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“On the banks of The Mersey, at the heart of Toxteth, sits our beautiful Inclusive Children’s Charity, Team Oasis. Delivering learning, fun, adventure, excitement, hope, kindness, compassion, understanding and Love. A safe place, a haven, a diamond with the most beautifully inspiring bunch of amazing young leaders”

TRUSTEE ANNUAL REPORT

2022 – 2023



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-Our Vision-

“to create an environment where all children, young people and their families can live, share, play, learn and socialise in an environment of collective learnedness, awareness, understanding and respect for all. What an achievement this is especially as it blossoms into future generations”.

A Totally Inclusive Children’s Charity For All Children Of All Abilities, Backgrounds & Circumstances.

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TRUSTEE REPORT

For Period Apr 2022 – Mar 2023

Date That This Report Was Compiled: March 2024

Compiled By: G.Harrison

Trustee's For Period:

A.Bartley - Secretary
Gill Harrison - Treasurer
Veronica Nilson - Chairperson
Andrea Miller - SEN Advisor
Annie Charnock - Young Persons Advocate

Employee's:

Mr Paul Nilson - Coordinator
Ricky Liu – Sports Development Manager
Mrs Denise Ferry – Performing Arts Development Manager
Mr Paul Nilson Jnr - Music/Creative Media Development Manager
Mr James Nilson - Development Manager
Leon Armstrong - Theatre Group Support Officer
Emily Chapman Roe – Administration Assistant
Mrs Alexandra Nilson – Director of Arts
Mrs Susan Whelan - Internal Funding Development Officer

Volunteers:

We have an amazing team of 40 volunteers. Our volunteers support all aspects of our work across seven days each week and fifty weeks per year. The success of each of our activities and internal fundraising such as penny collection boxes, sponsored events, bag packing and our free food service is only possible thanks to our volunteers.

Founded on simple values of service before self, caring, compassion, gentleness, understanding, inclusion and a strong belief in the potential of all in our community, we, the Trustee's of Team Oasis have a vision to establish a steadfast Charitable venture that continually opens opportunity, eliminates exclusion, builds self esteem, raises aspirations and alleviates the consequence of disadvantage and poverty. Team Oasis shall continually strive to serve all in our community regardless of age, gender, ethnicity, abilities or faiths. Therefore, it has been a real pleasure, once again, for all honorary members to witness the steady development of our charitable efforts over this past twelve months, effectively our 19th year of operations. We like to take this annual report opportunity to briefly reflect the development of our Charity.

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Thanks and Gratitude to Our Team

It is with the up-most praise and gratitude that I sincerely thank the immense effort of everybody associated with this, still relatively fledgling Charity, Team Oasis. Our coordinator Paul Nilson continued his tireless work to secure the necessary financial support to develop our presence and effectiveness in our community. His dedication has been total. We, the Trustee's, would like to thank Mr Nilson for his

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perseverance. He has also been primarily responsible the strategic approach to achieving a secure fiscal base plus the increase in variety of projects and activities. We are so proud of the development, passion and devotion that each member of our team brings to Team Oasis. Collectively they continue to make the most positive impact on thousands of young lives and families each year. Our board and all at Team Oasis are so fortunate to have a wonderful team with such excellence, skills, compassion, humanity and beautiful graces. Unfortunately, Paul was extremely ill in December 2022, rushed to hospital, where he had a series of tests over subsequent months including blood tests, MRI's, CT Scans, Bone Scans and Biopsy. In February 2023 Paul was diagnosed with Prostate Cancer and immediately placed onto a treatment plan of Hormone injections and Radiotherapy. His treatments will continue for a minimum of two years. However, thankfully his prognosis is very good. Obviously, he had to limit his Managerial duties for some months but is now back to full operational capacity. Paul is resilient and a rock for our team.

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Sincere Gratitude For Your Support

Thanks to the tremendous support from:-

The Julia and Hans Rausing Foundation

The Sackler Trust

The PH Holt Foundation

The AJ Bell Charitable Trust

The John R Murray Charitable Trust

The Millie Charity

The Edith Murphy Foundation

The Barnabas Charitable Trust

The Hays Foundation

The Masonic Charity

The Alchemy Foundation

The Ludlow Trust

Cash 4 Kids

The Dowager Countess Eleanor Peel Trust

The Holiday Activity Fund

The St.James's Place Foundation

Warburtons

The Weston Family 60th Anniversary Fund for enabling Team Oasis to create a 'State of the Art' professional Multi Media

Suite including a Magnificent Recording Studio, Community Radio Station and Film-making Editing Suite.

☐ The Charity Aid Foundation supporting us through Covid19

☐ The National Lottery Community Fund Covid Relief

☐ The Power To Change supporting us through Covid

☐ The Fore supporting us through covid

☐ The Edward Gostling Foundation

☐ The P H Holt Foundation

☐ The Barnabas Trust

☐ The Henry Smith Charity For Your Tremendous Support Towards Our Revenue and Core Costs.

☐ The Garfield Weston Foundation, (for simply believing in us, showing a faith in our credentials and a belief in our commitment to this community that we serve)

☐ The Steve Morgan Foundation supporting us through Covid

☐ The Coop Trust

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- ☐ The Zochonis Charitable Foundation
- ☐ Merseyside Play Action Council
- ☐ The Duchy of Lancaster Benevolent Fund
- ☐ City of Liverpool Covid Support
- ☐ The 29th May 1961 Charitable Trust
- ☐ The Neighbourly Trust
- ☐ ADWC
- ☐ The Anton Jurgens Charitable Trust
- ☐ The Blakemore Foundation
- ☐ The Woodward Trust
- ☐ The Leathersellers Company
- ☐ GCC1 Teamo Café
- ☐ The Desmond Foundation
- ☐ The Souter Trust
- ☐ The Russell Trust
- ☐ Mohn Westlake
- ☐ Torus
- ☐ Pilkington Charitable Trust
- ☐ Community Foundation For Lancashire & Merseyside
- ☐ The Rushworth Trust
- ☐ The Skelton Bounty
- ☐ The Clothworkers' Company
- ☐ The John Moores Foundation
- ☐ ESC Lottery
- ☐ Medicash
- ☐ The Postcode Lottery
- ☐ The Peter Harrison Foundation
- ☐ The Football Foundation. Supporting Team Oasis with moral support and advice.
- ☐ The Foyles Foundation For Supporting The Purchase of Film-making Equipment
- ☐ BBC Children In Need Supporting Our After School And Mobile After School Clubs.
- ☐ The Beatrice Laing Foundation
- ☐ The St.James' Place Foundation
- ☐ The Daneway Foundation
- ☐ The Empire Fund
- ☐ The Community Foundation For Lancashire & Merseyside.
- ☐ Liese Van Alwon And The Eleanor Rathbone Trust.
- ☐ Liese Van Alwon And The Elizabeth Rathbone Trust.
- ☐ The Erach and Roshan Sadri Foundation
- ☐ The John. R. Murray Trust
- ☐ The Marsh Christian Trust
- ☐ The Eli Lilly Trust
- ☐ M & S Trust
- ☐ The DM Thomas Charitable Trust
- ☐ Tesco Trust
- ☐ Charities Aid Foundation
- ☐ The High Sheriffs Trust
- ☐ The Police Property Act Fund
- ☐ The Hemby Trust
- ☐ The Biggive
- ☐ Localgiving

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- ❑ LCVS
- ❑ Liverpool Lions Club International
- ❑ LPP & MPAC
- ❑ Radio City Cash For Kids
- ❑ BBC Radio Merseyside
- ❑ Hurst Methodist Church

Sincere Gratitude To You All and All of our Penny Box/Bag Packing/Sponsoring & Donation Supporters

Three tranches of support totalling £25,000.00 from The John R Murray Foundation, £65,000.00 from The Garfield Weston Foundation, £25,000.00 from The Julia & Hans Rausing Foundation, phase two support from The National Lottery Community Fund was amazing. Receiving £48,000.00 from The Julia and Hans Rausing Foundation has been a massive boost. Success with our major Capital Application to The Department of DCMS administered by BBC Children in Need was another transformative moment that shall impact on the quality of life for families in our community for many years. Thanks to the magnificent support of The Weston Family 60th Anniversary Fund of £150,000.00 Team Oasis has been able to introduce to our community an amazing ‘state of the art’ multi media suite including a professional recording studio, community radio station and film-making editing suite. This in addition to the amazingly steadfast support from The Garfield Weston Foundation is just unbelievable. The support of The Leathersellers Company Charitable Trust over these past years has been an awesome foundation to develop our effectiveness and profile. Guaranteed support over a set period of time, such as that provided by The Leathersellers Co is extremely rare for a small charity like Team Oasis and as

such an amazing blessing. Unrestricted funding support such as that received from The Garfield Weston Foundation acts as the glue that funds those other costs without which a Charity such as Team Oasis couldn’t hope to function. Team Oasis was empowered to introduce a fabulous Multi-Sports Programme thanks to the support from The Peter Harrison Foundation. The Duchy of Lancaster Benevolent fund, The Zochonis Charity, The Erach Sadri Charitable Trust, The Community foundation For Merseyside & Lancashire, The Barnabas Charitable Trust, The Rathbone Trust, The Eleanor Rathbone Trust, The Elizabeth Rathbone Trust, The Merseyside Police Community Cashback Scheme, The Greggs Foundation, The DM Thomas Charitable Trust, The 29th May Charitable Trust, The Hobson Charity Ltd Trust, Ground work UK Tesco, The MacRobert Trust, The Russell Charitable Trust, LCVS and the support of Tesco, Coop and Marks & Spencer have all made a huge contribution to the amazing successes that we have achieved with local disadvantaged children, young people and families.

Team Oasis were delighted and honoured to receive our second ‘Children and Young People Now Award’. This terrific national award was specifically awarded to our Charity for Services throughout the Covid 19 Pandemic. In particular how we adapted our services and introduced various projects and programs to accommodate the limited social movement and challenges of the pandemic. Entering into the early months of 2023, Team Oasis were also honoured to receive the British Safety Council Community Award for Health and Safety, with a particular reference to supporting the well-being of our leaders and volunteers. Team Oasis secured a number of extremely prestigious awards. Firstly, Liverpool Echo Liverpool Unites honoured Team Oasis as Liverpool’s Children’s Charity of The Year. Particular rewarding as this was voted for by Merseyside citizens. We were delighted to be honoured as Barclaycards Community Champion of The Year. Thirdly we were proud to be voted as The Liverpool Guild Of Students Children’s Charity of The Year. Prestigious Awards from Merseyside Police and in 2021 the National acclaimed award as Winners of The ‘Children and Young People Now’ award for inclusive play was a tremendous honour. In addition, we have been chosen as ‘The Charity of The Year’ for Nutricia Pro-Biotics.

Also being selected as a Charity of Choice by local branches of Tescos, Co-op and Marks & Spencers are all significant achievements that we celebrate with each of our volunteers, leaders, supporters and friends.

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Obviously, a Charity such as ours is nothing without the gracious endeavours of all our volunteers. Team Oasis had a body of forty volunteers supporting our work during the period. Our total indebtedness is due to those individuals and therefore, I give tremendous praise to our volunteers, Elsie Scott, Patricia Richardson, Gill Harrison, Sophie Nilson, Jeanette Johnson, Lauren Aucutt, Michael Catterall, Grant Haskayne, David Sakho, Ian Moses, Matthew Crew, Julie Nilson, Annie Charnock, Andrea Miller, Reanne Doyle, Sue Whelan, James Whelan, Esta Bickerstaff, Lois Youds, Richard Robinson, Arthur, Peta Ann, Hedmy Vargas, Ann Wenton, Prescilla Rose Jobbins, Angie Friday, Maria Christery and many others helping with everything from arts, sports, after school, holidays, bag packing, arranging social events etc.

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Covid Response. “Team Oasis Action”

The Devastating Covid 19 Pandemic hit the world in early 2020. In March 2020 Team Oasis took the decision to cease all face-to-face activities and re-focus our efforts on ensuring the nourishment, well-being and health on all in our community. We immediately realised the consequence of isolation on our children, young people, families, our elderly, vulnerable and lonely. Therefore, Team Oasis immediately took emergency action intended to support our community and indeed our city.

Team Oasis:

- ☐ Offered our centre to the Liverpool City Council Covid Emergency Response Effort as a storage and distribution centre for medical supplies and food.
- ☐ Similarly we offered our centre to The NHS Emergency Covid Response as a hub for medicines and PPE.
- ☐ We also offered both of our vehicles and two volunteer drivers to assist with any collection or distribution
- ☐ Team Oasis immediately realised the negative impact of isolation on the well-being of young people and so began delivering toys/games, arts/craft items, learning materials, books and sporting items directly to over 400 individual children and young people
- ☐ Similarly we immediately began delivering clothes, food, baby items and baby clothes to 100 local households
- ☐ We also introduced five days of FREE FOOD Services at our centre which served approximately 150 families each week
- ☐ In addition we realised that some particularly distressed communities across Toxteth were sadly not being served at all. Therefore, Team Oasis began setting up mobile FREE FOOD Stalls directly at the heart of these communities
- ☐ Team Oasis also introduced virtual, digital, online learning sessions each evening covering 75% of our usual activities including dance, drama, football, film-making, photography and music

This effort was universally applauded by all across our community and actually introduced Team Oasis to so many more people across all ages. In turn this has led to a number of nominations for Team Oasis to be recognised with a nomination for The Queens Award for Voluntary Services and a major two page feature in the prestigious Nationwide Journal, FC Business. Team Oasis has also since been presented with THE WINNERS AWARD as The UKs Finest Children’s Play Centre.

We continued this amazing effort supporting all in our community. Thanks to the continued support of the UK Govt Job Retention Scheme we have been able to maintain our full team. As UK economy begins to re-open, Team Oasis, has been reflecting this by safely re-introducing face-to-face activities. Obviously it has been necessary to progress this process safely and patiently with all due diligence.

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Thanks and Gratitude to Our Supporters Over The Years

The successes of Team Oasis presently could only have been achieved through the support of others since inception. Therefore, we do like to annually recognise the support of all involved through this medium of our Annual Reports.

Therefore, our total indebtedness and gratitude is due to those individuals and organisations that were brave enough to support us through these early years of development. Without their vision and support we could never have achieved as much as we have in a relatively short space of time. Therefore we would like to take this opportunity to thank: The Julia and Hans Rausing Trust, The DCMS, BBC Children In Need, The Power To Change, The National Lottery Community Fund, The Edward Gostling Foundation, The Sackler Trust, The Mohn Westlake Foundation, The Desmond Trust, Medicash, The PH Holt Foundation, The Rathbone Foundation, Merseyside Play Action Council, Liverpool City Council, The Zochonis Foundation, The Henry Smith Charity, The Football Foundation, The Garfield Weston Foundation, The Steve Morgan Foundation, The Eleanor Rathbone Trust, The Elizabeth Rathbone Trust, BBC Children In Need, The Big Lottery Awards For All, Novartis Pharmaceuticals, Merseyside Play Action Council, Hilary Fass, RTS Printers, Santander Bank, E.Rex Makin, Connell Associates, Merseyside Police, Merseyside Police Authority, Liverpool City Council Participatory Board, MPAC, Liverpool Housing Trust, Plus Dane Housing Group, The Judges Chambers, Barclaycard, Liverpool Unites, The Local Network Fund, Mrs L.D.Rope Third Charitable Settlement, The Duchy Of Lancaster, Community Chest, Learning Chest, Excel Printers, Expanding Horizons, Merseyside Community Foundation, John Lewis, Arriva North West & North Wales, Si's Barbers, Icon Hair Salon, Garston Hair Design, Delta Sonic, The Hemby Trust, The Skelton Bounty, Awards For All, Merseyside Play Action Council, Liverpool Primary Care Trust, Liverpool Echo Sunshine Trust, Mersey Docks & Harbour Trust, Alliance & Leicester Trust, Liverpool Charity For Voluntary Services, Liverpool Charity For Social Services, The Charity Commission, Chara Trust, Dingle Multi Agency Centre, Toxteth TV and Media, Fairbridge, Reconnect, Liverpool County Football Association, Liverpool Sports Action Zone, Creating Chances, The Premier League, Liverpool South/Central Development Pool, The Shepherd Street Trust, Trophies For All, BRP Sportswear, Dingle Opportunities, Entwistle Printers, L8 Sports, Toxteth Tigers, Kingsley United, Bulky Bobs, McDonalds, Greens Gym, Barclaycard Free Kicks, Liverpool FC Community Development Team, Everton FC Community Development Team, Liverpool Lions Club International, The Foyle foundation, Tranmere Rovers Community Development Team, Toxteth Educational Trust, Helen Martin Consultancy, Pidgin Productions, Greenbank Sports Academy, Calder Kids, Liverpool South/Central Learning Mentors, Lloyds TSB Foundation, HSBC, Asda, Somerfield's, Sainsbury's, Tesco, Comet, Marks & Spencer's, Pat Mendoza, Mossley Hill & District Junior Football League, South Liverpool business Leaders League, Mossley Athletic Sports Club, Liverpool City Rotary, Princess Park Community Tennis Club, All England Club, Tennis Lancashire, Lawn Tennis Association, Windsor St Sch, St.Silas Sch, Kingsley Sch, Princes Sch, Mathew Arnold Sch, St.Michael's In The Hamlet Sch, Lawrence Rd Sch, Greenbank Sch, St.Clare's Sch, Smithdown Sch, St.Patricks Sch, St.Margarets Sch, St.Hilda's Sch, Belvedere Sch, St.Finbars Sch, Dovedale Sch, Gilmour Sch, Sudley Sch, pleasant St Sch, St.Vincent's Sch, St.Nicholas Sch, St.Malachi's Sch, Phoenix Sch, Archbishop Blanche Sch, Our Lady Of Mount Carmel Sch, Wheathill Riding Stables, Tarbock Green Riding Stables, Greenacres Farm Park, The Barnstondale Centre, The Children's Adventure Farm Park, BBC Radio Merseyside, BBC Radio Merseyside "the -A- Team", West Lancashire Masons, BBC Radio Merseyside Charitable Trust, Radio City "Give A Child A Chance", Hobans Printers, RTS Printers, Professional Sound & Lighting, Office World, Black Knights Parachute Centre, Liverpool Chamber Of Commerce, The Copy Shop, The Peter Harrison Foundation, The Zochonis Charity, The Erach Roshan

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Trust, The Marsh Christian Trust, The Eli Lilly Trust, MPAC, Charities Aid foundation, The Beatrice Laing Foundation, St.James' Place Foundation, Daneway Foundation, The Empire Fund and The High Sheriffs Trust. Each of those named have either offered their tremendous advice moral support/encouragement or indeed financial support. They along with other people and organisations have offered advice or donated items such as computer games, photo developing equipment, musical instruments, TV's, sleeping bags, for our homeless work,, t-shirts, woolly hats and lots of other items.

Special Thanks To:

Anthony Devine & Stewart Case
EC Dry Wall Systems
For Their Kindness & Generosity In Totally Renovating Our Activity Centre
(We Refer To This As The Miracle Of Dingle)

THE MIRACLE OF DINGLE

'Thanks To EC Dry Wall Systems Ltd'

It's been a wonderfully blessed time for Team Oasis Inclusive Children's Charity. Team Oasis was founded in Toxteth and continues to deliver its services in this community. Toxteth is listed as having one of the highest rates of child poverty in the UK. Our work serves groups experiencing social and economic disadvantage. We also support children, young people and adults with disability. Collectively our work certainly benefits communities of severe and multiple disadvantages. Our core objective over the years has included educating the masses regarding disability, thereby building awareness, understanding and removing barriers to children of all abilities growing together. Our community generally, but our young people particularly have an abundance of frighteningly easy avenues into crime. Drugs, alcohol and violence are real distressing issues and easy access to cash or drugs is often too great a sinister temptation to refuse.

“However, we can confidently say that this most diverse and cultural community has the most immense potential if given the opportunity. It remains the intention of Team Oasis to strive to ensure that this community is given the opportunity to fully realise its potential.”

History shows us that Liverpool has the capacity to give the world its greatest musicians, artists, actors, singers, politicians, philanthropists, sports people, journalists, evangelists, comedians, orators, authors, scriptwriters, presenters and the list goes on, therefore at Team Oasis we are continuously encouraged that with the right encouragement and support that Liverpool's fine heritage will continue through today's young people. Therefore, Team Oasis vigorously strives to open up and promote alternative positive pathways through dance, drama, singing, music, sports, holidays, youth groups and after school.

Our work is valuable as epitomised by a statement from an eminent member of our community. When asked “If Team Oasis did not exist, then what would happen?” the local resident replied “So many young people would be left isolated and disenfranchised with some of the most vulnerable young people not being engaged with. The lady went on to say that as Team Oasis deliver the biggest youth diversion project in an area of high deprivation then there would be a likelihood of ASB and a totally unnecessary number of young people being criminalized and robbed of a decent future”.

Since first delivering loads of inclusive sports, football, horse riding, dance, ballet, tap, modern, theatre group, theatre productions, dance shows, football tournaments, camping, holidays, day trips, After School Clubs, youth groups, a signing choir, kudo self defence classes, a dementia sufferers support group, a mindfulness group and a pensioners club.

Team Oasis has always been quite nomadic in operations.

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With never having an activity centre of our own we have always had to rent activity space or lease empty buildings in need of renovation. However, we now have a twelve year lease on a previously derelict ex-social club in The Dingle. The old Beresford Social Club on Parkhill Rd was an extremely popular and much loved social club in The Dingle for over 50 years. Falling on tough times since the turn of the century, eventually the club was forced to close in 2007.

The building was closed for five years. Local youths broke in through the roof and the building was totally ransacked over a period of 4 to 5 years.. Everything was vandalised, the roof ripped apart, roofing coping stones all torn away and smashed onto the ground below. Obviously, once the building was open to the weather elements, rain poured in. All ceilings were ruined, ceiling joists, floor joists, timber floors all perished.

THE OLD BERESFORD WHEN TEAM OASIS ADOPTED IT IN 2012

In 2012 Team Oasis did not have a centre and the remaining Beresford committee members offered the, now derelict building to Team Oasis. For two years our very small team of volunteers worked tirelessly endeavouring to create a space that was barely useable.

Amazingly, we achieved a useable space. The building still had major problems with damp and major issues with drainage in two of the cubicles in the ladies WC plus a unusable trough in the boys wc.

Even in the face of these issues and more, our door opened bringing dance, drama, music and play to hundreds of Dingle Kids. Just outside the building there was a small green space that we utilised for our girls and boys football.

However, in October 2016 our damp problems got worst resulting in a chunk of ceiling plaster architrave cracking and needing repairing. I sent an urgent message out on Facebook for a suitably skilled person that could furnish this repair.

And this is where The Miracle Of Dingle occurred.

A local gentleman, Antony Devine, agreed to pop along to repair the ceiling with a new plasterboard. He actually mentioned that it should only take him 10 minutes. However, when Antony arrived and seen the very sad condition of our centre he was genuinely moved and made the decision there and then that he was going to commit his business, EC Dry Wall Ltd, to totally renovating the whole centre. He arranged for his business partner, Stewart Case, to visit the centre and Stewart agreed that it was a project that EC Dry Wall should deliver. EC Dry Wall Ltd wanted to commence the renovation immediately and so Team Oasis had to relocate its activities to other bases.

THE RIP-OUT UNDERWAY WITH EC DRY WALL LTD

In November 2016 Antony, Stewart and six of their workforce began a total rip-out of our centre.

They had £5000.00 of building materials donated. Shortly afterwards we had news from Vincent Bernard of IKO Roofing materials in Wigan that they were prepared to offer all roofing materials.

REINSTALLING ALL NEW ELECTRICS, WALLS, PLUMBING, ROOF, JOINERY. All of this work has been completed for FREE by Antony Devine, Stewart Case of EC Dry Wall Ltd, plus support from their workforce and lots of support from various sub-contractors and friends including Paul Edwards Electric, Joe Harvey of Renaissance Roofing, Vincent Bernard of IKO Roofing Supplies.

Everybody associated with The Team Oasis Family and on behalf of all current and future beneficiaries of our fabulous new activity centre we would like to massively thank Antony Devine, Stewart Case and all at EC Dry Wall Systems plus friends and family for their immense support.

ALMOST READY FOR OPENING

THE TEAM OASIS 'HAPPY DAYS' ACTIVITY CENTRE

-THE MIRACLE OF DINGLE-

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Primary Objectives & Methods

Our primary goals of inspiring all in our community using a tremendous array of exciting, innovative, adventurous and totally inclusive activities have been our prime method of encouraging and promoting opportunity. When we established Team Oasis, we wanted to introduce a Charity that offered a totally open door policy to encourage local children of all abilities, backgrounds and circumstances to participate in sports, basketball, football, disability football, arts, hip-hop dance, ballet, jazz/modern, performing arts/singing, drama and theatre group and after school clubs. For this financial period, I am delighted to announce that Team Oasis has added a new dimension to its repertoire which is creative media.

Our creative media division which we refer to as 'Oasis Creative' arranged a cultural/historic visit to WW1 Commonwealth War Graves at Ramskappel in Belgium. The whole experience was filmed and a project recording the event followed. In addition to this we also have day trips, camping trips and weekend holidays to local holiday centres.

Encouraging children with disability to participate and engage with children without disability is probably our core objective. Equally, also encouraging children that may live in severely poverty-stricken environments or other dire circumstance to engage with children from decidedly more comfortable surroundings is a method that we have found to bare much universal fruit. Friendships blossom, children learn, understanding flourishes, aspiration abounds and through delivering excellence through our sports, arts and after school leaders, growing self-confidence and self-esteem is abundant.

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Accounts

Previous years are set out below.

With recent years showing 2008/09 a deficit of £22,964.00 and 2009/10 a deficit of £3,363.00 it is a pleasure to report a surplus for 2010/11 of £15,111.00 a surplus for 2011/12 of £8,058.00, a surplus for 2012/13 of £5,068.00, a surplus for 2013/14 of £4,503.00, a surplus for 2014/15 of £1,279.00, a surplus for 2015/16 of £25,626.00 a surplus for 2016/17 of £49,643.00. These were followed by a deficit for 2017/18 of £14,445.00, a 16,888.00 surplus 2018/19, a £33,000.00 deficit for 2019/20, a £80,230.00 surplus for 2020/21 and a £70,330.00 surplus for 2021/22 and now this deficit of £60,567.00 for 2022/23 we can be rightly pleased, with our positive improvement since the years of banking crisis and extreme austerity, Brexit and pandemic. The Trustee's at Team Oasis are obviously pleased with the overall direction of fiscal travel with a significant increase in assets and manageable liabilities. We believe that Team Oasis has proven itself worthy of respect for taking the necessary action through difficult and challenging economic turbulence. When one considers that since being established in 2003 Team Oasis has sustained and developed through a global banking crisis, austerity, a number of recessions and the economic consequences of a global pandemic, I would hope that all of our friends are assured that not only does Team Oasis have a massive heart to serve, we also have the resolve, credentials and vision to sustain and develop. Once again, our little Charity leads our community through recent hard years. Steadfastness and resolute are qualities which we endeavour to impress on our leaders and on those beneficiaries of Team Oasis activities. Still, we are re-assured in the knowledge that our internal funding is probably at less than twenty five percent of its potential. We shall be striving to achieve a greater percentage of its potential over the following years. Obviously, the pandemic restrictions continued to impact on the development of collecting internal funding. Team Oasis is financially strategically stronger to face these current economic conditions and look forward to the future. Team Oasis took some sensible cost reduction action in 2010/11 and 2011/12. These decisions along with our decision to refurbish an old centre as our short-term activity base have saved Team Oasis approximately £75,000.00 over financial years 2011-2016. I would

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like to believe that through these extremely serious and challenging national fiscal austerity measures, that Team Oasis has shown a resolute, steadfast and professional approach to fiscal control. This steadfast appliance to managed cost reduction has returned a positive equity on our balance sheet. This has not been easy to achieve and has taken belief, patience and the extremely valuable support of some very dear friends and Charitable Trusts. Perseverance with our fiscal policy over these past years has sustained a strong adherence to sensible costs management. It would be widely recognised that Team Oasis has achieved a period of steadfastness in its finances.

However, we still believe that a target annual income of approximately four hundred thousand pounds remains a realistic and appropriate target in order to achieve future aims and objectives each year. Therefore, we believe that our stature in the community, along with our consistency of delivery of services together with our strict fiscal realigning allows us to be reasonably confident that we remain on target to eventually reach our objectives. Every effort remains with regards to developing internal funding streams which ultimately should be the foundation of our efforts.

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Independently Examined

Accounts

Year Ending
5th April 2023

“On the Banks of The Mersey, at the heart of Toxteth, sits our Beautiful Inclusive Children’s Charity, Team Oasis. Delivering learning, fun, adventure, excitement, hope, kindness, compassion, understanding and Love. A safe place, a haven, a diamond with the most beautifully inspiring bunch of amazing young leaders”

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Team Oasis
Detailed Profit and Loss Account
For Year Ending 5 April 2023

	£	£
<u>Income</u>		
Edith Murphy	10,000	
HAF	7,000	
J R Murray	15,000	
Ennismore	1,000	
City Of Liverpool	500	
Lloyds Bank	3,000	
Garfield Weston Foundation	30,000	
29th May	5,000	
Coop	1,221	
FACT	150	
Falafale Ltd	2,771	
Arnold Clarke	1,000	
Fitton Trust	250	
Frogal CT	1,000	
Grace Trust	2,250	
Groundwork	1,125	
HDH Wills	500	
LCVS	3,000	
Liverpool Hope University	500	
Headlong	950	
Hurst Church	1,400	
Ian Harris	200	
Aimee Tough Mudda	200	
Alpkit Foundation	100	
CAF	105	
Can You Ltd	450	
Charitable Trust 1	500	
Charitable Trust 2	3,000	
John Gilpin Trust	2,000	
Kirk	50	
Lamond Plant	935	
Local Giving	392	
M&S Fund	1,000	
M7 Liv Penny	1,410	
R AMP C	250	
SJP CH Found	2,500	
Sported Foundation	500	
The Football Foundation	341	
TK Maxx	1,000	
Trust Fund	2,850	
UK H CH	5,000	
Zoochonis	5,000	
	<u>115,400</u>	<u>115,400</u>

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Team Oasis
Detailed Profit and Loss Account Continued
For Year Ending 5 April 2023

<u>Donations</u>	10,745	
<u>Other Income</u>	2,572	
		<u>13,317</u>
<u>Restricted Funding</u>		
CLFM	2,500	
Barnabas	11,350	
SJP Found	2,300	
Rathbone Investments	6,600	
Tilney Fund	3,500	
Lottery Funding	7,400	
Community Foundation	5,000	
D'Oyly Carte CT	3,000	
ADWF	5,000	
Feeding Liverpool	5,337	
Football Foundation	2,640	
PH Holt	10,000	
Edward Gostling	10,000	
Chrimes	1,500	
Hemby	3,000	
HAF	6,000	
Sackler	5,000	
Tara Getty	5,000	
Bauers	3,100	
Sported	1,500	
J&H Rausing	25,000	
Percy Bilton	3,745	
Sutton Croft	13,000	
		<u>141,472</u>
<u>Total Income:</u>		<u>270,189</u>

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Team Oasis
Detailed Profit and Loss Account Continued
For Year Ending 5 April 2023

	£	£
<u>Total Income</u>		270,189
<u>Less Expenses</u>		
Wages	143,731	
Premises and Facilities	13,801	
Utilities	21,449	
Insurance	8,894	
Telecom	3,825	
Postage, Stationery and Advertising	7,778	
Motor and Travel Expenses	11,432	
Office Sundries	5,046	
Bank Charges	217	
Accountancy	4,500	
Volunteer Expenses	15,000	
Activity and Project Costs	54,398	
Professional Fees & Training	10,397	
Dep’n – Fixtures, Fittings and Equipment	8,553	
Dep’n – Vehicles (3)	14,670	
Dep’n. - Caravan (2)	<u>7,065</u>	
		<u>330,756</u>
<u>Net Deficit</u>		<u>(60,567)</u>

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Restricted Funds Summary
As At 5 April 2023

Charitable Trust & Description	£	£
R-Barnabas Trust Stewards 28/04/2022 (B) Activities/Projects Including Salaries & Utilities	1350.00	Nil
R-SJP Found 12/05/2022 (B) Activities/Projects Including Salaries & Utilities	2300.00	Nil
R-Tilney Fund 17/05/2022 (B) Activities/Projects Including Salaries & Utilities	3500.00	Nil
R.Lottery Funding 27/05/2022 (B) Activities/Projects Including Salaries & Utilities	7400.00	Nil
R.Rathbones 01/07/2022 (B) Activities/Projects Including Salaries & Utilities	3600.00	Nil
R.Community Foundation 05/07/2022 (B) Activities/Projects Including Salaries & Utilities	5000.00	Nil
R.Rathbones 21/07/2022 (B) Activities/Projects Including Salaries & Utilities	3000.00	Nil
R.Sutton Croft 18/07/2022 (B) Activities/Projects Including Salaries & Utilities	13000.00	Nil
D'Oyly Carte CT 02/08/2022 (C) Dance Uniforms	3000.00	Carried Forward
ADWF 08/08/2022 (B) Project Inc: Activities/Premises/Equipment/Management/Utilises	5000.00	Nil
CFLM 11/08/2022 (B) Project Inc /Activities/Premises/Equipment/Management/Utilities	2500.00	Nil
Feeding Liverpool 22/09/2022 (B) Food Purchases/Equipment/Management/Utilities/Transport	1529.00	Nil
Football Foundation 23/09/2022 (A) Floodlights	2640.00	Nil
PH Holt 29/09/2022 (B) Project Inc Premises/Equipment/Management/Utilities	10000.00	Nil

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Barnabas 13/10/2022 (B)		
Project Inc Premises/Equipment/Management/Utilities	10000.00	Nil
Edward Gostling 13/10/2022 (B)		
Project Inc Premises/Equipment/Management/Utilities	10000.00	Nil
Chrimes 18/10/2022 (B)		
Core Costs Inc: Wages/Utilities/Ins/Admin/Activities	1500.00	Nil
Hemby 14/12/2022 (B)		
Activity Project Inc Activities/Equipment/Project Management	3000.00	Nil
HAF Dec 22 15/12/2022 (B)		
Holiday Project Inc Activities/Equipment/Management/Utilities	3500.00	Nil
Sackler 21/12/2022 (B)		
Activities And Core Costs	5000.00	Nil
Tara Getty 22/12/2022 (B)		
Activities And Core Costs	5000.00	Nil
Feeding Liverpool 16/01/2023 (B)		
Food Purchases/Equipment/Management/Utilities/Transport	3808.00	Nil
Bauers 24/01/2023 (C)		
Vouchers To Help A Community	3100.00	Carried Forward
HAF 26/01/2023 (B)		
Holiday Project Inc Activities/Equipment/Management/Utilities	2500.00	Nil
Sported 03/02/2023 (B)		
Sports Project Inc Equipment/Costs/Project Management	1500.00	Nil
J&H Rausing 06/02/2023 (B)		
Core Costs Inc: Wages/Utilities/Ins/Admin/Activities	25000.00	Nil
Percy Bilton 02/03/2023 (A)		
IT Equipment Paid In Advance	3745.00	Nil
(A) Equipment/Capital Equipment	6,385.00	
(B) Activity & Project Costs	128,987.00	
(C) Activity & Project Costs Carried Forward	<u>6,100.00</u>	
<u>Totals</u>	<u>141,472.00</u>	

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Team Oasis
Balance Sheet
As At 5 April 2023

		£	£
<u>Fixed Assets</u>			
<u>Fixtures, Fittings and Equipment</u>	b/f	75,949	
Additions in the year		9,581	
Less: Depreciation		<u>(8,553)</u>	76,977
 <u>Vehicles</u>	b/f	73,350	
Less: Depreciation		<u>(14,670)</u>	<u>58,680</u>
 <u>Property – Static Caravan</u>	b/f	70,650	
Less: Depreciation		<u>(7,065)</u>	<u>63,585</u>
			199,242
 <u>Current Assets</u>			
Cash		470	
Bank		<u>8,470</u>	<u>8,940</u>
			208,182
 <u>Less Current Liabilities</u>			
Accruals - Accounts		4,500	
Other Creditors		<u>58,948</u>	<u>(63,448)</u>
			<u>144,734</u>
 <u>Represented By:-</u>			
Capital Account		205,301	
Deficit for the Year		<u>(60,567)</u>	<u>144,734</u>

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
Registered Charity No 1099290
Team Oasis

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the period ended 5 April 2023.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the Charity's Trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that the audit requirement of section 43 (2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the Act) does not apply. It is my responsibility to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 43 (7)(b) of the Act, whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiners report

My examination was carried out in 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 disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as Trustees concerning any such matters required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's Statement

I connect with my explanation, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements**
 - . to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the Act; and**
 - . to prepare accounts which accord with the requirements of the 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.**

Name:- Thomas Ray

Relevant professional qualification of body:- ACCA

On behalf of:-

**KLAS Accountants Ltd
Eastham Hall
109 Eastham Village Road
Eastham
Wirral
CH62 0AF**

Date:- 2nd April 2024



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Accountants Report to the Board of Directors

Team Oasis

Registered Charity Number 1099290

Year Ended 5 April 2023

I report on the accounts of the company for the year-ended 5 April 2023.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiners

The trustees (who are also directors of the company for the purpose of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under Section 43 (2) of the Charities Act 1993 and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied ourselves that the charity is not subject to an audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is our responsibility to:-

- Examine the accounts under Section 43 of the 1993 Act
- To follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 43 (7)(b) of the 1993 Act; and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention

Basis of Independent Examiners' Report

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

Independent Examiners' Statement

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

- (1) which gives us reasonable cause to believe that any material respect the requirements:
 - To keep accounting records in accordance with Section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and to prepare accounts that accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities.
 - Have not been met: or
- (2) to which, in our opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Name: THOMAS RAY

Signed: 

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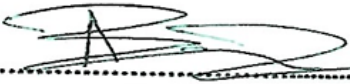
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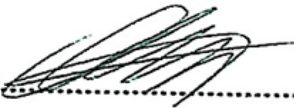
Team Oasis
For Year Ending 5 April 2023

We approve these accounts and confirm that we have made available relevant books, records and information for their preparation.

Signed.....Veronica Nilson.....Dated.....2-4-2024.....
Veronica Nilson (Chairperson)

Signed..........Dated.....2/4/24.....
Alan Bartley (Secretary)

I have examined books, vouchers and statements and together with explanations given, hereby certify that the above represents a true and fair state of affairs of Team Oasis.

Signed..........Dated.....2/4/24.....

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Reserves.

Team Oasis has strategic reserves objective of generating reserves of at least three months expenditure over by April 2023.

Our reserves at 5th April 2023 are £144,000.00

Team Oasis assets are quite strong and set to improve further for 2023-24. Considering this, alongside our acceptable liabilities allows for modest confidence. It is also worth acknowledging that our employment policy is to develop our team on short fixed term contracts.

Our future reserves target is for one full years expenditure by April 2025

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Summary Of The Impact Of Covid and previous Global & National Austerity Measures.

One only has to look at the devastating impact of the Covid 19 Pandemic and recent austerity measures have had on all sectors of society. Community groups and Charities are certainly not immune from such impacts. Indeed, over these past few years, we have heard of numerous job losses, redundancies and the closure of well-respected and well managed voluntary organisations.

Team Oasis Action To Alleviate The Long Term Consequences Of The Covid 19 Pandemic and Economic/Social Crisis Across Our Community.

Throughout the pandemic Team Oasis took rapid positive action to support our community as detailed previously. Since then, and recognising that addressing the long term economic, social and health implications of this pandemic on our community, Team Oasis has introduced:

- A free food bank
- Removed 90% of our subscription fees
- Began converting our tuck shop area into a fully functioning kitchen and free food lounge
- Planned the introduction of our free breakfast bar ensuring that all children have access to free nutritious breakfast food before School
- Planned the introduction of our free Brunch and Lunch Clubs and Warmth Hubs for our most vulnerable local residents
- Purchased a second static caravan to ensure that we can offer even more critical respite holiday services to assist our families to recover as quickly as possible from the pandemic and subsequent financial crises.

What Of Team Oasis.

Obviously, excluding the UK Governments Job Retention Scheme, Team Oasis has not had the advantage of receiving any central government, direct European or Liverpool City Council statutory funding. Obviously, this meant that Team Oasis was primarily dependent on funding from local and national Trusts and Foundations. In addition, we made early strategic plans to develop a whole host of internal funding initiatives including: bag packing, penny boxes, sponsored events, social events and now more latterly textgiving, just giving, www.thebiggive and www.localgiving and other such giving forums that support

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Charities. These times are indeed extremely challenging, however and in hindsight due to the fact that we had never received any statutory funding and acknowledging that the austerity measures have certainly impacted on statutory funding rather severely then we believe that we have aligned ourselves at a place that gives us hope to weather the current financial difficulties and look optimistically to the future. This is no mean feat by Team Oasis. This can be confirmed when one considers that three local providers of children's services have ceased delivering their services with one actually closing completely. This leaves Team Oasis as the only provider of totally inclusive child/youth services in South Liverpool. More children than ever are joining Team Oasis activities. This is partly due to the genuine quality of our services plus the excellence of our leaders but it is fair to assume that our compassionate fee structure definitely encourages children to attend through austere times. This can also be attributed to the general increase in our profile across our city and county. When Team Oasis was established we had approximately 5% of all participants that had a Special Need or Disability. This figure is now in the region of 50%. When considering that Team Oasis serves a community, L8 4RN, that has the highest levels of Child and Elderly Poverty, one can only begin to realise the immense vital importance of our services.

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Recording Serious Incidents

We have no serious incidents to report during this period. Team Oasis does have an adventurous and ambitious repertoire of activities for the children and young people. However, I am pleased to say that our diligent and professional approach to safety, risk assessment and H&S has once again ensured that attendees of Team Oasis activities remain safe.

Index 10.

Schools

Team Oasis was established on a solid platform to deliver totally inclusive activities for the children and young people in our community. One forum for achieving this was through our School Links project. An excellent project which allows us to work with a small group of children from a local School for a six week period. During this time we go horse riding, bowling, ice skating and a visit to a local inclusive children's organisation. However, we were faced with a dilemma. Having worked with these children for six weeks and after having such a wonderful time we believed that more could be done. Therefore, we introduced weekly sessions in dance, hip-hop, ballet, singing, drama, football, basketball, tennis, theatre group and other such sessions. These sessions were open for all to attend. The resulting explosion of activities has resulted in a massive increase in children attending but at a short-term cost to our School Links Project. All of our activities remain totally inclusive but little time has been left in our week for our core School Links and Community Links project. However, thanks to the introduction of our Creative Media Programme (Oasis Creative), we can look forward to linking with all local Schools over future years exploring informative and inspirational ideas to engage with all pupils and students through media, film-making and looking to open dialogue regarding issues of isolation, bullying, lack of aspiration, well-being and mental health.

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Community Projects and Activities.

As with the section above, Team Oasis was established on a solid platform to deliver totally inclusive activities for the children and young people in our community. One forum for achieving this was through our Community Project. This was an excellent project which allowed us to work with a small group of children from local community for a six week period. During this time we go horse riding, bowling, ice skating and a

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Expansion and management of expansion to increase our capacity should ensure that general growth is maintained whilst sufficient time is allocated to our core projects. This can only be good news for the children and young people in this most needy of communities.

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Inclusive Arts

After initial support from various organisations Team Oasis has been able to develop and expand their arts sessions within its inclusive after Schools activities. These sessions are totally inclusive and encourage children and young people of all abilities, circumstances, origins and faiths to join in. The interaction and coming together of children/young people from different quarters of our community (traditionally very territorial) has been tremendous to witness. We now have sessions in street dance, jazz, singing, music and drama. We call this side of our work “The Theatre Of Dreams”. Our arts is performance based and therefore we have regular showcase events for the children to perform and invite their parents/guardians to.

Future plans include:

- Continuing to develop our disabled students into Team Oasis leaders
- Introduce The National Arts Awards ensuring that every child that attends Team Oasis arts can enjoy but also

show progression and accredited attainment.

- Progress our Allied Dancing Association Grades and Medals
- Develop and integrate our amazing professional multi-media suite including recording studio, radio station and film-making editing suite.
- Continuing to develop our adult arts
- Integrating structured arts grades via Allied Dance Association and International Dance Teachers Association
- Expanding our arts into local major theatres
- Expanding our arts into a theatre production group
- Continue to develop new and exciting arts disciplines
- Developing our arts in the community program
- Introduce a Choir and Musical Ensemble
- Expand our Youth Theatre

Both our inclusive arts and inclusive sports have witnessed a moderate growth. Our arts now consists of three sessions in jazz, three sessions of street dance, three sessions in modern, three sessions in singing, three sessions in drama as well as our own performance dance classes and theatre production group. Our Theatre Production group produced and performed an amazing piece of work on Liverpool's Famous Royal Court Theatre in December 07. This was followed by our own production of The Jungle Book “Ia” at the same venue. These amazing productions have been followed by major productions at The Floral Pavilion, The Epstein Theatre, The Dome Theatre, The Stanley Theatre, The Capstone Theatre, The Globe Theatre

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and many others. I am also delighted to mention that Team Oasis actors and dancers have now performed alongside many celebrities at numerous Panto's on stage at Blackpools North Pier Theatre and Fleetwoods Marine Theatre. And superbly in addition we have continued to offer international performance opportunities for our dancers and singers on various stages in Spain. Our arts continues to expand and It will be our intention to develop our arts into the community with performances in residential centres, schools and other community facilities.

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It is my great pleasure to confirm that Team Oasis continues to develop links with Spain. Through our inclusive arts programme 2013 had 20 young people performing at a superior quality venue in La Zenia. This was followed with a similar event in 2014. Our ambition to establish a holiday respite centre in Spain offering FREE Holidays to the most vulnerable, disadvantaged and traumatised Liverpool youngsters remains steadfast. These international performances obviously help to strengthen our Spanish links.

Index 14.

Inclusive Sports

Similar to our Arts, after initial support from various organisations Team Oasis has been able to develop and expand their sports sessions within its inclusive after Schools activities. These sessions are totally inclusive and encourage children and young people of all abilities, circumstances, origins and faiths to join in. The interaction and coming together of children/young people from different quarters of our community (traditionally very territorial) has been tremendous to witness. Originally starting with one football coaching session, we now have three junior football teams in junior leagues plus girls football and football for all children with disability. We call this side of our work “The Team Oasis Sports Academy”. Our sports is totally accessible and we have a very pro-active open door policy. Therefore, children and young people of whatever skill level are encouraged into teams and have exactly the same level of access to regular sports as any other person in the Charity. Whilst concentrating on ensuring that our sports always relates directly to our Charitable Ethos and aims and objectives we have steadfastly achieved Football Association Charter Standard mark.

Future plans include:

- ☐ Progressing FA Charter Standard
- ☐ Further expand our Multi Sports Programme including Golf, Swimming, Tennis, Basketball, Netball, Cricket, Cycling, Climbing and Angling
- ☐ Develop Football For Disabled Young People
- ☐ Develop girls only football
- ☐ Develop a “Skillz Academy”
- ☐ Introduce a “non-competitive” junior 5-a-side league
- ☐ Introduce Football for ethnic minority and other minority groups
- ☐ Creating sporting career channels for local unemployed people
- ☐ Establish Solid Football Links With Local School.

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Employees

Due to the tremendous support of The Henry Smith Charity during our formative years, Mr Paul Nilson was able to develop Team Oasis. The Henry Smith Charity support did help to create the foundation for future years. Paul and everybody at Team Oasis would like to thank The Henry Smith Charity for their sterling support at that time and it's absolutely amazing that The Henry Smith Charity are once again offering steadfast support. Similarly, with the brilliant support of The Football Foundation our Inclusive Sports Development Manager, Dan Gavin, made a massive impact on our provision of local inclusive football and sports generally. The Football Foundation support has now ceased, however, we have a very strong relationship with them and as such would hope to achieve future support especially around our future capital project.. As of September 2006 we were honoured to receive amazing support from The Morgan Foundation. After assessing our most urgent need, The Morgan Foundation agreed to support our Administration. After initially arranging a job share to cover our administration, we eventually had a full time administrator for the period. That first raft of The Morgan Foundation support ceased in 2009 but again having an administrator in post for our Charity was a tremendous support. Like the Henry Smith Charity, The Morgan Foundation once again supported Team Oasis through intervening years. Team Oasis introduced a role for activity leader/internal funding development Manager, Paul Turner, during this financial period. This role was particularly successful at developing hundreds of outlets for our penny collection boxes. However, as mentioned earlier, austerity has dictated that we had to release Mr Turner before in 2012. Presently we have no positions supported by external funding therefore our current employment consists of three full time employee and four part time employees. These posts are sustained through unrestricted support plus our internal funding such as sponsored events and subscriptions. I would like to give special thanks to the tremendous support of The Garfield Weston Foundation. Over recent years Garfield Weston has supported Team Oasis with consecutive donations of £5000.00, then £10,000.00 followed by £20,000.00 another £20,000.00 and then an astronomic £50,000.00 in 2016/17. Garfield Weston also supported Team Oasis through their sponsorship of The Garfield Weston Challenge which, through thebiggive.org achieved approximately £16,000.00 for Team Oasis. Once again we have been honoured to be awarded Morgan Foundation Funding over this period. Alongside the Awards For All support Team Oasis have been encouraged and supported to sustain our essential work with local disadvantaged young people. For the financial period of Oct 2015 through to October 2016 I was delighted for Team Oasis to receive £15,000.00 from The Community Foundation For Merseyside and Lancashire. This support allowed Team Oasis to employ James McLoughlin as our Development Manager. Support from Merseyside Police Community Cashback Scheme enabled Team Oasis to expand the roles of James Nilson, Julie Ferns Morgan and Grant Haskayne into delivering our 'Young Liverpool' Project. The support of the Weston Family 60th Anniversary Fund necessitated the development of the roles of Paul Nilson Snr, Grant Haskayne, Julie Ferns Morgan, Paul Nilson Jnr and James Nilson in order for this project to achieve its magnificent objectives. Therefore, over this past year and thanks to the support of The Weston Family 60th Anniversary Fund, The Garfield Weston Family, The National Lottery Community Fund, The Julia and Hans Rausing Trust, The Power To Change, The Fore Trust, The Charitable Aid Foundation, The Leatherseller's Company Charitable Trust and The MacRobert Charitable Trust, to name just a few, our Team of young dynamic employees is now seven. Some Full time, some part time and some very part time. However, this is an awesome team and every effort will be made to keep them together into the future.

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Community Responsibility.

Due to the stature of Team Oasis activities we now find ourselves with a significant responsibility towards our community. We are now a significant local employer and because of the sports facility hire, arts facility hire and office space hire we are fully aware of our obligation to our community's financial prosperity. Our small but dedicated team of Team Oasis volunteers has been refurbishing a semi-derelict ex-social club right in the heart of Toxteth for these past eighteen months. The centre is now open thereby introducing Team Oasis to even more children and young people. We are particularly keen to introduce five evenings of safe/fun after school clubs. There is a desperate need for more after School provision in our community. In our opinion this is crucial as the impact, the need and the outcomes of our work in an increasingly desperate community is so vitally important. Drugs, guns and gang culture must be met with abundantly more early intervention if we are to afford our next generations the opportunities in life that everybody deserves. Team Oasis was founded in Toxteth and continues to deliver its services in this community. Toxteth is listed as having the highest rate of child poverty and elderly living in poverty in the UK. Quite simply, there is no other ward in the whole of the UK that has worse statistics for crime, poverty and all associated issues than the area in which our Charity works. Therefore, our work serves groups experiencing social and economic disadvantage. A further disturbing complication in our community is that for the first time in two generations we have racially motivated violence on our streets. The team at Team Oasis are of mixed ethnicity and each either lives or has lived most of their lives in Toxteth. The community trust us and we can be depended upon to deliver fair a positive change to all in our community. We also support children, young people and adults with disability. Collectively our work certainly benefits communities of severe and multiple disadvantages. Our core objective over the years has included educating the masses regarding disability, thereby building awareness, understanding and removing barriers to children of all abilities growing together. Our community generally, but our young people particularly have an abundance of frighteningly easy avenues into crime. Fraud, drug use, alcohol abuse and violence are a constant challenge to our work. Illegal access to cash or drugs is often too great a sinister temptation to refuse.

“Team Oasis is here to ensure that every child and young person has the opportunity to explore their potential and then to be inspired to aspire to that potential and ultimately to support those young people to realise their potential.”

Therefore, Team Oasis vigorously strives to open up and promote multiple alternative positive pathways through dance, drama, singing, music, sports, holidays, youth groups and after school. We have always known that if you can engage with young people early enough then you can change their negative perceptions of what is expected of them in life. With excellent mentorship, excellent role models, fine ethical and moral values and, of course, with sufficient resourcing you can massively and positively impact on young lives through our early intervention processes and pretty much ensure that they grow into fine young, responsible citizens. At Team Oasis, we have known this but now after ten years of serving our community we can point to hundreds of lives that have been supported down such positive life paths. We can supply many, many testimonies from local families, schools and Merseyside Police to verify the impact of our work.

“Our work is valuable as epitomised by a recent statement from an eminent member of the former Merseyside Police Authority when asked “If Team Oasis did not exist, then what would happen?” Norma Kielty-Crummey replied “So many young people would be left isolated and disenfranchised with some of the most vulnerable young people not being engaged with. Norma went on to say that as Team Oasis

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deliver the biggest youth diversion project in an area of high deprivation then there would be a likelihood of ASB and a totally unnecessary number of young people being criminalized and robbed of a decent future”.

As mentioned earlier, Toxteth is listed on all national indices as of the highest category of deprivation. All manner of social and economic distress hangs over this community. However, we can confidently say that this most diverse and cultural community has the most immense potential if given the opportunity. It remains the intention of Team Oasis to strive to ensure that this community is given the opportunity to fully realise its potential and with your support we can continue our fine work in inspiring, encouraging, supporting and delivering thousands of young people onto positive pathways whilst ensuring that they have a solid grounding in humanity so they mature into responsible young citizens that can contribute to the greater good of society.

16A. Community Responsibility – TEAM OASIS FREE FOOD PROVISION

Team Oasis was founded in our community, cares about our community and is totally dedicated to serving all in our community. Therefore, when the dreadful Covid 19 Pandemic terrorised our community, Team Oasis took immediate positive action to help our community. In the midst of a range of actions we also introduced FREE FOOD STALLS in our centre and across our community. These have proven to be life saving for many families and helping to restore some faith and hope in the future.

16B. Community Responsibility -TEAM OASIS FREE RESPITE CARAVAN HOLIDAYS

Thanks to The Clothworkers Foundation and there grant support of £25,000.00, Team Oasis was able to purchase a beautiful 8 Berth Static Caravan in Talacre Beach Resort Caravan Park in North Wales. Immediately we began offering our caravan to the most desperate families. These have proven to be incredibly precious holidays to families struggling with the challenges and tragedy of the pandemic. In February 2022 the Department for Digital Culture Media and Sport made a massive donation of £120,000.00 to Team Oasis. This has enabled Team Oasis to purchase a second caravan, a minibus, fabulous film making/photography equipment and essential IT equipment for office and learning. We anticipate presenting over £50,000.00 of FREE CARAVAN RESPITE HOLIDAYS to desperate families through 2022/23.

16C. Community Responsibility – TEAM OASIS FREE CAMPING AND COMMUNITY COACH TRIPS

Coach trips have been a major introduction to Team Oasis during this past year. One cannot overestimate the value of bringing whole communities together with traditional day trips to the seaside or our beautiful countryside. I am delighted to say that Team Oasis has now arranged eight full coach trips for all in our community. These have proven to be exceptionally wonderful occasions, building relationships, new friendships, community cohesion and all having great fun. Totally wonderful days bringing hope to a community in distress.

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Mini Bus

I am delighted to announce that Team Oasis now has its beautiful accessible 17 Seater Peugeot Minibus and our beautiful six seater crew bus added to its mini fleet. These new vehicles will make a tremendous difference with regards to day trips, projects, mobile after school clubs, mobile parent toddler groups, field trips, Duke of Edinburgh Awards and youth groups. The Crew Van will be a massive asset to our film making and photography teams. Both vehicles were sponsored and paid for by the Weston Family Award of £150,000.00. The Variety Club of Great Britain previously awarded Team Oasis one of their accessible mini coaches. With seventeen seats and capable of receiving wheelchair passengers it is an

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absolute dream for Oasis. Can I take this opportunity to offer our most grateful thanks to The Variety Club Of Great Britain for their generosity. I can confidently predict that it will be one of the most widely used community coaches in the city. Similarly, The Morgan Foundation has entrusted Team Oasis with the Management of one of their fabulous Smiley Buses. Again with 17 seats including the driver, we now have scope to have groups of upto 34 enjoying Team Oasis outbound activities. We are also very proud of our record of supporting numerous other charitable and not for profit groups with FREE access to our minibus when available. These groups have included, The Inclusion Network, St. James In The City Church, Dingle Mount Church, OLLY, Venus, Kings Academy and YKids to name just a few.

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Team Oasis Paradise Centre

We have now had nineteen years of delivering activities utilising lots of local facilities. Obviously, we have a small activity centre on a lease. However, even with the fabulous recent renovation of our centre, nevertheless it still significantly limits our proposed plans for delivering an expanding range of activities. Therefore, hiring additional activity space is our only alternative. Due to our understanding of the cost of facility hire and office space costs we remain focused on options for building our own purpose-built family holistic centre. A centre with sports hall, arts suite, family room, garden area, adventure swings and others. This would be an exciting development and it is right that we consider our options. However, as mentioned previously it would also be responsible for us to maintain a percentage of our existing facility hire and office rental arrangements in order to help the economy of our community. Our proposed new centre would not only facilitate our expanded plans for upto 25 football teams, 42 dance/drama sessions, film-making, recording studio, parent toddler, youth groups, after school clubs, tennis, netball, basketball, pensioners clubs, family room, play room, cafeteria, outdoor sports space and outdoor play area it would also support other community groups and local schools.

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Major Renovation Of Our Activity Centre

October 2016 – July 2017 – Aviary – Pets Corner – Sensory Room

Although spanning across two Annual Report periods, this is very good news and we will be delighted to include it in both respective annual reports. Team Oasis has had a rather nomadic existence over our first 14 years, having to use 9 different centres for our activities. We have often had to refurbish old buildings so as they were moderately suitable for our use. When one considers the amount of relocating, re-planning, regularly shifting furniture and activity equipment it is an awesome testimony to our very small team that we have never failed to deliver abundantly for our needy community. Between times of relocating and maintaining delivery of services, Team Oasis is aware that we have never had adequate resourcing to ensure that our administration and governance attained the same levels of excellence as our undoubted superb record for delivery. However, in October 2016 we had the massive good fortune of meeting a local successful businessman, Antony Devine, who amazingly decided to totally renovate the centre that we were using at that time. In the same month we were offered an extension to our 7 years lease taking the lease upto 2028. We refer to Antony's intervention as 'The Miracle Of Dingle'. Antony and his business partner, Stewart Case, totally renovated our centre over an eight month period transforming our previously dank, damp activity centre into the most wonderful arts, play and youth centre. Together with the new lease till 2028 we now have the solid foundation giving us the opportunity to massively impact on a whole generation of children, young people, pensioners, parent/toddlers in fact the whole family framework in our community. We have always had the empathy, the passion, dedication, methods, we have always had the

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faith in our young people, the knowledge that they can be inspired to aspire to great things. We have proven our fiscal management abilities, our ability to overcome challenging times.. All of this we have now proven.. The difference is that now, for the first time we have an excellent steadfast centre befitting the services that we have always wanted to deliver for this amazing community. Our activity centre is known locally as The Team Oasis ‘Happy Days’ Activity Centre.

The Team Oasis ‘Happy Days’ Activity Centre is situated right at the heart of Dingle in Liverpool 8. Actually this community has the highest recorded incidence of youth anti-social behaviour in our city. You might be aware that this particular area of Toxteth is listed on all national indices as of the highest category of deprivation. All manner of social and economic distress hangs over this community. However, we can confidently say that this most diverse and cultural community has the most immense potential if given the opportunity.

It is the intention of Team Oasis to strive to ensure that this community is given the opportunity to fully realise its potential. We are all really enthusiastic about serving this particular community. It is well known that Toxteth has so many talented and inspiring people in it’s midst and we fully expect some really exciting developments over the next few years. Whilst most people would agree that the past few years have been particularly difficult for all of us. Obviously, charities are not immune from these financial difficulties and certainly Team Oasis has been challenged during this time. However, even through these most challenging of times I am really pleased to confirm that the numbers of children attending Team Oasis activities has continued to increase. This is a testimony to the many passionate and gifted leaders within Team Oasis. It is also a real testimony to the parents/guardians of the children attending that they have struggled through these difficult times but prioritized and ensured that their children have been enabled to attend our activities. I mention this, as in most instances, these families are very busy and have their own financial difficulties and we can all relate to how tiring it is being a good parent ferrying your children to all sorts of after school groups as well as the usual school run etc.

Over the period of this report Team Oasis has introduced a **Beautiful Sensory Room, A Wonderfully Peaceful Memorial Garden Area and A Multi-Fruit Orchard**. We have also began preparing an Aviary, Bee Sanctuary and Pets Corner. All of these compliment our wild flower garden.

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Summary

Dedicated to inspiring all in our community, raising self-esteem, empowering, eradicating exclusion and raising our communities aspiration, Team Oasis, as part of a wider effort in our community, (including Church work, Community Regeneration Bodies, Other Community Groups, Other Charities, Schools, Health Service and PCT’s etc), can be pleased with its contribution over this our thirteenth year of existence. Just to consider the positive impact on people’s lives and the sheer growth in numbers attending sends a very clear and loud message that children and young people want to engage, they want to be included, they want to be heard, they don’t want to be excluded because of ability, means, ethnicity, gender or any other personal or economic circumstance. These children believe in themselves and so do their families and so do we. The only thing that they need from us is the forum to engage and express themselves. Team Oasis is delighted that we have been allowed to offer the children of our community this opportunity to participate and flourish. Team Oasis was founded in Toxteth and continues to deliver its services in this community. Toxteth is listed as being in the top 1% of deprivation on each National Indices of Deprivation. Therefore, our work serves groups experiencing social and economic disadvantage. We also support children, young people and adults with disability. Collectively our work certainly benefits communities of severe and multiple disadvantages. Our core objective over the years has educated the masses regarding disability, thereby building awareness, understanding and removing barriers to children of all abilities growing together. Our community generally, but our young people particularly have an

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We remain totally dependent on the continued encouragement and support of our community, parents, children and young people, volunteers, private donations, sponsors, trusts, foundations and other organisations. With their advice and wisdom then Team Oasis can continue to progress.

We are all delighted to confirm that as a result of our Coordinator, Mr Paul Nilson, being chosen to represent his community of Toxteth in a documentary ‘L8 Unseen’ which was subsequently exhibited nationally including a three month exhibition at The Museum Of Liverpool, Team Oasis has received increased interest from across the UK for advice and guidance on our excellent delivery of totally inclusive activities.

We are aware of our objectives, we have the vision and imagination to implement projects to achieve our aims. We shall continually strive to achieve our goals, overcome future challenges and we can only persevere in our usual steadfast, positive, caring, compassionate, gentle, adventurous, fun and serving manner to aim to serve our community and prove ourselves worthy of future support from our many friends and supporters.

Signed *Gill Harrison*

Name Mrs Gill Harrison

Position Treasurer

Date March 2024

Index 21. Recognised Nationally – The Children and Young People Now Winners Award 2021

It has been a real honour and tremendous achievement by our whole collective of Trustees, Team Leaders and Volunteers that the work of Team Oasis was recognised nationally by achieving the The Children and Young People Winners Award for Play in 2021. We are so pleased to have achieved this award, especially

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as the competition was so prestigious including Westminster Council Children’s Services amongs other notable and respected national organisations.



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