

Blackhall Mill Community Association

(reg. charity 1106062)

Report of the Trustees for the financial year 01/12/22 – 30/11/23

This year has been marked by two significant acts of optimism. Firstly, we were successful in our bid to The National Lottery (Awards For All, TNL) for funds to be able to appoint a part-time Community Development Worker, with a view to regrowing usage of activities and general use of the community centre. Secondly, those involved with further development of the Derwent Valley Car Club (DVCC) successfully bid to run a major project with Motability to develop feasibility of using such transport with electric vehicles. This has enabled us to add an additional two vehicles to our fleet.

The award of £10k from TNL has enabled us to engage a part-time Community Development Worker (Freddy Jackson) to take on some of the background work in publicising and enabling activities to take place in the Community Centre. Post-pandemic the level of footfall and the number of activities is still nowhere near the levels that were taking place before then. Freddy was instrumental in organising litter-picks, a sponsored play at the refurbished playpark, Halloween parties and kids activities at the Summer Fair as well as creating and distributing a few editions of the community newsletter. Unfortunately due to personal circumstances he was not able to complete his full term so we do retain a small amount of funding for future community development work.

The addition of two newer electric vehicles to the DVCC fleet has meant that membership and car usage have ramped up this year, with gross income of £13k, although obviously this needs to be offset by the costs of servicing, insurance and charging the vehicles. We have not managed to set up a suitable mechanism with MER (the charge post company) by which to be billed for the other charge points and to recoup the cost of electricity consumed in Blackhall Mill. It will be straightened out in the next financial year so there will be a retrospective hit.

Over the year our largest overhead is electricity, which we recognised would continue to be the case after the issues we had getting a contract with a new supplier last year. The monthly charge of £888 is huge and we will continue to try to find ways to either reduce this or offset this from the income of the photovoltaic panels. Unfortunately the way the contract works is that even if we were able to store the power we generate we would still have to pay a specific monthly amount.

As the building ages we are starting to see an increase in maintenance costs, including one large project to replace the cables in the roof space due to a rat infestation. We will need to actively seek grant funding for other specific refurbishment going forward, for example the decking in the garden.

To end on a positive note our traditional large community events have been well attended. Burns Night attracted nearly one hundred people and we made a profit of £250. There have been numerous community cafes, themed in myriad ways by our volunteers, and a pop-up pub event which together brought in £600. The Summer Fair was blessed with good weather and was well attended with hundreds attending over the course of the event. The management committee make a conscious effort to put on a good programme of entertainment and commit a budget to do this, which means that most years it is not expected to make a profit, just cost as little as possible to make a great community event. This year the cost was only £385.

The trustees would like to thank all the volunteers at both specific events and those who assist with the day-to-day running of the centre.

Heather Turner

(Treasurer and Trustee)

Blackhall Mill Community Association Limited

Company No: 05159304

Charity Registration No: 1106062

Financial Statements

Year Ended 30th November 2023

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Blackhall Mill Community Association Limited

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Secretary: Michael Robert Bennett

Accountants: Community Accounting North East CIC

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Statement of Financial Activities For the Year ended 30th November 2023

	Notes	Restricted Funds £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
Incoming Resources					
Grants	3	175,923	0	175,923	12,291
Other Income	3	0	5,096	5,096	6,637
Interest	3			0	0
Total Incoming Resources		<u>175,923</u>	<u>5,096</u>	<u>181,019</u>	<u>18,928</u>
Resources Expended					
Direct Charitable Expenses		160,780	20,085	180,865	41,409
Cost of Furtherance of Charitable Activities			2,295	2,295	1,445
Management Expenditure			720	720	1,351
Total Resources Expended		<u>160,780</u>	<u>23,100</u>	<u>183,880</u>	<u>44,205</u>
Net Incoming (outgoing) Resources		<u>15,143</u>	<u>(18,004)</u>	<u>(2,861)</u>	<u>(25,277)</u>
Funds 1st December 2022		94,928	54,748	149,676	174,953
Transfer between Funds		750	-750		
Funds 30th November 2023		<u>110,821</u>	<u>35,994</u>	<u>146,815</u>	<u>149,676</u>

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Balance Sheet as at 30th November 2023

	Note	Restricted £	Unrestricted £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
Fixed Assets					
Tangible Assets	6	81,841	4,603	86,444	106,223
Current Assets					
Debtors				0	0
Cash at Bank and in Hand		28,980	31,791	60,771	43,853
		<u>28,980</u>	<u>31,791</u>	<u>60,771</u>	<u>43,853</u>
Creditors					
Sundry Creditors and Deferred Income			400	400	400
Net Current Assets		<u>28,980</u>	<u>31,391</u>	<u>60,371</u>	<u>43,453</u>
Total Net Assets		<u>110,821</u>	<u>35,994</u>	<u>146,815</u>	<u>149,676</u>
Funded By:					
Restricted Funds		110,821		110,821	92,193
Unrestricted Funds	- General		20,994	20,994	39,748
	- Designated		15,000	15,000	15,000
Total Funds		<u>110,821</u>	<u>35,994</u>	<u>146,815</u>	<u>146,941</u>

For the year ended 30th November 2023, the Company was entitled to exemption under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to Small companies. The members have not required the Company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with Section 476. The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

The financial statements were approved by the board on.....and were signed by:

..... Heather Turner Director Company No: 05159304

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Notes to the Accounts

1) Accounting Policies

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standards for Smaller Entities (effective January 2007), the Companies Act 2006 and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities (2011).

Incoming Resources

Monies received from capital grants are recognised in the statement of financial activities on an accruals basis

Revenue Grants

Gross amounts received are recognised within incoming resources and the corresponding expenses is shown within outgoing resources.

Fixed Assets and Depreciation

Depreciation of fixed assets is calculated to write off their cost less residual value over their useful life as follows:

Land and Buildings	4%	Straight Line
Plant and Machinery	20%	Straight Line
Building Improvements	10%	Straight Line

2) Taxation

The Charity is registered and exempt from taxation on its charitable activities

3) Turnover

	Restricted	Unrestricted	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£
Grants				
Community Development	10,000		10,000	0
Mobility Project	152,308		152,308	0
SOSCI Project			0	6,696
Innovate UK			0	968
Youth Drama			0	
Cybermoor			0	
Derwent Valley Car Club	13,615		13,615	4,627
	<u>175,923</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>175,923</u>	<u>12,291</u>
Other Income				
Events		3,069	3,069	657
Rent		2,027	2,027	4,092
Photovoltaics			0	1,865
Other			0	23
	<u>0</u>	<u>5,096</u>	<u>5,096</u>	<u>6,637</u>
Total	<u>175,923</u>	<u>5,096</u>	<u>181,019</u>	<u>18,928</u>

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4) Administrative Expenses	Restricted	Unrestricted	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£
Direct Charitable Expenses				
Wages		2,067	2,067	2,089
Car Club Costs - Innovate			0	2,703
Car Club Costs - other	6,088		6,088	3,232
Seed Funding		750	750	1,000
Community Development	5,126		5,126	
Mobility Development	131,479		131,479	0
Rates and Water		346	346	147
Light and Heat	10,000	758	10,758	2,444
Repairs and Maintenance		2,100	2,100	1,420
Cleaning		243	243	156
Insurance		1,470	1,470	1,422
Miscellaneous Expenses		148	148	10,399
Equipment		243	243	179
Telephone		268	268	295
Depreciation	8,087	11,692	19,779	15,922
	<u>160,780</u>	<u>20,085</u>	<u>180,865</u>	<u>41,408</u>
Cost of Furtherance of Charitable Activities	Restricted	Unrestricted	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£
Events		2,295	2,295	1,445
Youth Project			0	0
	<u>0</u>	<u>2,295</u>	<u>2,295</u>	<u>1,445</u>
Management Expenditure	Restricted	Unrestricted	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£
Printing, Postage, Stationery			0	10
Accountancy		400	400	400
Fees and Licenses		320	320	941
	<u>0</u>	<u>720</u>	<u>720</u>	<u>1,351</u>

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5) Staff Costs		2023	2022		
		£	£		
Wages		<u>2,067</u>	<u>2,089</u>		
6) Fixed Assets					
	Motor Vehicles	Restricted Land and Buildings	Plant and Machinery	Unrestricted Building Improvements	Total
	£	£	£	£	£
Cost					
As at 1st December 2022	40,436	292,297	4,750	9,600	347,083
Additions					0
As at 30th November 2023	<u>40,436</u>	<u>292,297</u>	<u>4,750</u>	<u>9,600</u>	<u>347,083</u>
Depreciation					
As at 1st December 2022	27,746	198,764	4,750	9,600	240,860
Charge for Period	8,087	11,692			19,779
As at 30th November 2023	<u>35,833</u>	<u>210,456</u>	<u>4,750</u>	<u>9,600</u>	<u>260,639</u>
NBV 30th November 2023	<u>4,603</u>	<u>81,841</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>86,444</u>
NBV 30th November 2022	<u>12,690</u>	<u>93,533</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>106,223</u>
7) Funding Balances					
	As at 1st Dec.2022	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	As at 30th Nov.2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Restricted					
Building	93,533		(11,692)		81,841
Seed Fund			(750)	750	0
Community Development		10,000	(5,126)		4,874
Mobility Project		152,308	(137,124)		15,184
Innovate UK					0
Derwent Valley Car Club	1,395	13,615	(6,088)		8,922
Total Restricted	<u>94,928</u>	<u>175,923</u>	<u>(160,780)</u>	<u>750</u>	<u>110,821</u>
Unrestricted					
Motor Vehicles	12,690		(8,087)		4,603
Current Assets	42,058	5,096	(15,013)	(750)	31,391
					0
					0
Total Unrestricted	<u>54,748</u>	<u>5,096</u>	<u>(23,100)</u>	<u>(750)</u>	<u>35,994</u>
Total Funds	<u>149,676</u>	<u>181,019</u>	<u>(183,880)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>146,815</u>

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8) Related Party Transactions

The Company has not entered into any related party transactions

9) Trustee Remuneration

The Trustees received neither remuneration nor expenses during the year

10) Fees for Examination or Audit of the Accounts	2023 £	2022 £
Accountancy Fees	<u>400</u>	<u>400</u>

11) Designated Reserve

The reserve has been created so that funds are available to cover the costs of maintenance and repairs both in a preventative planned method and those unforeseen breakdowns.

12) Derwent Valley Car Club	2023 £
Profit as at 30th November 2022	5,016
Adjustment	(466)
Profit (Loss) for the year	7,527
Profit as at 30th November 2023	<u>12,077</u>

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Accountant's / Independent Examiner's Report

I report on the accounts of Blackhall Mill Community Association Limited for the period ended 30th November 2023

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The trustees of the charity are responsible for the preparation of accounts; they consider that the audit requirement under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 does not apply. I have been appointed under the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with the regulations made under section 145 of that Act. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts and statement, without performing an audit, and to report to the trustees.

Basis of Examiner's Statement

This report is in respect of an examination carried out under the directions of Charities Act 2011 and in accordance with the directions given by the Charity Commissioners, an examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity trustees and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes a review of the accounts and making such enquiries as are necessary for the purpose of this report. The procedures undertaken do not constitute an audit.

Examiner's Statement

Based on my examination, no matter has come to my attention which gives me reasonable cause to believe, that in any material respect, accounting records have not been kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act 2011. or that the accounts presented do not accord with those records or comply with the accounting requirements of the Companies Act 2006. No matter has come to my attention in connection with my examination to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts.

In my opinion, the accounts are in agreement with the accounting records kept by the company, and have regard only to, and on the basis of, the information contained in those accounting records, those accounts have been drawn up in a manner consistent with the provisions of this Act specified, so far as is applicable to the company.

In my opinion, having regard to and on the basis of, the information contained in the accounting records kept by the company, the company as a charity satisfied the requirements of the Act for the financial year.

Terry Atkinson
Independent Examiner
15th July 2024

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