



# ANNUAL REPORT

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# Centre Director Report

Hello there!

Who could have predicted a year like this? An unprecedented year. A year of turmoil and big questions.

This season we encountered two national lockdowns. The rise of the pandemic, COVID19, forced our in person schools and youth work to stop.

As the leader of Camberley Youth for Christ, I wholeheartedly believe we are not defined by WHAT we do, but WHY we do it. Our mission of Bringing the Good News relevantly and seeing young people's lives changed by Jesus is bigger than lockdown.

I believe young people matter and we endeavoured to keep supporting young people in any way we could. Our numbers were effected in each lockdown (see graph on page 3) but provided opportunity for learning, reflection and new projects.

Circumstances changed how we did things, but our mission remained the same.

I'm very grateful for all our volunteers who give their time and energy to help us support and encourage young people.

At a time of great need for our young people, we have done everything within our ability to keep the incredible message of hope found in the Gospel front and centre in our activities and projects.

Thank you for your faithful and sustained partnership with us in this journey. Some of the wonderful projects and outcomes you will read about, only happened because you generously gave and sacrificially prayed with us.

There has never been a more critical time to share Jesus with our young people.

Thank you again for your partnership with us in making it happen.

**Oli Deeks**

*O. J. Deeks*





# WHY WE EXIST

1 MISSION.  
3 AIMS.

## Why We Exist

Our purpose is to bring the Good News relevantly to all young people in and around Camberley.

We are passionate about introducing young people to Christ and when we do this relevantly we believe we see young people's lives changed by Jesus.

We are committed to our 4 D's of evangelism - where we DEMONSTRATE the love of God, DECLARE who Jesus is, encourage a DECISION to follow Him and DISCIPLE young people to live their lives to the full (John 10:10).

We do all this by creating opportunities for Christians to tell young people their stories, giving genuine faith-based input into the lives of young people and supporting and encouraging others to do the same - youth workers, teachers and Churches.

In order to achieve our purpose and mission, we focus on three areas - Schools, Churches and Online Evangelism.

### 1. Schools Work

We provide faith based educational and pastoral input into local Secondary Schools. We provide an opportunity for local churches to come into school under our training and guidance.

### 2. Churches and Youth Workers

We believe Churches are the hope for our communities. We partner and network with local Churches and youth workers to enable a supportive and encouraging environment for additional collaborative projects and activities aimed at relationship building with both church and non-church youth in the area.

When applicable we support and provide advice on how Churches can engage relevantly with young people.

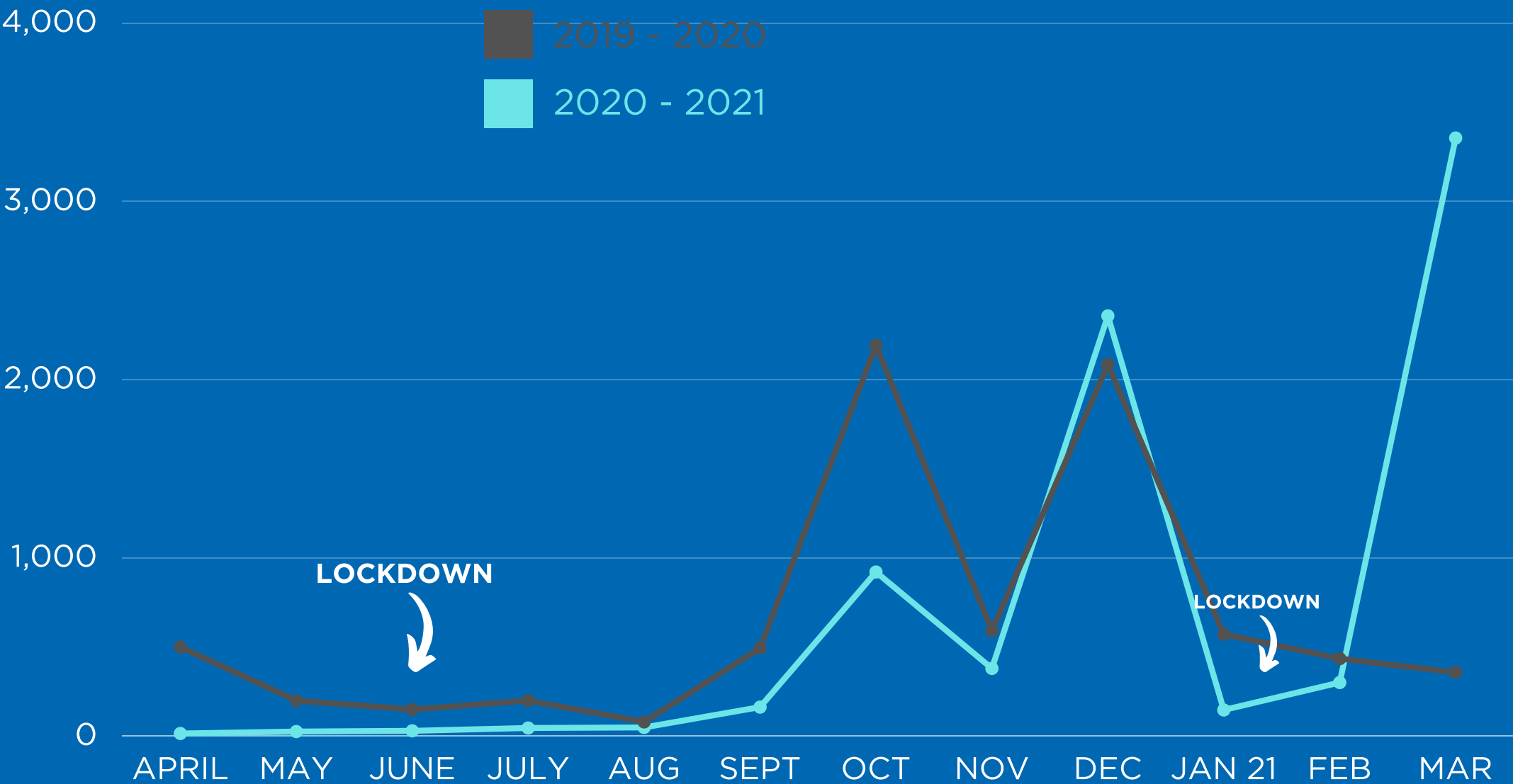
### 3. Online Evangelism

Young people's attention today is online. We aim to seize the hours beyond our face to face interactions, to build online relationships with young people using popular social medias.



# Interactions With Young People

(2020 vs 2019)



**7,800**  
interactions with  
young people  
(not including social media)

**schools** **7,181**

**online**  
(zoom mentoring & gaming stream) **348**

**churches**  
(the POINT & youth groups) **263**

# Our Year Outer



In September we were pleased to welcome Joe to the Camberley Youth for Christ team.

Joe reflects on his time with us so far.

"Hello, I am Joe the Youthwork Volunteer that has been working with Camberley Youth for Christ this year. I have been up to a diverse range of things, from filming and editing videos, to leading RS lessons, lunch clubs, 1:2:1 mentoring and assemblies.

Part of my gap year has involved working for a local Church, St Paul's, where I've enjoyed helping with worship and supporting the youth ministry with Ben.

It has been great to meet other youth workers from different Churches and is lovely to see that we are all working together for the Kingdom of God.

I must be honest I had not heard of Camberley till this year, did not even know where it was on the map. However, I have loved every second of my stay here, and have loved to have the privilege of

exploring Camberley. It's a great environment, and although I have only been working in Kings International School due to the bubbling system and Covid, it's given me a great chance to get to know the teachers and young people there.

Both Oli and Ben have pushed me, and I am grateful for the skills I have learned from my gap year. My faith has grown too, as I have gained a much wider view of Christianity and a new look into God's calling for me which seems to be to now go into youthwork.

Overall I have thoroughly enjoyed my time here and everyone has been so supportive, helpful and generous.

Thank you for reading,

Every Blessing, Joe"



# Our Administrator

Naomi has been doing a fantastic job organising and keeping all our work going. Naomi shares a few words.

"I can't quite believe that I have been the administrator at Camberley Youth for Christ for almost 18 months! I started in January 2020, a few months before the pandemic hit. I had just begun to learn the systems and routines of our work and then everything changed. Schools closed, my dining room became my office and my working hours had to fit around home schooling my children.

Technology has enabled me to keep in touch with Oli and the team and I have really valued the weekly prayer meetings we set up on Zoom for our staff and supporters.

We have seen so many answers to prayer this year and it has been encouraging to share that with others.

There have been so many changes back and forth with our work this year as we've adapted to schools opening and closing,

it has certainly kept me busy.

Our contacts in the local schools have been amazing and I am so thankful for the work they put in to co-ordinating referrals and keeping me updated.

I also want to thank our incredible team of volunteers who have been so patient when I have emailed them, sometimes multiple times a day, with different plans and last minute changes. They have happily continued to serve, whether online or in person, and we are very grateful for the work they do.

Yours faithfully.

Naomi"



# Schools Work

Our work in schools is very much the heartbeat of what we do.

This was tested, as schools faced two national lockdowns, which consequently had an impact to our work. schools navigated home learning and we pivoted to continue our mission and move our work online.

This year we continued to work in Kings International, Collingwood, Tomlinscote and Gordon's. We hope to increase our work once covid restrictions have been eased.

During the lockdowns we:

- Mentored 10 pupils at Kings International via Zoom
- Lead online assemblies about; Brokenness (at Kings), Christmas (Kings, Gordon's and Collingwood), International Happiness Week (at Kings) and Easter (at Kings, Gordon's and Collingwood)
- Lead 17 online PSHE (personal, social, health, economic) lessons about volunteering at Kings
- Mentored 2 vulnerable and key worker pupils at Kings

- Made content for young people on our social media accounts to support mental health through this difficult time.
- Supported Gordon's online Christian Union

In September we were pleased to be back working in person at Kings and Collingwood providing pastoral support, playground bubble supervision, RE lessons (we taught lessons on 'is there a right way to live?', 'Marriage' and 'Christian belief') and 4 additional lunch clubs in our youth room.

In January, schools were asked to mass COVID test pupils and staff, which Oli volunteered for. He writes about his experiences on page 7.



**7,181**  
interactions with  
young people at  
School



# Testing Times

When the Prime Minister announced the third national lockdown on the 4th of January, it affected everyone. For us it meant the way we engage with young people in schools would, once again, change.

Though schools have closed, that doesn't mean they have completely shut their doors to all young people. Kings International has remained open to teachers, year 11s doing BTEC exams, children of key workers and those who are vulnerable.

For such groups to continue coming into school during lockdown, they are required to have regular COVID tests. At Camberley Youth for Christ we are keen to support schools and young people in any way we can, so Oli offered to help the school carry out the task. It was an offer the school gladly accepted.

"The opportunity was a no-brainer. Our heart is to support the school and young people." In preparation, Oli did NHS training certificates in learning on 'the Innova process', 'how to give guidance and advice on swabbing', 'how to report results', 'how to wash and sanitise hands correctly' and 'knowing everything about PPE'. Oli then volunteered his time to take on the roles of test assistant and test processor in the school. He is also

supporting the young people (and some teachers) by easing any anxieties they may have in this season.

"Schools are having such a hard time right now having to cater for online learning, being open for vulnerable and key worker pupils and having to create pop-up test centres" he declares. "As my heart is to support young people and the local school, I'm only too happy to help."

He also shares how he was recently told by a youth worker that a young person they work with felt more at ease going into school because they knew he would be there. "I just hope they can recognise me in all my PPE", Oli jokes.

Camberley Youth for Christ are incredibly grateful for this opportunity to continue to meet with young people. Oli has been supporting the testing for four school days and will be going into the school twice a week from now on.



# Partnering with Local Churches

We believe that Churches are the hope of our local communities.

Due to covid restrictions we had to cancel our annual Youth Weekend Away. It was a sad, yet important decision to make.

We hope to organise one next year. Watch this space.

We continued to support local youth workers by gathering in person and on zoom for our Surrey Heath Youth Workers Forum. We share ideas, network and encourage one and other.

## THE POINT

This is our monthly youth service organised by Church youth workers.

Ultimately, our aim is to encourage young people to make Jesus the POINT of their lives.

We aim to connect young people across Surrey Heath to build a passionate and vibrant, Jesus centred community through

fun filled games, inspiring talks, worship and prayer.

We continued to meet throughout the year with varying degrees of success - our numbers have been up and down. After much prayer and deliberation, the team decided to change the age range. This was not an easy decision to make but we felt God was calling us to do this.

The POINT is now open to anyone in Secondary School to College.

Some of our services had to take place online using Zoom, pre-recorded videos and YouTube live.

Online is good but our heart is to meet with the young people in person.

We aim to embrace the digital strides and stream our services live on YouTube and meet in person. A hybrid approach.

“WE ENCOURAGE  
YOUNG PEOPLE TO  
MAKE JESUS THE  
**POINT** OF THEIR  
LIVES.”



# Prayer Initiatives

All effective ministry movements start with prayer.

Our mission is to bring the Good News relevantly to young people. If we want to do this effectively, bearing fruit that will last, we must pray that God's power will be at work in young people in all kinds of ways and situations.

Why?

BECAUSE PRAYER CHANGES THINGS.

Because prayer is powerful.

In May, we took part in a National Youth for Christ prayer initiative, 'Pray Through May', where we prayed everyday for our young people, schools, churches, and nation.

We had weekly zoom prayer meetings which have continued throughout the year. We sent daily prayer prompts via email and took part in the National Prayer day.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PTHvRANly6Q>

We hope to do this prayer initiative next year and encourage more young people to get involved.

“DO NOT BE  
ANXIOUS ABOUT  
ANYTHING, BUT IN  
EVERY SITUATION,  
BY PRAYER AND  
PETITION, WITH  
THANKSGIVING,  
PRESENT YOUR  
REQUESTS TO GOD.”  
PHILIPPIANS 4:6



# Digital Evangelism

We continued our mission through lockdown by bringing the good news relevantly via social media and launching an online gaming project.

Considerable numbers engaged with our online content. Schools even promoted our accounts as a source for pupils to engage with healthy content.

We continued to make silly, fun and engaging challenge videos, 'Monday Challenge' and faith based videos partnered with Frimley Baptist Church.

We launched a TikTok account with one of our videos reaching over 325K views.

Added to this, we provided online training for other youth workers to engage better with social media.

Our gaming project was launched in the summer partnered with St Paul's Church, where we live stream game play via Twitch and play with young people online. All young people who play with us have had parental consent.



**210 SUBS**



**1.1K FOLLOWERS**



**1K FOLLOWERS**

**19.3K views**  
(April 20 - Mar 21)  
**YouTube**

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erley.yfc



# Our Volunteers

Most of our Youth & Schools Work is only made possible because of our enthusiastic team of committed volunteers. We are extremely grateful for their time, energy and hard work.

We've had 15 regular and casual volunteers on the Youth and schools team delivering

lessons, assemblies, detached youth work, Christian Unions, a lunch club, pastoral support, the POINT and residentials.

These all make a valuable contribution to introducing young people to Christ.

We are committed to supporting,

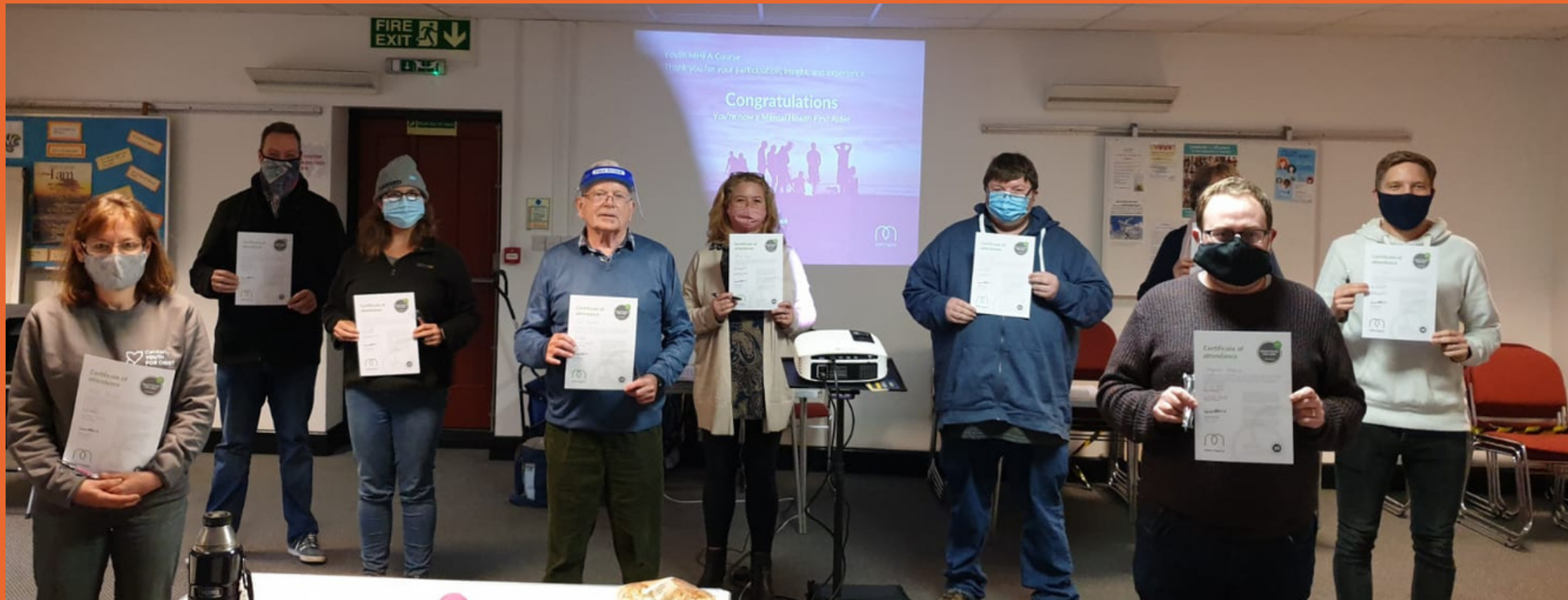
celebrating and training all our volunteers.

In October we trained our volunteers in Mental Health First Aid, which is a nationally recognised qualification.

We are dedicated to training all our volunteers in safeguarding.

We are always looking to grow our team. If you're a committed Christian with some spare hours free in the week during school hours, then why not consider joining the Camberley Youth for Christ family?

If Interested please contact us at [admin@camberley.yfc.co.uk](mailto:admin@camberley.yfc.co.uk)





# Fundraiser

In March 2020 we assembled a team of fundraisers (pictured on the left) to take part in our fitness fundraiser challenge, '100K Your Way'.

Our team had to run, walk or cycle 100km in March. Oli, our centre director completed the challenge in 10 days, after running 10, 10k's back to back, with no rest days.

We started the challenge hoping to raise £4000 which would fund a part time youth worker for a year. In all honesty we were not sure we would be able to do this but we wanted to aim high.

However, we should have had more faith in our supporters and God our provider, as we have actually managed to raise an incredible

**£8118.44**

Thank you to all of you who gave so generously and helped us achieve this amount, we have been blown away by people's donations and we are so grateful.

A massive thank you goes to all of the team that took part as well. Without them we wouldn't have been able to raise this money and we really appreciate the time and effort they put into this challenge.

So we now have enough money to employ a part time youth worker for 2 years! God is good!

Our hope and prayer is for this position to become a permanent role. However, we would need to increase our regular monthly income.

We'd love for you to consider financially giving monthly to help us secure this position in the future.

Our fundraisers are good but are not reliable.

You can set-up monthly giving through our website via the link below.

<https://camberley.yfc.co.uk/donate/>





# Supporters

The trustees of Camberley Youth for Christ are extremely grateful to our supporters, both individual and Churches.

With this financial support we can offer our work to local Schools free of charge, which helps with our relationships.

We also recognise the valuable contribution of Kings International College in providing office space and a classroom free of charge.



# Structure and Governance

Camberley Youth for Christ employs a full time Centre Director to set strategy, manage staff & volunteers and to lead and co-ordinate activities. The Director is supported by a part time administrator (10 hours per week) and a gap year student.

Our office space is situated at:

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Watchetts Drive  
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Phone: 01276 686907  
Email: [admin@camberley.yfc.co.uk](mailto:admin@camberley.yfc.co.uk)

Activities are implemented by the Centre Director, Gap Year and a team of volunteers drawn from local Churches.

Naomi Waite started the admin position in January 2020.

The activities and Director of Camberley Youth for Christ is overseen by the Trustees. The Trustees met five times during the year, generally at half termly intervals, with at least 50% of the Trustees plus Centre Director present at each meeting.

Edgar Rich and Louisa Adams have stepped down being trustees and Mike Clarke stepped down as Chair of Trustees. Stephen Fenwick has taken on the role of Chairman. We thank Edgar and Louisa for their contributions and Mike for his commitment as Chair for 7 years.

Esther Westwood continues to lead role as treasurer.

We have welcomed Anna Murphy and Paul Kingston as trustees.

Chairman:  
Stephen Fenwick, Frimley Baptist Church

Treasurer:  
Esther Westwood, St John's Windlesham

Other elected Trustees:

- Louisa Adams, St Paul's Camberley
- Daniel Natnael, St Barbara's Deepcut
- Anna Murphy, St Paul's Camberley
- Paul Kingston, Frimley Green Methodist Church
- Mike Clarke, St Peter's Frimley

# Chair of Trustees Report



Dear Friends,

2020 was a year of challenge and change for Camberley Youth for Christ. A global pandemic has meant we've had to adapt quickly, change our strategy, and move boldly to still meet our mission of taking the good news relevantly to young people. We've seen some significant milestones this year, too!

After many years, Mike Clarke has stepped down as Chair of Trustees. In my first annual report as chair it falls to me to thank him for his many years of dedicated service that have seen us placed on firm and stable footings as we move into the future.

Joe, our Youth for Christ Year Outer, has been a really fantastic addition to the team, and we've been thrilled to see his growth and development over the course of this year. He's done a phenomenal job in circumstances that nobody would wish for. Thank you, Joe!

Oli has done a remarkable job this year, creating a real focus on supporting our local

schools through the work of Camberley Youth for Christ. Conducting COVID testing, taking online lessons and assemblies, and even mentoring.

We have kept up our Monday Challenges and Thursday Faith videos, and if my maths is right I think I actually won most of the challenges this year! While I can't be completely certain, I am at the moment on course to beat Oli in the Fantasy Premier League competition fundraiser he's organised.

Friends, if you've read this report you'll know that Camberley Youth for Christ serves our community so well. We'd love for you to support us, or to prayerfully consider whether you could increase your giving as we move into a challenging new season coming out of lockdown and supporting young people's mental health and wellbeing in what will be so critical for so many. Your regular giving changes their lives, and we are so thankful you entrust us with that responsibility.

God Bless, Stephen Fenwick (Chairman)



# Reserve Policy and Financial Review

The trustees believe, given that the majority of the costs are related to employment, that it is appropriate to hold reserves equivalent to 3 months costs. This currently equates to around £11,000. The total fund balances at 31 March 2021 were £67,389, made up of unrestricted fund balances of £64,941 and restricted fund balances of £2,448.

This means we are well within the range of our reserve policy. This means we have the potential to grow our staff team and extend the work we are able to do in the schools, in local churches and in the community.


At 31 March 2021 we held £10,762 with Scottish Widows Bank on 90 days notice and the rest with Lloyds Bank with instant access. At 31 March 2021 CYFC was holding £2,448 on behalf of The Point; this money is ring fenced.

We have been so blessed by the ongoing support of both the local churches and regular individual givers, despite the financial challenges so many have faced in the last year. We thank God for this provision.

The finances of CYFC are currently healthy, boosted by the 100k your way fundraiser, this funding has been ring-fenced to enable us to employ a part time youth worker.

We are now also up to date with claiming gift aid from HMRC.

Our total income for the year to 31 March 2021 was £69,342 and our expenditure was £43,660.



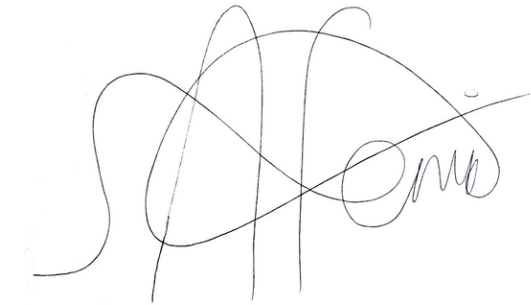
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INCOME			EXPENDITURE		
	1/4/20-31/3/21	1/4/19-31/3/20		1/4/20-31/3/21	11/4/19-31/3/20
Income from Churches	26,488.02	23,649.37	Net Salaries	(25,211.28)	(22,865.23)
Income from individuals	20,979.52	22,072.76	Tax and NI	(6,237.12)	(6,552.44)
Gift Aid received from HMRC	9,998.63	9,883.38	Pension	(2,644.89)	(3,002.29)
Events Income	1,738.53	5,883.58	Training	(1,410.00)	-
Webinars / online training provision	398.75	-	YFC Year Out Hosting costs	(800.00)	-
Fundraising income	8,191.21	1,012.39	Travel	(122.02)	(850.55)
YFC Year Out hosting contributions	524.00	-	Impact	(1,063.76)	(736.75)
Interest on Business bank account	4.82	7.48	Networking	(33.50)	(328.19)
Interest on Scottish Widows account	18.45	26.80	IT Equipment	-	(1,129.00)
Grant / Award income	1,000.00	-	Office Expenses	(1,479.20)	(1,224.98)
			Webinars expenses	(100.00)	-
			Events Expenses	(1,426.13)	(5,305.23)
			Subscriptions/membership	(1,847.95)	(1,990.95)
			Stripe transaction fees	(195.48)	(160.58)
			Independent Examiners Fee 19/20	(600.00)	(120.00)
			Insurance	(489.17)	(449.75)
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b><u>69,341.93</u></b>	<b><u>62,535.76</u></b>	<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>(43,660.50)</b>	<b>(44,715.94)</b>



	1/4/20-31/3/21	1/4/19-31/3/20
Income received on behalf of The Point	-	6,279.39
Expenses paid on behalf of The Point	(660.94)	(2,344.46)
Net Movement in year	25,020.49	21,754.75
Opening Current account 1/4/20	16,274.27	(46.20)
Opening Business Bank account 1/4/20	15,350.29	9,942.81
Opening Scottish Widows account 1/4/20	10,744.16	10,717.36
Net Movement in year	25,020.49	21,754.75
Restricted Fund Balance (the POINT)	2,448.15	3,109.09
Unrestricted Fund Balance	64,941.00	39,259.63
Total Funds	67,389.21	42,368.72
Balances at 31/3/21		
Current account	26,271.49	16,274.27
Business Bank account	30,355.11	15,350.29
Scottish Widows account 1/4/21	10,762.61	10,744.16
Total Funds	67,389.21	42,368.72

The accounts have been checked and signed off by the trustees.



Signed by Stephen Fenwick  
(Chair of Trustees)  
21/09/2021

# Independent Examiners Report

## TO THE TRUSTEES OF CAMBERLEY YOUTH FOR CHRIST FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2021

This report on the financial statements of Camberley Youth for Christ for the year ended 31st March 2021 is in respect of the examination carried out in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 (the “Act”).

### Respective responsibilities of the trustees and the examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year 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,
- to 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 this 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 material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

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

I 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.



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