



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date				Period end date			
From	01	02	2023	To	31	01	2024

Section A

Reference and administration details

Charity name

The Mereside Community Centre Association

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

1075373

Charity's principal address

Mereside Community Centre

Mereside

Postcode

SY2 6LH

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	John Caldwell	Chair		
2	Rosemary Dartnall			
3	Roy Edwards			
4	Ann Matthews	Treasurer		
5	Sue France	Administrator/Caretaker		
6	Ted Clarke			
7	Rowan Connolly			

Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

Section B

Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document
(eg. trust deed, constitution)

Constitution

How the charity is constituted
(eg. trust, association, company)

Association

Trustee selection methods
(eg. appointed by, elected by)

New Trustees are appointed by nomination by the existing Trustees of the Charity.

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You may choose to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

During the year, payments of £14,365 (2023: £18,137) were made to Mrs S France, Trustee, in respect of her role as the Charity's administrator and caretaker.

During the year, payments of £1,750 were made to A Matthews, Trustee, in respect of accounts services. This included a payment of £1000 which was made to reflect the considerable amount of work involved in improving the internal accounting procedures for the 2022/23 financial year onwards.

Payments of £2,557 (2023: £1,659) were made during the year to R S Landscapes for grounds and general maintenance. Mr R S Edwards, Trustee, is the Proprietor of R S Landscapes.

Section C

Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

To promote the benefit of the inhabitants of the Springfield and Sutton area and the neighbourhood together, defined by the ward boundaries without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, race or of political, religious or other opinions, by associating together the said inhabitants and the local authorities, voluntary and other organisations in a common effort to advance education and to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and leisure-time occupation with the object of improving the conditions of life for the said inhabitants.

To establish, or secure the establishment of, a community centre and to maintain and manage the same in furtherance of these objects.

To promote such other charitable purposes as may from time to time be determined

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

The Trustees have had due regard to the revised Charity Commission guidance on public benefit.

The main hall and meeting rooms have been let out to a variety of interest groups over the past year, some of which are long established and have been using the premises since it opened.

For example in October 2023 the following groups used the building:-

Ballet School

Line Dancing
 Tai Chi
 Evangelical Church
 St Luke's Christian Spiritualist Church
 Diddidance
 Recorders
 Bridge Clubs
 Language School
 Counselling
 Falls Group (NHS)
 Shropshire Quilters
 Sewing classes
 Spanish class
 Shrewsbury Ramblers
 Elevate
 Labour Party
 Sovereign Park Residents Association

Additionally to these regular users the hall is often hired for private parties, and concerts etc.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Section D Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The Chair thanked all members of the Committee for their continued support over the past twelve months, with again special thanks to Sue and Stefan for looking after the Centre and keeping it in top condition. Financially we remain in a very healthy position as bookings have been consistently high over the past year. The Board are pleased that they have been able to use some of their funds to support the community by providing a defibrillator which is attached to the outside of the Centre. Thanks were offered to Sam Richards for her work in issuing the invoices each month.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The Committee wish to keep a reserve of £20,000 at any one time in order to cover any potential outgoings.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

There are no funds in deficit.

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You may choose to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Section F

Other optional information

Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

A.F. Matthews

Full name(s)

ANN MATTHEWS

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

TREASURER

Date

01/10/24



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

The Mereside Community Centre Association

1075373

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

01/02/2023

To

31/01/2024

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Sales Income	48,223	-	-	48,223	36,066
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	48,223	-	-	48,223	36,066
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	48,223	-	-	48,223	36,066
A3 Payments					
Advertising	49	-	-	49	50
Cleaning Materials	668	-	-	668	331
Computer Costs	197	-	-	197	173
Electricity	377	-	-	377	155
Equipment & Furnishings	1,658	-	-	1,658	517
Gas	3,009	-	-	3,009	3,296
Grounds Maintenance	2,122	-	-	2,122	1,659
Hygiene Services	592	-	-	592	519
Insurances	1,247	-	-	1,247	1,146
Office/General Administrative Expenses	83	-	-	83	-
Other Professional Services	2,450	-	-	2,450	367
Phone Costs	154	-	-	154	159
Printing, Postage and Stationery	33	-	-	33	60
Repairs and Maintenance	6,242	-	-	6,242	6,028
Salaries	14,365	-	-	14,365	18,136
Water	1,352	-	-	1,352	1,311
Investment in CCLA	-	-	-	-	15,000
Sub total	34,598	-	-	34,598	48,907
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	34,598	-	-	34,598	48,907
Net of receipts/(payments)	13,625	-	-	13,625	12,841
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	23,177	-	-	23,177	36,018
Cash funds this year end	36,802	-	-	36,802	23,177

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Current Account	36,802	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	36,802	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	CCLA	Unrestricted	-	115,313
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
	A.F. Matthews	A.F. MATTHEWS	24/09/24	



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name

The Mereside Community Centre Association

On accounts for the year
ended

31 January 2024

Charity no
(if any)

1075373

Set out on pages

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 January 2024.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed 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 material matters have come to my attention (~~other than that disclosed below~~*) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

C Moelwyn-Williams

Date:

8/10/2024

Name:

C Moelwyn-Williams

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

BSc FCA

Address:

TCA Accountants, Third Floor, 21 St Mary's Street, Shrewsbury, SY1 1ED

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

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