



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1st January 2021 To 31st December 2021

Charity name: Leek Town Centre Youth Project

Charity registration number: 1063137

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<p>The Charity's objects ('the Objects') are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. To provide or assist in the provision of facilities in the interests of social welfare for the recreation or other leisure time occupations of young persons resident in Leek who have need of such facilities, with the object of improving their conditions of life.2. To advance the education of children and young persons through leisure time activity so as to develop their physical, mental and spiritual capacities that they may grow to maturity as individuals and members of society.3. To promote such other charitable purpose for the benefit of young persons resident in Leek as the committee in their absolute discretion think fit.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	<p>We provided a safe welcoming drop-in centre off the streets with activities supporting basic life-skills to less-advantaged and vulnerable teenagers at our rented Youth cafe - @21 The Young Peoples' Place in Market Street, Leek.</p>

Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	Our trustees had due regard to the commission's public benefit guidance when exercising any powers or duties to which the guidance was relevant
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Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>During 2021, dependent on Covid-19 regulations we have run -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An emergency contact phone line to allow our young people to speak to a professional youth worker about any concerns • Detached working sessions with two youth workers walking around the town making contact with youngsters to allow them face-to-face support. • A series of energetic outdoor activities to allow them social contact and to improve their mental and physical health and self-confidence. • Drop-in sessions at our Youth café that provides a safe and welcoming place where less-advantaged and vulnerable teenagers can socialise off the streets and enjoy activities, support and advice from trained youth workers. <p>We have a café/kitchen plus TV/media facilities, a pool table, together with sofas other comfortable seating at our rented base.</p> <p>Our drop-in, which opens on at least two evenings a week, positively engages our young people. The activities range from games sessions, cooking skills workshops to school holiday activities. We do basic life-skills work with advice around drugs, alcohol and sexual health often using quizzes and have a role in preventing anti-social behaviour locally</p>

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	Our award of Lottery funding has helped us to make a substantial surplus making our financial position more secure than in previous years
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	We recognise the value of holding the recommended amount of reserves to deal with un-anticipated costs and, lottery grant notwithstanding, the unreliable nature of our income mostly based on grants and donations. Our receipt of Lottery funding has enabled us to implement our policy to do so.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£20,000
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	Not applicable
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	Not applicable
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	Not applicable

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Unincorporated association
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	We are a community-based charity run by volunteers and representatives of local councils, churches and the police. Management committee members who display continuing interest and commitment to our activities may be elected to be a trustee, at our AGM.

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Leek Town Centre Youth Project
Other name the charity uses	@21 The Young Peoples' Place
Registered charity number	1063137
Charity's principal address	Correspondence address: c/o 22, Westfields, Leek Staffordshire ST13 5LP

Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
Dennis Johnson	Chairman		AGM
Roy Gregg	Secretary		As above
Alison Dodd	Treasurer		As above
Jane Tattersall	Lead on Policy & Pastoral matters		As above
Cllr. Brian Johnson			As above
Cllr. Susan Coleman			As above
Mahfooz Ahmad			As above
Dorothy Biddulph			As above

Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name	None	Not applicable

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
Dennis Johnson		

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	None
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	Not applicable
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	Not applicable

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

Not applicable

Other optional information

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Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	<i>D. Johnson</i>	<i>A. Dodd</i>
Full name(s)	Dennis Johnson	Alison Dodd
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chairman	Treasurer

Date

15th / 9 / 2022