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025 which are set out on pages 6 to 8.

## **Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity's trustees 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 charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the 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 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 charity as required by section 130 of the Act; and
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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.

Jennifer Daniel FCCA DChA

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Date 21<sup>st</sup> October 2025

# Old Moat Estate Youth Outreach Project

## Receipts and Payments Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2025

|  | Note | Unrestricted<br>funds<br>£ | Restricted<br>funds<br>£ | Total funds<br>2025<br>£ | Total funds<br>2024<br>£ |
|--|------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>Receipts</b>                              |      |                            |                          |                          |                          |
| Manchester City Council                      |      | 75,701                     | -                        | 75,701                   | 64,844                   |
| Bank interest                                |      | 148                        | -                        | 148                      | 120                      |
| Manchester University NHS Foundation Trust   |      | -                          | -                        | -                        | 5,000                    |
| Manchester Active                            |      | 8,309                      | -                        | 8,309                    | 13,767                   |
| National Youth Agency                        |      | 800                        | -                        | 800                      | 400                      |
| Legacy                                       |      | -                          | -                        | -                        | 2,500                    |
| Awards for All                               |      | -                          | 19,994                   | 19,994                   | -                        |
| <b>Total receipts</b>                        |      | 84,958                     | 19,994                   | 104,952                  | 86,631                   |
| <b>Payments</b>                              |      |                            |                          |                          |                          |
| <i>Charitable expenditure</i>                |      |                            |                          |                          |                          |
| Salaries                                     |      | 27,319                     | 1,446                    | 28,765                   | 24,852                   |
| Outings and activities                       |      | 66,456                     | 8,942                    | 75,398                   | 65,522                   |
| Accountancy                                  |      | 1,020                      | -                        | 1,020                    | 900                      |
| Repairs, renewals, equipment and cleaning    |      | 500                        | -                        | 500                      | 40                       |
| Insurance                                    |      | 809                        | -                        | 809                      | 783                      |
| <b>Total payments</b>                        |      | 96,104                     | 10,388                   | 106,492                  | 92,097                   |
| <b>Net receipts for the year</b>             |      | (11,146)                   | 9,606                    | (1,540)                  | (5,466)                  |
| Bank and cash balances at start of year      |      | 46,635                     | 9,846                    | 56,481                   | 61,947                   |
| Transfer between funds                       |      | (5,000)                    | 5,000                    | -                        | -                        |
| <b>Bank and cash balances at end of year</b> | 3    | 30,489                     | 24,452                   | 54,941                   | 56,481                   |

**Old Moat Estate Youth Outreach Project**  
**Statement of Assets and Liabilities**  
**as at 31 March 2025**

|  | Note | 2025<br>£ | 2024<br>£   |
|--|------|-----------|-------------|
| <b>Cash funds</b>  |      |           |             |
| Cash at bank - Current account   |      | 44,941    | 46,481      |
| - Deposit account  |      | 10,000    | 10,000      |
|  |      | <hr/>     | <hr/>       |
|  |      | 54,941    | 56,481      |
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| <b>Liabilities</b>   |      |           |             |
| Money owed to Unity Arts for activites<br>completed before the year end. | 3, 4 | <hr/> -   | <hr/> 5,798 |

Approved by the trustees on 15th October 2025 and signed on their behalf by:

Elizabeth Harding (Chair)



## Old Moat Estate Youth Outreach Project

### Notes to the accounts for the period ended 31 March 2025

#### 1 Accounting basis

The financial statements have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis.

#### 2 Trustees' expenses

No expenses were paid to trustees during the year (2024: nil).

#### 3 Unrestricted cash reserve

Of the unrestricted cash reserve of £30,489 at the year end (2024: £46,635), £nil (2024: £3,494) represents money owed to Unity Arts which was paid after the year end.

#### 4 Restricted funds

|                         | Balance at 1<br>April 2024<br>£ | Receipts<br>£ | Payments<br>£ | Transfers<br>£ | Balance at<br>31 March<br>2025<br>£ |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|-------------------------------------|
| PCC GMP                 | -                               | -             | -             | -              | -                                   |
| Southway Housing        | -                               | -             | -             | -              | -                                   |
| Manchester City Council | 2,494                           | -             | (2,494)       | -              | -                                   |
| NHS GM                  | 7,352                           | -             | (7,352)       | -              | -                                   |
| Manchester University   |                                 |               |               |                |                                     |
| NHS Foundation Trust    | 5,000                           | -             | (542)         | -              | 4,458                               |
| Awards for All          | -                               | 19,994        | -             | -              | 19,994                              |
|                         | <hr/>                           | <hr/>         | <hr/>         | <hr/>          | <hr/>                               |
|                         | 14,846                          | 19,994        | (10,388)      | -              | 24,452                              |
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Of the restricted cash reserve of £24,452 at the year end (2024: £14,846), £nil (2024: £2,304) represents money owed to Unity Arts which was paid after the year end.

#### Name of fund

#### Description, nature and purposes of the fund

The Withington Project

The Withington Project is restricted to spend on staff, activities and equipment for the specific project. It received a further £5000 from University NHS Foundation Trust. The project is to provide one night a week youth club based at Withington Methodist Church. It is part of a multi agency approach to address issues in Withington village. We are applying for funding to sustain the project