ABINGDON DAMASCUS YOUTH PROJECT

England & Wales · Charity number 1098966

Details

Status	Registered
Legal form	Other
Registered	2003-08-13
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

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Activities

Objects: TO PROMOTE THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE PERSONAL, SOCIAL & EDUCATIONAL POTENTIAL OF ALL YOUNG PEOPLE BETWEEN THE AGE OF 11 TO 25 YEARS WHO LIVE IN THE AREA ENCOMPASSED BY VALE OF WHITE HORSE AND SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCILS AND IN PARTICULAR THOSE WHO ARE DISADVANTAGED BY ADVERSE SOCIAL CONDITIONS.

Activities: Detached Youth work One-to-one and issue-based work; study, job and emotional supportTraining young leaders in the communityLiaise with other youth, voluntary and statutory organisations to enhance/grow the youth provision in the areas of benefit as identified by the young people themselves - youth clubsInter-generational communal fun activities (such as senior citizens' tea party)

Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** Education/training, Arts/culture/heritage/science, Amateur Sport, Environment/conservation/heritage, Economic/community Development/employment
- **Who:** Children/young People, People With Disabilities

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Geography

- **Area of benefit:** THE AREA ENCOMPASSED BY VALE OF WHITE HORSE AND SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCILS
- Oxfordshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-05-04	£41,909	£26,837	-	-
2024-05-04	£44,237	£39,060	-	-
2023-05-04	£63,137	£52,439	-	-
2022-05-04	£97,965	£87,258	-	-
2021-05-04	£108,284	£90,770	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Dr Christopher Robert Wilding	Chair	2023-11-14
Adam Fleishman		2025-12-10
MRS A WHITEHEAD		
Roxy Rebel Elford		2023-11-14
SIMON MURRAY		
Sally Ailsa Louise Hoodless		2023-11-14

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Accounts

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 5th May 2024 Period start date To 4th May 2025 Period end date

Charity name: Abingdon DAMASCUS Youth Project

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Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The charity's objectives are: *To promote the development of the personal, social & educational potential of all young people, between the ages of 11 and 18, and up to 25 years where there are special circumstances, who live in the area encompassed by Vale of White Horse and South Oxfordshire District Councils within Oxfordshire; and in particular those who are disadvantaged by adverse socioeconomic conditions.* Our current work is embedded in the contiguous rural villages of **D**rayton, **A**ppleford, **M**ilton, **S**utton **C**ourtenay, and **S**teventon (DAMASCUS), and Abingdon which is the villages' neighbouring postal market town. Trustees live within these neighbourhoods and have an understanding of the local needs.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	Recognising that 'one size does not fit all', the benefits are delivered through diverse but holistic and empowering approaches to young people within their communities. We have undertaken a number of open access activities starting with *Grassroots Street Work* by our volunteers and youth workers. This enables us to have a visible presence within the communities and form relationships with young people - particularly those who are vulnerable to substance misuse; at risk of exploitation or disengaged from any form of education, employment or training; or experiencing other personal setbacks. We are able to identify needs early and provide bespoke one-to-one support to safeguard their

		wellbeing. We also ran in-building social drop ins for young people to promote, responsible and respectful peer-to-peer social interactions and empower young people to make informed decisions through issue-based workshops. A key component of our work with young people has been, to engender in them, a positive sense of belonging within the wider communities in which they live, as cohesive communities strengthen young people's support network. This also has an indirect benefit for the lonely and elderly within the communities. We have supported young people in organising several intergenerational events. During the covid lockdown we developed 'doorstep bingo' where the elderly would sit comfortably at their doorstep and young people would lead bingo and other games sessions. This has now become an established feature of our intergenerational work in the summer months. In the autumn/winter months our intergenerational activities have continued indoors. Young people have taken part in community litter picking events, participated in consultations regarding quality of life within their rural communities and also in a consultation in South Abingdon as part of a wider health inequalities studies conducted by Oxfordshire County Council. We believe in a holistic approach in provision of support to young people and to that end work collaboratively with other statutory and voluntary bodies that are also involved in the lives of our young people.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	In planning our activities as described above, the trustees have given due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit in deciding what charitable activities the charity should undertake and they are evidenced to show achievement of objectives through data collected and case studies. Staff are inducted in policies and procedures and all activities are risk assessed. Safeguarding is high on our agenda with a constantly reviewed culture of vigilance.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	

Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	Not Applicable – grant making is not a part of our charitable objectives
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	Not Applicable - although we do not make grants, the ultimate outcomes of our work programmes for which we seek funding, are about supporting and strengthening young people's skills and capacities to participate fully in education, employment, training and have a safe, responsible, and fulfilling social life in cohesive communities
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	Volunteers help in the youth drop ins, when required with specific study support and with arts and crafts and music activities. One volunteer coordinates and ensures DBS certificates are up to date.
Other		The trustees use their professional skills and give their time freely to ensure accountability and management of the finances, fund raising and compliance with grant conditions, and all health and safety and safeguarding obligations. We do not have a paid manager or chief executive. In addition to the chairman, treasurer and secretary, the charity also has a trustee who is the designated voluntary Line Manager and is responsible for managing staff and other volunteers and ensuring the day-to-day operational activities are delivered in line with the objects of the charity as well as raising funds for the charity.

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	This year, we found recruitment of qualified youth work staff to be a particularly difficult challenge but despite this, the charity was able to continue its work through volunteers in the community, trustee support and external providers who helped deliver some of the projects throughout the year. We thank the community for their support. There were some 130 DAMASCUS sessions delivered across the villages with some 150+ attendances recorded. Young people from DAMASCUS have been actively involved in local community events including Doorstep Bingo, Vicar's Fun Day, Drayton Fete, and litter picks. These activities strengthen connections between generations, promote local pride and give

		young people the chance to contribute positively to their villages. Community Fun Day Litter picking Through workshops young people were made aware of the use of alcohol abuse. Dangers of alcohol workshop With the support of an arts based grant, young people were given the opportunity to explore new skills in music/podcast creation, working with a specialist to design their own music/podcast based work.

		 Music production workshop

Additional information (optional)
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Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	Not Applicable
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	Not Applicable
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	Not Applicable
Other		Not Applicable

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	On 4th May 2025, the charity held total funds of £163,210.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Trustees place all funds not immediately required in the project's gold account with CAF Bank Limited (CAF Bank Limited is a subsidiary of the Charities Aid Foundation). The trustees have a policy of maintaining a reserve to enable the recruitment and retention of proficient and credible youth workers in the event that no new income is received in the year. Thus, in setting a level of reserve trustees have regard to the stability of employment to staff over at least a one-year period as at the core of our work is building strong and trusting relationships with young people. The trustees are also aware of the elapsed time from applying for a long-term grant to the award of such a grant and the need to ensure that there are sufficient finances to keep the project going in the interim
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	On 4th May 2025, the charity held total funds of £163,210 of which £90,000 are earmarked reserves as described in the reserves policy above.
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	**Not applicable**
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	**Not applicable**
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	Suitable qualified and experienced youth and community workers are important to the difference we make to young people and their communities. As we deliver direct face to face youth work to young people, it of necessity involves anti-social hours. As existing staff gain more experience and move on to more strategic and managerial jobs as part of their career progression, we recruit new staff. However, the local college offering youth and community degrees has shut down its course and recruitment of good staff has become a challenge.

Additional information (optional)
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The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	In 2024-2025,the charity's principle source of funds came from the local town and parish councils (85%) and the rest from donations, gift aid, local fund raising and nominal contributions by young people for specific activities as well as raising funds in conjunction with other trustees.

Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	**Not applicable**
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	Financial Risk for the year was minimal.
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	**Constitition**
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Unincorporated registered charity
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	All trustees retire from office at the AGM thought may seek re-election. Nominations for the Chairman, Treasurer, Secretary and Line Manager are invited and elected at the AGM. Additionally, up to four members may be elected at the AGM. The DAMASCUS Parochial Church Council may appoint a trustee.

Additional information (optional)
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Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	The Charity has a Designated Safeguarding Lead. All trustees and other committee members and workers (voluntary and employed) are DBS checked. Trustees have a Safeguarding policy in place and all staff and relevant volunteers receive safeguarding training.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	The Charity employs both qualified and trainee youth workers whose day-to-day work is managed by the voluntary Line manager who is also a trustee and responsible for safeguarding and the induction of new staff and volunteers. Young people make an input into the services through the development of young community leaders. The Charity is affiliated to Oxfordshire Youth through whom the DBS checks are undertaken.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Abingdon DAMASCUS Youth Project
Other name the charity uses	ADYP
Registered charity number	1098966

Charity's principal address	Boyden Brook 8 Castle Street Steventon Abingdon OX13 6SR

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Chris Wilding	Chair		Elected at AGM
2	Lucy Dalby	Secretary		Elected at AGM
3	Sally Hoodless	Treasurer		Elected at AGM
4	Roxy Elford	Line Manager		Elected at AGM
5	Simon Murray	Member		Elected at AGM
6	Pervin Shahin	Member		Elected at AGM
7	Anne Whitehead	Member		Elected at AGM
8	Rita Atkinson	Line Manager	Stood down at AGM	
9	Audrey Holloway	Member	Stood down at AGM	
10	Hans Sundin	Treasurer	Stood down at AGM	
11	Pat Napper	Chair	Stood down at AGM	
12	Mark Whittaker	Member	Stood down at AGM	
13	Gareth Noakes	Member	Stood down at AGM	
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20				

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

Director name		
Not Applicable		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
Not Applicable		

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	Not Applicable
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	Not Applicable
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	Not Applicable

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Bank	CAF	25 Kings Hill Avenue, Kings Hill, West Malling, Kent ME19 4TA.

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

Not Applicable

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

Not Applicable

Other optional information

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	C.R.Wilding	S. Hoodless
Full name(s)	Dr Christopher Robert Wilding	Sally Hoodless
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	Treasurer
Date	23/2/26	

Income for the period of May 5, 2024 - May 4, 2025	£
Grants	
Abingdon Town Council	12500.00
Drayton Parish Council	4000.00
Sutton Courtenay Parish Council	4000.00
Milton Parish Council	2500.00
Steventon Parish Council	2500.00
Didcot Powerhouse	2500.00
Didcot Powerhouse Lord Lieutenant Match	2500.00
Well Together Grant	5000.00
Total Grants	**35500.00**
Donations from Individuals, Organisations and Companies	
JDN Clearance	60.00
John Lewis	1000.00
Personal Donations	216.95
Waitrose	1250.00
Damascus PCC	1040.04
Total	**3566.99**
Other Income	
Interest	2153.69
Youth Club Takings	567.44
Takings Drayton Fete	89.00
Gift Aid	22.05
Refund	10.21
Total	**2842.39**
Grand Total	**41909.38**

SIGNED ON BEHALF OF THE TRUSTEES

DR CHRISTOPHER ROBERT WILDING C.R.Wilding 10/12/25 (CHAIR)

SALLY HOODLESS (TREASURER) S Hoodless 10/12/25

Abingdon Damascus Youth Project
Statement of Financial Activities
For the period from 05 May 2024 to 04 May 2025

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Incoming resources					
Incoming resources from generated funds	-	-	-	-	-
Voluntary income	39,089.04	-	-	39,089.04	41,218.63
Activities for generating funds	-	-	-	-	-
Investment income	2,153.69	-	-	2,153.69	2,292.57
Incoming resources from charitable activities	656.44	-	-	656.44	725.90
Other incoming resources	10.21	-	-	10.21	-
Total income	**41,909.38**	**-**	**-**	**41,909.38**	**44,237.10**
Resources used					
Cost of generating funds	-	-	-	-	-
Cost of generating voluntary income	-	-	-	-	-
Fundraising trading cost of goods sold and other costs	-	-	-	-	-
Investment management costs	-	-	-	-	-
Charitable activities	26,837.28	-	-	26,837.28	39,060.19
Governance costs	-	-	-	-	-
Other resources used	-	-	-	-	-
Total expenditure	**26,837.28**	**-**	**-**	**26,837.28**	**39,060.19**
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer	**15,072.10**	**-**	**-**	**15,072.10**	**5,176.91**
Transfers:					
Gross transfers between funds - in	-	-	-	-	-
Gross transfers between funds - out	-	-	-	-	-
Other recognised gains / losses					
Gains/losses on investment assets	-	-	-	-	-
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	**15,072.10**	**-**	**-**	**15,072.10**	**5,176.91**
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward	**148,138.59**	**-**	**-**	**148,138.59**	**142,961.68**
Total funds carried forward	**163,210.69**	**-**	**-**	**163,210.69**	**148,138.59**

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Abingdon Damascus Youth Project

Balance Sheet (Summary)

	As at 04/05/2025	As at 04/05/2024
Fixed assets		
	-	-
Current assets		
Cash At Bank And In Hand	163,210.69	148,138.59
	163,210.69	**148,138.59**
Liabilities		
	-	-
Net current assets less current liabilities	**163,210.69**	**148,138.59**
Total assets less current liabilities	**163,210.69**	**148,138.59**
Liabilities		
	-	-
Total net assets less liabilities	**163,210.69**	**148,138.59**
Represented by		
Unrestricted		
Unrestricted - General Funds	163,210.69	148,138.59
Designated		
Restricted		
Endowment		
Fund Totals	**163,210.69**	**148,138.59**

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Analysis of Receipts and Payments
Selected period: 05 May 2024 to 04 May 2025

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total This year	Total Last year
Receipts						
Incoming resources from generated funds						
0101 - Gift aid giving	30.85	-	-	-	30.85	34.22
0850 - Grants/donations Received	39,058.19	-	-	-	39,058.19	41,184.41
0853 - Donations	-	-	-	-	-	-
0854 - Grants	-	-	-	-	-	-
0901 - Subscriptions	-	-	-	-	-	-
1021 - Interest	60.89	-	-	-	60.89	1,022.22
1022 - Interest Gold Account	2,092.80	-	-	-	2,092.80	1,270.35
Incoming resources from generated funds Totals	**41,242.73**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**41,242.73**	**43,511.20**
Incoming resources from charitable activities						
0851 - Takings - Youth Clubs	567.44	-	-	-	567.44	725.90
0852 - Takings - Fund raising	89.00	-	-	-	89.00	-
Incoming resources from charitable activities Totals	**656.44**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**656.44**	**725.90**
Other incoming resources						
9999 - Refunds	10.21	-	-	-	10.21	-
Other incoming resources Totals	**10.21**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**10.21**	**-**
Receipts Grand Totals	**41,909.38**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**41,909.38**	**44,237.10**
Payments						
Cost of generating funds						
Cost of generating funds Totals	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
Charitable activities						
1200 - Salaries and employment costs for YWs	19,075.47	-	-	-	19,075.47	33,795.21
1201 - Staff Training	35.00	-	-	-	35.00	103.15
1202 - Mobile phone costs for Youth Worker(s)	-	-	-	-	-	-
1203 - Staff entertainment	115.63	-	-	-	115.63	184.80
1204 - Youth worker expenses	186.57	-	-	-	186.57	-
1209 - Salaries	-	-	-	-	-	-
1210 - Income Tax	-	-	-	-	-	-
1211 - National Insurance contribution	-	-	-	-	-	-
1212 - Pension contribution	-	-	-	-	-	-
1213 - Payroll Fee	-	-	-	-	-	-
1214 - Management Fee	-	-	-	-	-	-
1300 - Hall hire	2,179.00	-	-	-	2,179.00	1,227.00
1301 - Project activities for young people	-	-	-	-	-	-
1302 - Refreshments	-	-	-	-	-	-
1500 - Insurance & affiliation fees	729.54	-	-	-	729.54	710.02
1501 - Administrative expenses	2,734.90	-	-	-	2,734.90	1,441.46

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total This year	Total Last year
1502 - CRB/DBS costs	-	-	-	-	-	-
1504 - IT and Software costs	-	-	-	-	-	-
1600 - Travel & Transport	-	-	-	-	-	-
1602 - Accomodation	-	-	-	-	-	-
1700 - Young People Training	-	-	-	-	-	1,000.00
1701 - Training materials	-	-	-	-	-	-
1702 - Materials and Activities	1,781.17	-	-	-	1,781.17	598.55
1703 - Community Activities	-	-	-	-	-	-
1800 - Recruitment costs	-	-	-	-	-	-
2000 - Bank charges	-	-	-	-	-	-
2300 - Depreciation	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charitable activities Totals	**26,837.28**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**26,837.28**	**39,060.19**
Governance costs						
Governance costs Totals	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
Other resources used						
Other resources used Totals	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
Payments Grand Totals	**26,837.28**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**26,837.28**	**39,060.19**

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE ABINGDON DAMASCUS YOUTH PROJECT

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 4th of May 2025 set out on the above signed pages.

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Basis of the examiner's report

My examination was carried out in the accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. 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 disclosure in the accounts and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

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Signed:

Date: 26 September 2025

Name: NICHOLAS DUNTON

Address: 44A High Street, Sutton Courtenay, Abingdon OX14 4AP

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FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

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		We also ran in-building social drop ins for young people they promote responsible and respectful peer-to-peer social interactions and empower young people to make informed decisions through issue-based workshops. A key component of our work with young people has been, to engender in them, a positive sense of belonging within the wider communities in which they live, as cohesive communities strengthen young people's support network. This also has an indirect benefit for the lonely and elderly within the communities. We have supported young people in organising several intergenerational events. During the covid lockdown we developed 'doorstep bingo' where the elderly would sit comfortably at their doorsteps and young people would lead bingo and other games sessions. This has now become an established feature of our intergenerational work in the summer months. In the autumn/winter months our intergenerational activities have continued indoors. Young people have taken part in community litter-picking events, participated in consultations regarding provision of recreational facilities and quality of life within their rural communities and also in a consultation in South Abingdon as part of a wider health inequalities study conducted by Oxfordshire County Council. Through our work we have enthused young people to volunteer and a few have become young community leaders. A previous beneficiary who subsequently trained and became our senior youth worker, is now a teacher as part of their next career move but continues to support the charity through becoming a trustee in 2023. Another beneficiary became a trainee youth worker with us in 2023. We believe in a holistic approach in provision of support to young people and to that end work collaboratively with other statutory and voluntary bodies that are also involved in the lives of our young people.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance	Para 1.18	In planning our activities as described above, the trustees have given due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on

issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit		public benefit in deciding what charitable activities the charity should undertake and they are evidenced to show achievement of objectives through data collected and case studies. Staff are inducted in policies and procedures and all activities are risk assessed. Safeguarding is high on our agenda with a constantly reviewed culture of vigilance.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
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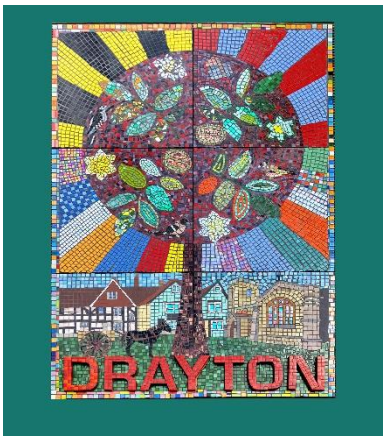
Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	**Community cohesion** We have created a safe space in which community members of all ages can interact and share experiences, building a greater sense of community. Young people have helped set up and run stalls for the village fetes; contributed to a village mosaic project; organised events for the elderly and also taken part in community litter picks. These all promote positive images of young people and young people develop a sense of pride and wellbeing when thanked by adults in the community for their positive contribution. Litter Pick  **Drayton Mosaic – community project in which young people contributed.** **Vulnerable young people** We have established a culture of support in which young people feel comfortable to approach staff to ask for help with a variety of issues Our trained youth workers have provided 1-2-1 support to young people who have reached out due to personal setbacks – either with family, relationships, education training or employment. The advantage of our support being rooted within the community is that it is not time limited and

young people come back for a reassuring chat when further temporary setbacks occur.

Training young leaders
We are registered with the AQA Unit Award Scheme that allows young people to engage with informal learning and have their achievements formally recognised through the presentation of certificates. We have used it to support the development of young leaders through undertaking training to develop competency in the AQA units related to leadership.
Quote from a young leader - *"Made me confident to build on my skills to become a young leader and get involved with things I wouldn't have done normally*"

Equality, Diversity & Inclusion
Addressing needs picked up in street conversations, we have challenged oppressive attitudes & behaviours and offered alternative narratives for reflection through delivery of 'teaching in the moment' activities.
We have mapped new opportunities and supported young people to step out of their comfort zones and experiment with new behaviours and activities e.g. art, debates & critical thinking
We have developed a large range of resources & activities to generate thoughtful & meaningful discussions that encourage critical thinking and problem solving.

Engagement with other organisations
We have supported Oxford United in the Community to build relationships in South Abingdon with local young people and help establish a Premier Leagues kicks programme which combines football training with personal development.

Young people with Oxford United in the Community.

We have provided wrap around support in schools for a number of individuals from the Caldecott ward and engaged with other agencies involved in our young people's lives to support their education & training.

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	Not Applicable
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	Not Applicable
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	Not Applicable
Other		Not Applicable

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	On 4th May 2024, the charity held total funds of £148,138
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Trustees place all funds not immediately required in the Charity's gold account with CAF Bank Limited (CAF Bank Limited is a subsidiary of the Charities Aid Foundation). The trustees have a policy of maintaining a reserve to enable the recruitment and retention of proficient and credible youth workers in the event that no new income is received in the year. Thus, in setting a level of reserve, trustees give due regard to the stability of employment of staff over at least a one-year period, as at the core of our work is building strong and trusting relationships with young people. The trustees are also aware of the elapsed time from applying for a long-term grant to the award of such a grant and the need to ensure that there are sufficient finances to keep the project going in the interim
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	On 4th May 2024, the charity held total funds of £148,138 of which £90,000 are earmarked reserves as described in the reserves policy above.
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	Not Applicable

Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	Not Applicable
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	Suitable qualified and experienced youth and community workers are important to the difference we make to young people and their communities. As we deliver direct face-to-face youth work to young people, of necessity it involves working anti-social hours. As existing staff gain more experience and move on to more strategic and managerial jobs as part of their career progression, we recruit new staff. However, the local college offering a youth and community degree has shut down its course and hence recruitment of competent qualified staff has become a challenge.

Additional information (optional)
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The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	In 2023-2024, the charity's principle source of funds came from the local town and parish councils (85%) and the rest from donations, gift aid, local fund raising and nominal contributions by young people for specific activities.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	Not Applicable
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	Financial Risk for the year was minimal.
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Unincorporated registered charity
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	All trustees retire from office at the AGM though may seek re-election. Nominations for the Chairman, Treasurer, Secretary and Line Manager are invited and elected at the AGM. Additionally, up to four members may be elected at the AGM. The DAMASCUS Parochial Church Council may appoint a trustee.

Additional information (optional)
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Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	The Charity has a Designated Safeguarding Lead. All trustees, volunteers and staff are enhanced DBS checked. Trustees have a Safeguarding policy in place and all staff and relevant volunteers receive safeguarding training.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	The Charity employs both qualified and trainee youth workers whose day-to-day work is managed by the voluntary Line Manager who is also a trustee and responsible for safeguarding and the induction of new staff and volunteers. Young people make an input into the services through the development of young community leaders. The Charity is affiliated to Oxfordshire Youth through whom the DBS checks are undertaken.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Abingdon DAMASCUS Youth Project
Other name the charity uses	ADYP
Registered charity number	1098966
Charity's principal address	9 Chapel Lane Sutton Courtenay OX14 4AN

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Patricia Napper	Chair		Elected at AGM
2	Anne Whitehead	Secretary		Elected at AGM
3	Hans Sundin	Treasurer		Elected at AGM
4	Rita Atkinson	Line Manager		Elected at AGM
5	Audrey Holloway	Member		Elected at AGM
6	Simon Murray	Member		Elected at AGM
7	Mark Whittaker	Member		Elected at AGM
8	Roxy Elford	Member		Elected at AGM

9	Lucy Dalby	Member		Co-opted
10	Sally Hoodless	Member		Elected at AGM
11	Gareth Noakes	Member		Elected at AGM
12	Chris Wilding	Member		Elected at AGM
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
Not Applicable		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	**Dates acted if not for whole year**	
Not Applicable		

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	Not Applicable
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	Not Applicable
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	Not Applicable

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

	Name	Address
Bank	CAF	25 Kings Hill Avenue, Kings Hill, West Malling, Kent ME19 4TA.

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

Not Applicable

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

Not Applicable

Other optional information

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	P. E. Napper	Rita Atkinson
Full name(s)	Patricia Napper	Rita Atkinson
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	
Date	16. 02.2025	

Table 1

Abingdon DAMASCUS Youth Project, Registered Charity No. 1098966	
Finance Report for the period of May 5, 2023 to May 4, 2024.	
Grants	£
Abingdon Town Council (incl 2024 - 2025)	25000
Drayton Parish council	4000
Sutton Courtenay Parish Council	4000
Steventon Parish Council	2500
Milton Parish Council	2000
Total Grants	37500
Donations	£
Co-op Local community fund	2041
Vale of White Horse District Council (Art Project)	500
Damascuss PCC	358
Personal Donations	187
Steventon Causeway Trust	100
Radley WI	99
Total Donations	3285
Other Income	
Interest	2293
Youth club takings	725
Takings Drayton fete	400
Gift aid	34
Total Other Income	3452
Grand Total	44237

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PAT NAPPER (CHAIR) P E Napper 18/11/24

HANS SUNDIN (TREASURER) 18/11/24

Abingdon Damascus Youth Project
Statement of Financial Activities
For the period from 05 May 2023 to 04 May 2024

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Incoming resources					
Incoming resources from generated funds	-	-	-	-	-
Voluntary income	41,218.63	-	-	41,218.63	59,925.57
Activities for generating funds	-	-	-	-	-
Investment income	2,292.57	-	-	2,292.57	701.63
Incoming resources from charitable activities	725.90	-	-	725.90	2,513.70
Other incoming resources	-	-	-	-	-
Total income	**44,237.10**	**-**	**-**	**44,237.10**	**63,140.90**
Resources used					
Cost of generating funds	-	-	-	-	-
Cost of generating voluntary income	-	-	-	-	-
Fundraising trading cost of goods sold and other costs	-	-	-	-	-
Investment management costs	-	-	-	-	-
Charitable activities	37,653.19	1,407.00	-	39,060.19	52,439.00
Governance costs	-	-	-	-	-
Other resources used	-	-	-	-	-
Total expenditure	**37,653.19**	**1,407.00**	**-**	**39,060.19**	**52,439.00**
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer	**6,583.91**	**(1,407.00)**	**-**	**5,176.91**	**10,701.90**
Transfers:					
Gross transfers between funds - in	-	-	-	-	-
Gross transfers between funds - out	-	-	-	-	-
Other recognised gains / losses					
Gains/losses on investment assets	-	-	-	-	-
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	**6,583.91**	**(1,407.00)**	**-**	**5,176.91**	**10,701.90**
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward	**141,554.68**	**1,407.00**	**-**	**142,961.68**	**132,259.78**
Total funds carried forward	**148,138.59**	**-**	**-**	**148,138.59**	**142,961.68**

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Abingdon Damascus Youth Project

Balance Sheet (Summary)

		As at 04/05/2024	As at 04/05/2023
Fixed assets			
		-	-
Current assets			
Cash At Bank And In Hand		148,018.39	142,841.48
		148,018.39	**142,841.48**
Liabilities			
		-	-
Net current assets less current liabilities		**148,018.39**	**142,841.48**
Total assets less current liabilities		**148,018.39**	**142,841.48**
Liabilities			
		-	-
Total net assets less liabilities		**148,018.39**	**142,841.48**
Represented by			
Unrestricted			
	Unrestricted - General Funds	147,708.07	141,124.16
Designated			
Restricted			
	Restricted - #iWill	-	1,407.00
Endowment			
Fund Totals		**147,708.07**	**142,531.16**

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Abingdon Damascus Youth Project

Analysis of Receipts and Payments
Selected period: 05 May 2023 to 04 May 2024

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total This year	Total Last year
Receipts						
Incoming resources from generated funds						
0101 - Gift aid giving	34.22	-	-	-	34.22	39.10
0850 - Grants/donations Received	41,184.41	-	-	-	41,184.41	59,886.47
0853 - Donations	-	-	-	-	-	-
0854 - Grants	-	-	-	-	-	-
0901 - Subscriptions	-	-	-	-	-	-
1021 - Interest	1,022.22	-	-	-	1,022.22	58.44
1022 - Interest Gold Account	1,270.35	-	-	-	1,270.35	643.19
Incoming resources from generated funds Totals	**43,511.20**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**43,511.20**	**60,627.20**
Incoming resources from charitable activities						
0851 - Takings - Youth Clubs	725.90	-	-	-	725.90	1,206.30
0852 - Takings - Fund raising	-	-	-	-	-	1,307.40
Incoming resources from charitable activities Totals	**725.90**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**725.90**	**2,513.70**
Other incoming resources						
9999 - Refunds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other incoming resources Totals	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
Receipts Grand Totals	**44,237.10**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**44,237.10**	**63,140.90**
Payments						
Cost of generating funds						
Cost of generating funds Totals	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
Charitable activities						
1200 - Salaries and employment costs for YWs	32,388.21	-	1,407.00	-	33,795.21	49,016.51
1201 - Staff Training	103.15	-	-	-	103.15	-
1202 - Mobile phone costs for Youth Worker(s)	-	-	-	-	-	-
1203 - Staff entertainment	184.80	-	-	-	184.80	-
1204 - Youth worker expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-
1209 - Salaries	-	-	-	-	-	-
1210 - Income Tax	-	-	-	-	-	-
1211 - National Insurance contribution	-	-	-	-	-	-
1212 - Pension contribution	-	-	-	-	-	-
1213 - Payroll Fee	-	-	-	-	-	-
1300 - Hall hire	1,227.00	-	-	-	1,227.00	787.00
1301 - Project activities for young people	-	-	-	-	-	-
1302 - Refreshments	-	-	-	-	-	-
1500 - Insurance & affiliation fees	710.02	-	-	-	710.02	-
1501 - Administrative expenses	1,441.46	-	-	-	1,441.46	1,600.17
1502 - CRB/DBS costs	-	-	-	-	-	-

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total This year	Total Last year
1504 - IT and Software costs	-	-	-	-	-	-
1600 - Travel & Transport	-	-	-	-	-	-
1602 - Accomodation	-	-	-	-	-	-
1700 - Young People Training	1,000.00	-	-	-	1,000.00	600.00
1701 - Training materials	-	-	-	-	-	-
1702 - Materials and Activities	598.55	-	-	-	598.55	435.32
1703 - Community Activities	-	-	-	-	-	-
1800 - Recruitment costs	-	-	-	-	-	-
2000 - Bank charges	-	-	-	-	-	-
2300 - Depreciation	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charitable activities Totals	**37,653.19**	**-**	**1,407.00**	**-**	**39,060.19**	**52,439.00**
Governance costs						
Governance costs Totals	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
Other resources used						
Other resources used Totals	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
Payments Grand Totals	**37,653.19**	**-**	**1,407.00**	**-**	**39,060.19**	**52,439.00**

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HANS SWANSON (TREASURER) 18/11/24

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE ABINGDON DAMASCUS YOUTH PROJECT

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 4th of May 2024 set out on the above signed pages.

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and the examiner:

The charities trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charities trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 43 (2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the 1993 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is the responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts (under section 43 (3) of the 1993 Act).
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners year (under section 43 (7)(b) of the 1993 Act)
- To state whether particular matters have come my attention

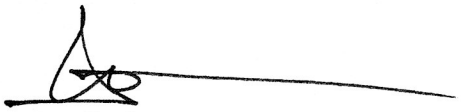
Basis of the examiner's report

My examination was carried out in the accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. 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 disclosure in the accounts and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning such matters. The procedure undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent Examiner's statement:

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

1. Which gives my reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the 1993 Act: and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 1993 Act have not been met; or
2. To which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: 

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ABINGDON DAMASCUS YOUTH PROJECT

England & Wales - Charity number 1098966

Accounts

CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 5 May 2022 Period start date To 4 May 2023 Period end date

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Charity registration number: 1098966

Objectives and Activities

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Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	Underpinning all our work is the proven belief that young people need to be empowered by positive engagement, ***within their*** communities, as it fosters a shared sense of belonging, commonality of purpose, and develops their ability to effect change, so that they can make a difference in their personal lives and in the communities in which they live. Intergenerational activities led by young people are an integral part of developing their self-efficacy. Alongside, we run youth-centred activities that provide bespoke early intervention to promote positive mental health through adolescence and build the resilience of all young people but particularly those who are vulnerable to exploitation. We undertake: • *Grassroots Street Work*: builds trusting relationships on young people's terms and space; fosters community engagement; early needs analyses to design bespoke preventative interventions. • *One to one mentoring*: provides a trusting and non-judgemental space to explore personal

		drivers; owning actions; taking responsibility; support with adverse life experiences. • *Weekly open access social drop ins* in the villages and Abingdon: spaces with activities to promote, responsible and respectful social interactions. • *Issue-based focused group work*: empowering to make informed decisions; positive street conversations. • *Well-being*: young people led sports, arts, music projects. • *Train Young Community Leaders*: targets disengaged 'movers and shakers' so that their appetite for peer adoration is sated with responsible and positive role modelling. • *Job/study/training/money management* support. • *Inter-generational community* events which increase cohesion and build strong supportive communities. • *School and multi-agency links*: holistic support for young people. As an AQA-accredited centre we award certificates recognized by employers. • *Regular sports, arts, and music fun activities* to raise confidence and self-esteem. • *Young people led participation* in county workshops and forum, presentations at project AGM, parish council meetings etc. Work takes place in open community spaces/buildings, and occasionally schools. Where no indoor space is available, we use our mobile drop-in gazebo.
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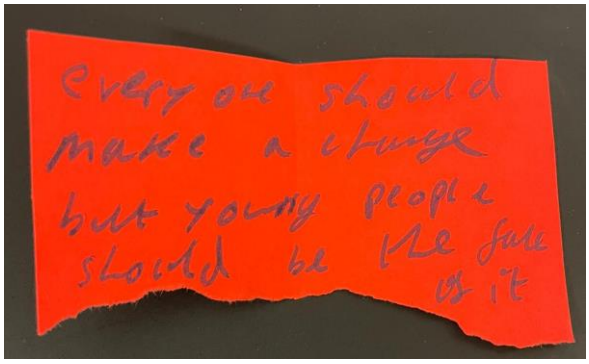
Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	In this section we give examples, from the reporting year, for the strands of work described above. Our core work in meeting the needs of young people is informed by our regular engagement with young people through our street and gazebo sessions and 2022/23 was no exception. **<u>Street work and Gazebo Sessions</u>** These take place through the year in all the places in which we work, even on cold dark winter evenings. It is in these spaces we pick up key topical issues that form the basis of group workshops. A recurrent issue is young people's risk-taking (including online) behaviour and substance misuse and hence workshops around protective behaviours and decision making are ongoing. In response to the festival season and the increase in alcohol consumption that staff had identified, we created "SAFE-FEST" workshops around staying safe at music festivals. Some of the activities on offer covered topics such as: • Alcohol & other drugs • Emergency first & the recovery position • Sexual health • General wellbeing & safety (Protective behaviours) All young people with whom we worked have reported an increased sense in self-awareness, and of belonging within their communities which has had a

		positive impact on their mental health and hence ability to make positive life choices. **<u>Group Activities</u>** In 2022/23, several of the group activities were designed to develop young people's self-efficacy by working through the stages of: Action to affect change on an individual level -> Actions to affect change on an interpersonal level -> Actions to affect change as a collective. We progressed from working with young people who did not consider themselves part of a community, let alone changemakers within it - to working with a group of young people that recognised themselves as the experts of their own experiences and individuals that possessed a skill set to contribute to social action and positive social transformation. It culminated in: **Election Fever** – polling booths were delivered early to the village halls for the May 2023 local elections. This provided an opportunity for young people to hold their own election – there was a good turnout! It was an election based around choosing the best polices on topics such as school uniform, permission to use toilet during lessons (a hot current topic), mental health and the environment.  In our **<u>One-to-one</u>** support to young people, identity has been a big part of the discussions. Navigating where they fit into the social landscape was flagged as a huge trigger for many of the young people we support, especially as they develop their own understanding of who they are and how they present to others. Our aim was to increase their awareness of themselves and support them to prioritize their own values and decisions to reflect how they see themselves. **<u>Education, Employment, Training:</u>** In the reporting year, we had a specific focus on supporting young people's transitions back into education following long periods of isolation after the pandemic, while others just needed motivating and positive reinforcement to build their resilience and continue on the positive paths they had started.

Intergenerational Activities

We continued our suite of intergenerational activities in 2022/23. 2022 was the Platinum Jubilee of the late Queen Elizabeth II and all the communities in which we have a presence, held events in the summer, so it was a wonderful opportunity for young people to take a lead in the following:

- DAMASCUS Jubilee Hobby Horse Derby
- Family Races at a village fete
- Jubilee Bingo for the elderly
- Senior Citizens' Tea party
- Intergenerational Quiz

It offered a chance to meet with families and new young people that had recently moved in to the communities in the new housing developments.

Bingo in the Sun Organised by young people

Building links with local police

Quotes from young people:

Just want to say thankyou, I've been feeling really down all day and youthclub always manages to make me feel better

Oi dead ass I'm actually happy I have someone like you in my life you've showed me so much love and I will never forget any of it u made my confidence jump boost

You always make me happy for the smallest thing my bro all love💙💯💪

The Mayor of Abingdon nominated us, as one of her charities for the year 2022/23.

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	As above
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	Not Applicable
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	Not Applicable
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	On 4th May 2023, the charity held total funds of £142,958
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Trustees place all funds not immediately required in the project's gold account with CAF Bank Limited (CAF Bank Limited is a subsidiary of the Charities Aid Foundation). The trustees have a policy of maintaining a reserve to enable the recruitment and retention of proficient and credible youth workers in the event that no new income is received in the year. Thus, in setting a level of reserve trustees have regard to the stability of employment to staff over at least a one-year period as at the core of our work is building strong and trusting relationships with young people. The trustees are also aware of the elapsed time from applying for a long-term grant to the award of such a grant and the need to ensure that there are sufficient finances to keep the project going in the interim.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	On 4th May 2023, the charity held total funds of £142,958 of which £70,000 are earmarked reserves as described in the reserves policy above and £1407 in a restricted fund.
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	Not Applicable
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	Not Applicable
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	In the coming year, trustees will be looking actively for new trustees as the current set of trustees have been managing the charity for some years now.

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The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	The principal sources of funding in 2022/2023 were Parish and Town Councils (44%), Local and national grant-giving charities (20%), South and Vale Community Safety Partnerships (18%), Donations and local fund raising (12%) Donations from individuals (3%), Gift aid, interest & receipts (3%)
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	Not applicable
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	Financial Risk for the year was minimal.
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Unincorporated registered charity
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	All trustees retire from office at the AGM thought may seek re-election. Nominations for the Chairman, Treasurer, Secretary and Line Manager are invited and elected at the AGM. Additionally, up to four members may be elected at the AGM. The DAMASCUS Parochial Church Council may appoint a trustee.

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Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees.	Para 1.51	The Charity has a Designated Safeguarding Lead who ensures all trustees and other committee members and workers (voluntary and employed) are DBS checked. Trustees have a Safeguarding policy in place and all staff and relevant volunteers receive safeguarding training
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works.	Para 1.51	The Charity employs both qualified and trainee youth workers (FTE 3.5 in 2022/23) whose day-to-day work is managed by the voluntary Line manager who is also a trustee and responsible for safeguarding and the induction of new staff and volunteers. Young people make an input into the services through the development of young community leaders. Positive intergenerational engagement is key to community cohesion which in turn provides sustainable support to young people within their communities and thus partnership working is integral to the charity's work. The Charity is affiliated to Oxfordshire Youth through whom the DBS checks are undertaken.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	Not Applicable
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Abingdon DAMASCUS Youth Project
Other name the charity uses	ADYP
Registered charity number	1098966
Charity's principal address	9 Chapel Lane Sutton Courtenay OX14 4AN

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Mrs. PAT NAPPER	Chair		Elected at AGM
2	Mrs ANNE WHITEHEAD	Secretary		Elected at AGM
3	Mr HANS SUNDIN	Treasurer		Elected at AGM
4	Mrs RITA ATKINSON	Line Manager		Elected at AGM
5	Mrs AUDREY HOLLOWAY	Member		Elected at AGM
6	Mr SIMON MURRAY	Member		Elected at AGM
7	Dr MARK WHITTAKER	Member		Elected at AGM
8	Roxy Elford	Member		Elected at AGM
9	Lucy Dalby	Member		Co-opted
10	Sally Hoodless	Member		Elected at AGM
11	Gareth Noakes	Member		Elected at AGM
12	Chris Wilding			Elected at AGM
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20				

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

Director name		
Not Applicable		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	**Dates acted if not for whole year**	
Not Applicable		

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	Not Applicable
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	Not Applicable
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	Not Applicable

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Bank	CAF Bank	25 Kings Hill Avenue, Kings Hill, West Malling, Kent ME19 4TA.

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

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

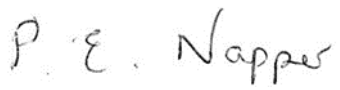
Not Applicable

Other optional information

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Patricia Napper	Rita Atkinson
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	Trustee Line Manager

Date	3 February 2024

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Steventon parish council	2500
Milton Parish council	2000
Vale Active communities (summer activities)	1200
Total	**51643**
Donations from Individuals, Organisations and Companies	
Individual donations	2109
Truck festival	2000
Abingdon Art Society	1050
Mayor of Abingdon charity	1023
Waitrose	1000
Jubilee Big Lunch Raffle, Sutton Courtenay	767
Abingdon Baptist Church	500
North Abingdon WI	400
All Saint's Church Sutton Courtenay	267
Swyncombe church	250
Sutton Courtenay WI	200
Total	9566
Receipts, Gift Aid, Takings and Interest	
Door and Tuck takings	1196
Interest	698
Gift Aid	34
Total	1928
Grand Total	63137

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PAT NAPPER (CHAIR): P E Napper 12/8/23

HANS SUNDIN (TREASURER): 12/8/23

Abingdon Damascus Youth Project
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Incoming resources					
Incoming resources from generated funds	-	-	-	-	-
Voluntary income	49,925.57	10,000.00	-	59,925.57	96,436.02
Activities for generating funds	-	-	-	-	-
Investment income	698.10	-	-	698.10	8.26
Incoming resources from charitable activities	2,513.70	-	-	2,513.70	1,520.53
Other incoming resources	-	-	-	-	-
Total income	**53,137.37**	**10,000.00**	**-**	**63,137.37**	**97,964.81**
Resources used					
Cost of generating funds	-	-	-	-	-
Cost of generating voluntary income	-	-	-	-	-
Fundraising trading cost of goods sold and other costs	-	-	-	-	-
Investment management costs	-	-	-	-	-
Charitable activities	43,846.00	8,593.00	-	52,439.00	87,258.24
Governance costs	-	-	-	-	-
Other resources used	-	-	-	-	-
Total expenditure	**43,846.00**	**8,593.00**	**-**	**52,439.00**	**87,258.24**
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer	**9,291.37**	**1,407.00**	**-**	**10,698.37**	**10,706.57**
Transfers:					
Gross transfers between funds - in	-	-	-	-	-
Gross transfers between funds - out	-	-	-	-	-
Other recognised gains / losses					
Gains/losses on investment assets	-	-	-	-	-
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	**9,291.37**	**1,407.00**	**-**	**10,698.37**	**10,706.57**
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward	**132,259.78**	**-**	**-**	**132,259.78**	**121,553.21**
Total funds carried forward	**141,551.15**	**1,407.00**	**-**	**142,958.15**	**132,259.78**

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Abingdon Damascus Youth Project

Balance Sheet (Summary)

		As at 04/05/2023	As at 04/05/2022
Fixed assets			
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Current assets			
Cash At Bank And In Hand		142,958.15	132,259.78
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Liabilities			
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Designated			
Restricted			
	Restricted - #iWill	1,407.00	-
Endowment			
Fund Totals		**142,958.15**	**132,259.78**

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Analysis of Receipts and Payments
Selected period: 05 May 2022 to 04 May 2023

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total This year	Total Last year
Receipts						
Incoming resources from generated funds						
0101 - Gift aid giving	39.10	-	-	-	39.10	661.90
0850 - Grants/donations Received	49,886.47	-	10,000.00	-	59,886.47	95,774.12
0853 - Donations	-	-	-	-	-	-
0854 - Grants	-	-	-	-	-	-
0901 - Subscriptions	-	-	-	-	-	-
1020 - Interest on Reserve Account	-	-	-	-	-	-
1021 - Interest	54.91	-	-	-	54.91	-
1022 - Interest Gold Account	643.19	-	-	-	643.19	8.26
Incoming resources from generated funds Totals	**50,623.67**	**-**	**10,000.00**	**-**	**60,623.67**	**96,444.28**
Incoming resources from charitable activities						
0851 - Takings - Youth Clubs	1,206.30	-	-	-	1,206.30	1,520.53
0852 - Takings - Fund raising	1,307.40	-	-	-	1,307.40	-
Incoming resources from charitable activities Totals	**2,513.70**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**2,513.70**	**1,520.53**
Other incoming resources						
1205 - Youth worker returns	-	-	-	-	-	-
3003 - Sale of assets	-	-	-	-	-	-
9999 - Refunds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other incoming resources Totals	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
Receipts Grand Totals	**53,137.37**	**-**	**10,000.00**	**-**	**63,137.37**	**97,964.81**
Payments						
Cost of generating funds						
Cost of generating funds Totals	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
Charitable activities						
1200 - Salaries and employment costs for YWs	41,120.51	-	7,896.00	-	49,016.51	78,557.20
1201 - Staff Training	-	-	-	-	-	252.00
1202 - Mobile phone costs for Youth Worker(s)	-	-	-	-	-	-
1203 - Staff entertainment	-	-	-	-	-	-
1204 - Youth worker expenses	-	-	-	-	-	165.59
1209 - Salaries	-	-	-	-	-	-
1210 - Income Tax	-	-	-	-	-	-
1211 - National Insurance contribution	-	-	-	-	-	-
1212 - Pension contribution	-	-	-	-	-	-
1213 - Payroll Fee	-	-	-	-	-	-
1300 - Hall hire	90.00	-	697.00	-	787.00	1,384.00
1301 - Project activities for young people	-	-	-	-	-	-
1302 - Refreshments	-	-	-	-	-	-

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	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total This year	Total Last year
1500 - Insurance & affiliation fees	-	-	-	-	-	795.36
1501 - Administrative expenses	1,600.17	-	-	-	1,600.17	1,814.31
1502 - CRB/DBS costs	-	-	-	-	-	143.00
1504 - IT and Software costs	-	-	-	-	-	119.80
1600 - Travel & Transport	-	-	-	-	-	-
1602 - Accomodation	-	-	-	-	-	-
1700 - Young People Training	600.00	-	-	-	600.00	1,067.87
1701 - Training materials	-	-	-	-	-	1,195.08
1702 - Materials and Activities	435.32	-	-	-	435.32	1,634.03
1703 - Community Activities	-	-	-	-	-	130.00
1800 - Recruitment costs	-	-	-	-	-	-
2000 - Bank charges	-	-	-	-	-	-
2300 - Depreciation	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charitable activities Totals	**43,846.00**	**-**	**8,593.00**	**-**	**52,439.00**	**87,258.24**
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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE ABINGDON DAMASCUS YOUTH PROJECT

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 4th of May 2023 set out on the above signed pages.

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and the examiner:

The charities trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charities trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 43 (2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the 1993 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is the responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts (under section 43 (3) of the 1993 Act).
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners year (under section 43 (7)(b) of the 1993 Act)
- To state whether particular matters have come my attention

Basis of the examiner's report

My examination was carried out in the accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. 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 disclosure in the accounts and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning such matters. The procedure undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent Examiner's statement:

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

1. Which gives my reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the 1993 Act: and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 1993 Act have not been met; or
2. To which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

Date: 24 July 2023

Name: Nicholas John Dunton

Address: 44A High Street, Sutton Courtenay, OX14 4AP

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3003 - Sale of assets	-	-	-	-	-	-
9999 - Refunds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other incoming resources Totals	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
Receipts Grand Totals	**53,137.37**	**-**	**10,000.00**	**-**	**63,137.37**	**97,964.81**
Payments						
Cost of generating funds						
Cost of generating funds Totals	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
Charitable activities						
1200 - Salaries and employment costs for YWs	41,120.51	-	7,896.00	-	49,016.51	78,557.20
1201 - Staff Training	-	-	-	-	-	252.00
1202 - Mobile phone costs for Youth Worker(s)	-	-	-	-	-	-
1203 - Staff entertainment	-	-	-	-	-	-
1204 - Youth worker expenses	-	-	-	-	-	165.59
1209 - Salaries	-	-	-	-	-	-
1210 - Income Tax	-	-	-	-	-	-
1211 - National Insurance contribution	-	-	-	-	-	-
1212 - Pension contribution	-	-	-	-	-	-
1213 - Payroll Fee	-	-	-	-	-	-
1300 - Hall hire	90.00	-	697.00	-	787.00	1,384.00
1301 - Project activities for young people	-	-	-	-	-	-
1302 - Refreshments	-	-	-	-	-	-

SIGNED ON BEHALF OF THE TRUSTEES:

PAT NAPPER (CHAIR) P E Napper 12/8/23

HANS SUNDIN (TREASURER) 12/8/23

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1602 - Accomodation	-	-	-	-	-	-
1700 - Young People Training	600.00	-	-	-	600.00	1,067.87
1701 - Training materials	-	-	-	-	-	1,195.08
1702 - Materials and Activities	435.32	-	-	-	435.32	1,634.03
1703 - Community Activities	-	-	-	-	-	130.00
1800 - Recruitment costs	-	-	-	-	-	-
2000 - Bank charges	-	-	-	-	-	-
2300 - Depreciation	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charitable activities Totals	**43,846.00**	**-**	**8,593.00**	**-**	**52,439.00**	**87,258.24**
Governance costs						
Governance costs Totals	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other resources used						
Other resources used Totals	-	-	-	-	-	-
Payments Grand Totals	**43,846.00**	**-**	**8,593.00**	**-**	**52,439.00**	**87,258.24**

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Signed:

Date: 24 July 2023

Name: Nicholas John Dunton

Address: 44A High Street, Sutton Courtenay, OX14 4AP

ABINGDON DAMASCUS YOUTH PROJECT

England & Wales - Charity number 1098966

Accounts

CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 5 May 2021 Period start date To 4 May 2022 Period end date

Charity name: Abingdon DAMASCUS Youth Project

Charity registration number: 1098966

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To promote the development of the personal, social & educational potential of all young people between the ages of 11 and 18, and up to 25 years where there are special circumstances, who live in the area encompassed by Vale of White Horse and South Oxfordshire District Councils and in particular those who are disadvantaged by adverse social conditions. Our current work is focussed in the rural Oxfordshire villages of Drayton, Appleford, Milton, Sutton Courtenay and Steventon (DAMASCUS) and the neighbouring Abingdon town. We also engage and support young people through the Abingdon and Didcot secondary schools to synergise the school and community support.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	Rooted within our communities, our activities promote a shared sense of belonging with youth advocacy and leadership in the community as the key outcomes. Hence, intergenerational activities led by young people is an integral part of the development of youth leadership. Alongside, we run activities that provide bespoke early intervention to promote positive mental health through adolescence and build resilience of young people vulnerable to exploitation. Street work by our youth workers and other volunteers identify needs, before they escalate, and builds trusting relationships with disengaged vulnerable young people in need of support whom we then support through focused goal-oriented one-to-one sessions. We also undertake: • Regular sports, arts, and music fun activities to raise confidence and self-esteem.

		• Young people led participation in county workshops and forum, presentations at project AGM, parish council meetings etc. • Youth Drop-in sessions in village halls. We liaise with schools and other service providers to ensure holistic support to our young people.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	In planning our activities for the year, the trustees have given due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit in deciding what charitable activities the charity should undertake and they are evidenced to show achievement of objectives. Recognising that 'one size does not fit all', the benefits are delivered through diverse but holistic and empowering approaches to young people within their communities and working in partnership with other statutory and voluntary bodies that are also involved in the lives of our young people. Staff are inducted in policies and procedures and all activities are risk assessed. Safeguarding is high on our agenda with a constantly reviewed culture of vigilance. Although the primary beneficiaries are young people, the wider community also benefits through our intergenerational community activities as it helps to build cohesive communities. The elderly feel less isolated as young people organise social activities for them.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	Not Applicable – grant making is not a material part of our charitable activities
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	Although we do not make grants, the ultimate outcomes of our work programmes for which we seek funding, are about supporting and strengthening young people's skills and capacities to participate fully in education, employment, training and have a safe, responsible, and fulfilling social life in cohesive communities.
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	Volunteers help in the youth drop ins; when required with specific study support and with arts and crafts and music activities. One volunteer coordinates and ensures DBS certificates are up to date
Other		The trustees use their professional skills and give their time freely to ensure accountability and management of the finances, grant conditions, fund raising and

		all health and safety and safeguarding obligations. We do not have a paid manager or chief executive. In addition to the chairman, treasurer and secretary, the charity also has a trustee who is the designated voluntary Line Manager and is responsible for managing staff and other volunteers and ensuring the day-to-day operational activities are delivered in line with the objects of the charity as well as raising funds for the charity.

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	Our core work in meeting the needs of young people is informed by our regular engagement with young people through our street and gazebo sessions and 2021/22 was no exception. <u>Street work and Gazebo Sessions</u> These take place through the year in all the places in which we work even on cold dark winter evenings. It is in these spaces we pick up key topical issues for which we design and deliver workshops to address (for example) poor life skills; low self-esteem and aspirations; gender identity; engagement in multiple risky behaviours such as substance abuse; antisocial behaviour, self-harm, or suicidal ideation or being bullied and at risk of being groomed. In 2021/22, a particular focus has been using interactive games and quizzes to address: • Conflict management and effective communication. • Masculinity. • Gender-based violence. • "gang culture" impact on everyday lives of (young) women.

		• Young people's assumptions about the legitimacy and necessity of their offending • Parents' awareness of the factors and drivers of youth violence. Invariably, many of the above risk factors are also manifested through disengagement with education, employment, and training. We supported 34 young people back into education, employment or further training which also included follow-up support to ensure they do not slip through the net again. We worked with over 250 young people at the risk of disengagement from their communities, engaging them in diversionary activities. Some quotes: *"For a brief moment every time we come to the clumps, I feel like I am on top of the world". Young Person – 13* *"For a while now, I have been feeling very low. The tools I have learned to use over the past few weeks have improved how I feel about myself. Also, I love going to the gym now!". Young Person - 14* All young people with whom we worked have reported an increased sense of self-awareness and of belonging within their communities which has had a positive impact on their mental health. Our ongoing inter-generational work has continued to build community cohesion – *Outdoor Bingo run by young people for the elderly – a regular event now.* this is particularly important as all our communities are growing with major new housing developments and concomitant fragmentation of the communities which in turn leads to antisocial behaviour.

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	As above

Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	Not Applicable
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	Not Applicable
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	On 4th May 2022, the charity held total funds of £132,260
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Trustees place all funds not immediately required in the project's gold account with CAF Bank Limited (CAF Bank Limited is a subsidiary of the Charities Aid Foundation). The trustees have a policy of maintaining a reserve to enable the recruitment and retention of proficient and credible youth workers in the event that no new income is received in the year. Thus, in setting a level of reserve trustees have regard to the stability of employment to staff over at least a one-year period as at the core of our work is building strong and trusting relationships with young people. The trustees are also aware of the elapsed time from applying for a long-term grant to the award of such a grant and the need to ensure that there are sufficient finances to keep the project going in the interim.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	On 4th May 2022, the charity held total funds of £132,260 of which £70,000 are earmarked reserves as described in the reserves policy above. The remainder is made up of grants carried over into the new financial year.
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	Not Applicable
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	Not Applicable
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	In the coming year, trustees will be looking actively for new trustees as the current set of trustees have been managing the charity for some years now.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	The principal sources of funding in 2021/2022 were local and national grant-giving charities (48%), Parish and Town and Councils (21%), Home Office, South and Vale Community Safety Partnerships, Govt,. Apprenticeship scheme (17%). Donations from individuals (12%) Individual donations, receipts and Gift Aid (2%)
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Unincorporated registered charity
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	All trustees retire from office at the AGM thought may seek re-election. Nominations for the Chairman, Treasurer, Secretary and Line Manager are invited and elected at the AGM. Additionally, up to four members may be elected at the AGM. The DAMASCUS Parochial Church Council may appoint a trustee.

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	The Charity has a Designated Safeguarding Lead who ensures all trustees and other committee members and workers (voluntary and employed) are DBS checked. Trustees have a Safeguarding policy in place and all staff and relevant volunteers receive safeguarding training
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	The Charity employs both qualified and trainee youth workers (FTE 2.8 in 2021/22) whose day-to-day work is managed by the voluntary Line manager who is also a trustee and responsible for safeguarding and the induction of new staff and volunteers. Young people make an input into the services through the development of young community leaders as this is a community-based project. Positive intergenerational engagement is key to community cohesion which in turn provides sustainable support to young people within their communities and thus partnership working is integral to the charity's work. The Charity is affiliated to Oxfordshire Youth through whom the DBS checks are undertaken.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	Not Applicable
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Abingdon DAMASCUS Youth Project
Other name the charity uses	ADYP
Registered charity number	1098966
Charity's principal address	9 Chapel Lane Sutton Courtenay OX14 4AN

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Mrs. PAT NAPPER	Chair		Elected at AGM
2	Mrs ANNE WHITEHEAD	Secretary		Elected at AGM
3	Mr HANS SUNDIN	Treasurer		Elected at AGM
4	Mrs RITA ATKINSON	Line Manager		Elected at AGM
5	Mrs AUDREY HOLLOWAY	Member		Elected at AGM
6	Mr SIMON MURRAY	Member		Elected at AGM
7	Dr MARK WHITTAKER	Member		Elected at AGM
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
Not Applicable		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
Not Applicable		

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	Not Applicable
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	Not Applicable
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	Not Applicable

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Bank	CAF Bank	25 Kings Hill Avenue, Kings Hill, West Malling, Kent ME19 4TA.

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

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

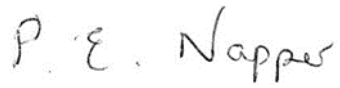
Not Applicable

Other optional information

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Pat Napper	Rita Atkinson
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	
Date	23 January 2023	

Abingdon DAMASCUS Youth Project, Registered charity No; 1098966

Income for the period of May 5, 2021 - May 4, 2022	£
Grants	
UK Youth Rausing	12500
Home Office (through Thames Valley Police, Violence Reduction Unit)	5000
South & Vale Community Safety Partnership	9994
Indigo Trust	10000
Oxfordshire Community Foundation (Tackle loneliness - The intergenerational way)	7520
Abingdon Town Council	9557
Didcot Power House	5000
Sovereign, Community Intergenerational Project	2000
Drayton Parish Council, 2020/2021	4000
Sutton Courtenay Parish Council	4000
Steventon Parish Council	2500
Steventon Allotment and Relief in Need Charity	2750
Apprentice Incentive Payment	1500
Total	**76321**
Donations from Individuals, Organisations and Companies	
HC Safety and Risk	5000
The Miss Lawrence Trust, Parenting the Adolescent brain	3000
Covid, Damascus PCC	2062
Christ's Hospital of Abingdon	2367
Donation from Clare Pennicot	1455
Cumber Family Charitable Trust	1000
Abingdon ABC Trust Gym Fund Distribution Trust	1000
Retail donation	1000
Abingdon Arts Society	820
Alan Carver donation	500
Individual donations	1249
Total	19454
Receipts, Gift Aid, Takings and Interest	
Various	249
Gift Aid	662
Door and Tuck receipts	1272
Interest	8
Total	2191
Grand Total	97965

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PAT NAPPER (CHAIRMAN): P. E. Napper 16/11/22

HANS SLINGER (TREASURER): 16/11/22

Abingdon Damascus Youth Project
Statement of Financial Activities
For the period from 05 May 2021 to 04 May 2022

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Incoming resources					
Incoming resources from generated funds	-	-	-	-	-
Voluntary income	96,436.02	-	-	96,436.02	106,681.14
Activities for generating funds	-	-	-	-	-
Investment income	8.26	-	-	8.26	36.61
Incoming resources from charitable activities	1,520.53	-	-	1,520.53	838.80
Other incoming resources	-	-	-	-	728.00
Total income	**97,964.81**	**-**	**-**	**97,964.81**	**108,284.55**
Resources used					
Cost of generating funds	-	-	-	-	-
Cost of generating voluntary income	-	-	-	-	-
Fundraising trading cost of goods sold and other costs	-	-	-	-	-
Investment management costs	-	-	-	-	-
Charitable activities	87,258.24	-	-	87,258.24	90,769.78
Governance costs	-	-	-	-	-
Other resources used	-	-	-	-	-
Total expenditure	**87,258.24**	**-**	**-**	**87,258.24**	**90,769.78**
Gains/losses on investment assets	-	-	-	-	-
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer	**10,706.57**	**-**	**-**	**10,706.57**	**17,514.77**
Transfers:					
Gross transfers between funds - in	-	-	-	-	-
Gross transfers between funds - out	-	-	-	-	-
Other recognised gains / losses					
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	**10,706.57**	**-**	**-**	**10,706.57**	**17,514.77**
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward	**121,553.21**	**-**	**-**	**121,553.21**	**104,038.44**
Total funds carried forward	**132,259.78**	**-**	**-**	**132,259.78**	**121,553.21**

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Abingdon Damascus Youth Project

Balance Sheet (Summary)

	As at 04/05/2022	As at 04/05/2021
Fixed assets		
	-	-
Current assets		
Cash At Bank And In Hand	132,259.78	121,553.21
	132,259.78	**121,553.21**
Liabilities		
	-	-
Net current assets less current liabilities	**132,259.78**	**121,553.21**
Total assets less current liabilities	**132,259.78**	**121,553.21**
Liabilities		
	-	-
Total net assets less liabilities	**132,259.78**	**121,553.21**
Represented by		
Unrestricted		
Unrestricted - General Funds	132,259.78	121,553.21
Designated		
Restricted		
Endowment		
Fund Totals	**132,259.78**	**121,553.21**

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Abingdon Damascus Youth Project

Analysis of income and expenditure
Selected period: 05 May 2021 to 04 May 2022

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total This year	Total Last year
Incoming resources						
Incoming resources from generated funds						
0101 - Gift aid giving	661.90	-	-	-	661.90	554.45
0850 - Grants/donations Received	95,774.12	-	-	-	95,774.12	106,126.69
0853 - Donations	-	-	-	-	-	-
0854 - Grants	-	-	-	-	-	-
0901 - Subscriptions	-	-	-	-	-	-
1020 - Interest on Reserve Account	-	-	-	-	-	-
1021 - Interest	-	-	-	-	-	-
1022 - Interest Gold Account	8.26	-	-	-	8.26	36.61
Incoming resources from generated funds Totals	**96,444.28**	-	-	-	**96,444.28**	**106,717.75**
Incoming resources from charitable activities						
0851 - Takings - Youth Clubs	1,520.53	-	-	-	1,520.53	308.00
0852 - Takings - Fund raising	-	-	-	-	-	530.80
Incoming resources from charitable activities Totals	**1,520.53**	-	-	-	**1,520.53**	**838.80**
Other incoming resources						
1205 - Youth worker returns	-	-	-	-	-	-
3003 - Sale of assets	-	-	-	-	-	-
9999 - Refunds	-	-	-	-	-	728.00
Other incoming resources Totals	-	-	-	-	-	**728.00**
Incoming resources Grand totals	**97,964.81**	-	-	-	**97,964.81**	**108,284.55**
Resources used						
Cost of generating funds						
Cost of generating funds Totals	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charitable activities						
1200 - Salaries and employment costs for YWs	78,557.20	-	-	-	78,557.20	79,842.45
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1209 - Salaries	-	-	-	-	-	-
1210 - Income Tax	-	-	-	-	-	-
1211 - National Insurance contribution	-	-	-	-	-	-
1212 - Pension contribution	-	-	-	-	-	-
1213 - Payroll Fee	-	-	-	-	-	-
1300 - Hall hire	1,384.00	-	-	-	1,384.00	1,953.50
1301 - Project activities for young people	-	-	-	-	-	-

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1302 - Refreshments	-	-	-	-	-	-
1500 - Insurance & affiliation fees	795.36	-	-	-	795.36	592.16
1501 - Administrative expenses	1,814.31	-	-	-	1,814.31	4,351.47
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1504 - IT and Software costs	119.80	-	-	-	119.80	-
1600 - Travel & Transport	-	-	-	-	-	-
1602 - Accomodation	-	-	-	-	-	-
1700 - Young People Training	1,067.87	-	-	-	1,067.87	218.00
1701 - Training materials	1,195.08	-	-	-	1,195.08	1,336.72
1702 - Materials and Activities	1,634.03	-	-	-	1,634.03	867.73
1703 - Community Activities	130.00	-	-	-	130.00	-
1800 - Recruitment costs	-	-	-	-	-	-
2000 - Bank charges	-	-	-	-	-	-
2300 - Depreciation	-	-	-	-	-	-
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Governance costs						
Governance costs Totals	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other resources used						
Other resources used Totals	-	-	-	-	-	-
Resources used Grand totals	**87,258.24**	-	-	-	**87,258.24**	**90,769.78**

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Signed:

Date: 03/08/22

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ABINGDON DAMASCUS YOUTH PROJECT

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Accounts

CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From Period start date 5 May 2020 To Period end date 4 May 2021

Charity name: Abingdon DAMASCUS Youth Project

Charity registration number: 1098966

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To promote the development of the personal, social & educational potential of all young people between the ages of 11 and 18, and up to 25 years where there are special circumstances, who live in the area encompassed by Vale of White Horse and South Oxfordshire District Councils and in particular those who are disadvantaged by adverse social conditions. Our current work is focussed in the rural Oxfordshire villages of Drayton, Appleford, Milton, Sutton Courtenay and Steventon (DAMASCUS) and the neighbouring Abingdon town. We also engage and support young people through the Abingdon and Didcot secondary schools to synergise the school and community support.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	Our activities promote a shared sense of belonging with youth advocacy and leadership in the community as the focus, and build intergenerational bridges for sustainable communities. Over the years the needs have widened with the advent of the internet and social media and increased awareness of mental health through adolescence and vulnerability of young people to exploitation. Thus, bespoke early intervention and prevention is at the heart of all we do. Street work by our youth workers and other volunteers identify needs before they escalate, and builds trusting relationships with disengaged vulnerable young people in need of support whom we then support through focused goal-oriented one-to-one sessions. We also undertake: Development and training of young leaders in the community. Inter-generational community interaction through community projects (village fetes, inter-generational workshops, litter pick, helping the elderly in the community, cricket, football etc.). Regular sports, arts, and music fun activities to raise confidence and self-esteem. Young people led participation in county workshops and forum, presentations at project AGM, parish council meetings etc. Youth Drop-in sessions in village halls.

	SORP reference	
		Drug and alcohol misuse, health and relationships and sexual health education, employment workshops. Collaborative working with schools and other organisations Development and training of staff and volunteers.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	In planning our activities for the year, the trustees have given due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit in deciding what charitable activities the charity should undertake. Recognising that 'one size does not fit all', the benefits are delivered through diverse but holistic and empowering approaches to young people within their communities and working in partnership with other statutory and voluntary bodies that are also involved in the lives of our young people. Our activities in this reporting year were adapted to enable continuing support to young people during the pandemic including during periods of lockdown. Our intergenerational work came into its own as young people were able to provide socially-distanced and covid-safe support to the elderly and isolated. We are proud that we were able to support young people, their parents, and their communities through the ongoing pandemic. This year we also led activities around reflecting and strengthening youthwork practice in Equality, Diversity and Inclusion in largely White British communities through county-wide fora hosted by Oxfordshire Youth. Staff are inducted in policies and procedures and all activities are risk assessed. Safeguarding is high on our agenda with a constantly reviewed culture of vigilance.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	Not Applicable – grant making is not a material part of our charitable activities
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	Although we do not make grants, the ultimate outcomes of our work programmes for which we seek funding, are about supporting and strengthening young people's skills and capacities to participate fully in education, employment, training and have a safe, responsible and fulfilling social life in cohesive communities.
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	Volunteers play an essential role in the project. Volunteers help in the youth drop ins; when required with specific study support and with arts and crafts and music activities.

	SORP reference	
		One volunteer coordinates and ensures DBS certificates are up to date
Other		The trustees use their professional skills and give their time freely to ensure accountability and management of the finances, grant conditions, fund raising and all health and safety and safeguarding obligations. We do not have a paid manager or chief executive. In addition to the chairman, treasurer and secretary, the charity also has a trustee who is the designated voluntary Line Manager and is responsible for managing staff and other volunteers and ensuring the day-to-day operational activities are delivered in line with the objects of the charity in line with the public benefit requirement as well as raising funds for the charity.

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	In addition to our core work of regular engagement with young people through our street work we carried out the following activities in 2020/2021 **Covid19 Work** As a team we were quick to act and move our support for young people online as everyone was told to stay at home. We created new social media pages, were doing live updates and contacting individual young people via phone and video calls to ensure everyone was safe and coping during the first national lockdown. We found many young people were struggling to do their schoolwork because of their environment, lack of resources or parent capacity to support to them. Because of this we were supporting young people with homework questions, delivering resources and create digital escape rooms for young people where they had to use Maths and English skills to escape. During this time, we were getting a lot of concerns from young people regarding the elderly and isolated in their communities and decided to put a list of items and contacts together for 'care packs' which they then helped us to deliver. **Instagram Live** Due to strict rules around Covid-19, at times face to face sessions were not permitted so the team quickly found other ways of engaging with the Young People via Instagram live. We would advertise times to meet online and run activities and play games via this method, games such as Pictionary or a quiz. **TATTS (Talk About The Tough Stuff)** TATTS has become an online safe place for a discussion-led forum by one of our Young Leaders.

Primarily started and largely based around race and living in a rural area, it has also become a safe place to talk about mental health and wellbeing.

Youth Drop-In's / Support Groups

Our usual youth drop-ins had to change this year to fit in with covid19 guidance which meant they turned from drop-ins to invite-only youth support groups for our most vulnerable young people aged 10-18. The support groups would be themed each month on topics that met the young people's needs such as Coping In Lockdown, Mental Health and Wellbeing, Sleep Hygiene and Relationships.

Gazebo Drop-Ins

Similar to the youth drop-ins, the gazebo drop-ins also had to be made invite only for our most vulnerable groups during the lockdown however, as restrictions eased, we were allowed to reintroduce the sessions as a drop-in and were allowed to deliver sporting activities to keep young people healthy during lockdown.

Street Work

Street work or detached youth work happens every evening where youth workers will be out on the streets,

engaging with young people, building relationships, identifying issues, and creating bespoke support opportunities. It is in street work where we often meet with young people who are not engaging with any other services and are usually vulnerable or at high risk of slipping through the net of other support services.

Educational Issue-Based Workshops
We have delivered a number of educational issue-based workshops including Staying Safe in the Community, Online Resilience, Healthy Relationships and THC Aware. This year we have also developed and delivered workshops to parents to give them advice on supporting their teenage children during lockdown. Topics included THC awareness, Online and Offline Relationships and Mental Health and Wellbeing. We have also greatly focused on relationships and sexual health as we identified a number of young people were in unhealthy relationships and needed support.

Youth Ambassadors
This year we have trained 2 groups of Youth Ambassadors who have been trained in Youth Leadership and Advocacy and each group has chosen an issue to advocate for. The Youth Ambassadors from South Abingdon focused on general health and tobacco as a topic and presented a tobacco workshop at some of our groups to other young people. This group also focused on liaising with the town council to consult young people on their needs and to advocate to improve recreation facilities.

The Sutton Courtenay Youth Ambassador group focused on advocating for better youth facilities in the village by creating a questionnaire, consulting young people, and feeding back their finding to the parish council.

Boot Camp
This project was created and delivered by our youth worker specialising in sports coaching who was inspired to get young people, particually those who shy away from sports, involved in a physical activity. It also allowed young people to explore a way of exercise they wouldn't necessarily have tried through schools or other clubs.

"I have so much more energy than I thought! I'm waking up earlier and want to do more with my day than just

school, eating food and sleeping and I'm going to bed earlier too!" Young person 13 - South Abingdon

"The boot camps are so much fun. We get to play lots of games and get fit as we do it! Also, No one likes burpees here anymore!" Young Person 11 - Sutton Courtenay

Active Reach
This project ran over the summer in South Abingdon, it was for the community with the aim of getting people moving. A competition was held where together the goal was for the residents to walk and upload their steps to see if within the target weeks the calculated steps were the same as walking the coastal paths around England. As well as this Active Reach activity packs were made and distributed to families with activity cards and equipment for fun games and exercise the whole family could do at home.

Sports sessions
When covid rules allowed we added additional sports sessions into our week allowing the young people to come along and enjoy some outdoor activities, fresh air and exercise. We would often play sports such as rounders, cricket, and dodge ball. This really helped non active children, gain confidence to get involved in sports.

Doorstep Bingo

During the main lockdown as rules started to change, Doorstep Bingo was started as an introductory way to start getting the elderly residents who had been shielding out of their houses again an something to look forward too. We would walk with the Young People

delivering bingo slips and then once a week we would gather in front of the house with the Young People helping to set up the area, bingo call, deliver prizes and have general conversation with the residents.

" The bingo has been amazing for me. During the first 8 weeks of lockdown I hadn't got changed out of my pyjamas let alone left the house. Now every Wednesday I have something to get dressed for and can get some fresh air". Elderly Resident, Sutton Courtenay

"Calling the bingo numbers each week has boosted my confidence so much in recent weeks, I was always the shy quiet kid now look at me, All the twos, its two little ducks (quack quack)". Young Person 14 - Sutton Courtenay

Litter Picks

Young people thoroughly enjoy looking after the environment by running community litter picks. We do several throughout every year at young people's request.

‘’We love litter picking, you never know what you might find and it’s good that adults seeing us doing something

good in the village coz they usually moan about us'' – Young person, 13.

Aquarius

We partnered with Aquarius to deliver substance abuse and anxiety workshops at our gazebo drop-ins to young people at risk of or are misusing substances so they can better understand the risks and get support.

"I didn't know what to expect but actually that was really good" – Young person, 17.

Police workshop in Abingdon

We invited PC Russ Massie to visit our young people under the gazebo to talk about the relationship between young people and the police. There was lots of good conversation around the laws, changing of the laws and the best approach from both police and Young People. The Young People learnt about stop and search rights and what info the police can legally ask for without a charge. It was a very interesting session and one we will repeat.

Since this workshop, two of the young people who attended were so inspired we have been able to support further communications between them and Russ Massie to further their knowledge about recruitment into the police force.

Fishing Project

We incorporated fishing into our 1-2-1 support sessions ensuring they were covid safe and enabled a calm space for talking and learning new skills

"Coming to these 121s and going fishing has helped me realise who my real friends are. I have made so much progress at school lately because now I'm not playing the fool in class. On top of that I've learned new skills and made some great memories". Young Person 14 - South Abingdon

		"I had one aim today and that was to catch a pike on a lure, an hour later and I had it. If only finding a job was this easy!" Young Person 17 - South Abingdon

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	We have supported over 500 different young people throughout the year of whom 200 regularly attended our sessions. 41 different young people were given 1-2-1 support for as long as they needed it - 11 were given general wellbeing and emotional support 12 were supported in re-engaging with education, employment or training 18 were supported with mental health
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	Not Applicable
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	Not Applicable
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	On 4th May 2021, the charity held total funds of £121,553
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Trustees place all funds not immediately required in the project's gold account with CAF Bank Limited (CAF Bank Limited is a subsidiary of the Charities Aid Foundation). The trustees have a policy of maintaining a reserve to enable the recruitment and retention of proficient and credible youth workers in the event that no new income is received in the year. Thus, in setting a level of reserve trustees have regard to the stability of employment to staff over at least a one-year period as at the core of our work is building strong and trusting relationships with young people. The trustees are also aware of the elapsed time from applying for a long-term grant to the award of such a grant and the need to ensure that there are sufficient finances to keep the project going in the interim.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£121,553
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	Not Applicable
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	Not Applicable
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	There are no uncertainties

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	The principal sources of funding in 2020/2021 were Home Office, Parish, Town and District Councils, South and Vale Community Safety Partnerships, Active Oxfordshire and #iwill (54%). Other grants were from Sovereign, Indigo, Peter Baker, Oxford Community Foundation, and parochial charities (41%) Individual donations, receipts and Gift Aid (5%)
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	Not Applicable
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Unincorporated registered charity
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	All trustees retire from office at the AGM thought may seek re-election. Nominations for the Chairman, Treasurer, Secretary and Line Manager are invited and elected at the AGM. Additionally, up to four members may be elected at the AGM. The DAMASCUS Parochial Church Council may appoint a trustee.

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	The Charity has a Designated Safeguarding Lead who ensures all trustees and other committee members and workers (voluntary and employed) are DBS checked. Trustees have a Safeguarding policy in place and all staff and relevant volunteers receive safeguarding training.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	The Charity employs both qualified and trainee youth workers (FTE 2.8 in 2020/21) whose day to day work is managed by the voluntary Line manager who is also a trustee and responsible for safeguarding and the induction of new staff and volunteers. Young people make an input into the services through the development of young community leaders as this is a community-based project. Positive intergenerational engagement is key to community cohesion which in turn provides sustainable support to young people within their communities and thus partnership working is integral to the charity's work. The Charity is affiliated to Oxfordshire Youth through whom the DBS checks are undertaken.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	Not Applicable
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Abingdon DAMASCUS Youth Project
Other name the charity uses	ADYP
Registered charity number	1098966
Charity's principal address	9 Chapel Lane Sutton Courtenay OX14 4AN

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	MRS PAT NAPPER	Chairperson		Elected at AGM
2	MRS ANNE WHITEHEAD	Secretary		Elected at AGM
3	Mr HANS SUNDIN	Treasurer		Elected at AGM
4	MRS RITA ATKINSON	Line Manager		Elected at AGM
5	MRS AUDREY HOLLOWAY			Elected at AGM
6	MR SIMON MURRAY			Elected at AGM
7	DR MARK WHITTAKER			Elected at AGM
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
None		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
None		

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	Not Applicable
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Bank	**CAF Bank**	25 Kings Hill Avenue, Kings Hill, West Malling, Kent ME19 4TA.

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

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

Not Applicable

Other optional information

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	P E Napper	Rita Atkinson
Full name(s)	Patricia E Napper	Rita Atkinson
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chairman	Line Manager

Date	09 January 2022

Abingdon DAMASCUS Youth Project, Registered charity No. 1098966

Finance Report for the period May 5, 2020 to May 4, 2021

Income

Grants 2020 to 2021	
Home Office (through Thames Valley Police, Violence Reduction Unit)	15,101
South & Vale Community Safety Partnership	10,000
Indigo Trust	10,000
Oxfordshire Community Foundation (Covid relief + Sexual Health)	9,123
Active Oxfordshire, Active Reach	6,180
Wiltshire Community Foundation, #iWill	5,000
Abingdon Town Council	5,000
Sovereign, Community Intergenerational Project	4,000
Drayton Parish Council, 2020/2021	4,000
Good Exchange (Sovereign and Peter Baker)	3,800
Drayton Parish Council, 2019/2020 (paid to Damascus PCC by mistake)	3,500
Sutton Courtenay Parish Council	3,500
Sutton Courtenay (National Power) Trust	2,520
Steventon Parish Council	2,500
Steventon Allotment and Relief in Need Charity	2,500
Milton Parish Council	2,000
Magnox Limited	1,000
District Council Covid - 19 scheme	700
Total Grants	**90,424**
Donations from Individuals, Organisations and Companies	
Organsiers of Truck Festival	6,000
Individual donations direct to ADYP	3,463
Individual donations via CAF Donate	2,197
Rotary Club, Abingdon	1,500
Infineum, (SMILE + Step challenge)	1,542
Sovereign	1,000
Total Donations	**15,702**
Receipts, Gift Aid, Takings and Interest 5 May2020 to 4 May 2021	
Various	728
Gift Aid	554
Thame Youth project, training services (incl in various)	531
Door and Tuck receipts	308
Interest	37
Total Receipts, Gift Aids, etc	**2158**
Grand Total of grants, donations and receipts	**108,284**

SIGNED ON BEHALF OF THE TRUSTEES:

PAT NAPPER (CHAIRMAN): P E Napper 10/11 -2021

HANS SUNDIN (TREASURER): 10/11 -2021

Abingdon Damascus Youth Project

Statement of Financial Activities

For the period from 05 May 2020 to 04 May 2021

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Incoming resources					
Incoming resources from charitable activities	838.80	-	-	838.80	3,725.50
Other incoming resources	728.00	-	-	728.00	171.52
Incoming resources from generated funds	-	-	-	-	-
Voluntary income	101,681.14	5,000.00	-	106,681.14	91,783.81
Investment income	36.61	-	-	36.61	142.16
Activities for generating funds	-	-	-	-	-
Total income	**103,284.55**	**5,000.00**	**-**	**108,284.55**	**95,822.99**
Resources used					
Charitable activities	54,609.78	36,160.00	-	90,769.78	84,036.69
Cost of generating funds	-	-	-	-	-
Cost of generating voluntary income	-	-	-	-	-
Fundraising trading cost of goods sold and other costs	-	-	-	-	-
Investment management costs	-	-	-	-	-
Governance costs	-	-	-	-	-
Other resources used	-	-	-	-	-
Total expenditure	**54,609.78**	**36,160.00**	**-**	**90,769.78**	**84,036.69**
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer	**48,674.77**	**(31,160.00)**	**-**	**17,514.77**	**11,786.30**
Transfers:					
Gross transfers between funds - in	-	-	-	-	1,315.50
Gross transfers between funds - out	-	-	-	-	(1,315.50)
Other recognised gains / losses					
Gains/losses on investment assets	-	-	-	-	-
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	**48,674.77**	**(31,160.00)**	**-**	**17,514.77**	**11,786.30**
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward	**72,878.44**	**31,160.00**	**-**	**104,038.44**	**92,252.14**
Total funds carried forward	**121,553.21**	**-**	**-**	**121,553.21**	**104,038.44**

SIGNED BEHALF OF THE TRUSTEES:

PAT NAPPER (CHAIRMAN): P. E Napper 10/11-2021

HANNAH SLINDON (TREASURER): 10/11-2021

Abingdon Damascus Youth Project

Balance Sheet (Summary)

	As at 04/05/2021	As at 04/05/2020
Fixed assets		
	-	-
Current assets		
Cash At Bank And In Hand	121,553.21	104,038.44
	121,553.21	**104,038.44**
Liabilities		
	-	-
Net current assets less current liabilities	**121,553.21**	**104,038.44**
Total assets less current liabilities	**121,553.21**	**104,038.44**
Liabilities		
	-	-
Total net assets less liabilities	**121,553.21**	**104,038.44**
Represented by		
Unrestricted		
General (Unrestricted)	121,553.21	72,878.44
Designated		
Restricted		
Restricted - Active HEARTs	-	31,160.00
Endowment		
Funds of the church	**121,553.21**	**104,038.44**

SIGNED ON BEHALF OF THE TRUSTEES:

PAT NAPPER (CHAIRMAN): P. E Napper 10/11 2024

HANNAH SUNDIN (TREASURER): [signature] 10/11-2021

Abingdon Damascus Youth Project

Analysis of income and expenditure
Selected period: 05 May 2020 to 04 May 2021

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total This year	Total Last year
Incoming resources						
Incoming resources from generated funds						
0101 - Gift aid giving	554.45	-	-	-	554.45	741.62
0850 - Grants/donations Received	101,126.69	-	5,000.00	-	106,126.69	91,042.19
0853 - Donations	-	-	-	-	-	-
0854 - Grants	-	-	-	-	-	-
0901 - Subscriptions	-	-	-	-	-	-
1020 - Interest on Reserve Account	-	-	-	-	-	32.56
1021 - Interest	-	-	-	-	-	109.60
1022 - Interest Gold Account	36.61	-	-	-	36.61	-
Incoming resources from generated funds Totals	**101,717.75**	**-**	**5,000.00**	**-**	**106,717.75**	**91,925.97**
Incoming resources from charitable activities						
0851 - Takings - Youth Clubs	308.00	-	-	-	308.00	1,928.50
0852 - Takings - Fund raising	530.80	-	-	-	530.80	1,797.00
Incoming resources from charitable activities Totals	**838.80**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**838.80**	**3,725.50**
Other incoming resources						
1205 - Youth worker returns	-	-	-	-	-	-
3003 - Sale of assets	-	-	-	-	-	-
9999 - Refunds	728.00	-	-	-	728.00	171.52
Other incoming resources Totals	**728.00**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**728.00**	**171.52**
Incoming resources Grand totals	**103,284.55**	**-**	**5,000.00**	**-**	**108,284.55**	**95,822.99**
Resources used						
Cost of generating funds						
Cost of generating funds Totals	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
Charitable activities						
1200 - Salaries and employment costs for YWs	45,354.41	-	34,488.04	-	79,842.45	71,948.49
1201 - Staff Training	1,248.99	-	168.00	-	1,416.99	3,150.00
1202 - Mobile phone costs for Youth Worker(s)	-	-	-	-	-	-
1203 - Staff entertainment	-	-	-	-	-	-
1204 - Youth worker expenses	165.76	-	-	-	165.76	117.00
1209 - Salaries	-	-	-	-	-	-
1210 - Income Tax	-	-	-	-	-	-
1211 - National Insurance contribution	-	-	-	-	-	-
1212 - Pension contribution	-	-	-	-	-	-
1213 - Payroll Fee	-	-	-	-	-	-
1300 - Hall hire	1,481.50	-	472.00	-	1,953.50	1,372.30
1301 - Project activities for young people	-	-	-	-	-	-

SIGNED ON BEHALF OF THE TRUSTEES:

PAT NAPPER (CHAIRMAN): P E Napper 10/11-2021

HANS SLINGO (TREASURER): 10/11-2021

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total This year	Total Last year
1302 - Refreshments	-	-	-	-	-	-
1500 - Insurance & affiliation fees	592.16	-	-	-	592.16	800.83
1501 - Administrative expenses	4,351.47	-	-	-	4,351.47	3,045.70
1502 - CRB/DBS costs	25.00	-	-	-	25.00	-
1504 - IT and Software costs	-	-	-	-	-	-
1600 - Travel & Transport	-	-	-	-	-	259.50
1602 - Accomodation	-	-	-	-	-	-
1700 - Young People Training	87.20	-	130.80	-	218.00	1,664.55
1701 - Training materials	524.55	-	812.17	-	1,336.72	5.99
1702 - Materials and Activities	778.74	-	88.99	-	867.73	1,672.33
1703 - Community Activities	-	-	-	-	-	-
1800 - Recruitment costs	-	-	-	-	-	-
2000 - Bank charges	-	-	-	-	-	-
2300 - Depreciation	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charitable activities Totals	**54,609.78**	**-**	**36,160.00**	**-**	**90,769.78**	**84,036.69**
Governance costs						
Governance costs Totals	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other resources used						
Other resources used Totals	-	-	-	-	-	-
Resources used Grand totals	**54,609.78**	**-**	**36,160.00**	**-**	**90,769.78**	**84,036.69**

SIGNED ON BEHALF OF THE TRUSTEES:

PAT NAPPER (CHAIRMAN): P E Napper 10/11 2021

HANNAH SLINGSBY (TREASURER): [signature] 10/11-2021

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE ABINGDON DAMASCUS YOUTH PROJECT

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 4th of May 2021 set out on the above signed pages.

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and the examiner:

The charities trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charities trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 43 (2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the 1993 Act) and that an independent examination is needed

It is the responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts (under section 43 (3) of the 1993 Act).
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners year (under section 43 (7)(b) of the 1993 Act)
- To state whether particular matters have come my attention

Basis of the examiner's report

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Independent Examiner's statement:

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2. To which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

Date: 05.10.21

Name: Zoe Osborne

Address: 5 Skylark Fields, Sutton Courtenay, OX14 4FZ

Abingdon DAMASCUS Youth Project, Registered charity No. 1098966

Finance Report for the period May 5, 2020 to May 4, 2021

Income

Grants 2020 to 2021	
Home Office (through Thames Valley Police, Violence Reduction Unit)	15,101
South & Vale Community Safety Partnership	10,000
Indigo Trust	10,000
Oxfordshire Community Foundation (Covid relief + Sexual Health)	9,123
Active Oxfordshire, Active Reach	6,180
Wiltshire Community Foundation, #iWill	5,000
Abingdon Town Council	5,000
Sovereign, Community Intergenerational Project	4,000
Drayton Parish Council, 2020/2021	4,000
Good Exchange (Sovereign and Peter Baker)	3,800
Drayton Parish Council, 2019/2020 (paid to Damascus PCC by mistake)	3,500
Sutton Courtenay Parish Council	3,500
Sutton Courtenay (National Power) Trust	2,520
Steventon Parish Council	2,500
Steventon Allotment and Relief in Need Charity	2,500
Milton Parish Council	2,000
Magnox Limited	1,000
District Council Covid - 19 scheme	700
Total Grants	**90,424**
Donations from Individuals, Organisations and Companies	
Organsiers of Truck Festival	6,000
Individual donations direct to ADYP	3,463
Individual donations via CAF Donate	2,197
Rotary Club, Abingdon	1,500
Infineum, (SMILE + Step challenge)	1,542
Sovereign	1,000
Total Donations	**15,702**
Receipts, Gift Aid, Takings and Interest 5 May2020 to 4 May 2021	
Various	728
Gift Aid	554
Thame Youth project, training services (incl in various)	531
Door and Tuck receipts	308
Interest	37
Total Receipts, Gift Aids, etc	**2158**
Grand Total of grants, donations and receipts	**108,284**

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Abingdon Damascus Youth Project

Statement of Financial Activities

For the period from 05 May 2020 to 04 May 2021

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Incoming resources					
Incoming resources from charitable activities	838.80	-	-	838.80	3,725.50
Other incoming resources	728.00	-	-	728.00	171.52
Incoming resources from generated funds	-	-	-	-	-
Voluntary income	101,681.14	5,000.00	-	106,681.14	91,783.81
Investment income	36.61	-	-	36.61	142.16
Activities for generating funds	-	-	-	-	-
Total income	**103,284.55**	**5,000.00**	**-**	**108,284.55**	**95,822.99**
Resources used					
Charitable activities	54,609.78	36,160.00	-	90,769.78	84,036.69
Cost of generating funds	-	-	-	-	-
Cost of generating voluntary income	-	-	-	-	-
Fundraising trading cost of goods sold and other costs	-	-	-	-	-
Investment management costs	-	-	-	-	-
Governance costs	-	-	-	-	-
Other resources used	-	-	-	-	-
Total expenditure	**54,609.78**	**36,160.00**	**-**	**90,769.78**	**84,036.69**
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer	**48,674.77**	**(31,160.00)**	**-**	**17,514.77**	**11,786.30**
Transfers:					
Gross transfers between funds - in	-	-	-	-	1,315.50
Gross transfers between funds - out	-	-	-	-	(1,315.50)
Other recognised gains / losses					
Gains/losses on investment assets	-	-	-	-	-
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	**48,674.77**	**(31,160.00)**	**-**	**17,514.77**	**11,786.30**
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward	**72,878.44**	**31,160.00**	**-**	**104,038.44**	**92,252.14**
Total funds carried forward	**121,553.21**	**-**	**-**	**121,553.21**	**104,038.44**

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Abingdon Damascus Youth Project

Balance Sheet (Summary)

	As at 04/05/2021	As at 04/05/2020
Fixed assets		
	-	-
Current assets		
Cash At Bank And In Hand	121,553.21	104,038.44
	121,553.21	**104,038.44**
Liabilities		
	-	-
Net current assets less current liabilities	**121,553.21**	**104,038.44**
Total assets less current liabilities	**121,553.21**	**104,038.44**
Liabilities		
	-	-
Total net assets less liabilities	**121,553.21**	**104,038.44**
Represented by		
Unrestricted		
General (Unrestricted)	121,553.21	72,878.44
Designated		
Restricted		
Restricted - Active HEARTs	-	31,160.00
Endowment		
Funds of the church	**121,553.21**	**104,038.44**

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Abingdon Damascus Youth Project

Analysis of income and expenditure
Selected period: 05 May 2020 to 04 May 2021

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total This year	Total Last year
Incoming resources						
Incoming resources from generated funds						
0101 - Gift aid giving	554.45	-	-	-	554.45	741.62
0850 - Grants/donations Received	101,126.69	-	5,000.00	-	106,126.69	91,042.19
0853 - Donations	-	-	-	-	-	-
0854 - Grants	-	-	-	-	-	-
0901 - Subscriptions	-	-	-	-	-	-
1020 - Interest on Reserve Account	-	-	-	-	-	32.56
1021 - Interest	-	-	-	-	-	109.60
1022 - Interest Gold Account	36.61	-	-	-	36.61	-
Incoming resources from generated funds Totals	**101,717.75**	**-**	**5,000.00**	**-**	**106,717.75**	**91,925.97**
Incoming resources from charitable activities						
0851 - Takings - Youth Clubs	308.00	-	-	-	308.00	1,928.50
0852 - Takings - Fund raising	530.80	-	-	-	530.80	1,797.00
Incoming resources from charitable activities Totals	**838.80**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**838.80**	**3,725.50**
Other incoming resources						
1205 - Youth worker returns	-	-	-	-	-	-
3003 - Sale of assets	-	-	-	-	-	-
9999 - Refunds	728.00	-	-	-	728.00	171.52
Other incoming resources Totals	**728.00**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**728.00**	**171.52**
Incoming resources Grand totals	**103,284.55**	**-**	**5,000.00**	**-**	**108,284.55**	**95,822.99**
Resources used						
Cost of generating funds						
Cost of generating funds Totals	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
Charitable activities						
1200 - Salaries and employment costs for YWs	45,354.41	-	34,488.04	-	79,842.45	71,948.49
1201 - Staff Training	1,248.99	-	168.00	-	1,416.99	3,150.00
1202 - Mobile phone costs for Youth Worker(s)	-	-	-	-	-	-
1203 - Staff entertainment	-	-	-	-	-	-
1204 - Youth worker expenses	165.76	-	-	-	165.76	117.00
1209 - Salaries	-	-	-	-	-	-
1210 - Income Tax	-	-	-	-	-	-
1211 - National Insurance contribution	-	-	-	-	-	-
1212 - Pension contribution	-	-	-	-	-	-
1213 - Payroll Fee	-	-	-	-	-	-
1300 - Hall hire	1,481.50	-	472.00	-	1,953.50	1,372.30
1301 - Project activities for young people	-	-	-	-	-	-

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	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total This year	Total Last year
1302 - Refreshments	-	-	-	-	-	-
1500 - Insurance & affiliation fees	592.16	-	-	-	592.16	800.83
1501 - Administrative expenses	4,351.47	-	-	-	4,351.47	3,045.70
1502 - CRB/DBS costs	25.00	-	-	-	25.00	-
1504 - IT and Software costs	-	-	-	-	-	-
1600 - Travel & Transport	-	-	-	-	-	259.50
1602 - Accomodation	-	-	-	-	-	-
1700 - Young People Training	87.20	-	130.80	-	218.00	1,664.55
1701 - Training materials	524.55	-	812.17	-	1,336.72	5.99
1702 - Materials and Activities	778.74	-	88.99	-	867.73	1,672.33
1703 - Community Activities	-	-	-	-	-	-
1800 - Recruitment costs	-	-	-	-	-	-
2000 - Bank charges	-	-	-	-	-	-
2300 - Depreciation	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charitable activities Totals	**54,609.78**	**-**	**36,160.00**	**-**	**90,769.78**	**84,036.69**
Governance costs						
Governance costs Totals	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other resources used						
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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE ABINGDON DAMASCUS YOUTH PROJECT

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 4th of May 2021 set out on the above signed pages.

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and the examiner:

The charities trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charities trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 43 (2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the 1993 Act) and that an independent examination is needed

It is the responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts (under section 43 (3) of the 1993 Act).
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners year (under section 43 (7)(b) of the 1993 Act)
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