

DALTON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

England & Wales · Charity number 1076322

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 1999-06-30

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: (A) TO PROMOTE THE BENEFIT OF THE INHABITANTS OF DALTON TOWN OF DALTON-IN-FURNESS WITHOUT DISTINCTION OF SEX OR OTHER POLITICAL, RELIGIOUS OR OTHER OPINIONS BY ASSOCIATING THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES, VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS AND INHABITANTS 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 OBJECTS OF IMPROVING THE CONDITIONS OF LIFE FOR THE SAID INHABITANTS(B) TO ESTABLISH OR TO SECURE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A COMMUNITY CENTRE AND TO MAINTAIN AND MANAGE, OR TO CO-OPERATE WITH ANY LOCAL STATUTORY AUTHORITY IN THE MAINTENANCE AND MANAGEMENT OF SUCH A CENTRE FOR ACTIVITIES PROMOTED BY THE ASSOCIATION AND ITS CONSTITUENT BODIES IN FURTHERANCE OF THE ABOVE OBJECTS

Activities: We run a multi activity community centre. We house the local community Police team and Community library , Army Cadets, Dance Tazia and other groups including alternative educational lessons. . A Spiritualist church meet weekly, film and lunch clubs for the elderly use the centre regularly as well as children's parties. Community groups attend the centre for activities/training and meetings.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Sponsors Or Undertakes Research, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, Disability, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Religious Activities, Economic/community Development/employment, Armed Forces/emergency Service Efficiency, Recreation, Other Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, Other Defined Groups, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** DALTON-IN-FURNESS
- Cumbria

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£39,554	£49,770	-	-
2024-03-31	£44,595	£43,454	-	-
2023-03-31	£54,642	£38,556	-	-
2022-03-31	£67,974	£53,606	-	-
2021-03-31	£64,408	£42,614	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
BARRY JOHN DOUGHTY		
Beverly Ann Louw		2025-02-27
David Edward Ward		2015-04-01
Ian Maddox		2019-03-25
JOHN JOSEPH MCGILL		2020-07-01
RAYMOND WILLOCK		2005-06-01
Stephen John Nott		2023-03-30
WILHELMINA JOHANNA ROBINSON		2019-03-25

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**Trustees' Annual Report
Year Ended 31st March 2025**

**Dalton Community Association
Financial Statements
For the Year Ending
31st March 2025**

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Dalton Community Association

Trustees' Annual Report Year Ended 31st March 2025

The trustees present their report and the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2025.

Objectives and Activities

The objectives of the Association are:-

- a) To promote the benefit of the inhabitants of Dalton Town and surrounding area (see appendix for details) of Dalton-in-Furness (hereinafter called the 'area of benefit') without distinction of sex or of political, religious or other opinions by associating the local authorities, voluntary organisations and inhabitants 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 objects of improving the conditions of life for the said inhabitants.
- b) To establish or to secure the establishment of a Community Centre (hereinafter called 'the centre') and to maintain and manage, or to cooperate with any local statutory authority in the maintenance and management of such a Centre for activities promoted by the Association and its constituent bodies in furtherance of the above objectives.

Achievements and Performance

This past year has been one of significant activity and achievement for Dalton Community Association. We remain deeply grateful for the continued support we receive through grants, partnerships and donations, all of which enable us to enhance our services and maintain the Centre to a high standard.

Special thanks are extended to:

The Family Hub, who donated a television for use in the King's Own Suite and was particularly welcomed by the youngsters from the Youth Club

The Family Hub for awarding a £10,000 grant towards investigative work for the installation of a lift, supporting our goal of making the Centre fully accessible.

The Westmorland and Furness Council (Library department) for providing new reception furniture.

Reliacare for donating six armrest chairs for use in the main hall – greatly appreciated by our elderly users.

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Achievements and Performance (cont'd)

Barrow Rotary for their generous contribution towards initiatives addressing antisocial behaviour.

Governance and Policies

The Trustee Board remains committed to robust governance practices. Policies continue to be reviewed regularly to ensure compliance and suitability.

Health and Safety

Ensuring the health and safety of Centre users and staff remains a priority. Key assessments and inspections completed this year include:

- Electric Installation Inspection (EICR).
- Energy Performance Survey

Trustee Appointments

We were pleased to welcome Barry Curley and Beverly Louw to the Board on 27th February 2025. Their expertise is already proving invaluable.

We also extend our sincere thanks to Claire Stainton, Ann Thurlow and Anthony Callister for their dedication and contribution during their time as Trustees.

Centre Maintenance and Improvements

Improving the quality, safety and accessibility of our facilities remained a major focus for the year. Key developments included:

- Replacement of water heaters in the East Wing and the kitchen
- Improved internet connectivity through the installation of fibre broadband
- Implementation of internet banking
- Replacement of the main hall floor due to unevenness and health and safety concerns
- Installation of a bespoke storage cupboard in the East Wing for the Crafters Group
- Delivery of youth outreach work during half term and summer holidays, funded by the Cumbria Community Foundation (providing 4 hours per day 2 days per week)

New Centre Users

We were delighted to welcome a number of new groups to the Centre this year, demonstrating growing interest in our facilities. These include:

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Achievements and Performance (cont'd)

- Looking Good, Feeling Great
- Shindig
- Pegasus Group
- NCompass
- Pupil Referral Service
- Boxercise
- Community Integrated Care

These partnerships support our mission to offer a diverse range of valuable services to the local community.

Community Engagement

A highlight of the year was the D-Day Celebration Afternoon Tea, held on the 6th June. 40 community members attended and enjoyed home-made cakes, savoury treats, sandwiches 1940s music to mark the occasion. The warm and positive feedback received reflects the value of such community events.

Addressing Anti-Social Behaviour

Anti-social behaviour in the vicinity has unfortunately increased over the past year. A meeting involving Dalton Community Association, Cumbria Police, and Westmorland and Furness Library Service took place in December. While a formal plan is still in development, discussions are ongoing and measures are being explored to deter negative behaviour around the Centre.

Lift Project/Sensory Room Development

The £10,000 grant from the Family Hub enabled us to begin investigative work on the installation of a lift to improve first-floor accessibility. Architect Chris Bugler presented initial designs to the Board in July 2024. The estimated project cost is approximately £260,000 including VAT. The Board anticipates securing funding through grants and fundraising activities, with the aim of completing the project within the next 5 years.

Staff

We welcomed Nichola Baker as the new Centre Manager in May 2024; she resigned on 9th January 2025. A recruitment process followed, resulting in the appointment of Shannen May who commenced employment on the 1st April 2025.

A Centre clean-up day was organised, with support of the Trustees leading to much-needed painting of corridors and sprucing up of the kitchen and toilet facilities.

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Achievements and Performance (cont'd)

It would be remiss of me not to acknowledge the support I have received from the Board. Thank you to all the trustees for their help and support. If I may I would like to single out Ian Maddox and John McGill who once again have been pillars of support over the last 12 months.

The DCA's financial position remains positive, and our Treasurer Brian Ryninks remains instrumental in supporting the financial management of the Association.

As we look ahead, we remain focused on enhancing our facilities, strengthening community engagement and promoting a safe, inclusive environment.

Financial Review

The Trustees are satisfied that the Charity holds sufficient reserves to continue its operations for the next twelve months.

Reserves Policy

The DCA follows Charity Commission guidance and aims to maintain reserves of £34,000 to meet ongoing commitments.

Plans for future

The maintenance of the building continues to be our highest priority. Recent investigations confirmed that full replacement of the flat roof not required, as the issue identified has now been resolved, stopping the long-term water ingress.

Our next focus is replacing the wooden floor in the entrance hall which has begun to buckle.

Structure, Governance and Management

Appointment of Trustees

Dalton Community Association is a charity governed under a constitution Trustees who are elected at the Annual General Meeting, are appointed to the Board following nomination by member organisations or are co-opted by the Trustee Board. (Appointment of nominated or co-opted Trustees is agreed at any ordinary meeting of the Board.)

Recruitment, induction and training of trustees

The Trustee Board actively seeks out new Trustees as appropriate to ensure the Board has the most useful skill mix possible and is representative of the local community.

All trustees are expected to be committed to the aims and principles of Dalton Community Association and be willing to take an active role in the governance of the Association.

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Recruitment, induction and training of trustees (cont'd)

Trustees are selected on the basis of the expertise and experience they might bring to the organisation. All new Trustees are made aware of the structure, aims and principles of Dalton Community Association, legal obligations under charity law, the objectives and activities of Dalton Community Association and current business and development plans.

Organisation structure and networks

Dalton Community Association is governed by the Board of Trustees. The Board is responsible for setting the strategic direction of the organisation and has ultimate responsibility for the conduct of Dalton Community Association and for ensuring that the charity satisfies its legal and contractual obligations. Board meetings are held monthly with additional meetings as necessary. Non-Trustee members may be co-opted to attend meetings for a specific expertise they bring for time limited periods.

Operations management of Dalton Community Association is delegated to the Chair of the Board, who works closely with the Centre Manager to ensure delivery of all services

Risk Policy

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed and are satisfied that systems are in place, so timely action is taken to mitigate exposure to those risks.

The major risk to the organisation is the risk of an unforeseen large building repair. The building is the main asset of the charity and the reason for the existence of the Dalton Community Association and can be a significant drain on financial resources.

Internal risks are minimised by the implementation of procedures for authorisation of all transactions and projects and to ensure consistent quality of delivery for all operational aspects of the charity. These procedures are periodically reviewed by the trustees and staff to ensure they still meet the needs of the charity.

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Reference and Administrative Details

Registered charity name Dalton Community Association

Charity registration number 1076322

Principal office and registered office 21 Nelson Street
Dalton in Furness
Cumbria
LA15 8AF

The Trustees

Mrs W Robinson
Mr B Doughty
Mr I Maddox
Mr R Willock
Mr D Ward
Mr N Perie
Mr. S Nott
Mrs A Thurlow (Resigned (01.11.2024))
Mrs S Johnson
Mr J McGill
Mr. A Callister (Resigned 25.01.2025) C Stainton
Mrs Beverly Louw (Appointed 27.02.2025)
Mr Barry Curly (Appointed 27.02.2025)

Treasurer Mr B Ryninks

Auditors Knox Accountants Limited
6 Bath Street
Barrow in Furness
LA14 1LZ

Bankers NatWest Bank
Dalton Road
Barrow in Furness
LA14 1WY

The Trustees' Annual Report was approved on 27th November 2025 and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:-

Mrs W Robinson - Chair

Dalton Community Association

Charity No. 1076322

Financial Statements

for the year ended

31 March 2025

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31 March 2025
Independent Examiners Report To The Trustees Of
Dalton Community Association
On The Accounts For The Year Ended 31 March 2025
Set Out On Pages 3 to 6

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to:

- . examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- . follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)b of the Charities Act), and
- . to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

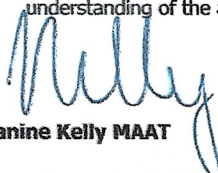
Basis of independent examiners report

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - (a) to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act;
 - (b) to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008) and the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP 2019).
- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Janine Kelly MAAT

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26 November 2025

Dalton Community Association
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for the year ended 31 March 2025

Statement of Financial Activities
(incorporating the Income & Expenditure Account)

for the year 31 March 2025

		<u>2025</u>			<u>2024</u>		
		<u>Restricted</u>	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Restricted</u>	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Total</u>
		<u>Funds</u>	<u>Funds</u>	<u>Funds</u>	<u>Funds</u>	<u>Funds</u>	<u>Funds</u>
		<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Charity Operations							
Income							
	Sundry Income		14,714	14,714		8,863	8,863
	Grants for Projects	1,500		1,500	9,095		9,095
	Donations		1,752	1,752		1,454	1,454
	Cadets		5,796	5,796		5,796	5,796
	Police		4,800	4,800		4,800	4,800
	Youth Work			0			0
	Library		5,004	5,004		5,004	5,004
	Children's Centre		3,600	3,600		3,600	3,600
	True Life Church		1,515	1,515		3,760	3,760
	Income from Electricity Grid		873	873		2,224	2,224
		1,500	38,054	39,554	9,095	35,500	44,595
Expenditure							
	Broadband & Telephone		600	600		859	859
	Repairs		1,606	1,606		842	842
	Cleaning incl Materials & Equipment		2,886	2,886		964	964
	Salaries		16,446	16,446		17,224	17,224
	Insurance		3,641	3,641		1,883	1,883
	Water		1,485	1,485		808	808
	Gas		2,640	2,640		1,553	1,553
	Electricity		2,553	2,553		1,732	1,732
	Projects	6,216		6,216	9,099		9,099
	External Building & Roof Repairs		0	0		946	946
	Lighting, Building, F&F, Equipment		2,200	2,200		726	726
	Banners / Signs / Pictures		0	0		132	132
	Miscellaneous		7,615	7,615		6,387	6,387
	Hall Floor		6,017	6,017			0
	Release of accruals no longer require		-5,405	-5,405			0
	Write off of revenue accrued but not		969	969			0
	Independent Examiner		300	300		300	300
		6,216	43,554	49,770	9,099	34,355	43,454
		-4,716	-5,500	-10,216	-4	1,145	1,141
		6,958	62,142	69,100	6,962	60,996	67,958
FUNDS at the end of the YEAR		2,242	56,642	58,884	6,958	62,142	69,100

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Statement of Financial Position (Balance Sheet)

as at 31 March 2025

	Note	2025	2024
ASSETS			
Fixed Assets			
Building	2	0	0
Current Assets			
Accounts Receivable		374	70
Prepayments		2,743	1,552
		<u>3,117</u>	<u>1,622</u>
Petty Cash		129	156
Bank Accounts - Unrestricted		57,196	64,522
Bank Accounts - Restricted		2,242	6,958
		<u>59,567</u>	<u>71,636</u>
Current Liabilities			
Restricted Funds Received in Advance	3	0	0
Creditors		3,763	4,158
		<u>3,763</u>	<u>4,158</u>
Net Current Assets		<u>58,921</u>	<u>69,101</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>58,921</u>	<u>69,101</u>
RESERVES			
Restricted	1	2,242	6,958
Unrestricted	1	56,679	62,143
		<u>58,921</u>	<u>69,101</u>
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>58,921</u>	<u>69,101</u>

These financial statements were approved by the Trustees and authorised for issue on 27/11/2025
and are signed on their behalf by:


Chair W. Robinson

Dalton Community Association

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Notes to the Financial Statements

1 Accounting Policies

Income

Income including donations, gifts and trading income is credited to the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the funds and the amount can be measured reliably and it is probable that the income will be received.

Expenditure

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and recognised where there is a legal or constructive obligation to make payments to third parties, it is probable that the settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Fund Accounting

Unrestricted funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Restricted funds

Restricted funds arise where the donor specifies the use of the funds, or the funds have arisen in response to an appeal or application for a specified purpose. In prior years, until all performance conditions have been met, the income was treated as Received in Advance. During the current year, remaining amounts Received in Advance were taken to Restricted Income

Taxation

HM Revenue & Customs considers Dalton Community Association to be a charity and therefore entitled to exemption from tax afforded by Sections 478 - 489 of the Corporation Taxes Act 2010 to the extent that income is applied exclusively for charitable purposes.

2 Building

Dalton Drill Hall, 21 Nelson Street, Dalton in Furness, LA15 8AF - acquired 8 May 2013 by Community Asset Transfer. Valuation 29 May 2024 by an Independent Estate Agent - £375,000 (£375,000 - valuations 28 January 2022 & 23 March 2019).

3 Restricted Funds

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
Lunch Club		
Balance brought forward	1,704	3,199
Received		0
Utilised during the year	-1,704	-1,495
Balance carried forward	<u>0</u>	<u>1,704</u>
Youth Worker		
Balance brought forward	1,703	0
Received		1,895
Utilised during the year	-1,600	-192
Balance carried forward	<u>103</u>	<u>1,703</u>

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	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
Hall Floor		
Balance brought forward	2,911	750
Received		2,200
Utilised during the year	-2,911	-39
Balance carried forward	<u>0</u>	<u>2,911</u>
Sensory Lighting		
Balance brought forward	640	3,013
Received		0
Utilised during the year		-2,373
Balance carried forward	<u>640</u>	<u>640</u>
Building Repairs		
Balance brought forward	0	0
Received	0	5,000
Utilised during the year	0	-5,000
Balance carried forward	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Chairs		
Balance brought forward	0	0
Received	500	0
Utilised during the year	0	0
Balance carried forward	<u>500</u>	<u>0</u>
Furness Community Network		
Balance brought forward	0	0
Received	1,000	0
Utilised during the year	0	0
Balance carried forward	<u>1,000</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Restricted Funds	<u>2,243</u>	<u>6,958</u>

4 Reserves

The DCA Reserve Policy makes provision for six months operating costs, redundancy and non-major building repairs totalling £34,000.

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Achievements and Performance

This past year has been one of significant activity and achievement for Dalton Community Association. We are immensely grateful for the ongoing support we receive from a variety of organisations through grant funding and donations. This valuable assistance has enabled us to continue our work and invest in the improvements and services offered at our centre. I would in particular like to mention:-

Sir John Fisher Foundation – a grant of £5,000 towards repairing the hall floor and the much-needed building work at the back of the building

Cumbria Community Foundation for their assistance towards the cost of the hall floor replacement with a grant of £1,700.00. They also supported us with a further grant of £1,895 towards the cost of two 'detached' youth workers.

Furness Building Society - £500 towards the hall floor replacement

Thank you too to Cllr Ben Shirley for his generous donation of £500 towards the development of our Sensory room.

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Achievements and Performance (cont'd)

Governance and Policies

As part of our commitment to maintaining high standards in governance, the Board undertook a comprehensive review of all our policies. A key development this year was the creation of a Lockdown Policy, which further strengthens our preparedness and response to potential emergencies.

Health and Safety

Ensuring the health and safety of our centre users has remained a top priority. We conducted several key assessments and tests to ensure the centre's compliance with safety regulations:

- Legionella Risk Assessment – completed to mitigate potential health risks relation to water systems
- 5-year Fixed Wire Test – conducted to ensure the safety of our electrical installations
- Gas Safety Check – performed to guarantee the safety of our gas appliances
- Emergency Lighting – regular monthly tests
- Fire alarm tests – on a weekly basis
- Defibrillator checks – monthly checks to ensure the defibrillator is linked to the national network

Trustee Appointments

We welcomed to the Board Cllr Tony Callister and Martin McLeavy on the 1st April 2023 and Ms Claire Stainton in September 2023. Their expertise and commitment have already had a positive impact and we look forward to working with them to further our mission.

Centre Maintenance and Improvements

Over the past year we have made significant strides in improving the facilities at the centre. Repairs and maintenance were a major focus, driven by our goal of providing an optimal environment for our users. Notable projects included:

- Replacement of Emergency Lights to ensure the safety of the building during emergencies
- Repointing and Replacement of Lintels – the work have been completed on the back of the centre to improve the structural integrity.
- Flat Roof Repairs – Essential maintenance to address and prevent further water ingress and ensure the building's longevity
- Installation of Infra-red Water Heaters – two heaters installed to improve water heating efficiency.
- Carpet Cleaning – a thorough cleaning of the carpets in the reception area and East Wing were done to maintain hygiene and comfort for all users and visitors.

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Achievements and Performance (cont'd)

New Centre Users

We were delighted to welcome several new users to the centre, reflecting the growing and increasing demand for our facilities. These include:

- Age UK Ltd
- Dalton Medical Centre
- Westmorland and Furness Council
- Family Hub

These partnerships align with our vision to offer diverse and valuable services to the local community.

Community Engagement and Training

A highlight of the year was the delivery of a highly successful Suicide Prevention course, facilitated by Shaun Blezard, the Suicide Safer Communities Coordinator. The course was well-received and made a meaningful impact on participants, underscoring our commitment to mental health support and education within the community.

Addressing Anti-Social Behaviour

Unfortunately, we have experienced an increase in anti-social behaviour over the past 18 months. Incidents have included damage to the furniture and IT equipment in the reception area and Library, verbal abuse towards staff and the misuse of fire extinguishers. These matters were formally raised in a letter to the Fire and Police Crime Commissioner, who responded by investigating the issues and taking appropriate measures to address them.

Sensory Room Development

Thanks to funding from The Co-op, we were able to purchase equipment for our new to be developed Sensory Room. This space will offer a calming and therapeutic environment for users, particularly benefitting those with sensory processing challenges.

Trustees and Staff

We said goodbye to Brenda Walker, Centre Manager in April 2023 and welcomed Cathy Corn as Centre Manager. Unfortunately, due to health issues, Cathy was forced to resign in March 2024. I would like to give my personal thanks to Cathy for her commitment, help and support given to me in particular during her time with the Dalton Community Association.

Two clean-up days were organised, with the help of the Trustees. These days resulted in much needed painting of corridors and sprucing up of the kitchen and toilet facilities, contributing to the upkeep and cleanliness of the centre.

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Achievements and Performance (cont'd)

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The DCA's financial position remains positive, and our Treasurer Brian Ryninks remains instrumental in supporting the Trustees.

As we look forward to the coming year, we remain committed to improving the facilities and service we offer, fostering a safe and welcoming environment for all. We thank everyone involved, our Trustees, staff, volunteers, and supporters for their continued dedication and hard work. With your support we will continue to serve our community to the best of our ability.

Financial Review

The trustees are satisfied that the Charity has adequate reserves to continue its work for the next twelve months.

Reserves Policy

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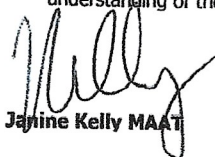
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		<u>Funds</u>	<u>Funds</u>	<u>Funds</u>	<u>Funds</u>	<u>Funds</u>	<u>Funds</u>
		<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Statement of Financial Activities							
(incorporating the Income & Expenditure Account)							
for the year 31 March 2024							
Charity Operations							
Income							
	Sundry Income		8,863	8,863		7,571	7,571
	Grants for Projects	9,095		9,095	15,514		15,514
	Donations		1,454	1,454		1,369	1,369
	Cadets		5,796	5,796		5,796	5,796
	Police		4,800	4,800		4,503	4,503
	Youth Work			0		430	430
	Library		5,004	5,004		5,004	5,004
	Children's Centre		3,600	3,600		3,600	3,600
	True Life Church		3,760	3,760		3,460	3,460
	Grants / Awards			0		2,500	2,500
	Income from Restricted Funds			0		4,895	4,895
	Income from Electricity Grid		2,224	2,224			0
		9,095	35,500	44,595	15,514	39,128	54,642
Expenditure							
	Broadband & Telephone		859	859		735	735
	Repairs		842	842		970	970
	Cleaning incl Materials & Equipment		964	964		1,069	1,069
	Salaries		17,224	17,224		14,046	14,046
	Insurance		1,883	1,883		1,769	1,769
	Water		808	808		919	919
	Gas		1,553	1,553		1,639	1,639
	Electricity		1,732	1,732		2,220	2,220
	Projects	9,099		9,099	3,657		3,657
	Charges from Unrestricted			0	2,751		2,751
	External Building & Roof Repairs		946	946		650	650
	Lighting, Building, F&F, Equipment		726	726		3,081	3,081
	Banners / Signs / Pictures		132	132			0
	Miscellaneous		6,387	6,387		2,617	2,617
	Transfer to Unrestricted			0	2,144		2,144
	Independent Examiner		300	300		288	288
		9,099	34,355	43,454	8,552	30,004	38,556
		-4	1,145	1,141	6,962	9,123	16,085
		6,962	60,996	67,958	0	51,873	51,873
FUNDS at the end of the YEAR		6,958	62,142	69,100	6,962	60,996	67,958

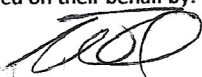
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Statement of Financial Position (Balance Sheet)

as at 31 March 2024

	<u>Note</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
ASSETS			
Fixed Assets			
Building	2	0	0
Current Assets			
Accounts Receivable		70	1,869
Prepayments		1,552	1,364
		<u>1,622</u>	<u>3,233</u>
Petty Cash		156	113
Bank Accounts - Unrestricted		64,522	60,432
Bank Accounts - Restricted		6,958	6,984
		<u>71,636</u>	<u>67,529</u>
Current Liabilities			
Restricted Funds Received in Advance	3	0	0
Creditors		4,158	2,804
		<u>4,158</u>	<u>2,804</u>
Net Current Assets		<u>69,101</u>	<u>67,958</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>69,101</u>	<u>67,958</u>
RESERVES			
Restricted	1	6,958	6,962
Unrestricted	1	62,143	60,996
		<u>69,101</u>	<u>67,958</u>
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>69,101</u>	<u>67,958</u>

These financial statements were approved by the Trustees and authorised for issue on 25/07/2024
and are signed on their behalf by:


Chair **W. Robinson**

Dalton Community AssociationCharity No. **1076322****Financial Statements**

for the year ended

31 March 2024**Notes to the Financial Statements****1 Accounting Policies****Income**

Income including donations, gifts and trading income is credited to the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the funds and the amount can be measured reliably and it is probable that the income will be received.

Expenditure

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and recognised where there is a legal or constructive obligation to make payments to third parties, it is probable that the settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Fund Accounting*Unrestricted funds*

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Restricted funds

Restricted funds arise where the donor specifies the use of the funds, or the funds have arisen in response to an appeal or application for a specified purpose. In prior years, until all performance conditions have been met, the income was treated as Received in Advance. During the current year, remaining amounts Received in Advance were taken to Restricted Income

Taxation

HM Revenue & Customs considers Dalton Community Association to be a charity and therefore entitled to exemption from tax afforded by Sections 478 - 489 of the Corporation Taxes Act 2010 to the extent that income is applied exclusively for charitable purposes.

2 Building

Dalton Drill Hall, 21 Nelson Street, Dalton in Furness, LA15 8AF - acquired 8 May 2013 by Community Asset Transfer. Valuation 29 May 2024 by an Independent Estate Agent - £375,000 (£375,000 - valuations 28 January 2022 & 23 March 2019).

3 Restricted Funds

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
<u>History Project</u>		
Balance brought forward	0	503
Received	0	0
Transferred to another Grant	0	-503
Balance carried forward	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<u>Lunch Club</u>		
Balance brought forward	3,199	4,367
Received	0	0
Utilised during the year	-1,495	-1,168
Balance carried forward	<u>1,704</u>	<u>3,199</u>
<u>Peoples Project</u>		
Balance brought forward	0	659
Received	0	0
Utilised during the year	0	-659
Balance carried forward	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<u>Computer Training</u>		
Balance brought forward	0	800
Received	0	0
Utilised during the year	0	-800
Balance carried forward	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<u>Youth Worker</u>		
Balance brought forward	0	580
Received	1,895	0
Utilised during the year	-192	-580
Balance carried forward	<u>1,703</u>	<u>0</u>

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	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
<u>Dalton Booklet</u>		
Balance brought forward	0	1,725
Transfer from another Grant / Received in Advance	0	977
Utilised during the year	0	-2,702
Balance carried forward	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<u>Lighting and Video</u>		
Balance brought forward	0	1,390
Received	0	0
Utilised during the year	0	-1,390
Balance carried forward	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<u>Holiday Club</u>		
Balance brought forward	0	1,353
Transfer to another Grant / Received in Advance	0	-599
Utilised during the year	0	-754
Balance carried forward	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<u>Coffee Club</u>		
Balance brought forward	0	500
Received in Advance	0	0
Utilised during the year	0	-500
Balance carried forward	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<u>Hall Floor</u>		
Balance brought forward	750	0
Received	2,200	750
Utilised during the year	-39	0
Balance carried forward	<u>2,911</u>	<u>750</u>
<u>Sensory Lighting</u>		
Balance brought forward	3,013	0
Received	0	3,013
Utilised during the year	-2,373	0
Balance carried forward	<u>640</u>	<u>3,013</u>
<u>Building Repairs</u>		
Balance brought forward	0	0
Received	5,000	0
Utilised during the year	-5,000	0
Balance carried forward	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Restricted Funds	<u>6,958</u>	<u>6,962</u>

4 Reserves

The DCA Reserve Policy makes provision for six months operating costs, redundancy and non-major building repairs totalling £34,000.

DALTON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

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The trustees present their report and the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2023.

Objectives and Activities

The objects of the Association shall be:-

- a) To promote the benefit of the inhabitants of Dalton Town and surrounding area (see appendix for details) of Dalton-in-Furness (hereinafter called the 'area of benefit') without distinction of sex or of political, religious or other opinions by associating the local authorities, voluntary organisations and inhabitants 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 objects of improving the conditions of life for the said inhabitants.
- b) To establish or to secure the establishment of a Community Centre (hereinafter called 'the centre') and to maintain and manage, or to cooperate with any local statutory authority in the maintenance and management of such a Centre for activities promoted by the Association and its constituent bodies in furtherance of the above objectives.

Achievements and Performance

Here we are again at the end of another busy year. This report will give an overview of the activities at the Dalton Community Association's Community Centre of the last 12 months with some updates of progress following the year-end on the 31st March 2023.

I would like to start by acknowledging those organisations that have provided us with funding that have enabled us to do the work we need to do, to serve the Dalton community.

We were fortunate to be recognised by the High Sheriff, David Beeby (2021/22) for the £500 awarded and which was used to install new warm water heaters in the toilets in the 'East Wing'

Cumbria County Council (now Westmorland and Furness Council) provided £500 which was used towards delivery of three 'coffee/tea and cake' sessions. The first session was held in July and with a themed 'jubilee' celebration, nearly 30 individuals joined us on a warm Saturday afternoon to enjoy refreshments, participating in an 'easy' quiz relating to the jubilee and enjoy a few hours of meeting up and chatting to old and new friends. A further two sessions were held in August and September, also well attended and appreciated by all attendees. So, a heartfelt thanks to Cumbria County Council for their support, that made a huge difference to many individuals otherwise lonely weekend.

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The DCA was very fortunate to engage with Lancaster University through their Eco-1NW programme that provided us with an intern to research viable ways to lower the carbon footprint of the centre. We already have solar panels that make a huge difference to our energy usage, and we specifically wanted to know what we could further do make the centre 'greener'. Laura Eisenhower joined us on a 140-hour internship and carried out useful research and produced a comprehensive report on possible ways of becoming carbon neutral. We are extremely thankful to Lancaster University for the help and support they provided.

During the summer months we became aware of the looming 'cost of living' crisis and the impact of rising energy prices to the residents of the town. Once again, we had the opportunity to contribute and help to keep centre users warm. Dalton Community Centre was registered as a 'Warm Spot' and anyone could come to the centre and enjoy a space where it was dry, warm and welcoming, whilst having the opportunity to read the newspapers being provided and sponsored by our supporter Mr John Coward. Barrow Borough Council provided a grant of £2,000 and we would like to acknowledge their generous support, whilst also take the opportunity to thank John for his support.

The Billincoat Charity provided us with a grant of £500 towards the refurbishment of the hall floor. The cost to repair the floor was estimated at £2,700 and slowly but surely, we are making in roads with the fundraising for this much needed repair.

Sir John Fisher Foundation provided a grant in the new financial year towards the work on the outside of the centre where building work was required to replace lintils over the windows of the kitchen and storage area and the repointing of the wall. This work was required urgently and the £5,000 from Sir John Fisher Foundation made a huge contribution towards the work carried out. Our sincere thanks to them for their ongoing support.

A grant from BAE's Give as You Earn programme provided a further £250 for the repair of the hall floor. BAEGAYE has been a firm supporter of the DCA and we are very grateful to them for their ongoing support.

A grant from the Co-op Community Fund for £2,400 enabled us to purchase sensory equipment for use by the groups using the facilities. This equipment will make a difference to many users. Currently we are looking at developing a room in the centre to become a dedicated sensory room.

In July 2022 we celebrated the launch of the 'Reflections of Dalton' publication. This publication celebrates some of the extraordinary people living in Dalton who have contributed through their involvement in the community or business activities. Paging through this

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booklet, clearly shows the commitment the locals to the town we live in and highlights the fact that we live in a very special town.

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Governance is a topic at all Trustee Board meetings and trustees are involved in the regular fire alarm tests, maintenance work and the review of our myriad of policies. But it is not always sunshine and roses, this last calendar year we have seen an increase in anti-social behaviour, with damage to furniture, graffiti and general disorder – however we have been fortunate to obtain a grant that will provide additional youth sessions during holidays and half term, which will involve activities to reduce boredom.

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Dalton Community Association

Charity No. 1076322

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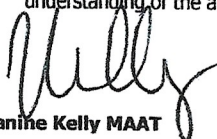
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Statement of Financial Activities
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for the year en 31 March 2023

	Note	2023			2022			
		Restricted	Unrestricted	Total Funds	Restricted	Unrestricted	Total Funds	
		£	£	£	£	£	£	
Charity Operations								
Income								
Sundry Income			7,571	7,571		14,453	14,453	
Development Posts Funding				0	1,224		1,224	
Grants for Projects		15,514		15,514	14,495		14,495	
Donations			1,369	1,369		3,263	3,263	
Cadets			5,796	5,796		5,796	5,796	
Police			4,503	4,503		4,404	4,404	
Youth Work			430	430			0	
Library			5,004	5,004		15,257	15,257	
Children's Centre			3,600	3,600			0	
True Life Church			3,460	3,460			0	
Grants / Awards			2,500	2,500			0	
Income from Restricted Funds			4,895	4,895			0	
Covid 19 Grants	4			0		9,082	9,082	
		15,514	39,128	54,642	15,719	52,255	67,974	
Expenditure								
Broadband & Telephone			735	735		621	621	
Repairs			970	970		802	802	
Cleaning incl Materials & Equipment			1,069	1,069		487	487	
Salaries			14,046	14,046	836	12,821	13,657	
Insurance			1,769	1,769		1,798	1,798	
Water			919	919		312	312	
Gas			1,639	1,639		1,618	1,618	
Electricity			2,220	2,220		1,967	1,967	
Projects		3,657		3,657	14,495		14,495	
Charges from Unrestricted		2,751		2,751			0	
Roof Repair			650	650		2,960	2,960	
Lighting, Building, F&F, Equipment			3,081	3,081		8,545	8,545	
Banners / Signs / Pictures				0		3,053	3,053	
Miscellaneous			2,617	2,617		3,291	3,291	
Transfer to Unrestricted		2,144		2,144	388	-388	0	
Independent Examiner			288	288			0	
		8,552	30,004	38,556	15,719	37,887	53,606	
Excess Income for the year		6,962	9,123	16,085	0	14,368	14,368	
Funds at the start of the year		0	51,873	51,873	0	37,505	37,505	
FUNDS at the end of the YEAR		6,962	60,996	67,958	0	51,873	51,873	

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Statement of Financial Position (Balance Sheet)

as at 31 March 2023

	<u>Note</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
ASSETS			
Fixed Assets			
Building	2	0	0
Current Assets			
Accounts Receivable		1,869	3,702
Prepayments		1,364	1,550
		<u>3,233</u>	<u>5,252</u>
Petty Cash		113	182
Bank Accounts - Unrestricted		60,432	48,070
Bank Accounts - Restricted		6,984	11,877
		<u>67,529</u>	<u>60,130</u>
Current Liabilities			
Restricted Funds Received in Advance	3	0	11,877
Creditors		2,804	1,631
		<u>2,804</u>	<u>13,508</u>
Net Current Assets			
		<u>67,958</u>	<u>51,873</u>
TOTAL ASSETS			
		<u>67,958</u>	<u>51,873</u>
RESERVES			
Restricted	1	6,962	0
Unrestricted	1	60,996	51,873
		<u>67,958</u>	<u>51,873</u>
TOTAL FUNDS			
		<u>67,958</u>	<u>51,873</u>

These financial statements were approved by the Trustees and authorised for issue on 26th October 2023 and are signed on their behalf by:

Chair *W. Robinson*

Dalton Community Association

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Notes to the Financial Statements

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Income

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Unrestricted funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Restricted funds

Restricted funds arise where the donor specifies the use of the funds, or the funds have arisen in response to an appeal or application for a specified purpose. In prior years, until all performance conditions have been met, the income was treated as received in advance. During the current year remaining amounts received in advance were taken to Restricted Income

Taxation

HM Revenue & Customs considers Dalton Community Association to be a charity and therefore entitled to exemption from tax afforded by Sections 478 - 489 of the Corporation Taxes Act 2010 to the extent that income is applied exclusively for charitable purposes.

2 Building

Dalton Drill Hall, 21 Nelson Street, Dalton in Furness, LA15 8AF - acquired 8 May 2013 by Community Asset Transfer. Valuation 28 January 2022 by an Independent Estate Agent - £375,000 (£375,000 - valuation 23 March 2019).

3 Restricted Funds

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
History Project		
Balance brought forward	503	503
Received	0	0
Transferred to another Grant	-503	0
Balance carried forward	<u>0</u>	<u>503</u>
Lunch Club		
Balance brought forward	4,367	5,710
Received	0	0
Utilised during the year	-1,168	-1,343
Balance carried forward	<u>3,199</u>	<u>4,367</u>
Peoples Project		
Balance brought forward	659	659
Received	0	0
Utilised during the year	-659	0
Balance carried forward	<u>0</u>	<u>659</u>
Computer Training		
Balance brought forward	800	1,500
Received	0	0
Utilised during the year	-800	-700
Balance carried forward	<u>0</u>	<u>800</u>
Youth Worker		
Balance brought forward	580	5,500
Received	0	0
Utilised during the year	-580	-4,920
Balance carried forward	<u>0</u>	<u>580</u>
Dalton Booklet		
Balance brought forward	1,725	0
Transfer from another Grant / Received in Advance	977	3,500
Utilised during the year	-2,702	-1,775
Balance carried forward	<u>0</u>	<u>1,725</u>
Lighting and Video		
Balance brought forward	1,390	3,565
Received	0	0
Utilised during the year	-1,390	-2,175
Balance carried forward	<u>0</u>	<u>1,390</u>

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3 Restricted Funds (contd)

Holiday Club

Balance brought forward	1,353	963
Transfer to another Grant / Received in Advance	-599	2,171
Utilised during the year	-754	-1,781
Balance carried forward	0	1,353

Coffee Club

Balance brought forward	500	0
Received in Advance	0	500
Utilised during the year	-500	0
Balance carried forward	0	500

Hall Floor

Balance brought forward	0	0
Received	750	0
Utilised during the year	0	0
Balance carried forward	750	0

Sensory Lighting

Balance brought forward	0	0
Received	3,013	0
Utilised during the year	0	0
Balance carried forward	3,013	0

Total Restricted Funds

6,962	11,877
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4 Covid Grants Received

Barrow Borough Council Covid-19 Grant	0	8,000
Barrow Borough Council - Govt Business Retention Scheme	0	0
Cumbria County Council - DEFRA	0	0
Furlough Funding	0	1,082
	0	9,082

5 Reserves

The DCA Reserve Policy makes provision for six months operating costs, redundancy and non-major building repairs totalling £34,000.

DALTON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

England & Wales - Charity number 1076322

Accounts

Dalton Community Association (DCA)
AGM Report for the year ended March 2022
Dalton Community Centre (Drill Hall)

The pandemic continued to affect everyone's lives throughout this financial year, vaccine development and a massive immunisation programme meant progress towards managing the impact of the virus and a gradual return to normal life, that is without restrictions gathered pace.

This report will reflect on the development at the DCA over the last 12 months. This has been a year which has been difficult for everyone due to the pandemic, however through the help and support of various Government schemes and initiatives during these challenging times, the association has continued to deliver a much-valued service to the local community.

I must pay homage to Barry Doughty our longstanding Chair, who stood down from this position as Chair at the end of September 2021 though he continues to be a Trustee. Everybody knows that Barry has been the driving force at the DCA. His hard work over a period of 13 years has resulted in a facility which we all know is highly appreciated and very well used. I took over as Chair, following an 'apprenticeship' period and I can vouch that Barry has left a huge void on the Board of Trustees and of course in the local community. Barry and his wife Eileen have relocated to South Wales and at a small gathering, we had the opportunity to thank both for their help, support and commitment to the DCA before they left. We all wish them a happy and relaxed retirement.

We also said 'happy retirement' to our longstanding Centre Manager, Patricia Wilson, who retired at the end of June 2021. Pat was a familiar face at the centre, and we wish her well for the future. Brenda Walker graciously stepped forward and took on the position of Centre Manager.

It would be remiss of me not to thank the following organisations:-

- Dalton Town Council, Barrow Borough Council and Cumbria County Council for their ongoing help and support
- ACTion Cumbria for their advice in getting ready to re-open the centre
- Co-operative Community Funding for their support of the centre and in particular for the financial support towards the holiday 'club' project. The latest project that will benefit from funding from the Co-op is the 'Mother and Toddler' group. The funding will contribute towards the cost to purchase sensory equipment. The equipment will be available for use by any of the groups providing activities for mothers and babies
- Cumbria County Council's Neighbourhood Fund for their grant support towards the 'Reflections of Dalton' publication
- Dalton with Newton Town Council and Nick Perie's Mayoral Fund for their contribution towards the 'Reflections of Dalton' publication.
- Cumbria County Council's grant towards the 'Tea, Coffee and Cake' project
- The High Sheriff of Cumbria – David Beeby – for the financial support towards youth activities
- Cumbria County Council for the installation of an awning in the courtyard

The financial support from the organisations above, has enabled the DCA to provide specific targeted support to the local community.

I must express my sincere appreciation to the Board of Trustees. Very early on in the pandemic we reviewed the procedures and processes to ensure that the building is as safe as possible for all users. Much was achieved through their voluntary help during the pandemic and when the rules were relaxed, we were able to carry out some much-needed maintenance work

We were honoured to receive a visit from the High Sheriff of Cumbria – David Beeby – and his partner Soo on the 26th May 2021. After a tour of the centre, Trustees provided information on the projects housed in the centre, and in particular youth provision being carried out through the 'Dalton Youthy' project. A buffet lunch was served before David and Soo left their next appointment in Millom. They were both very impressed with the services being provided at the centre, especially the youth provision where demand has increased recently and we now have a 'junior' and a 'senior group'. On the 21st March this year, we were invited to attend an afternoon tea at Rose Castle to receive recognition from the High Sheriff for the work, and in particular the youth work that is carried out in the centre. A framed certificate is on display at the centre and the financial award received in the next financial year of £500.00 will be used towards the work we do.

Our Trustees continue to offer great support to the running and the governance of the association. Our monthly board meetings, previously on Zoom, but now back to face-to-face meetings at the centre are proactive. We said goodbye to Deborah Brown, who was one of our longstanding Trustees, and stepped down from the board, due to heavy work commitments. We welcomed John McGill to the board in July 2021 and his substantial experience in the voluntary sector and his knowledge will add to the skill base of the Board. I also want to express my sincere thanks to all the Trustees for their commitment, but a special thank you must go to Ian Maddox and Dave Ward for their ongoing help and support with maintenance tasks.

The review and updating of our policies and procedures is continuous and in the last 12 months we have added a new Bribery, Whistle Blowing and Reserve policies. Furthermore, the website was reviewed, refreshed and a new electronic booking system has been developed ensuring that the managing of booking events is easy to do.

Our Treasurer Brian Ryninks continues to ensure that the association remains financially healthy. Brian is also instrumental in supporting the Trustees as the DCA complies with the requirements to be a charitable organisation.

Cumbria County Council renewed the library lease and this much needed facility will continue to provide a well-used service from the centre.

When it comes to our carbon footprint, the centre has been utilising the benefits of the solar panels over the last number of years. In the last year more energy sensitive lights have been installed, the courtyard received a new awning, which enhances the use of this outdoor space by giving it shading in the summer months, whilst also providing some shelter if the area is used when it is raining. New doors have been fitted to the car park and the courtyard exits and a new storeroom facility was created, through the support of Cumbria County Council for Family Action. We also replaced the flat roof above the Cadet's storeroom and the DCA boiler house and carried out residual repairs to the roof where there was ingress of water.

A new booklet was commissioned – Reflections of Dalton – as a follow up to the 'From Drill Hall to Centre for All' publication. This publication was launched on the 22nd July 2022. The booklet, collated and written by one of our Trustees, Ron Creer, is an oral record, as well as a written account of a number of selected residents to reflect upon their time in Dalton, their links to the centre, and their contributions to the Town over the years.

Our website and Facebook pages are well used and anyone looking at our calendar on the website cannot help but be amazed at the number of activities taking place each week. Following the pandemic the existing groups using the centre, gradually returned and we welcomed the following new groups:

- The U3A rummy card group
- Market Street Medical Practice using the hall for flu vaccinations
- Cumbria County Council's Family Action
- Children's parties are increasing, and we also had a wedding reception

To conclude, despite the challenges faced due to COVID, the Centre continues to thrive. We as Trustees are very grateful for the support we have received from Government, Local Government, Charitable organisations and Trusts and of course from the local community. We have a great partnership with Dalton Town Council who are very supportive and my sincere thanks to Fiona for all their help.

What does the future hold? Well, we are keen to reduce our carbon emissions and work towards the Government's net zero challenge. To that effect, we have received support for an internship from Lancaster University's Eco-1 NW programme and obtained the services of a MSc Environmental student with a keen interest in zero waste and environmental sustainability. The internship in the new financial year will support us to research, evaluate and benchmark the current carbon footprint of the community centre and start the process of putting in place a plan which would support carbon reductions.

We continue to ensure the facilities are available, have easy access, are fit for purpose and provides a high standard of service, which is befitting a community venue where all ages are welcome.

The future looks bright, we continue to look for opportunities and we remain extremely grateful for the support we have locally.

Welma Robinson

Chair – Dalton Community Association

Financial Review

The year ended 31 March 2022 saw a continued improvement in the financial position / strength of the Dalton Community Association (DCA) with Income exceeding Expenditure by £14,368 (£21,794) to increase the accumulated surplus from £37,503 to £51,873. Total income was £67,974 (£64,408) and total costs were £53,606 (£42,614).

Unrestricted Charity Income totalled £52,255 that was lower than the £56,268 of the prior year mainly due to just £9,082 (£37,867) of Covid 19 related grant income but offset by the rental income release from the ending of the first lease of the library in August 2021. Unrestricted Charity Expenditure of £37,877 was marginally higher than the £34,474 in the prior year mainly due to the effect of sundry repairs for example on the roof.

Restricted Charity Income / Expenditure was slightly higher at £15,719 (£8,140) that increased given the re-opening of the centre and projects re-commencing

Bank balances as at the yearend decreased slightly in total compared to the prior year end with Restricted Funds of £11,877 (£20,752) and Unrestricted Funds of £48,070 (£45,443).

The building was valued in the current year as at 28 January 2022 at £375,000. The last valuation was £375,000 as at 23 March 2019 compared to the previous valuation of £345,000 as at 28 February 2018.

The financial position / strength of the Association continued to improve in the current year with a third consecutive year of surplus. The Reserves Policy increased the total required to be held to £34,000 (£29,000).

The resumption of the use of the facilities of the Centre has progressed to a stage where it might be considered that use of the Centre is now back to "normal" although some users have ceased use of the hall to thankfully be replaced by others.

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				2022			2021		
				Restricted Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds	Restricted Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds
				£	£	£	£	£	£
Statement of Financial Activities									
(incorporating the Income & Expenditure Account)									
for the year ended 31 March 2022									
		Note							
Charity Operations									
	Income								
		Sundry Income		14,453	14,453		3,197	3,197	
		Development Posts Funding		1,224	1,224	1,727		1,727	
		Grants for Projects		14,495	14,495	6,413		6,413	
		Fund Raising			0			0	
		Donations		3,263	3,263			0	
		Cadets		5,796	5,796		5,796	5,796	
		Police		4,404	4,404		4,404	4,404	
		Youth Work			0			0	
		Library		15,257	15,257		5,004	5,004	
		Covid 19 Grants	4	9,082	9,082		37,867	37,867	
				15,719	52,255	67,974	8,140	56,268	64,408
	Expenditure								
		Broadband & Telephone			621	621		1,020	1,020
		Repairs			802	802		2,221	2,221
		Cleaning incl Materials & Equipment			487	487		943	943
		Salaries		836	12,821	13,657	1,727	15,206	16,933
		Insurance			1,798	1,798		2,034	2,034
		Water			312	312		996	996
		Gas			1,618	1,618		1,428	1,428
		Electricity			1,967	1,967		1,119	1,119
		Projects		14,495	14,495	3,761		3,761	
		Roof Repair			2,960	2,960		1,020	1,020
		Lighting, Building, F&F, Equipment			8,545	8,545	2,495	6,681	9,176
		Banners / Signs / Pictures			3,053	3,053		528	528
		Miscellaneous			3,291	3,291	157	1,277	1,434
		Transfer to Unrestricted		388	-388	0			0
				15,719	37,887	53,606	8,140	34,474	42,614
	Excess Income / (Deficit)			0	14,368	14,368	0	21,794	21,794
	Refurbishment								
	Income								
		Grants				0			0
	Expenditure								
		Refurbishment Costs				0			0
	Excess Income / (Deficit)			0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL INCOME				15,719	52,255	67,974	8,140	56,268	64,408
TOTAL EXPENDITURE				15,719	37,887	53,606	8,140	34,474	42,614
TOTAL SURPLUS for the YEAR				0	14,368	14,368	0	21,794	21,794

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Balance Sheet

as at	31 March 2022	Note	2022	2021
ASSETS				
Fixed Assets				
	Building	2	0	0
Current Assets				
	Accounts Receivable		3,702	5,593
	Prepayments		1,550	0
			<u>5,252</u>	<u>5,593</u>
	Petty Cash		182	32
	Current A/c - Unrestricted		48,070	45,443
	Current A/c - Restricted		11,877	20,752
			<u>60,130</u>	<u>66,227</u>
	TOTAL ASSETS		65,381	71,820
LIABILITIES				
	Restricted Funds Received in Advance	3	11,877	20,752
	Un-Restricted Funds Received in Advance		0	12,338
	Creditors		1,631	1,227
			<u>13,508</u>	<u>34,317</u>
RESERVES				
	Restricted	1	0	0
	Unrestricted	1	51,873	37,503
			<u>51,873</u>	<u>37,503</u>
	TOTAL FUNDS & LIABILITIES		65,381	71,820

These financial statements were approved by the Trustees and authorised for issue on 24/11/2022 and are signed on their behalf by:

Chair *V. Robinson*



24.11.22

Independent Examiner's Statement

In my opinion and based on the information provided, the above Income and Expenditure account gives a fair view of the affairs of the Dalton Community Association for the period 1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022, as shown by the accounting records; in addition the bank balance is confirmed.

Auditor *Sue Roberts*
CPFA, ACMA



Date 9.11.2022

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Notes to the Financial Statements

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3 Restricted Funds

Development Posts

Balance brought forward
Received in Advance
Utilised during the year
Balance carried forward

2022	2021
552	2,018
0	0
-552	-1,466
0	552

History Project

Balance brought forward
Received in Advance
Utilised during the year
Balance carried forward

503	4,218
0	0
0	-3,715
503	503

Lunch Club

Balance brought forward
Received in Advance
Utilised during the year
Balance carried forward

5,710	1,305
0	4,514
-1,343	-109
4,367	5,710

Peoples Project

Balance brought forward
Received in Advance
Utilised during the year
Balance carried forward

659	1,020
0	0
0	-361
659	659

Training

Balance brought forward
Received in Advance
Utilised during the year
Balance carried forward

1,800	1,800
0	0
-1,800	0
0	1,800

Computer Training

Balance brought forward
Received in Advance
Utilised during the year
Balance carried forward

1,500	1,493
0	7
-700	0
800	1,500

Youth Worker

Balance brought forward
Received in Advance
Utilised during the year
Balance carried forward

5,500	5,500
0	0
-4,920	0
580	5,500

Dalton Booklet

Balance brought forward
Received in Advance
Utilised during the year
Balance carried forward

0	0
3,500	0
-1,775	0
1,725	0

Lighting and Video

Balance brought forward
Received in Advance
Utilised during the year
Balance carried forward

3,565	0
0	6,060
-2,175	-2,495
1,390	3,565

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Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

3 Restricted Funds (contd)

Holiday Club

Balance brought forward	963	0
Received in Advance	2,171	963
Utilised during the year	-1,781	0
Balance carried forward	<u>1,353</u>	<u>963</u>

Coffee Club

Balance brought forward	0	0
Received in Advance	500	0
Utilised during the year	0	0
Balance carried forward	<u>500</u>	<u>0</u>

Total Restricted Funds

11,877 20,752

4 Covid Grants Received

Barrow Borough Council Covid-19 Grant	8,000	10,000
Barrow Borough Council - Govt Business Retention Scheme		9,669
Cumbria County Council - DEFRA		5,000
Furlough Funding	<u>1,082</u>	<u>13,198</u>
	<u>9,082</u>	<u>37,867</u>

5 Subsequent Events

The 2019/20 year-end coincided with the Covid-19 Pandemic lockdown that commenced in the UK in the last week of March 2020 and resulted in the closure of the hall. The resumption of the use of facilities commenced in May 2021 with a few users returning then, but this increased in the following months of the current financial year when use of the hall had returned to "normal".

6 Reserves

The DCA Reserve Policy makes provision for six months operating costs, redundancy and non-major building repairs totalling £34,000.

DALTON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

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Accounts

Dalton Community Association (DCA) AGM Report 2020/21

Dalton Community Centre (Drill Hall)

Introduction

This Annual Report 2020/21 reflects the development in this last financial year. A year which has been difficult for everyone because of the pandemic COVID 19. Nevertheless, progress has been made with the help of the various Government schemes/initiatives during COVID 19.

Our grateful thanks must go to the user groups and funders who have had to adjust to these unprecedented circumstances. All interested and helpful parties have contributed greatly to the retention of this community facility. I am grateful to all the Trustee who have joined our monthly meetings online thanks particularly to one of our trustees Steve Nott who has allowed us to use his zoom account for our monthly meetings.

Other notable organisation and funders named below have contributed either financially or with guidance and support during this difficult year.

- Barrow Borough Council
- Cumbria County Council
- Dalton Town Council
- ACTion Cumbria
- ACE
- The Hadfield Trust
- Cooperative Community Funding sources
- FCST
- AGE UK Barrow Branch
- Individual Trustees

Much has been achieved at the centre this year despite COVID and the difficulty has enabled the Trustee Board to review and act upon issues in the building to make it as safe as possible for users during the relaxation of COVID as well as building works that could be carried out using the Governments Business Retention Grant.

Correspondence was sent to user groups regarding a return to the centre as and when government relaxations were announced. At times this was difficult for some user groups as the guidance changed often.

Unfortunately, during the year Dance Tazia one of our regular users bringing in regular income, decided not to return and in fact closed their Dance troop for good. A sad loss to the association but understandable in the circumstances. They had had more than 20 years association with the centre.

Fortuitously we negotiated through the year a service level agreement with the Cumbria County Council regarding the use of the East Wing by Family Action on behalf of the County Council and once COVID restrictions are lifted they will reside and provide a service for a minimum of three days per week on an agreed monthly contract paid for by the County Council

We continue to be solvent thanks to the support from Government and being prudent on our part. This has included Business Rate Suspension and Furlough for our three members of staff (80% most of the time and 60% for a three-month period during the pandemic). In addition, we received business retention funding from government via the Borough Council. All these processes were simple to apply for and to be executed which was a welcome exercise for myself and the Trustees. Without that help it would have proved to be very difficult for the association. The general financial statement of income and expenditure can be seen on the charity commission website and a comparison can be made during previous years when the association was self-sufficient.

Minutes of all our meetings are uploaded onto the Dalton Community Association Website for scrutiny.

In preparedness to make sure the centre is as risk adverse as possible and ready for groups returning to the centre, I took advice following an expensive (in my opinion) defogging of all surfaces and equipment such as chairs tables etc. In the end I sought advice and with the government retention funds had Ultraviolet (UV) units installed in seven areas of the building. They operate on time switches, were professionally installed, and claim to kill all known germs on surfaces including COVID viruses.

Sanitiser stations were set up around the building and a COVID 19 First Aid Kit was created including PPE equipment, coveralls, I X temperature gun, hand wipes gloves etc. User groups were informed to help them make decisions when they felt able to return to using the centre. Signs and instruction notices were distributed throughout the building including NHS QR codes for reporting and links to the Government's Track and Trace system.

Some notable funding sources this year has been a grant from Northwest Electricity and Bay Winds Trust both helping us to reduce our Carbon footprint and ensured further measures to reduce fuel wastage. A video was produced by Signal Films and Media a local community-based organisation. This is now available Highlighting the work of the association regarding energy saving and is a valuable resource in reducing our carbon footprint. The Video has been uploaded onto our website.

We still raise all our funds locally through rent, donations, and grants. We do not receive local council regular revenue grants all monies raised is through our own endeavours.

A pleasing and welcome addition this year was the completion, with the help of the Heritage Lottery funding, which has enabled us to reflect upon the 'Drill Hall Identity' from a Drill Hall to a 'centre for all'. We had hoped to have a major launch but the restrictions of COVID 19 have meant a postponement. However, we do now have a booklet, a website, displays and presentation material which, enables us to have a historical and heritage record of the centre from 1928 to the present day.

The impetus of the above has given us the wherewithal to consider a further booklet with a working title of 'Reflections of Dalton'. Some preliminary work has been carried out to seek funding to complete this task.

Much is still achieved through voluntary help, and during the pandemic and at times when the rules were relaxed, we were able to carry out some maintenance work.

As Trustees we have had a few problems with the maintenance especially in terms of ingress of water. We have tried various recommended solutions suggested by builders and seem to be alleviating these problems gradually but not easy with the ingress of water on sloping and flat roofs of which there are many.

Significant Events this year

- Flat roof problems over the East Wing mainly solved with a few minor problems being solved gradually.
- Heritage Lottery fund Project completed launch postponed had to cancel because of COVID
- Benefits of the Solar Panels! With the possibility of more on the flat roof area
- Renewal and appraisals of our policies constantly being reviewed as changes occur. All Trustees given USB 'Flash Drive' with all the policies and the Treasurer working on other policies including a financial reserve policy
- Active and positive assertion of our Fire procedure including risk assessment notices and fire alarm testing partly carried out but still needs work doing and records kept up to date.
- Creation of the new storage area has been a great success.
- True Life Church contributed full amount for extra storage space in the East wing.
- Special thanks to Ian Maddox and Dave Ward for continued help with maintenance tasks.

- Ian has also produced a useful inventory of all assets listed for each room
- We have bought five laptops and five iPads for future computer activity especially for older people in conjunction with AGE UK when COVID relaxation allows.
- Investment of funds which have been in our current account and banking issues still being sought by our treasurer considering a number of options.
- Other Grant applications on going.

Dalton Youthy

This year saw the revival of the Dalton Youth provision an active group previously had waned as participants moved on to college, work, and other avenues. The LGBT group now meet in Barrow and are part of a larger group. Progress has been curtailed for the present because of COVID but monies from Francis C Scott Trust has so far been used to create a community garden made up of raised beds and a living walled garden in our outside courtyard. Thanks to Ann Thurlow for supervising this project which we trust will develop in future years.

Solar Panels

The success of the solar panels is amazing with a reduction in fuel bills, and we continue to receive payments from the governments tariff monitors to the tune of approximately £1K a year.

Trustees

Trustees continue to offer great support to the governance of the association. Our monthly meetings albeit they have been on 'Zoom' have proved to be very useful, supportive and practical in the governance of the organisation.

Policies

Progress indicated earlier in this report.

Investment/management of funds

The Treasurer continues to seek appropriate ways to invest/deposit some of our funds and look at the problems associated with having no local bank. Several alternatives are still being considered to assist with the governance of the DCA account.

Grants

Cooperative Society Community Fund £3,000 (possibly) towards holiday playschemes delivered by Dalton Youthy. The full figure not known until the end of the year in Oct/Nov time but part of the funding almost £1K already received.

Summary

A strange year to be quite honest and apart from Dance Tazia all other groups have been very supportive and understanding during this financial year. We as Trustees are very grateful to government COVID funding for small businesses such as ours especially the help for our staff with the furlough scheme. We need to consider and am negotiating with Cumbria County Council regarding the contract with the Library Service for their use of the centre. We still have a great partnership with the Town Council who are always supportive.

Present Users

- Army Cadets,
- Cumbria County Council Library service 9am 7pm Monday- Friday
- Various reading groups and activities for different ages,
- Cumbria Police - permanent office space with 24hour access with some facilities to meet their needs
- Private birthday/party events for local residents not held during the pandemic.
- Youth provision has been through Detached work.
- East wing now agreed to be a base for Family Action possible starting late March or early in the next financial year.
- And other various groups.
- Spiritualist and healing group,
- True Life Church in abeyance until Sept 2021 probably,
- University of the third Age (U3A) stopped started and stopped again.
- Rhythm time - Early learning through music
- HartBeeps-early years learning through music and play
- Film Club ready to start every month when able.
- Parkinson's and dementia self-help support groups awaiting the go ahead to start up again.
- The local surgery has made bookings for administering the flu jabs for several days and this might be a feature annually.
- SOS a health and Safety local firm have booked the centre for H&S courses on behalf of BAE Systems

Our web site and Facebook are getting to be well used and anyone looking at our calendar on the website cannot but be amazed at the number of activities taking place each week, even though, curtailed this year.

Vision Achievements and Plans

Reduce CO2 emissions further, friendly lighting in other areas of the building not currently covered especially adjacent rooms to the main hall.

Continue the work completed regarding the reduction of electricity use through the advent of creating our own energy through further solar panels and prudent management.

We would like to see continued and expanded the luncheon clubs, drop-in sessions for computer and IT skills for older people.

Conclusion

Yet again we continue to make sure these facilities, are available and 'fit for purpose' and up to a high standard required for a functional community venue catering for all ages.

Barry Doughty

Chairman Dalton Community Association

March 2021

The following are further bullet points listing further progress since March 2021 up to the time of the submission to the Charity Commission

Buildings works

- More energy sensitive lights installed
- Flat roof covering Cadets Storeroom and DCA boiler house replaced
- Residual repairs to roof where there was ingress of water rectified
- Storeroom for Family Action installed by Cumbria County Council no cost to DCA
- Awning for the Children's outside area imminent (Cost to County Council)
- New doors fitted to the car park and outside yard
- Possibility of more solar panels
- More sponsorship boards installed in the entrance to the centre.

User Groups

- Groups starting to return
- New groups
 - o SOS local Health and Safety company for exams and safety procedure in conjunction with BAE
 - o Dowdales for a short period one to one working with pupils
 - o U3A Rummy card group

- o Market Street Medical practice – Flu Vaccine
- o Wedding reception
- o Tabletop ‘war games’ during Christmas period
- o Family Action
- o Return of open access to the library
- Existing group gradually returning some as late as September 2021

New booklet commissioned ‘Reflections of Dalton’ as a follow up to the booklet From ‘Drill Hall to Centre for All’.

Governance

- Renewal of Licence for the library
- Further recruitment of Trustees
- Pat Wilson retirement Brenda Walker taking over Centre management role
- Added Policies
 - o Bribery
 - o Whistle Blowing
 - o Reserves policy
- New booking systems electronic and hard copies designed and executed by Ian Maddox

Visits

- High Sheriff of Cumbria
- New Chief Executive of Cumbria County Council
- Barrow Borough Council Regarding possibility to use centre as polling station

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	Income		Note								
		Sundry Income			3,197	3,197		14,725	14,725		
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		Grants for Projects		6,413		6,413	20,388		20,388		
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		Library			5,004	5,004			5,004		5,004
		Covid 19 Grants	4		37,867	37,867					0
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		Cleaning incl Materials & Equipment			943	943		1,215	1,215		
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		Insurance			2,034	2,034		2,343	2,343		
		Water			996	996		559	559		
		Gas			1,428	1,428		2,479	2,479		
		Electricity			1,119	1,119		1,007	1,007		
		Projects		3,761		3,761	6,356	1,681	8,037		
		Roof Repair			1,020	1,020		13,165	13,165		
		Lighting, Building, F&F, Equipment		2,495	6,681	9,176		0	0		
		Miscellaneous		157	1,805	1,962	1,148	9,641	10,789		
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	Excess Income / (Deficit)			0	21,794	21,794	0	12,238	12,238		
Refurbishment											
	Income	Grants				0					0
	Expenditure	Refurbishment Costs				0		500	500		
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Fixed Assets				
	Building	2	0	0
Current Assets				
	Accounts Receivable		5,592	4,725
			<u>5,592</u>	<u>4,725</u>
	Petty Cash		32	78
	Current A/c - Unrestricted		45,443	31,064
	Current A/c - Restricted		20,752	17,354
			<u>66,227</u>	<u>48,496</u>
	TOTAL ASSETS		71,820	53,221
LIABILITIES				
	Restricted Funds Received in Advance	3	20,752	17,354
	Un-Restricted Funds Received in Advance		12,338	18,384
	Creditors		1,227	1,774
			<u>34,317</u>	<u>37,512</u>
RESERVES				
	Restricted	1	0	0
	Unrestricted	1	37,503	15,708
			<u>37,503</u>	<u>15,708</u>
	TOTAL FUNDS & LIABILITIES		71,820	53,221

These financial statements were approved by the Trustees and authorised for issue on 30/09/2021 and are signed on their behalf by:

Chair *B. Doughty*

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Auditor *Keith Jackson*
 CMIIA

Date 27/09/2021

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Income

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3 Restricted Funds

Development Posts

	2021	2020
Balance brought forward	2,018	10,617
Received in Advance		500
Utilised during the year	-1,466	-9,099
Balance carried forward	<u>552</u>	<u>2,018</u>

History Project

Balance brought forward	4,218	7,464
Received in Advance		0
Utilised during the year	-3,715	-3,246
Balance carried forward	<u>503</u>	<u>4,218</u>

Lunch Club

Balance brought forward	1,305	953
Received in Advance	4,549	1,500
Utilised during the year	-108	-1,148
Balance carried forward	<u>5,746</u>	<u>1,305</u>

Peoples Project

Balance brought forward	1,020	0
Received in Advance		5,000
Utilised during the year	-361	-3,980
Balance carried forward	<u>659</u>	<u>1,020</u>

Training

Balance brought forward	1,800	0
Received in Advance		1,800
Utilised during the year		
Balance carried forward	<u>1,800</u>	<u>1,800</u>

Computer Training

Balance brought forward	1,493	0
Received in Advance	7	1,493
Utilised during the year		
Balance carried forward	<u>1,500</u>	<u>1,493</u>

Youth Worker

Balance brought forward	5,500	0
Received in Advance		5,500
Utilised during the year		
Balance carried forward	<u>5,500</u>	<u>5,500</u>

Roof Repairs

Balance brought forward	0	0
Received in Advance		13,164
Utilised during the year		-13,164
Balance carried forward	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

Lighting and Video

Balance brought forward	0	0
Received in Advance	6,060	
Utilised during the year	-2,495	
Balance carried forward	<u>3,565</u>	<u>0</u>

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3 Restricted Funds (contd)

Holiday Club

Balance brought forward	0	0
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Utilised during the year		
Balance carried forward	<u>963</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Restricted Funds	<u>20,788</u>	<u>17,354</u>

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