

STURMINSTER NEWTON COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTRE

England & Wales · Charity number 1105093

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2004-07-23

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

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Activities

Objects: TO PROMOTE THE BENEFIT OF THE INHABITANTS OF STURMINSTER NEWTON AND ITS ENVIRONS BY ASSOCIATING THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES, VOLUNTARY AND CHARITABLE ORGANISATIONS, AND INHABITANTS IN A COMMON EFFORT TO ADVANCE PUBLIC EDUCATION; TO RELIEVE UNEMPLOYMENT FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT IN SUCH WAYS AS MY BE THOUGH FIT, INCLUDING ASSISTANCE TO FIND EMPLOYMENT; TO PROMOTE GOOD HEALTH; TO DEVELOP THE CAPACITY AND SKILLS OF MEMBERS OF THE SOCIALLY AND ECONOMICALLY DISADVANTAGED COMMUNITY OF STURMINSTER NEWTON IN SUCH A WAY THAT THEY ARE BETTER ABLE TO IDENTIFY AND HELP MEET THEIR NEEDS, AND TO PARTICIPATE MORE FULLY IN SOCIETY; AND TO PROVIDE FACILITIES FOR RECREATION AND LEISURE-TIME OCCUPATION IN THE INTERESTS OF SOCIAL WELFARE.

Activities: Education /Training - IT and other Courses for the Local Community

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Education/training
- **Who:** Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** STURMINSTER NEWTON, NORTH DORSET
- Dorset

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-07-31	£3,672	£2,907	-	-
2024-07-31	£3,281	£3,488	-	-
2023-07-31	£2,795	£3,227	-	-
2022-07-31	£2,772	£2,731	-	-
2021-07-31	£1,431	£2,111	-	-
2020-07-31	£3,399	£2,939	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
DAVID GEORGE SHEPHERD	Chair	
CATHERINE THOMAS		2016-03-30
DR MAURICE JAMES PERKS		2016-03-30
David Jordan		2025-01-22
Geoffrey Johns		2018-02-05
LESLEY MORRELL		2018-11-05
RICHARD BUXTON BROWN		2016-10-16
SALLY ELWYN GILLAM		
STEPHEN JOHN PIPER		2023-08-02

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CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name	No (if any)
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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date August 1st 2024	To	Period end date July 31st 2025
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
BANK INTEREST	240	-	-	240	262
DONATIONS	224	-	-	224	592
DONATIONS TIN	2,450	-	-	2,450	1,120
GIFT AID	428	-	-	428	507
GRANTS AND DONATIONS	-	-	-	-	600
SALES	330	-	-	330	200
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	3,672	-	-	3,672	3,281
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	3,672	-	-	3,672	3,281
A3 Payments					
ADVERTISING & PROMOTIONS	-	-	-	-	380
BROADBAND AND TELEPHONE CHARGES	1,133	-	-	1,133	1,189
CLOUD	60	-	-	60	79
EQUIPMENT, SOFTWARE & SERVICE	408	-	-	408	46
EXCHANGE ROOM HIRE	1,144	-	-	1,144	910
PRINTER STOCKS	-	-	-	-	-
REFRESHMENT STOCK	149	-	-	149	157
STATIONERY STOCKS	13	-	-	13	30
STOCK FOR SHOP	-	-	-	-	115
TRAVELLING COSTS	-	-	-	-	582
Sub total	2,907	-	-	2,907	3,488
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	2,907	-	-	2,907	3,488
Net of receipts/(payments)	765	-	-	765	- 207
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	12,934	-	-	12,934	-
Cash funds this year end	13,699	-	-	13,699	- 207

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds				
	CASH ACCOUNT	2	-	-
	TREASURERS ACCOUNT	2,862	-	-
	DEPOSIT ACCOUNT	10,628	-	-
	Total cash funds	13,492	-	-

(agree balances with receipts and payments
account(s))

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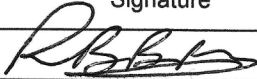
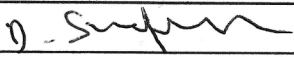
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details			
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets	Details			
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details			
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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			-	-
			-	-
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		Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities	Details			
			-	
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			-	
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			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on
behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	R.B. BROWN	27/8/25
	D. SHEPHERD	27/8/25

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Chairman's Report

Attendance: Attendances were down significantly at 494 for the year (ending August) compared to 581 and 584 for the previous two years. However there were 60 attendances this September compared to 37 in September 2023.

New registrations held up at 92 compared to 90 and 77 in previous years.

Maurice pointed out that numbers (and finance) for the previous year would have been flattered by 50plus people attending the Smartphone seminars.

David J has done a number of home visits and word may spread if we have the capacity and willing volunteers to do that.

We obtained a grant of £600 from William Williams (Windows 12 computers), and £100 for working with housing association at Marhull. Maurice noted that there were more Apple and Android related visits (in total) than Windows. David J Agreed to checkout our current apple tablets and MAC to start with.

My Microsoft 365 licence is shared with the snclc4@hotmail.com account on all Learner PCs. It allows five installations and is currently on 3 PCS. David J suggested labelling the PCs with Windows/Office versions.

The phone/broadband situation late last year was somewhat traumatic. What appeared to be BT switching us to digital turned out to a new "Local Business Unit" – BT flagged but not owned by BT selling cloud phone services and initially without proper links to BT resulting in a disconnect of phone and broadband and no financial gain over the old arrangement of paying for the phone via the Exchange. We do have the advantage of two phones with separate lines and switch through to me out of hours. We could probably make more use its facilities (E.g. a Hotline).

Contactless payment now requires sum up app on mobile phone. Could all volunteers please install the Sumup app.

(Now requires verification to registered phone (Drystans))

We are no longer members of Sturbiz, we are not in any real sense a business and there was an annual subscription.

Treasurers Report

Overall loss of £200 for the year, £800 if unspent grant is considered. £300 was 'invested' in paying Royal Mail to deliver our leaflets to two DT11 Postcode districts.

Queries for Richard: 1. What is "Cloud" – appears this year but not last. 2. Have we contributed to Exchange insurance recently? 3. Why £115 stock for shop (purchases come directly out of jar)?

Encourage use of the contactless pay (people tend to leave more when it not 'real' money!).

Discussion suggested better signage to donations and rewording of "Free help". David J raised

donations for home visits, agreed to leave envelopes (printed with Learning Centre and note of visit added) to drop off rather than accepting cash on the visit.)

Thanks to Richard for his work for the year and Maurice as the auditor.



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name

No (if any)

Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period
from

Period start date
August 1st 2023

To

Period end date
July 31st 2024

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
BANK INTEREST	262	-	-	262	130
DONATIONS	592	-	-	592	470
DONATIONS TIN	1,120	-	-	1,120	1,555
GIFT AID	507	-	-	507	365
GRANTS AND DONATIONS	600	-	-	600	-
SALES	200	-	-	200	275
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	3,281	-	-	3,281	2,795
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	3,281	-	-	3,281	2,795
A3 Payments					
ADVERTISING & PROMOTIONS	380	-	-	380	75
BROADBAND AND TELEPHONE CHARGES	1,189	-	-	1,189	957
CLOUD	79	-	-	79	-
EQUIPMENT, SOFTWARE & SERVICE	46	-	-	46	497
EXCHANGE ROOM HIRE	910	-	-	910	1,040
PRINTER STOCKS	-	-	-	-	40
REFRESHMENT STOCK	157	-	-	157	143
STATIONERY STOCKS	30	-	-	30	5
STOCK FOR SHOP	115	-	-	115	-
TRAVELLING COSTS	582	-	-	582	470
Sub total	3,488	-	-	3,488	3,227
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	3,488	-	-	3,488	3,227
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 207	-	-	- 207	- 432
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	12,934	-	-	12,934	-
Cash funds this year end	12,727	-	-	12,727	432

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	CASH ACCOUNT	74	-	-
	TREASURERS ACCOUNT	2,265	-	-
	DEPOSIT ACCOUNT	10,388	-	-
	Total cash funds	12,727	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	

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Sturminster Newton Community Learning Centre

Trustees Report Year ending August 2023

Chairmans Report

Sturminster Newton Community Learning Centre continues to serve the town, local villages and wider North Dorset with technology assistance on computers, tablets, smartphones etc. The assistance takes the form of use of equipment, demonstration equipment, problem solving, advice and formal and informal learning.

The centre remains open 3 sessions a week for drop-in and for appointments made via Dorset Digital Champions.

There were 584 visits in the year by approx. 270 different clients including 90 first visits.

Use of the centre is broadly stable as are finances. We expect to gradually call on reserves as more people have computer literate friends/neighbours to turn to in the first instance which will reduce donations.

The Learning Centre produces the town's bi-monthly newsletter as an additional community service. Printed copies are funded by the Town Council.

We are part of "Good Things Foundation's" On-Line Centres and Dorset Council's Digital Champions. We are part of the National Databank Scheme and can provide Vodafone, O2 and Three loaded SIMs to qualifying residents.

We have 7 Volunteer Trustee Helpers and 4 further helpers we can call upon.

Treasurers Report

As can be seen from the Receipts and Payments Accounts our income for this year was almost identical to 2022. Our payments rose by almost £500 which meant that overall we made a loss of £432. We are a charity and our funds go up and down over the years. This is normal and as long as we have available funds to continue our work then we will continue.

Our income from donations rose over the year as did sales and Gift Aid claims. Interest rates began to rise again and that produced £130.

Our expenses also rose as we bought a laptop and a mini PC for the centre.

Our balance sheet shows we have nearly £13,000 in reserve which shows that we are in a healthy financial state.

Thanks go to Maurice for examining these accounts.



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

STURMINSTER NEWTON COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTRE

On accounts for the year
ended

31st July 2023

Charity no
(if any)

1105093

Set out on pages

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

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent
examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

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

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

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

Signed:

Date:

8/11/2023

Name:

MAURICE J. PERKS

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

DOCTOR OF SCIENCE

Address:

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TODBER, STURMINSTER NEWTON
DERSET DT10 1JH

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

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



Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

Period start date
August 1st 2022

To

Period end date
July 31st 2023

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
BANK INTEREST	130			130	-
DONATIONS	470	-	-	470	183
DONATIONS TIN	1,555	-	-	1,555	1,279
GIFT AID	365	-	-	365	294
GRANTS AND DONATIONS	-	-	-	-	800
SALES	275	-	-	275	216
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	2,795	-	-	2,795	2,772
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	2,795	-	-	2,795	2,772
A3 Payments					
ADMIN & MISC CHARGES	-	-	-	-	13
ADVERTISING & PROMOTIONS	75	-	-	75	112
BROADBAND WITH TELEPHONE	957	-	-	957	332
BROADBAND	-	-	-	-	354
CLOUD	-	-	-	-	77
EQUIPMENT SOFTWARE & SERVICE	497	-	-	497	61
COVID CLEANING	-	-	-	-	40
EXCHANGE ROOM HIRE	1,040	-	-	1,040	1,294
FURNITURE & FITTINGS	-	-	-	-	105
PRINTING STOCKS	40	-	-	40	38
REFRESHMENTS STOCK	143	-	-	143	60
STATIONERY STOCKS	5	-	-	5	-
STOCK FOR SHOP	-	-	-	-	13
TELEPHONE LINE RENTAL	-	-	-	-	92
TRAVELLING COSTS	470	-	-	470	140
Sub total	3,227	-	-	3,227	2,731
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	3,227	-	-	3,227	2,731
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 432	-	-	- 432	41
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	13,366	-	-	13,366	-
Cash funds this year end	12,934	-	-	12,934	41

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	CASH ACCOUNT	61	-	-
	TREASURERS ACCOUNT	2,749	-	-
	DEPOSIT ACCOUNT	10,125	-	-
	Total cash funds	12,934	-	-
(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))				

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Assets held at The Exchange.		-	4,064
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on
behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	D. SHEPHERD	10/11/23
	R.B. BROWN	8/11/23