

NESTON COMMUNITY YOUTH CENTRE LIMITED

England & Wales · Charity number 1117890

Details

Other names	NESTON COMMUNITY YOUTH CENTRE, NCYC
Status	Registered
Legal form	Charitable company
Company number	06052346
Registered	2007-02-08
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

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Activities

Objects: Please see separate email dated 19/11/2025

Activities: The provision of community facilities to the people of Neston, Cheshire and immediate district. The delivery of Youth Work, Community Development and Adult Learning Activities

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Arts/culture/heritage/science, Economic/community Development/employment, Recreation
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** IN NESTON AND THE SURROUNDING AREA, AND WIRRAL, CHESHIRE AND MERSEYSIDE.
- Cheshire West & Chester
- Wirral

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£288,503	£300,804	-	-
2024-03-31	£237,049	£216,383	-	-
2023-03-31	£191,983	£209,004	-	-
2022-03-31	£205,647	£196,572	-	-
2021-03-31	£193,619	£169,633	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
David Clark		2023-03-31
Katherine Holcroft		2025-07-31
Lynn Bennoch		2024-06-27
Martin Barker		2023-11-30
Melanie Gelling		2023-03-31
Peter Folwell		2023-11-30
Sarah McGinty		2023-06-29

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Accounts

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 06052346 (England and Wales)
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Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025
for
Neston Community Youth Centre Limited

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for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

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Neston Community Youth Centre Limited

**Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2025. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

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Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

Our charity's purposes as set out in the objects contained in the company's memorandum of association are:

- The provision of community based support services and the operation of facilities for recreation or other leisure time occupation of individuals who have need of such facilities, or for the public at large, with the object of improving the condition of life.
- To advance in life and help people through:
- The provision of recreational, learning and leisure time activities provided in the interest of social welfare, designed to improve their conditions of life.
- Providing support and activities which develop their skills, capacities and capabilities to enable them to participate in society as mature and responsible individuals.
- Providing community based support services with a focus on health, wellbeing, heritage, arts and culture.
- To promote social inclusion by preventing people from becoming socially excluded, relieving the needs of those people who are socially excluded and assisting them to integrate into society.
- To promote learning for pleasure by people no longer in full time employment through the continued development of their individual capabilities, competencies, skills and understanding in subjects of educational value.

Our aims are to:

- Minimise the impact of social isolation
- Enable people to live happy, healthy and fulfilled lives
- Provide quality space for people to meet, socialise and learn
- Support the delivery of community-based services
- Work with others to meet these aims

Our aims fully reflect the purposes that the charity was set up to further.

Ensuring our work delivers our aims

We review our aims, objectives and activities each year. This review looks at what we achieved and the outcomes of our work in the previous 12 months. The review looks at the success of each key activity and the benefits they have brought to those groups of people we are set up to help.

The review also helps us ensure our aim, objectives and activities remain focused on our stated purposes. We have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing our aim and objectives and in planning our future activities. In particular, the trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set.

The focus of our work

Our main objectives for the year were to continue to restore and develop community based services to reduce the impact of social isolation and poor health and wellbeing, address the disparity in access to health care provisions for local people; in particular hospital discharge support, continue to work towards securing the future of Neston Civic Hall for the benefit of local people, and ensure the sustainability of the community centre building by carrying out vital repair work.

The strategies we used to meet these objectives included:

- Provide a range of services that can improve people's health and wellbeing - to support and enable others to do the same.
- Collaborate with organisations that can support our future development and the provision of services, where this fits with our objectives
- Review of the Charity's memorandum and articles of association

How our activities deliver public benefit

Our main activities and who we try to help are described below. Our charitable activities focus on supporting local people to live healthy, happy and connected lives and are undertaken to further our charitable purposes for the public benefit.

Who used and benefited from our services?

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for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

In the year our activities reached more than 7,000 local people. As a Community Anchor Organisation our beneficiaries are only really limited by geography and therefore our services and the services we support benefitted people from birth to 101 years of age though more than 60% of those were over the age of 60.

The population of our core area, now described as the Neston & Willaston Community Partnership has approximately 21,000 residents.

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Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Significant activities

Neston Community Youth Centre

Neston Community Youth Centre continues to host the Job Centre, Citizens Advice drop in and Foodbank. We also provide regular drop ins for CAB energy advice service and employment support services.

The community centre became a warm welcome space in early 2024. Everyone in our community is able to use the community centre as a place to visit to stay warm and enjoy a hot drink, biscuit and cup of soup. The space was expanded during the year to include access to computers, books and games.

Steps towards improving the energy efficiency of the building were made following an independent energy assessment in April 2024 including the replacement of all lighting with LED.

The community centre suffers with regular roof leaks which caused operational difficulties during the winter, a full roof replacement has been advised so our focus for next year is to secure funding to replace the roof and potentially improve our energy efficiency through the installation of solar panels.

A full internal decoration schedule was started in March 2025.

Neston Angels

Our Neston Angels one to one befriending service for older people continued, supporting 43 people through befriending during this period.

As a result of additional funding in early 2024, we were able to facilitate additional activities and groups as part of our Neston Angels service. This enabled us to expand our offer and provide a variety of opportunities for older people to socialise.

Once the funding had ended we continued to run the social activities, introducing minimal charges to attend. The intention is for income generated from paid for aspects of the service will fund the overheads of the service, with the aim of the service to be self-funding and therefore reducing reliance on grants next year.

Following the service expansion we now provide:

Weekly phone befriending

Weekly one to one home visit befriending

Weekly full circle intergenerational social group

Silvermail penpal scheme

Art club course

Senior matinee

Chat and Char senior social

Monthly day trips

Social Prescribing

NCYC continue to operate the Social Prescribing Service, commissioned by Neston & Willaston Primary Care Network.

In this financial year the service received 243 referrals from local GP Surgeries, Job Centre, Citizens Advice and others.

The Social Prescriber continues to provide feedback to the Neston and Willaston Community Partnership Steering Group about the key needs for the Neston community. The Social Prescriber chairs the Mental Health and Children and Young people sub group and has taken a lead on the development of a C&YP group, called Young Voices of Neston.

We were also able to secure funding to train our social prescriber to deliver the ADHD Insight programme.

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Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Hospital Discharge Support Service

NCYC launched our Hospital Discharge Support Service in November 2024, providing short term, low level discharge support to CH64 residents, aged over 55 in a Wirral hospital. This was in response to a 2019 Healthwatch report regarding the lack of provision due to borough border issues and the formation of the service was facilitated by the Neston and Willaston Community Partnership.

Working in partnership with Wirral Age UK we have been supporting approximately 15 older people per month to return home safely following a stay in hospital, the feedback from service users and families has been extremely positive.

The service provides referrals to ongoing support including direct referrals to our social prescribing service and Neston Angels service.

The service is currently funded for 12 months therefore our aim for next year is to secure funding to continue the service and demonstrate a high quality community based wellbeing support service.

Neston Civic Hall

NCYC have continued to operate Neston Civic Hall and have faced many challenges, we were unsuccessful with a second application to the Community Ownership Fund and the running of the building has continued to be regularly disrupted due to frequent roof leaks. We have a fantastic volunteer maintenance team that have taken on repairs and maintenance tasks and internal decoration of the hall and bar area.

Our Love Neston: Raise the Roof fundraising campaign was launched in November 2024, with the aim of raising funds to use as match funding for future funding applications. We have held fundraising events throughout the year including the sell out event 'When I'm 64' celebrating 64 years since the 6 successive performances by The Beatles in June 1960.

The use of the hall continues to increase, there were 370 activities available over 1426 hours and we hosted our first wedding at the Civic Hall.

Neston Civic Hall also hosts the Well Fed / Can Cook service, an affordable and healthy ready meal and recipe box service.

Despite every effort the Charity had to subsidise the day to day running costs due to frequent last minute closures due to leaks. In early 2025 a grant was agreed with Cheshire West and Chester Council to fund urgent remedial repairs to the roof and electrics whilst conditions of a community asset transfer are discussed. These conditions will include NCYC securing capital funding for vital repairs such as a roof replacement. Carrying out these remedial repairs will hopefully ensure the building remains dry and safe so the venue can be used uninterrupted as the Charity cannot continue to subsidise the running costs.

The future of the hall continues to be at risk until funding for vital repairs is secured, capital funders have been identified and funding applications will be submitted next year.

Community Partnership

The Community Partnership Steering Group (formerly the Care Community) is now well established and meeting monthly. Alongside the Clinical Lead from Primary Care, we have jointly led the development of our Community Partnership and established sub groups specifically to look at Mental Health, Children and Young People, Older People, and Hospital Discharge Provision. We have had success in bringing people from the Public, Private and VCSE sectors together to improve the way we work together and support local people with health needs. We recruited a facilitation lead to support the running of the partnership and were able to allocate a small underspend to support the areas Social Prescriber to undertake additional training to become an ADHD Insight programme facilitator. The community partnership has also supported the development of a C&YP group called 'Young Voices of Neston'.

Events and Community Support

NCYC has provided over 500 hours of room hire free of charge to local services such as the FoodBank and Citizens advice and newly established community groups to support their development and ensure provisions are met for our community.

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OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

We continue to facilitate Neston Flicks with an average audience of 80.

We have been involved in local events including the Christmas light switch on and lantern parade, the Earth Festival and Village Fair and have run our own events for the benefit of our community including The Big Lunch, and the first CH64 Community Volunteer Awards which was a huge success.

We have over 80 volunteers helping us to deliver our services and support our community.

Public benefit

The Trustees can confirm that they have complied with the duty in section 17 of the Charities Act 2011, to have due regard to public benefit guidance published by The Commission.

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Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

A word from our Chair

Reading the last three Annual Reports, the tone has all been about challenge and difficulty, as we coped with the world of the pandemic and its aftermath. It is refreshing, therefore, to be able to write an introduction to a year that has been very different. We have enjoyed a period of community stability which has enabled us to return to what the charity does best. We are now doing more work across a wider range of activities with more staff and an efficient and effective use of our resources.

At this early opportunity, it is important to say that the charity is extremely grateful to the National Lottery for a significant grant, enabling us to appoint a full time Deputy to our Chief Executive. This grant was made in recognition of our impact and our recognised potential to do more. Already this has seen success in our new hospital discharge service designed to address a postcode anomaly and help our local residents leaving Arrowe Park hospital. This backs up the excellent work that we deliver around mental health in partnership with our local NHS colleagues. In addition, we have been able to reorganise our many volunteering opportunities so that our offer is easier to access by our large number of supporters. It has also given us an opportunity to review and clarify our membership opportunities so that we can more broadly reflect our community.

The Trustees made an important decision this year by making it clear that, although we had been able to subsidise the costs of operating Neston Civic Hall for one year, we will no longer do so. The impact of roof leaks and other building failings had caused significant loss of revenue in the previous year, and this cannot be sustained. If these extra costs continue and no grant funding becomes available, we will return the Civic Hall to Cheshire West & Chester Council.

I am immensely grateful to our loyal and committed staff and volunteers who make the Community Centre building a welcoming place and our activities so successful and enjoyable. I also acknowledge the time commitment, enthusiasm and skilled support of my Trustee colleagues.

- David Clark

A word from our Chief Executive

As we reflect on the past year, I'm proud to share the remarkable progress we've made across all areas of our work. Our vision, outlined in our recent review of our 5 year strategy and anchored in five key objectives, continues to guide and energise our efforts:

1. Membership and Representation

After a review of our membership structure, we've grown to a thriving network of over 80 members-each bringing vital insight and commitment to our shared mission. We have over 80 volunteers whose support is immeasurable and who we rely on to provide our services and achieve our mission of everyone in our community being able to live healthy, fulfilled and connected lives.

2. Maintaining Focus on Climate Change

Climate awareness remains at the heart of our agenda. We've supported local initiatives and encouraged sustainable practices across all activities, whilst planning energy efficiency changes for the future.

3. Service Delivery and Development

This year saw the successful rollout of our new volunteer management system, allowing us to better support and engage the incredible people who power our services. We also launched a new quarterly newsletter, strengthening communication across our community.

4. Community and People Development

We welcomed a new Operations Manager, bringing additional capacity and expertise to help grow and evolve our services. Our focus on community development continues, with new projects fostering connection and resilience across all age groups.

5. Financial Sustainability

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Financial resilience is more important than ever. We've laid strong foundations, but we recognise the need to further diversify our income streams to support core services and future aspirations.

Looking ahead, our top priorities include the sustainability of Neston Angels. We will focus on increasing donations and expanding paid-for elements of the service to ensure its future. We're also planning vital roof repairs at the community centre to secure the future and physical home of the Charity, alongside pursuing funding for Neston Civic Hall and securing funding so our hospital discharge service can continue. Additionally, we're committed to involving more young people in meaningful volunteering opportunities-nurturing the next generation of community leaders.

Thank you to our staff, trustees, volunteers, partners, and supporters for your continued dedication. Together, we're building a stronger, more connected community-one that supports people through life's challenges and celebrates local strengths.

Although a deficit of £12,301 is recorded for the financial year, there was actually a 'trading' surplus of £7,699. The deficit has occurred because £20,000, received in March 2024 in advance of its planned and intended expenditure for the provision of Neston Angels for the financial year April 2024 to March 2025, was included in the previous year's income (ending March 2024) - as is often the case with the reporting of Charity accounts. Had the income been received in April at the beginning of the financial year and used within the same financial year the deficit would not have occurred.

-Rachael Furey

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on the 15th January 2007 and registered as a charity on 8th February 2007. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association. In the event of the company being wound up members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £1.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

The directors of the company are also charity trustees for the purposes of charity law and under the company's Articles are known as members of the Board of Directors. Under the requirements of the Memorandum and Articles of Association the members of the Board of Directors are elected to serve for a period of three years after which they may be re-elected for a maximum 3 year period at the next Annual General Meeting.

All members of the Management Committee give their time voluntarily and received no remuneration from the charity.

As part of our ongoing review of the governance of the charity, it was recognised that although our Trustees live in the communities we serve and have an understanding of local need, they don't necessarily reflect the users of our services. Therefore, an open membership structure was established to ensure the involvement of local people in a more meaningful and evidenced way.

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Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Organisational structure

Neston Community Youth Centre has a Board of Directors, up to 10 in number, who meet 10 times per year, with 4 Formal Meetings and 6 Informal meetings and are responsible for the strategic direction and policy of the charity. At the end of the financial year the Board had six members from a variety of professional backgrounds relevant to the work of the charity.

As Accountable Officer, the Chief Executive has responsibility for maintaining a sound system of internal control that supports the achievement of the charity's policies, aims and objectives, whilst safeguarding the charitable funds and assets for which they are responsible, in accordance with the responsibilities assigned to them. They are also responsible for ensuring that NCYC is administered prudently and economically and that resources are applied efficiently and effectively.

The system of internal control is designed to manage risk to a reasonable level rather than to eliminate all risk of failure to achieve our charitable objectives; it can therefore only provide reasonable and not absolute assurance of effectiveness.

The system of internal control is based on an ongoing process designed to identify and prioritise the risks to the achievement of the charitable objectives, to evaluate the likelihood of those risks being realised and the impact should they be realised, and to manage them efficiently, effectively and economically. The system of internal control has been in place for the year ended 31 March and up to the date of approval of the annual report and accounts.

The Board of Directors is responsible for setting the risk appetite on an annual basis according to its present position and anticipated direction of travel for the financial year ahead. The defined appetite is then applied.

The trustees utilise a risk assessment matrix to ensure a consistent approach is taken to assessing the potential consequences and likelihoods of risks and furthermore that appropriate action is taken to address each risk based on the resulting score.

The Board meets regularly to discuss an agenda based on three key elements:

- Strategy and Policy
- Performance and Governance
- Quality and Safety

The Board is responsible for setting the organisation's strategy and for ensuring that we meet our statutory duties and effectively manages risk. The Board holds prime responsibility for governance and the development of systems and processes for internal control, including risk management, and compliance with regulations.

The Board maintains responsibility for setting and approving work plans and monitoring the delivery of planned objectives. The Board of Directors regularly receives reports on the business covered, risks identified and action taken as well as regular performance related reports.

The Board is responsible for ensuring the financial viability through the establishment of effective financial stewardship.

Induction and training of new trustees

Most trustees are already familiar with the work of the charity having been involved in our activities. Additionally, potential trustees are invited and encouraged to meet with both the Chair and Chief Executive to understand:

- The duties of Charity Trustees / Company Directors
- The operational framework for the charity including the Memorandum and Articles of Association.
- Resourcing and the current financial position as set out in the latest published accounts.
- Future plans and objectives.

Candidates are then given essential guidance such as the Charity Commission's The Essential Trustee along with an application pack including Role Description, Conflict of Interest Policy and Trustee Declaration.

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**Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Risk management

The Trustees have conducted a review of the major risks to which the charity is exposed. And discussed and agreed their appetite for different types of risk. This information has formed the constituent parts of our risk register which is updated at least annually.

Where appropriate, systems or procedures have been established to mitigate the risks the charity faces. Internal Control risks will be minimised by increased board and staff capacity and employing additional staff resource into key roles as funding allows.

A reserves policy has been developed.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

06052346 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number

1117890

Registered office

The Centre Burton Rd
Neston
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Trustees

D Clark Retired
Ms M Gelling Civil Servant
Ms S McGinty
P Folwell
M Barker
Mrs L Bennoch Commercial Director (appointed 27.6.24)

Independent Examiner

Steven Mark Greensill FCA
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Approved by order of the board of trustees on and signed on its behalf by:

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D Clark - Trustee

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Neston Community Youth Centre Limited**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Neston Community Youth Centre Limited ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

Since your charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a listed body. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, which is one of the listed bodies.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by Section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)).

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

Steven Mark Greensill FCA

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Date:

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**Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	31.3.25 Total funds £	31.3.24 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		19,437	43,607	63,044	58,988
Charitable activities	2	188,733	34,092	222,825	173,635
Other income		2,634	-	2,634	4,426
Total		<u>210,804</u>	<u>77,699</u>	<u>288,503</u>	<u>237,049</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds		25,805	-	25,805	12,996
Charitable activities					
General Activities of the Centre		105,728	106,439	212,167	156,241
Other		62,832	-	62,832	47,146
Total		<u>194,365</u>	<u>106,439</u>	<u>300,804</u>	<u>216,383</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		16,439	(28,740)	(12,301)	20,666
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		108,438	37,211	145,649	124,983
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>124,877</u></u>	<u><u>8,471</u></u>	<u><u>133,348</u></u>	<u><u>145,649</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

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**Balance Sheet
31 March 2025**

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	31.3.25 Total funds £	31.3.24 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	7	83,090	-	83,090	83,386
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stocks	8	1,061	-	1,061	1,297
Debtors	9	17,068	-	17,068	36,365
Cash at bank and in hand		41,592	41,153	82,745	55,005
		<u>59,721</u>	<u>41,153</u>	<u>100,874</u>	<u>92,667</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	10	(17,934)	(32,682)	(50,616)	(30,404)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>41,787</u>	<u>8,471</u>	<u>50,258</u>	<u>62,263</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>124,877</u>	<u>8,471</u>	<u>133,348</u>	<u>145,649</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>124,877</u>	<u>8,471</u>	<u>133,348</u>	<u>145,649</u>
FUNDS	12				
Unrestricted funds				124,877	108,438
Restricted funds				8,471	37,211
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>133,348</u>	<u>145,649</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 March 2025.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

The notes form part of these financial statements

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Balance Sheet - continued

31 March 2025

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on
and were signed on its behalf by:

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D Clark - Trustee

.....
M Gelling - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Plant and machinery - 33% on cost

Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charitable company's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

2. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	31.3.25	31.3.24
	£	£
Centre Rents	130,277	112,623
Activity Income	21,454	10,015
Contracts	71,094	50,997
	<u>222,825</u>	<u>173,635</u>

3. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	31.3.25	31.3.24
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	295	443
	<u>295</u>	<u>443</u>

4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2025 nor for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2025 nor for the year ended 31 March 2024.

5. STAFF COSTS

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	31.3.25	31.3.24
	14	12
Average number of employees	<u>14</u>	<u>12</u>

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

6. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	9,415	49,573	58,988
Charitable activities	166,135	7,500	173,635
Other income	3,648	778	4,426
	<u>179,198</u>	<u>57,851</u>	<u>237,049</u>
Total			
	179,198	57,851	237,049
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	12,650	346	12,996

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

6. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
Charitable activities			
General Activities of the Centre	132,557	23,684	156,241
Other	28,012	19,134	47,146
Total	<u>173,219</u>	<u>43,164</u>	<u>216,383</u>
NET INCOME	5,979	14,687	20,666
Transfers between funds	(3,557)	3,557	-
Net movement in funds	2,422	18,244	20,666
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	106,016	18,967	124,983
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>108,438</u>	<u>37,211</u>	<u>145,649</u>

7. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold property £	Plant and machinery £	Totals £
COST			
At 1 April 2024	82,500	20,875	103,375
Additions	-	884	884
Disposals	-	(1,328)	(1,328)
At 31 March 2025	<u>82,500</u>	<u>20,431</u>	<u>102,931</u>
DEPRECIATION			
At 1 April 2024	-	19,989	19,989
Charge for year	-	295	295
Eliminated on disposal	-	(443)	(443)
At 31 March 2025	<u>-</u>	<u>19,841</u>	<u>19,841</u>
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 March 2025	<u>82,500</u>	<u>590</u>	<u>83,090</u>
At 31 March 2024	<u>82,500</u>	<u>886</u>	<u>83,386</u>

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8. STOCKS

	31.3.25	31.3.24
	£	£
Finished goods	1,061	1,297
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

9. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.25	31.3.24
	£	£
Trade debtors	17,068	36,365
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

10. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.25	31.3.24
	£	£
Bank loans and overdrafts (see note 11)	-	9,150
Trade creditors	4,321	3,015
Social security and other taxes	(1,624)	2,254
Wages payable	34	-
Other creditors	923	840
Accruals and deferred income	46,481	12,500
Accrued expenses	481	2,645
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	<u>50,616</u>	<u>30,404</u>

11. LOANS

An analysis of the maturity of loans is given below:

	31.3.25	31.3.24
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year on demand:		
Bank overdrafts	-	9,150
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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12. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.24 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.25 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	25,938	16,439	42,377
Freehold Land at Neston	82,500	-	82,500
	<u>108,438</u>	<u>16,439</u>	<u>124,877</u>
Restricted funds			
CWAC Member Budgets	450	(450)	-
Cheshire Minds Matter	871	(871)	-
Shop4Neston	37	(37)	-
Care Community	6,269	(6,269)	-
Power to Change	4,761	(4,761)	-
COF	120	(120)	-
Neston Town Council	240	-	240
Awards4All	20,000	(12,036)	7,964
Welcome Space	1,220	(1,046)	174
CWAC Emergency Discharge	3,243	(3,243)	-
Cheshire Community Action	-	22	22
CWVA	-	71	71
	<u>37,211</u>	<u>(28,740)</u>	<u>8,471</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u><u>145,649</u></u>	<u><u>(12,301)</u></u>	<u><u>133,348</u></u>

Neston Community Youth Centre Limited

**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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12. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	210,804	(194,365)	16,439
Restricted funds			
CWAC Member Budgets	-	(450)	(450)
Cheshire Minds Matter	1,047	(1,918)	(871)
Shop4Neston	-	(37)	(37)
Care Community	-	(6,269)	(6,269)
Power to Change	5,000	(9,761)	(4,761)
Civic Hall	718	(718)	-
COF	-	(120)	(120)
Neston Town Council	636	(636)	-
Awards4All	-	(12,036)	(12,036)
Welcome Space	300	(1,346)	(1,046)
CWAC Emergency Discharge	12,500	(15,743)	(3,243)
National Lottery - reaching Communities	35,754	(35,754)	-
Cheshire Community Action	13,837	(13,815)	22
CWVA	7,907	(7,836)	71
	<u>77,699</u>	<u>(106,439)</u>	<u>(28,740)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u><u>288,503</u></u>	<u><u>(300,804)</u></u>	<u><u>(12,301)</u></u>

Neston Community Youth Centre Limited

**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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12. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.24 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	8,133	5,916	(7,482)	6,567
Freehold Land at Neston	82,500	-	-	82,500
Early Intervention	3,467	(7,392)	3,925	-
Primary Care	11,916	7,455	-	19,371
	<u>106,016</u>	<u>5,979</u>	<u>(3,557)</u>	<u>108,438</u>
Restricted funds				
CWAC Member Budgets	-	450	-	450
Community Led	261	(261)	-	-
Cheshire Minds Matter	6,338	(5,467)	-	871
Shop4Neston	37	-	-	37
Care Community	8,331	(2,062)	-	6,269
Power to Change	4,000	761	-	4,761
Civic Hall	-	(14,193)	14,193	-
Crowdfund	-	10,636	(10,636)	-
COF	-	120	-	120
Neston Town Council	-	240	-	240
Awards4All	-	20,000	-	20,000
Welcome Space	-	1,220	-	1,220
CWAC Emergency Discharge	-	3,243	-	3,243
	<u>18,967</u>	<u>14,687</u>	<u>3,557</u>	<u>37,211</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>124,983</u>	<u>20,666</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>145,649</u>

Neston Community Youth Centre Limited

**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

12. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	134,101	(128,185)	5,916
Early Intervention	8,610	(16,002)	(7,392)
Primary Care	36,487	(29,032)	7,455
	<u>179,198</u>	<u>(173,219)</u>	<u>5,979</u>
Restricted funds			
CWAC Member Budgets	450	-	450
Community Led	-	(261)	(261)
Cheshire Minds Matter	-	(5,467)	(5,467)
Care Community	-	(2,062)	(2,062)
Power to Change	4,000	(3,239)	761
CCF	5,740	(5,740)	-
Civic Hall	-	(14,193)	(14,193)
Crowdfund	12,121	(1,485)	10,636
COF	6,120	(6,000)	120
Neston Town Council	700	(460)	240
Awards4All	20,000	-	20,000
Welcome Space	1,220	-	1,220
CWAC Emergency Discharge	7,500	(4,257)	3,243
	<u>57,851</u>	<u>(43,164)</u>	<u>14,687</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u><u>237,049</u></u>	<u><u>(216,383)</u></u>	<u><u>20,666</u></u>

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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12. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.25 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	8,133	22,355	(7,482)	23,006
Freehold Land at Neston	82,500	-	-	82,500
Early Intervention	3,467	(7,392)	3,925	-
Primary Care	11,916	7,455	-	19,371
	<u>106,016</u>	<u>22,418</u>	<u>(3,557)</u>	<u>124,877</u>
Restricted funds				
Community Led	261	(261)	-	-
Cheshire Minds Matter	6,338	(6,338)	-	-
Shop4Neston	37	(37)	-	-
Care Community	8,331	(8,331)	-	-
Power to Change	4,000	(4,000)	-	-
Civic Hall	-	(14,193)	14,193	-
Crowdfund	-	10,636	(10,636)	-
Neston Town Council	-	240	-	240
Awards4All	-	7,964	-	7,964
Welcome Space	-	174	-	174
Cheshire Community Action	-	22	-	22
CWVA	-	71	-	71
	<u>18,967</u>	<u>(14,053)</u>	<u>3,557</u>	<u>8,471</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>124,983</u>	<u>8,365</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>133,348</u>

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

12. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	344,905	(322,550)	22,355
Early Intervention	8,610	(16,002)	(7,392)
Primary Care	36,487	(29,032)	7,455
	<u>390,002</u>	<u>(367,584)</u>	<u>22,418</u>
Restricted funds			
CWAC Member Budgets	450	(450)	-
Community Led	-	(261)	(261)
Cheshire Minds Matter	1,047	(7,385)	(6,338)
Shop4Neston	-	(37)	(37)
Care Community	-	(8,331)	(8,331)
Power to Change	9,000	(13,000)	(4,000)
CCF	5,740	(5,740)	-
Civic Hall	718	(14,911)	(14,193)
Crowdfund	12,121	(1,485)	10,636
COF	6,120	(6,120)	-
Neston Town Council	1,336	(1,096)	240
Awards4All	20,000	(12,036)	7,964
Welcome Space	1,520	(1,346)	174
CWAC Emergency Discharge	20,000	(20,000)	-
National Lottery - reaching Communities	35,754	(35,754)	-
Cheshire Community Action	13,837	(13,815)	22
CWVA	7,907	(7,836)	71
	<u>135,550</u>	<u>(149,603)</u>	<u>(14,053)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u><u>525,552</u></u>	<u><u>(517,187)</u></u>	<u><u>8,365</u></u>

13. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Neston Community Youth Centre Limited

**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

	31.3.25 £	31.3.24 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	19,437	19,158
Grants	43,607	39,830
	63,044	58,988
Charitable activities		
Centre Rents	130,277	112,623
Activity Income	21,454	10,015
Contracts	71,094	50,997
	222,825	173,635
Other income		
Other income	171	800
Food and drink	2,463	3,626
	2,634	4,426
Total incoming resources	288,503	237,049
EXPENDITURE		
Raising donations and legacies		
Centre repairs	25,805	12,996
Charitable activities		
Wages	178,321	129,435
Pensions	3,004	2,254
Materials etc	7,178	5,049
Travel (Funded)	649	189
Centre Equipment	-	443
Advertising and Events	2,984	1,171
Room hire	9,977	3,876
	202,113	142,417
Other		
Telephone and Communications	5,219	3,629
Post and Stationery	6,373	6,542
Cleaning	2,652	3,680
Insurance	3,139	2,867
Carried forward	17,383	16,718

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**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

	31.3.25 £	31.3.24 £
Other		
Brought forward	17,383	16,718
Coffee Machine Supplies	7,142	8,313
Miscellaneous	3,274	1,973
Building utilities	34,738	20,142
Plant and machinery	295	-
	62,832	47,146
Support costs		
Management		
Legal Charges CRB Etc	3,854	11,227
Other accounting costs	1,725	1,483
Training	3,922	661
Bank charges	553	453
	10,054	13,824
Total resources expended	300,804	216,383
Net (expenditure)/income	(12,301)	20,666

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NESTON COMMUNITY YOUTH CENTRE LIMITED

England & Wales - Charity number 1117890

Accounts

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 06052346 (England and Wales)
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1117890

**Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024
for
Neston Community Youth Centre Limited**

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Neston Community Youth Centre Limited

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Neston Community Youth Centre Limited

**Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024**

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2024. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

Neston Community Youth Centre Limited

Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

Our charity's purposes as set out in the objects contained in the company's memorandum of association are:

- The provision of facilities for recreation or other leisure time occupation of individuals who have need of such facilities, or for the public at large, with the object of improving the condition of life.
- To advance in life and help young people through:
 - The provision of recreational and leisure time activities provided in the interest of social welfare, designed to improve their conditions of life.
 - Providing support and activities which develop their skills, capacities and capabilities to enable them to participate in society as mature and responsible individuals.
 - To promote social inclusion by preventing people from becoming socially excluded, relieving the needs of those people who are socially excluded and assisting them to integrate into society.
 - To promote learning for pleasure by people no longer in full time employment through the continued development of their individual capabilities, competencies, skills and understanding in subjects of educational value.

Our aims are to:

- Minimise the impact of Social Isolation
- Enable people to live happy and healthy lives
- Provide quality space for people to meet, socialise and learn
- Support the delivery of public services
- Work with others to meet these aims

Our aims fully reflect the purposes that the charity was set up to further.

Ensuring our work delivers our aims

We review our aims, objectives and activities each year. This review looks at what we achieved and the outcomes of our work in the previous 12 months. The review looks at the success of each key activity and the benefits they have brought to those groups of people we are set up to help.

The review also helps us ensure our aim, objectives and activities remain focused on our stated purposes. We have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing our aim and objectives and in planning our future activities. In particular, the trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set.

The focus of our work

Our main objectives for the year were to continue to restore and develop services to reduce the impact of Social Isolation and poor health and wellbeing which has been worsened by the Global Pandemic, secure the future of Neston Civic Hall for the benefit of local people, and to carry out feasibility work in regards to becoming Net Zero.

The strategies we used to meet these objectives included:

- Provide a range of services that can improve people's health and wellbeing - to support and enable others to do the same.
- Collaborate with organisations that can support our future development and the provision of services, where this fits with our objectives

How our activities deliver public benefit

Our main activities and who we try to help are described below. Our charitable activities focus on supporting local people to live healthy, happy and connected lives and are undertaken to further our charitable purposes for the public benefit.

Who used and benefited from our services?

In the year our activities reached more than 7,000 local people. As a Community Anchor Organisation our beneficiaries are only really limited by geography and therefore our services and the services we support benefitted people from birth to 101 years of age though more than 60% of those were over the age of 60.

The area now described as the Neston & Willason Care Community has approximately 20,000 residents.

Neston Community Youth Centre Limited

Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Significant activities

Neston Angels

Neston Angels befriending continued and as a result of additional funding was able to expand its provision to improve the opportunity for isolated people to socialise including providing existing groups such as the senior matinee free of charge, providing low level hospital discharge support, setting up a monthly coach trip, expanding the Silvermail project, facilitating a weekly intergenerational social group for older people and isolated parents and running 2 art club courses.

Our quarterly newsletter is sent to befriendees and volunteers and shared news about the charity, befriender achievements, Neston Angels activities and reminiscences from both volunteers and befriendees.

Social Prescribing

NCYC continue to operate the Social Prescribing Service, commissioned by Neston & Willaston Primary Care Network.

In this financial year the service received 226 referrals from local GP Surgeries, Job Centre, Citizens Advice and others. ONS4 is used to monitor the wellbeing of those accessing the Social Prescribing service with an average 27% improvement in wellbeing for those engaging with our Social Prescriber.

The Social Prescriber continues to provide feedback to the Neston and Willaston Community Partnership Steering Group (formerly the Neston and Willaston Care Community) about the key needs for the Neston Community. The Social Prescriber co-chairs the Mental Health and Children and young people sub group and is taking a lead on the development of a C&YP advisory panel.

Neston Civic Hall

NCYC has been operating Neston Civic Hall since January 2022. Following a successful crowdfund in October 2023 we were able to raise vital funds to carry out patch repairs on the roof and address other maintenance and repairs issues as they arise to support us in keeping the building open and in use.

We have seen an increase in activity, almost 100% increase in use since 2022-2023, with many of the much-loved activities returning after the Civic Hall was closed for 2 years, including the Neston Flower Society, U3A and dancing classes amongst others and have seen new and exciting events and groups use the Civic Hall.

Unfortunately, due to the repair issues we have faced, in particular, with frequent roof leaks this hasn't led to an increase in revenue for the Charity as we are still subsidising the running of the building due to high running costs however with an Operations Coordinator in post this is being addressed and use of the hall continues to increase with NCYC holding our own events to increase opportunity for revenue. An IEA has been carried out on the building so we have a clear strategy on how to address the energy efficiency of the building and following an unsuccessful bid to the Community Ownership Fund the charity is focusing on a comprehensive fundraising campaign.

Warm Welcome Space

NCYC became a warm welcome space in early 2024. Everyone in our community is able to use the community centre as a place to visit to stay warm and enjoy a hot drink, biscuit and cuppa soup. Facilitated by volunteers who can signpost the person accessing the centre as a welcome space to additional local support services, this project is already being accessed regularly and use is expected to increase as we move into the winter months.

Neston Community Youth Centre

Neston Community Youth Centre continues to host the Job Centre, Citizens Advice drop in and Foodbank. We also provide regular drop ins for CAB energy advice service and employment support services.

There were 1,611 activities available over 4,562 hours.

Focus for the next financial year is to improve the energy efficiency of the building.

Following a successful bid for funding we were able to fit a defibrillator to the external wall to ensure its accessibility to our community.

Community Partnership

Neston Community Youth Centre Limited

Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The Community Partnership Steering Group (formerly the Care Community) is now well established and meeting monthly. Alongside the Clinical Lead from Primary Care, we have jointly led the development of our Community Partnership and established sub groups specifically to look at Mental Health, Children and Young People, Older People, and more recently the issues with delayed discharge across borders. We have had success in bringing people from the Public, Private and VCSE sectors together to improve the way we work together and support local people with health needs.

Events and Community Support

NCYC has provided over 700 hours of room hire free of charge to local services such as the FoodBank and Citizens advice and newly established community groups to support their development and ensure provisions are met for our community.

We continue to facilitate Neston Flicks which celebrated its 10 year anniversary in September 2023.

We supported the much loved lantern parade as part of Christmas in Neston.

Public benefit

The Trustees can confirm that they have complied with the duty in section 17 of the Charities Act 2011, to have due regard to public benefit guidance published by The Commission.

Neston Community Youth Centre Limited

Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

A word from our Chair

Constant change is now the norm in all sectors of activity, and life at NCYC is no different. It is a measure of our successful year that we have reacted so well to the ups and downs throughout the year that we end up in such a sound position.

Changing from a long serving experienced CEO to a new appointee could have been really difficult, but it has been highly rewarding to see our new CEO adapt the organisation in her own way. The Trustees are immensely grateful to her for the total commitment that she has shown.

Changing so many of the Trustees at once could have resulted in a loss of focus but it has brought new vigorous individuals with a huge breadth of skills to the Board table. I am really grateful to my colleagues for their support and willingness to take on the many challenges that we have faced in the year.

Changing our priorities to adapt to the demands of taking on the management of the Civic Hall could have derailed the organisation but it has brought forward a new range of volunteer supporters who have helped to minimise the difficulties that we faced and continue to face. The Trustees are so thankful that so many local people have stepped forward to help. The Civic Hall's future remains in doubt but there is a profound determination to win the struggle for a secure future for the building.

Changing the CEO and the Trustees could have created confusion and loss of focus for the staff but, in reality, the team has rallied to the cause by adopting supportive can-do working styles. The Trustees are so grateful that we have a staff team that believes so passionately in what we do.

The future is full of change too. We are ready and well equipped to handle whatever the future holds.

- David Clark

A word from our Chief Executive

It has been almost 12 months since I was appointed CEO of NCYC. This period has been one of significant growth and learning, and it is evident that our successes wouldn't have been possible without the unwavering support of our fantastic volunteers. These dedicated individuals work tirelessly to help us provide the essential services and activities that are at the heart of what we do.

In times of difficulty, the Neston community has consistently come together, demonstrating resilience and solidarity. This communal spirit has been a cornerstone of our achievements and will continue to be vital as we move forward. Looking ahead, one of my primary focuses is on improving the sustainability of our Charity. To achieve this, a main priority will be developing an effective volunteer management system. This system will help us better support our volunteers and our community, ensuring they have the resources and recognition they deserve, ultimately strengthening our overall impact.

I would like to recognise my wonderful colleagues at NCYC. Their dedication and passion make this Charity a fantastic place to work.

I also want to thank our Trustees for their support to both me and the Charity.

Thank you again to our volunteers, donors and supporters.

-Rachael Furey

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on the 15th January 2007 and registered as a charity on 8th February 2007. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association. In the event of the company being wound up members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £1.

Neston Community Youth Centre Limited

Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

The directors of the company are also charity trustees for the purposes of charity law and under the company's Articles are known as members of the Board of Directors. Under the requirements of the Memorandum and Articles of Association the members of the Board of Directors are elected to serve for a period of three years after which they may be re-elected for a maximum 3 year period at the next Annual General Meeting.

All member of the Management Committee give their time voluntarily and received no remuneration from the charity.

As part of our ongoing review of the governance of the charity, it was recognised that although our Trustees live in the communities we serve and have an understanding of local need, they don't necessarily reflect the users of our services. Therefore, an open membership structure was established to ensure the involvement of local people in a more meaningful and evidenced way.

Organisational structure

Neston Community Youth Centre has a Board of Directors, up to 10 in number, who meet 10 times per year, with 4 Formal Meetings and 6 Informal meetings and are responsible for the strategic direction and policy of the charity. At the end of the financial year the Board had six members from a variety of professional backgrounds relevant to the work of the charity.

As Accountable Officer, the Chief Executive has responsibility for maintaining a sound system of internal control that supports the achievement of the charity's policies, aims and objectives, whilst safeguarding the charitable funds and assets for which they are responsible, in accordance with the responsibilities assigned to them. They are also responsible for ensuring that NCYC is administered prudently and economically and that resources are applied efficiently and effectively.

The system of internal control is designed to manage risk to a reasonable level rather than to eliminate all risk of failure to achieve our charitable objectives; it can therefore only provide reasonable and not absolute assurance of effectiveness.

The system of internal control is based on an ongoing process designed to identify and prioritise the risks to the achievement of the charitable objectives, to evaluate the likelihood of those risks being realised and the impact should they be realised, and to manage them efficiently, effectively and economically. The system of internal control has been in place for the year ended 31 March and up to the date of approval of the annual report and accounts.

The Board of Directors is responsible for setting the risk appetite on an annual basis according to its present position and anticipated direction of travel for the financial year ahead. The defined appetite is then applied.

The trustees utilise a risk assessment matrix to ensure a consistent approach is taken to assessing the potential consequences and likelihoods of risks and furthermore that appropriate action is taken to address each risk based on the resulting score.

The Board meets regularly to discuss an agenda based on three key elements:

- Strategy and Policy
- Performance and Governance
- Quality and Safety

The Board is responsible for setting the organisation's strategy and for ensuring that we meet our statutory duties and effectively manages risk. The Board holds prime responsibility for governance and the development of systems and processes for internal control, including risk management, and compliance with regulations.

The Board maintains responsibility for setting and approving work plans and monitoring the delivery of planned objectives. The Board of Directors regularly receives reports on the business covered, risks identified and action taken as well as regular performance related reports.

The Board is responsible for ensuring the financial viability through the establishment of effective financial stewardship.

Neston Community Youth Centre Limited

**Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024**

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Induction and training of new trustees

Most trustees are already familiar with the work of the charity having been involved in our activities. Additionally, potential trustees are invited and encouraged to meet with both the Chair and Chief Executive to understand:

- The duties of Charity Trustees / Company Directors
- The operational framework for the charity including the Memorandum and Articles of Association.
- Resourcing and the current financial position as set out in the latest published accounts.
- Future plans and objectives.

Candidates are then given essential guidance such as the Charity Commission's The Essential Trustee along with an application pack including Role Description, Conflict of Interest Policy and Trustee Declaration.

Risk management

The Trustees have conducted a review of the major risks to which the charity is exposed. And discussed and agreed their appetite for different types of risk. This information has formed the constituent parts of our risk register which is updated at least annually.

Where appropriate, systems or procedures have been established to mitigate the risks the charity faces. Internal Control risks will be minimised by increased board and staff capacity and employing additional staff resource into key roles as funding allows.

A reserves policy has been developed.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

06052346 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number

1117890

Registered office

The Centre Burton Rd
Neston
Cheshire
CH64 9RE

Trustees

Ms L C Gittins (resigned 30.11.23)
Mrs C M Owen (resigned 18.4.23)
Mrs K Robinson (resigned 18.4.23)
D Clark Retired (appointed 19.4.23)
Ms M Gelling Civil Servant (appointed 19.4.23)
Ms S McGinty (appointed 29.6.23)
P Folwell (appointed 30.11.23)
M Barker (appointed 30.11.23)

Independent Examiner

Steven Mark Greensill FCA
Haines Watts
Military House
24 Castle Street
Chester
Cheshire
CH1 2DS

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 20 August 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

Neston Community Youth Centre Limited

**Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024**

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'D Clark', is written over a horizontal dotted line.

D Clark - Trustee

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Neston Community Youth Centre Limited**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Neston Community Youth Centre Limited ('the Company')
I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by Section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)).

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

Steven Mark Greensill FCA

Haines Watts
Military House
24 Castle Street
Chester
Cheshire
CH1 2DS

Date: 20 August 2024

Neston Community Youth Centre Limited

**Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024**

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	31.3.24 Total funds £	31.3.23 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		9,415	49,573	58,988	29,378
Charitable activities	2	166,135	7,500	173,635	161,390
Other income		3,648	778	4,426	1,215
Total		<u>179,198</u>	<u>57,851</u>	<u>237,049</u>	<u>191,983</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds		12,650	346	12,996	16,844
Charitable activities					
General Activities of the Centre		132,557	23,684	156,241	162,065
Other		28,012	19,134	47,146	30,095
Total		<u>173,219</u>	<u>43,164</u>	<u>216,383</u>	<u>209,004</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)					
Transfers between funds	12	5,979 (3,557)	14,687 3,557	20,666 -	(17,021) -
Net movement in funds		<u>2,422</u>	<u>18,244</u>	<u>20,666</u>	<u>(17,021)</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		106,016	18,967	124,983	142,004
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>108,438</u></u>	<u><u>37,211</u></u>	<u><u>145,649</u></u>	<u><u>124,983</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

Neston Community Youth Centre Limited

**Balance Sheet
31 March 2024**

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	31.3.24 Total funds £	31.3.23 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	7	83,386	-	83,386	82,500
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stocks	8	1,297	-	1,297	4,485
Debtors	9	16,365	20,000	36,365	7,690
Cash at bank and in hand		21,037	33,968	55,005	37,739
		<u>38,699</u>	<u>53,968</u>	<u>92,667</u>	<u>49,914</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	10	(13,647)	(16,757)	(30,404)	(7,431)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>25,052</u>	<u>37,211</u>	<u>62,263</u>	<u>42,483</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		108,438	37,211	145,649	124,983
NET ASSETS		<u>108,438</u>	<u>37,211</u>	<u>145,649</u>	<u>124,983</u>
FUNDS	12				
Unrestricted funds				108,438	106,016
Restricted funds				37,211	18,967
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>145,649</u>	<u>124,983</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 March 2024.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2024 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

The notes form part of these financial statements

Neston Community Youth Centre Limited

Balance Sheet - continued
31 March 2024

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 20 August 2024 and were signed on its behalf by:


.....
D Clark - Trustee


.....
M Gelling - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

Neston Community Youth Centre Limited

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Plant and machinery - 33% on cost

Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charitable company's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

Neston Community Youth Centre Limited

**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024**

2. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	31.3.24	31.3.23
	£	£
Centre Rents	112,623	100,854
Activity Income	10,015	12,863
Contracts	50,997	47,673
	<u>173,635</u>	<u>161,390</u>

3. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	31.3.24	31.3.23
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	443	6,203
	<u>443</u>	<u>6,203</u>

4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2024 nor for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2024 nor for the year ended 31 March 2023.

5. STAFF COSTS

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	31.3.24	31.3.23
	12	9
Average number of employees	<u>12</u>	<u>9</u>

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

6. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	8,887	20,491	29,378
Charitable activities	161,390	-	161,390
Other income	1,215	-	1,215
Total	<u>171,492</u>	<u>20,491</u>	<u>191,983</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	4,594	12,250	16,844
Charitable activities			
General Activities of the Centre	145,905	16,160	162,065
Other	30,095	-	30,095

Neston Community Youth Centre Limited

**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024**

6. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
Total	<u>180,594</u>	<u>28,410</u>	<u>209,004</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(9,102)	(7,919)	(17,021)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	115,118	26,886	142,004
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>106,016</u>	<u>18,967</u>	<u>124,983</u>

7. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold property £	Plant and machinery £	Totals £
COST			
At 1 April 2023	82,500	19,546	102,046
Additions	-	1,329	1,329
At 31 March 2024	<u>82,500</u>	<u>20,875</u>	<u>103,375</u>
DEPRECIATION			
At 1 April 2023	-	19,546	19,546
Charge for year	-	443	443
At 31 March 2024	<u>-</u>	<u>19,989</u>	<u>19,989</u>
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 March 2024	<u>82,500</u>	<u>886</u>	<u>83,386</u>
At 31 March 2023	<u>82,500</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>82,500</u>

8. STOCKS

	31.3.24	31.3.23
	£	£
Finished goods	<u>1,297</u>	<u>4,485</u>

Neston Community Youth Centre Limited

**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024**

9. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.24	31.3.23
	£	£
Trade debtors	36,365	7,130
VAT	-	560
	<u>36,365</u>	<u>7,690</u>

10. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.24	31.3.23
	£	£
Bank loans and overdrafts (see note 11)	9,150	-
Trade creditors	3,015	4,908
Social security and other taxes	2,254	1,984
Other creditors	840	539
Accruals and deferred income	12,500	-
Accrued expenses	2,645	-
	<u>30,404</u>	<u>7,431</u>

11. LOANS

An analysis of the maturity of loans is given below:

	31.3.24	31.3.23
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year on demand:		
Bank overdrafts	<u>9,150</u>	<u>-</u>

Neston Community Youth Centre Limited

**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024**

12. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.24 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	8,133	5,916	(7,482)	6,567
Freehold Land at Neston	82,500	-	-	82,500
Early Intervention	3,467	(7,392)	3,925	-
Primary Care	11,916	7,455	-	19,371
	<u>106,016</u>	<u>5,979</u>	<u>(3,557)</u>	<u>108,438</u>
Restricted funds				
CWAC Member Budgets	-	450	-	450
Community Led	261	(261)	-	-
Cheshire Minds Matter	6,338	(5,467)	-	871
Shop4Neston	37	-	-	37
Care Community	8,331	(2,062)	-	6,269
Power to Change	4,000	761	-	4,761
Civic Hall	-	(14,193)	14,193	-
Crowdfund	-	10,636	(10,636)	-
COF	-	120	-	120
Neston Town Council	-	240	-	240
Awards4All	-	20,000	-	20,000
Welcome Space	-	1,220	-	1,220
CWAC Emergency Discharge	-	3,243	-	3,243
	<u>18,967</u>	<u>14,687</u>	<u>3,557</u>	<u>37,211</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>124,983</u>	<u>20,666</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>145,649</u>

Neston Community Youth Centre Limited

**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024**

12. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	134,101	(128,185)	5,916
Early Intervention	8,610	(16,002)	(7,392)
Primary Care	36,487	(29,032)	7,455
	<u>179,198</u>	<u>(173,219)</u>	<u>5,979</u>
Restricted funds			
CWAC Member Budgets	450	-	450
Community Led	-	(261)	(261)
Cheshire Minds Matter	-	(5,467)	(5,467)
Care Community	-	(2,062)	(2,062)
Power to Change	4,000	(3,239)	761
CCF	5,740	(5,740)	-
Civic Hall	-	(14,193)	(14,193)
Crowdfund	12,121	(1,485)	10,636
COF	6,120	(6,000)	120
Neston Town Council	700	(460)	240
Awards4All	20,000	-	20,000
Welcome Space	1,220	-	1,220
CWAC Emergency Discharge	7,500	(4,257)	3,243
	<u>57,851</u>	<u>(43,164)</u>	<u>14,687</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>237,049</u>	<u>(216,383)</u>	<u>20,666</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	9,043	(910)	8,133
Freehold Land at Neston	82,500	-	82,500
Early Intervention	17,578	(14,111)	3,467
Primary Care	5,997	5,919	11,916
	<u>115,118</u>	<u>(9,102)</u>	<u>106,016</u>
Restricted funds			
CWAC Member Budgets	5,474	(5,474)	-
Community Led	548	(287)	261
Cheshire Minds Matter	8,864	(2,526)	6,338
Shop4Neston	12,000	(11,963)	37
Care Community	-	8,331	8,331
Power to Change	-	4,000	4,000
	<u>26,886</u>	<u>(7,919)</u>	<u>18,967</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>142,004</u>	<u>(17,021)</u>	<u>124,983</u>

Neston Community Youth Centre Limited

**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024**

12. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	123,650	(124,560)	(910)
Early Intervention	11,649	(25,760)	(14,111)
Primary Care	36,193	(30,274)	5,919
	<u>171,492</u>	<u>(180,594)</u>	<u>(9,102)</u>
Restricted funds			
CWAC Member Budgets	-	(5,474)	(5,474)
Community Led	-	(287)	(287)
Cheshire Minds Matter	-	(2,526)	(2,526)
Shop4Neston	-	(11,963)	(11,963)
Care Community	16,491	(8,160)	8,331
Power to Change	4,000	-	4,000
	<u>20,491</u>	<u>(28,410)</u>	<u>(7,919)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>191,983</u>	<u>(209,004)</u>	<u>(17,021)</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.4.22 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.24 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	9,043	5,006	(7,482)	6,567
Freehold Land at Neston	82,500	-	-	82,500
Early Intervention	17,578	(21,503)	3,925	-
Primary Care	5,997	13,374	-	19,371
	<u>115,118</u>	<u>(3,123)</u>	<u>(3,557)</u>	<u>108,438</u>
Restricted funds				
CWAC Member Budgets	5,474	(5,024)	-	450
Community Led	548	(548)	-	-
Cheshire Minds Matter	8,864	(7,993)	-	871
Shop4Neston	12,000	(11,963)	-	37
Care Community	-	6,269	-	6,269
Power to Change	-	4,761	-	4,761
Civic Hall	-	(14,193)	14,193	-
Crowdfund	-	10,636	(10,636)	-
COF	-	120	-	120
Neston Town Council	-	240	-	240
Awards4All	-	20,000	-	20,000
Welcome Space	-	1,220	-	1,220
CWAC Emergency Discharge	-	3,243	-	3,243
	<u>26,886</u>	<u>6,768</u>	<u>3,557</u>	<u>37,211</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>142,004</u>	<u>3,645</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>145,649</u>

Neston Community Youth Centre Limited

**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024**

12. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	257,751	(252,745)	5,006
Early Intervention	20,259	(41,762)	(21,503)
Primary Care	72,680	(59,306)	13,374
	<u>350,690</u>	<u>(353,813)</u>	<u>(3,123)</u>
Restricted funds			
CWAC Member Budgets	450	(5,474)	(5,024)
Community Led	-	(548)	(548)
Cheshire Minds Matter	-	(7,993)	(7,993)
Shop4Neston	-	(11,963)	(11,963)
Care Community	16,491	(10,222)	6,269
Power to Change	8,000	(3,239)	4,761
CCF	5,740	(5,740)	-
Civic Hall	-	(14,193)	(14,193)
Crowdfund	12,121	(1,485)	10,636
COF	6,120	(6,000)	120
Neston Town Council	700	(460)	240
Awards4All	20,000	-	20,000
Welcome Space	1,220	-	1,220
CWAC Emergency Discharge	7,500	(4,257)	3,243
	<u>78,342</u>	<u>(71,574)</u>	<u>6,768</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>429,032</u>	<u>(425,387)</u>	<u>3,645</u>

13. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Neston Community Youth Centre Limited

**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024**

	31.3.24 £	31.3.23 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	19,158	8,887
Grants	39,830	20,491
	58,988	29,378
Charitable activities		
Centre Rents	112,623	100,854
Activity Income	10,015	12,863
Contracts	50,997	47,673
	173,635	161,390
Other income		
Other income	800	704
Food and drink	3,626	511
	4,426	1,215
Total incoming resources	237,049	191,983
EXPENDITURE		
Raising donations and legacies		
Centre repairs	12,996	16,844
Charitable activities		
Wages	129,435	124,326
Pensions	2,254	2,256
Materials etc	5,049	18,592
Travel (Funded)	189	1,828
Centre Equipment	443	6,203
Advertising and Events	1,171	591
Room hire	3,876	-
	142,417	153,796
Other		
Telephone and Communications	3,629	3,516
Post and Stationery	6,542	4,035
Cleaning	3,680	5,223
Insurance	2,867	3,102
Coffee Machine Supplies	8,313	3,343
Miscellaneous	1,973	1,101
Building utilities	20,142	9,775
	47,146	30,095

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Neston Community Youth Centre Limited

**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024**

	31.3.24	31.3.23
	£	£
Support costs		
Management		
Legal Charges CRB Etc	11,227	2,993
Other accounting costs	1,483	1,602
Training	661	1,830
Bank charges	453	408
Bad debts	-	1,436
	13,824	8,269
Total resources expended	216,383	209,004
Net income/(expenditure)	<u>20,666</u>	<u>(17,021)</u>

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NESTON COMMUNITY YOUTH CENTRE LIMITED

England & Wales - Charity number 1117890

Accounts

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 06052346 (England and Wales)
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1117890

Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023
for
Neston Community Youth Centre Limited

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Neston Community Youth Centre Limited

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for the Year Ended 31 March 2023**

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Neston Community Youth Centre Limited

**Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023**

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2023. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

Neston Community Youth Centre Limited

Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

Our charity's purposes as set out in the objects contained in the company's memorandum of association are:

- The provision of facilities for recreation or other leisure time occupation of individuals who have need of such facilities... or for the public at large... with the object of improving the condition of life.
- To advance in life and help young people through:
- The provision of recreational and leisure time activities provided in the interest of social welfare, designed to improve their conditions of life.
- Providing support and activities which develop their skills, capacities and capabilities to enable them to participate in society as mature and responsible individuals.
- To promote social inclusion by preventing people from becoming socially excluded, relieving the needs of those people who are socially excluded and assisting them to integrate into society.
- To promote learning for pleasure by people no longer in full time employment through the continued development of their individual capabilities, competencies, skills and understanding in subjects of educational value.

Our aims are to:

- Minimise the impact of Social Isolation
- Enable people to live happy and healthy lives
- Provide quality space for people to meet, socialise and learn
- Support the delivery of public services
- Work with others to meet these aims Our aims fully reflect the purposes that the charity was set up to further.

Ensuring our work delivers our aims

We review our aims, objectives and activities each year. This review looks at what we achieved and the outcomes of our work in the previous 12 months. The review looks at the success of each key activity and the benefits they have brought to those groups of people we are set up to help.

The review also helps us ensure our aim, objectives and activities remain focused on our stated purposes. We have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing our aim and objectives and in planning our future activities. In particular, the trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set.

The focus of our work

Our main objectives for the year were to continue to restore and develop services to reduce the impact of Social Isolation and poor health and wellbeing which has been worsened by the Global Pandemic, secure the future of Neston Civic Hall for the benefit of local people, and to carry out feasibility work in regards to becoming Net Zero.

The strategies we used to meet these objectives included:

- Provide a range of services that can improve people's health and wellbeing - to support and enable others to do the same.
- Collaborate with organisations that can support our future development and the provision of services, where this fits with our objectives

How our activities deliver public benefit

Our main activities and who we try to help are described below. Our charitable activities focus on supporting local people to live healthy, happy and connected lives and are undertaken to further our charitable purposes for the public benefit.

Who used and benefited from our services?

In the year our activities reached more than 7000 local people. As a Community Anchor Organisation our beneficiaries are only really limited by geography and therefore our services and the services we support benefitted people from birth to 101 years of age though more than 60% of those were over the age of 60.

The area now described as the Neston & Willason Care Community has approximately 20,000 residents.

Neston Community Youth Centre Limited

Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Significant activities

Neston Angels

Neston Angels befriending continued and has expanded its provision to improve the opportunity for isolated people to socialise including setting up a monthly chat and char event and continuing with the senior matinées. Neston Angels also ran a pilot art club and hope to be able to secure funding in the future and continues to facilitate the Silvermail scheme.

Our quarterly newsletter is sent to befriendees and volunteers and shared news about the charity, befriender achievements, Neston Angels activities and reminiscences from both volunteers and befriendees.

Social Prescribing

NCYC continue to operate the Social Prescribing Service, commissioned by Neston & Willaston Primary Care Network.

In June 2022 the service moved to the Joy system and since then we have received 215 referrals from local GP Surgeries, Job Centre, Citizens Advice and others. ONS4 is used to monitor the wellbeing of those accessing the Social Prescribing service with a 38% improvement in wellbeing for those engaging with our Social Prescriber.

The Social Prescriber has set up support groups in response to the need of our community including a Bereavement Friendship Group, a group for people who had lost their partners but didn't necessarily want or need counselling, the group now meet weekly alternating between Neston Community Youth Centre and one of our many great coffee shops. The group now goes on regular day trips and overnight breaks.

The Crochet Group established in early 2022 has seen an increase in attendees and has renamed itself the Community Yarn Craft social group, meeting weekly they 'yarn bombed' Neston Town Centre for Christmas 2022, decorating lampposts and post boxes. The group have also made worry worms for anyone to take from the community centre.

The Social Prescriber continues to provide feedback to the Neston and Willaston Community Partnership Steering Group (formerly the Neston and Willaston Care Community) about the key needs for the Neston Community. The Social Prescriber co-chaired the Mental Health sub group who secured funding to train a group of volunteers in mental health first aid with the aim of delivering wellbeing peer support.

Neston Civic Hall

NCYC has been operating Neston Civic Hall since January 2022 and over the last 12-18 months we have seen an increase in activity with many of the much-loved activities returning after the Civic Hall was closed for 2 years, including the Neston Flower Society, U3A and dancing classes amongst others. Neston Civic Hall has also had several bookings for private events. Unfortunately, due to the repair issues we have faced, in particular, with frequent roof leaks this hasn't led to an increase in revenue for the Charity as we have had to close the building on a number of occasions and revenue has been used to fund patch repairs.

Neston Community Youth Centre

Neston Community Youth Centre continues to host the Job Centre, Citizens Advice drop in and Foodbank. In 2023 we also facilitated the 'Let's Talk' drop in service.

In April 2022 we set up a 'footfall' counter, across both the community centre and the Civic Hall. Between 1st April 2022 and 31st March 2023 people from our community accessed the various services facilitated by NCYC over 47,600 times. There were 1,650 activities over 4,945 hours.

Community Partnership

The Community Partnership Steering Group (formerly the Care Community) is now well established and meeting monthly. Alongside the Clinical Lead from Primary Care, we have jointly led the development of our Community Partnership and established sub groups specifically to look at Mental Health, Children, Young People and Families, Older People, and Population Health. We have had some success in bringing people from the Public, Private and VCSE sectors together to improve the way we work together and support local people with health needs.

We managed to secure funding for all sub groups to undertake projects that could improve the health and wellbeing of the local population. These projects included training volunteers as wellbeing peer support volunteers, funding counselling for young people, lunch club provision and funding a defibrillator with Neston Nomads.

Events

Neston Community Youth Centre Limited

Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

We were able to see the much anticipated return of Neston Flicks and Senior matinées. We also supported the Liverpool to Chester Cycle Ride and facilitated the much loved lantern parade as part of Christmas in Neston.

Neston Flicks will celebrate its 10 year anniversary in Sept 2023.

Public benefit

The Trustees can confirm that they have complied with the duty in section 17 of the Charities Act 2011, to have due regard to public benefit guidance published by The Commission.

A word from our Chair

The charity has undergone a considerable period of change in its leadership during the 2022/2023 period. I stepped down as Chair in January 2022 having completed my maximum period of service under the rules. The worst of the COVID period had ended and the governance of the charity looked well set for a new exciting phase. Unfortunately, for completely different personal reasons, all the trustees bar one, stepped down from their roles over a four-month period from January to April 2023. At the same time, the CEO accepted a position with another employer. It's a tribute to the resilience of the charity and the community that new Trustees were promptly appointed and, in April 2023, I was asked to return to Chair the charity to ensure stability and no loss of corporate memory. I am delighted to take on this role again whilst we reestablish ourselves. A new CEO has been appointed, Rachael Furey, who was promoted internally. Rachael has made a brilliant start in her new role and the new trustees are completely committed. We will lose Councillor Louise Gittins at the AGM in November 2023, but two replacements are already in hand. As I write this in November 2023, the charity is demonstrably refreshed and invigorated. We are blessed in having excellent staff and our reputation is such that vacancies are filled promptly with really good people.

- David Clark

A word from our Chief Executive

Firstly, I want to say a fond farewell and thank you to Gareth Prytherch, who stepped down as Chief Executive in June 2023. Having worked for NCYC in a different capacity since 2020, I was overwhelmed and inspired by the level of community spirit and support in Neston and I very quickly knew that this was a community I wanted to engage with, so having the opportunity to take on the role of Chief Executive for a Charity at the heart of its community, is one that I am excited and honoured to have.

I also want to thank our Trustees for their support to both me and the Charity.

The focus for the upcoming year is to continue to support our community by providing and expanding on our services and on ensuring the success of Neston Civic Hall as well as increasing our number of Trustees.

An application has been made to The Community Ownership Fund which if successful would enable NCYC to carry out the substantial necessary repairs needed at the Civic Hall to secure its future and ensure it can continue to be utilised for community benefit.

The level of commitment from both old and new volunteers has been inspiring and much of the work we do wouldn't be possible without our wonderful volunteers. This is shown in the response we had when trying to address the maintenance issues at Neston Civic Hall. We now have an established group of motivated, enthusiastic and skilled individuals who are helping to improve this much-loved community asset.

Thank you again to our volunteers, donors and supporters.

-Rachael Furey

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on the 15th January 2007 and registered as a charity on 8th February 2007. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association. In the event of the company being wound up members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £1.

Neston Community Youth Centre Limited

Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

The directors of the company are also charity trustees for the purposes of charity law and under the company's Articles are known as members of the Board of Directors. Under the requirements of the Memorandum and Articles of Association the members of the Board of Directors are elected to serve for a period of three years after which they may be re-elected for a maximum 3 year period at the next Annual General Meeting.

All member of the Management Committee give their time voluntarily and received no remuneration from the charity.

As part of our ongoing review of the governance of the charity, it was recognised that although our Trustees live in the communities we serve and have an understanding of local need, they don't necessarily reflect the users of our services. Therefore, an open membership structure was established to ensure the involvement of local people in a more meaningful and evidenced way.

Organisational structure

Neston Community Youth Centre has a Board of Directors, up to 10 in number, who meet 10 times per year, with 4 Formal Meetings and 6 Informal meetings and are responsible for the strategic direction and policy of the charity. At the end of the financial year the Board had six members from a variety of professional backgrounds relevant to the work of the charity.

As Accountable Officer, the Chief Executive has responsibility for maintaining a sound system of internal control that supports the achievement of the charity's policies, aims and objectives, whilst safeguarding the charitable funds and assets for which they are responsible, in accordance with the responsibilities assigned to them. They are also responsible for ensuring that NCYC is administered prudently and economically and that resources are applied efficiently and effectively.

The system of internal control is designed to manage risk to a reasonable level rather than to eliminate all risk of failure to achieve our charitable objectives; it can therefore only provide reasonable and not absolute assurance of effectiveness.

The system of internal control is based on an ongoing process designed to identify and prioritise the risks to the achievement of the charitable objectives, to evaluate the likelihood of those risks being realised and the impact should they be realised, and to manage them efficiently, effectively and economically. The system of internal control has been in place for the year ended 31 March and up to the date of approval of the annual report and accounts.

The Board of Directors is responsible for setting the risk appetite on an annual basis according to its present position and anticipated direction of travel for the financial year ahead. The defined appetite is then applied.

The trustees utilise a risk assessment matrix to ensure a consistent approach is taken to assessing the potential consequences and likelihoods of risks and furthermore that appropriate action is taken to address each risk based on the resulting score.

The Board meets regularly to discuss an agenda based on three key elements:

- Strategy and Policy
- Performance and Governance
- Quality and Safety

The Board is responsible for setting the organisation's strategy and for ensuring that we meet our statutory duties and effectively manages risk. The Board holds prime responsibility for governance and the development of systems and processes for internal control, including risk management, and compliance with regulations.

The Board maintains responsibility for setting and approving work plans and monitoring the delivery of planned objectives. The Board of Directors regularly receives reports on the business covered, risks identified and action taken as well as regular performance related reports.

The Board is responsible for ensuring the financial viability through the establishment of effective financial stewardship.

Neston Community Youth Centre Limited

Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Induction and training of new trustees

Most trustees are already familiar with the work of the charity having been involved in our activities. Additionally, potential trustees are invited and encouraged to meet with both the Chair and Chief Executive to understand:

- The duties of Charity Trustees / Company Directors
- The operational framework for the charity including the Memorandum and Articles of Association.
- Resourcing and the current financial position as set out in the latest published accounts.
- Future plans and objectives.

Candidates are then given essential guidance such as the Charity Commission's The Essential Trustee along with an application pack including Role Description, Conflict of Interest Policy and Trustee Declaration.

Risk management

The Trustees have conducted a review of the major risks to which the charity is exposed. And discussed and agreed their appetite for different types of risk. This information has formed the constituent parts of our risk register which is updated at least annually.

Where appropriate, systems or procedures have been established to mitigate the risks the charity faces. Internal Control risks will be minimised by increased board and staff capacity, increasing Trustee numbers to 8, from 4, and employing additional staff resource into key roles as funding allows.

A reserves policy has been developed.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

06052346 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number

1117890

Registered office

The Centre Burton Rd
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Cheshire
CH64 9RE

Trustees

Ms L C Gittins
Ms K Quayle (resigned 2.2.23)
Mrs C M Owen (resigned 18.4.23)
Mrs K Robinson (resigned 18.4.23)
Mrs H Roberts (resigned 18.1.23)
D Clark (appointed 19.4.23)
Ms M Gelling (appointed 19.4.23)
Ms S McGinty (appointed 29.6.23)

Independent Examiner

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Approved by order of the board of trustees on and signed on its behalf by:

Neston Community Youth Centre Limited

**Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023**

.....
D Clark - Trustee

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Neston Community Youth Centre Limited**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Neston Community Youth Centre Limited ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by Section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)).

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

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Date:

Neston Community Youth Centre Limited

**Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023**

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	31.3.23 Total funds £	31.3.22 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		8,887	20,491	29,378	21,214
Charitable activities	2	161,390	-	161,390	173,410
Other income		1,215	-	1,215	11,023
Total		<u>171,492</u>	<u>20,491</u>	<u>191,983</u>	<u>205,647</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds		4,594	12,250	16,844	8,324
Charitable activities					
General Activities of the Centre		145,905	16,160	162,065	161,167
Other		30,095	-	30,095	27,081
Total		<u>180,594</u>	<u>28,410</u>	<u>209,004</u>	<u>196,572</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(9,102)	(7,919)	(17,021)	9,075
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		115,118	26,886	142,004	132,929
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>106,016</u></u>	<u><u>18,967</u></u>	<u><u>124,983</u></u>	<u><u>142,004</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

Neston Community Youth Centre Limited

**Balance Sheet
31 March 2023**

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	31.3.23 Total funds £	31.3.22 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	6	82,500	-	82,500	82,500
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stocks	7	4,485	-	4,485	-
Debtors	8	7,690	-	7,690	11,901
Cash at bank and in hand		18,772	18,967	37,739	51,228
		<u>30,947</u>	<u>18,967</u>	<u>49,914</u>	<u>63,129</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	9	(7,431)	-	(7,431)	(3,625)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>23,516</u>	<u>18,967</u>	<u>42,483</u>	<u>59,504</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>106,016</u>	<u>18,967</u>	<u>124,983</u>	<u>142,004</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>106,016</u>	<u>18,967</u>	<u>124,983</u>	<u>142,004</u>
FUNDS	10				
Unrestricted funds				106,016	115,118
Restricted funds				18,967	26,886
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>124,983</u>	<u>142,004</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 March 2023.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

The notes form part of these financial statements

Neston Community Youth Centre Limited

Balance Sheet - continued
31 March 2023

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on and were signed on its behalf by:

.....
D Clark - Trustee

.....
L C Gittins - Trustee

Neston Community Youth Centre Limited

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Plant and machinery - at varying rates on cost

Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charitable company's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

Neston Community Youth Centre Limited

**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023**

2. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	31.3.23	31.3.22
	£	£
Centre Rents	100,854	94,828
Activity Income	12,863	909
Contracts	47,673	77,673
	<u>161,390</u>	<u>173,410</u>

3. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	31.3.23	31.3.22
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	<u>6,203</u>	<u>715</u>

4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2023 nor for the year ended 31 March 2022.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2023 nor for the year ended 31 March 2022.

5. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	4,194	17,020	21,214
Charitable activities	173,410	-	173,410
Other income	11,023	-	11,023
Total	<u>188,627</u>	<u>17,020</u>	<u>205,647</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	8,324	-	8,324
Charitable activities			
General Activities of the Centre	132,585	28,582	161,167
Other	26,576	505	27,081
Total	<u>167,485</u>	<u>29,087</u>	<u>196,572</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	21,142	(12,067)	9,075
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	93,976	38,953	132,929

Neston Community Youth Centre Limited

**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023**

5. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>115,118</u>	<u>26,886</u>	<u>142,004</u>

6. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold property £	Plant and machinery £	Totals £
COST			
At 1 April 2022	82,500	13,343	95,843
Additions	-	6,203	6,203
At 31 March 2023	<u>82,500</u>	<u>19,546</u>	<u>102,046</u>
DEPRECIATION			
At 1 April 2022	-	13,343	13,343
Charge for year	-	6,203	6,203
At 31 March 2023	<u>-</u>	<u>19,546</u>	<u>19,546</u>
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 March 2023	<u>82,500</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>82,500</u>
At 31 March 2022	<u>82,500</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>82,500</u>

7. STOCKS

	31.3.23 £	31.3.22 £
Finished goods	<u>4,485</u>	<u>-</u>

8. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.23 £	31.3.22 £
Trade debtors	7,130	11,901
VAT	560	-
	<u>7,690</u>	<u>11,901</u>

Neston Community Youth Centre Limited

**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023**

9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.23	31.3.22
	£	£
Trade creditors	4,907	1,290
Social security and other taxes	1,984	1,981
Other creditors	540	354
	<u>7,431</u>	<u>3,625</u>

10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.22	Net movement in funds	At 31.3.23
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	9,043	(910)	8,133
Freehold Land at Neston	82,500	-	82,500
Early Intervention	17,578	(14,111)	3,467
Primary Care	5,997	5,919	11,916
	<u>115,118</u>	<u>(9,102)</u>	<u>106,016</u>
Restricted funds			
CWAC Member Budgets	5,474	(5,474)	-
Community Led	548	(287)	261
Cheshire Minds Matter	8,864	(2,526)	6,338
Shop4Neston	12,000	(11,963)	37
Care Community	-	8,331	8,331
Power to Change	-	4,000	4,000
	<u>26,886</u>	<u>(7,919)</u>	<u>18,967</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>142,004</u>	<u>(17,021)</u>	<u>124,983</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Movement in funds
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	123,650	(124,560)	(910)
Early Intervention	11,649	(25,760)	(14,111)
Primary Care	36,193	(30,274)	5,919
	<u>171,492</u>	<u>(180,594)</u>	<u>(9,102)</u>
Restricted funds			
CWAC Member Budgets	-	(5,474)	(5,474)
Community Led	-	(287)	(287)
Cheshire Minds Matter	-	(2,526)	(2,526)
Shop4Neston	-	(11,963)	(11,963)
Care Community	16,491	(8,160)	8,331
Power to Change	4,000	-	4,000
	<u>20,491</u>	<u>(28,410)</u>	<u>(7,919)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>191,983</u>	<u>(209,004)</u>	<u>(17,021)</u>

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023**

10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.22 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	11,476	(2,433)	9,043
Freehold Land at Neston	82,500	-	82,500
Early Intervention	-	17,578	17,578
Primary Care	-	5,997	5,997
	93,976	21,142	115,118
Restricted funds			
CWAC Member Budgets	-	5,474	5,474
Community Led	1,753	(1,205)	548
Cheshire Minds Matter	37,200	(28,336)	8,864
Shop4Neston	-	12,000	12,000
	38,953	(12,067)	26,886
TOTAL FUNDS	132,929	9,075	142,004

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	110,949	(113,382)	(2,433)
Early Intervention	41,485	(23,907)	17,578
Primary Care	36,193	(30,196)	5,997
	188,627	(167,485)	21,142
Restricted funds			
CWAC Member Budgets	6,000	(526)	5,474
Community Led	(980)	(225)	(1,205)
Cheshire Minds Matter	-	(28,336)	(28,336)
Shop4Neston	12,000	-	12,000
	17,020	(29,087)	(12,067)
TOTAL FUNDS	205,647	(196,572)	9,075

Neston Community Youth Centre Limited

**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023**

10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.4.21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	11,476	(3,343)	8,133
Freehold Land at Neston	82,500	-	82,500
Early Intervention	-	3,467	3,467
Primary Care	-	11,916	11,916
	93,976	12,040	106,016
Restricted funds			
Community Led	1,753	(1,492)	261
Cheshire Minds Matter	37,200	(30,862)	6,338
Shop4Neston	-	37	37
Care Community	-	8,331	8,331
Power to Change	-	4,000	4,000
	38,953	(19,986)	18,967
TOTAL FUNDS			
	132,929	(7,946)	124,983

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	234,599	(237,942)	(3,343)
Early Intervention	53,134	(49,667)	3,467
Primary Care	72,386	(60,470)	11,916
	360,119	(348,079)	12,040
Restricted funds			
CWAC Member Budgets	6,000	(6,000)	-
Community Led	(980)	(512)	(1,492)
Cheshire Minds Matter	-	(30,862)	(30,862)
Shop4Neston	12,000	(11,963)	37
Care Community	16,491	(8,160)	8,331
Power to Change	4,000	-	4,000
	37,511	(57,497)	(19,986)
TOTAL FUNDS			
	397,630	(405,576)	(7,946)

Neston Community Youth Centre Limited

**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023**

11. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Neston Community Youth Centre Limited

**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023**

	31.3.23 £	31.3.22 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	8,887	16,194
Grants	20,491	5,020
	29,378	21,214
Charitable activities		
Centre Rents	100,854	94,828
Activity Income	12,863	909
Contracts	47,673	77,673
	161,390	173,410
Other income		
Other income	704	10,667
Food and drink	511	356
	1,215	11,023
Total incoming resources	191,983	205,647
EXPENDITURE		
Raising donations and legacies		
Centre repairs	16,844	8,324
Charitable activities		
Wages	124,326	112,156
Pensions	2,256	8,331
Materials etc	18,592	32,111
Travel (Funded)	1,828	291
Centre Equipment	6,203	715
Advertising and Events	591	2,608
	153,796	156,212
Other		
Telephone and Communications	3,516	2,124
Post and Stationery	4,035	6,735
Cleaning	5,223	1,182
Insurance	3,102	2,114
Coffee Machine Supplies	3,343	1,245
Miscellaneous	1,101	985
Building utilities	9,775	12,696
	30,095	27,081
Support costs		

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Neston Community Youth Centre Limited

**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023**

	31.3.23 £	31.3.22 £
Support costs		
Management		
Legal Charges CRB Etc	2,993	2,366
Other accounting costs	1,602	1,302
Training	1,830	477
Bank charges	408	294
Bad debts	1,436	516
	8,269	4,955
Total resources expended	209,004	196,572
Net (expenditure)/income	<u>(17,021)</u>	<u>9,075</u>

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NESTON COMMUNITY YOUTH CENTRE LIMITED

England & Wales - Charity number 1117890

Accounts

**The Trustees Annual Report of
Neston Community Youth Centre Ltd
for the year ended 31st March 2022**



Neston Community Youth Centre Ltd

Registered Office: Neston Community Youth Centre, Burton Road, Neston, CH64 9RE

Registered Charity No: 1117890

Company Limited by Guarantee No: 06052346

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2022. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

Trustees who served during the period

David Clark – retired 20th January 2022

Louise Gittins

Kerry Quayle

Christine Owen

Kerry Robinson

Helen Roberts

Andrew Mills – appointed 31st March 2021

Independent Examiner

Haines Watts

Military House

24 Castle Street

Chester

Cheshire

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Approved by order of the board of trustees on Wednesday 7th September 2022 and signed on its behalf by:

Kerry Robinson - Chair

Structure, Governance And Management

Governing Document

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on the 15th January 2007 and registered as a charity on 8th February 2007. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association. In the event of the company being wound up members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £1.

Recruitment and Appointment of Directors

The directors of the company are also charity trustees for the purposes of charity law and under the company's Articles are known as members of the Board of Directors. Under the requirements of the Memorandum and Articles of Association the members of the Board of Directors are elected to serve for a period of three years after which they may be re-elected for a maximum 3 year period at the next Annual General Meeting.

All member of the Management Committee give their time voluntarily and received no remuneration from the charity. David Clark retired by rotation but was not eligible for re-election having served for 7 years due to the impact of Covid-19.

As part of our ongoing review of the governance of the charity, it has been recognised that although our Trustees live in the communities we serve and have an understanding of local need, they don't necessarily reflect the users of our services. Therefore, it has been agreed to establish an open membership structure which aims to involve local people in a more meaningful and evidenced way. In addition, this will enhance the potential pool of trustees from which to recruit.

Trustee Induction and Training

Most trustees are already familiar with the work of the charity having been involved in our activities. Additionally, potential trustees are invited and encouraged to meet with both the Chair and Chief Executive to understand:

- The duties of Charity Trustees / Company Directors
- The operational framework for the charity including the Memorandum and Articles of Association.
- Resourcing and the current financial position as set out in the latest published accounts.
- Future plans and objectives.

Candidates are then given essential guidance such as the Charity Commission's The Essential Trustee along with an application pack including Role Description, Conflict of Interest Policy and Trustee Declaration.

Risk Management

The Trustees have conducted a review of the major risks to which the charity is exposed. And discussed and agreed their appetite for different types of risk. This information has formed the constituent parts of our risk register which is updated at least annually.

Where appropriate, systems or procedures have been established to mitigate the risks the charity faces.

Internal Control risks will be minimised by increased board and staff capacity, increasing Trustee numbers to 8, from 6, and employing additional staff resource into key roles as funding allows.

The lack of a robust reserves policy has also been identified and developed, as outlined below.

Organisational Structure

Neston Community Youth Centre has a Board of Directors, up to 10 in number, who meet 10 times per year, with 4 Formal Meetings and 6 Informal meetings and are responsible for the strategic direction and policy of the charity. At present the Board has six members from a variety of professional backgrounds relevant to the work of the charity.

As Accountable Officer, the Chief Executive has responsibility for maintaining a sound system of internal control that supports the achievement of the charity's policies, aims and objectives, whilst safeguarding the charitable funds and assets for which they are responsible, in accordance with the responsibilities assigned to them. They are also responsible for ensuring that NCYC is administered prudently and economically and that resources are applied efficiently and effectively.

The system of internal control is designed to manage risk to a reasonable level rather than to eliminate all risk of failure to achieve our charitable objectives; it can therefore only provide reasonable and not absolute assurance of effectiveness.

The system of internal control is based on an ongoing process designed to identify and prioritise the risks to the achievement of the charitable objectives, to evaluate the likelihood of those risks being realised and the impact should they be realised, and to manage them efficiently, effectively and economically. The system of internal control has been in place for the year ended 31 March and up to the date of approval of the annual report and accounts.

The Board of Directors is responsible for setting the risk appetite on an annual basis according to its present position and anticipated direction of travel for the financial year ahead. The defined appetite is then applied.

The trustees utilise a risk assessment matrix to ensure a consistent approach is taken to assessing the potential consequences and likelihoods of risks and furthermore that appropriate action is taken to address each risk based on the resulting score.

The Board meets regularly to discuss an agenda based on three key elements:

- Strategy and Policy
- Performance and Governance
- Quality and Safety

The Board is responsible for setting the organisation's strategy and for ensuring that we meet our statutory duties and effectively manages risk. The Board holds prime responsibility for governance and the development of systems and processes for internal control, including risk management, and compliance with regulations.

The Board maintains responsibility for setting and approving work plans and monitoring the delivery of planned objectives. The Board of Directors regularly receives reports on the business covered, risks identified and action taken as well as regular performance related reports.

The Board is responsible for ensuring the financial viability through the establishment of effective financial stewardship.

Objectives and Activities

Purpose and Aims

Our charity's purposes as set out in the objects contained in the company's memorandum of association are:

- The provision of facilities for recreation or other leisure time occupation of individuals who have need of such facilities... or for the public at large... with the object of improving the condition of life.
- To advance in life and help young people through:
 - The provision of recreational and leisure time activities provided in the interest of social welfare, designed to improve their conditions of life.
 - Providing support and activities which develop their skills, capacities and capabilities to enable them to participate in society as mature and responsible individuals.
- To promote social inclusion by preventing people from becoming socially excluded, relieving the needs of those people who are socially excluded and assisting them to integrate into society.
- To promote learning for pleasure by people no longer in full time employment through the continued development of their individual capabilities, competencies, skills and understanding in subjects of educational value.

Our aims are to:

- Minimise the impact of Social Isolation
- Enable people to live happy and healthy lives
- Provide quality space for people to meet, socialise and learn
- Support the delivery of public services
- Work with others to meet these aims

Our aims fully reflect the purposes that the charity was set up to further.

Ensuring our work delivers our aims

We review our aims, objectives and activities each year. This review looks at what we achieved and the outcomes of our work in the previous 12 months. The review looks at the success of each key activity and the benefits they have brought to those groups of people we are set up to help.

The review also helps us ensure our aim, objectives and activities remain focused on our stated purposes. We have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing our aim and objectives and in planning our future activities. In particular, the trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set.

The focus of our work

Our main objectives for the year were to restore and develop services to reduce the impact of Social Isolation and poor health and wellbeing which has been worsened by the Global Pandemic; Secure the future of Neston Civic Hall for the benefit of local people; to improve our support for young people and; to prepare the ground for future development. The strategies we used to meet these objectives included:

- Provide a range of services that can improve people's health and wellbeing - to support and enable others to do the same.
- Collaborate with organisations that can support our future development and the provision of services, where this fits with our objectives
- Review our long term strategy in light of the impact of Covid-19 and the impending financial crisis.

How our activities deliver public benefit

Our main activities and who we try to help are described below. Our charitable activities focus on supporting local people to live healthy, happy and connected lives and are undertaken to further our charitable purposes for the public benefit.

Who used and benefited from our services?

The area now described as the Neston & Willaston Care Community has approximately 20,000 residents. In the year our activities reached more than 7000 of them. As a Community Anchor Organisation our beneficiaries are only really limited by geography and therefore our services and the services we support benefitted people from birth to 101 years of age though more than 60% of those were over the age of 60.

We targeted support towards older people, young people (13 -25) and those whose wellbeing had been negatively impacted during Covid-19.

Activities

Neston Angels

Neston Angels befriending continued at a distance, and like everyone, Neston Angels had to adapt its support and training of volunteers to the changing Covid restrictions. When restrictions were eased, befrienders were delighted to meet face to face outdoors and socially distanced, for the first time in 16 months, on a lovely June day in the community garden.

Neston Angels launched a social club for befriendees in October 2021 led by volunteer Tony. The club targeted Neston Angels clients most in need of social activities after the long isolation of Covid, and included a fun mix of games, quizzes and music with the chance to chat and make new friends.

Our quarterly newsletter was posted and emailed to 56 befriendees and volunteers and shared news about the charity, befriender achievements, Neston Angels activities and reminiscences from both volunteers and befriendees.

In September, Neston Angels organised a get together at the centre with volunteer Dy, an 84 year old volunteer who had been telephoning clients throughout the pandemic, where he was able to meet some of the people he had been calling for over a year, face to face for the first time. Dy said, "We had much to talk about regarding the difficulties we had all experienced over the last year and more. They said they really enjoyed both the befriender visits and my phone calls, both helped to ease the loneliness often felt by so many."

18 befrienders attended a party at NCYC to mark national Befriender's Week and thank them for their contribution to tackling isolation and celebrate their achievements.

42 befriender matches were made in 2021, 805 sessions and 1,115 group or 1:1 contact hours were delivered.

Social Prescribing

Having recruited in the middle of the Pandemic (August 2020), our Social Prescribing Service commissioned by Neston & Willaston Primary Care Network, entered its first full year of operation.

In the year we received 248 referrals from local GP Surgeries, Job Centre, Citizens Advice and others. These referrals generated 418 Social Prescriptions and 414 signposts to other services including Citizens Advice, Job Centre, Foodbank, Befriending and Social Activities.

Some of the services or support didn't exist and we were able to work with volunteers and others to develop them. During lockdown, Sophie, had established a Mutual Aid group on Facebook (The Mind Journey) to allow people to discuss their mental health and get support. As restrictions lifted, we worked with Sophie to establish her group face to face for those that wanted to meet in person. This group met regularly and allowed people to talk openly about how they were feeling. The impact Sophie had on people was clear to see and we nominated her as Cheshire West Mental Health Champion which she deservedly won.

Another need that presented itself was bereavement support and we established a group for people who had lost their partners but didn't necessarily want or need counselling and then identified a volunteer with the skills and knowledge to develop the group. Initially meeting fortnightly, the group now meet weekly alternating between Neston Community Youth Centre and one of our many great coffee shops. This group is now in the process of planning day trips and more social activities. 17 people attended the group in the year with the vast majority attending regularly.

Most recently we have supported a volunteer to establish a crochet social group which, in the last month, has grown to seven regular attenders.

As part of our work developing the Neston & Willaston Care Community, we have led the Mental Health Sub Group which has just secured funding to train more volunteers to deliver peer support groups.

Neston Community Youth Centre

Whilst our centre, which is our main hub of activity, remained active throughout covid, the impact of restrictions continued this year. However, we were able to maintain access for the Job Centre, Citizens Advice and Foodbank throughout. As the year continued, and other activities returned, the building, although still operating under Covid Secure conditions, began to return to 'feeling normal'. This led to 7264 attendees taking part in 1560 Activities over 4674 Hours.

We have also just secured Neston Civic Hall which will increase both our revenue and ability to increase activity and reach to other parts of the community.

Care Community

During the pandemic, our Chief Executive took on a representative role with Cheshire West Integrated Care Partnership as Associate Director for Developing Connected Care Communities. The role was to support the development of Care Communities, Social Prescribing and funding opportunities for the Voluntary, Community and Social Enterprise (VCSE) Sector across Cheshire West.

In the year, 9 Care Community Steering Groups were established across Cheshire West including Neston & Willaston. Alongside the Clinical Lead, from Primary Care, we have jointly led the development of our Care Community and established sub groups specifically to look at Mental Health; Children, Young People and Families, Older People, and Population Health which have had some success in bringing people from the Public, Private and VCSE sectors together to improve the way we work together and support local people with health needs.

We continued to support the roll out of Covid-19 Vaccines, which led to our Primary Care Network having the highest rate of take up in the North West for a period of time. We also managed to secure funding for all Care Communities to undertake projects that could improve the health and wellbeing of the local population. These projects will be delivered in the coming year.

This work has also received a nomination for a National Improvement Award from NHS England and Improvement for Improving through Co-production.

Young People

Although we have been unable to secure funding to deliver Open Access Youth Work, we secure funding to deliver counselling for Young People who were struggling with their mental health and unable to access support from statutory services. This work has been delivered and 100% of the participants reported improved feelings of wellbeing. We have now secured funding to continue this work for the next school year.

We have also secured funding to train young people from Neston High School in Mental Health First Aid to provide student support volunteers and to replicate the Care Community Steering Group in the High School with the overall aim of ensuring young people are properly represented on the main Steering Group. This work will start in the coming year.

Events

With Covid restrictions still in place, Neston Flicks and Senior Matinees were on hold throughout 2021. We were also unable to deliver the Big Lunch or support Ladies Day which was also the victim of changing restrictions and public health advice.

However, for the first time in two years we were able to work with local arts organisation, Hip & Harmony CIC, to deliver the Neston Christmas Lights Switch On! The event was well attended and gave the first opportunity for our community to come together since before Covid-19 existed.

Independent examiner's report

to the Trustees of Neston Community Youth Centre

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)).

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

Neil St J Blake
Haines Watts
Military House
24 Castle Street
Chester
Cheshire
CH1 2DS

Signed:

Date:

Statement of Financial Activities

for the Year Ended 31st March 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	31/03/22 Total funds £	31/03/21 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		4,194	17,020	21,214	77,993
Charitable Activities		173,410	-	173,410	97,579
Other income	2	11,023	-	11,023	18,047
Total		188,627	17,020	205,647	193,619
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising Funds		8,324	-	8,324	6,907
Charitable activities					
General Activities of the Centre		132,585	28,582	161,167	145,545
Other		26,576	505	27,081	17,181
Total		167,485	29,087	196,572	169,633
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		21,142	(12,067)	9,075	23,986
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		93,976	38,953	132,929	108,943
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		115,118	26,886	142,004	132,929

The notes form part of these financial statements

Balance Sheet

at 31st March 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	31/03/22 Total funds £	31/03/21 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	6	82,500	-	82,500	82,500
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	7	11,901	-	11,901	293
Cash at bank and in hand		24,176	27,052	51,228	69,191
		36,077	27,052	63,129	69,484
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	8	(3,459)	(166)	(3,625)	(19,055)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		32,618	26,886	59,504	50,429
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		115,118	26,886	142,004	132,929
NET ASSETS		115,118	26,886	142,004	132,929
FUNDS	10				
Unrestricted funds				115,118	93,976
Restricted funds				26,886	38,953
TOTAL FUNDS				142,004	132,929

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 March 2021.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2021 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for:

- ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

The notes form part of these financial statements

Balance Sheet - continued

at 31st March 2022

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on Wednesday 7th September 2022 and were signed on its behalf by:

Kerry Robinson – Chair of Trustees
8th September 2022

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Louise Gittins', with a long horizontal line extending from the end of the signature.

Louise Gittins – Trustee
8th September 2022

The notes form part of these financial statements

Notes to the Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31st March 2021

1. Accounting Policies

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible Fixed Assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Plant and machinery - at varying rates on cost

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Fund Accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Hire Purchase And Leasing Commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

Pension Costs And Other Post-Retirement Benefits

The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charitable company's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

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2. Charitable Activities

	31/03/22	31/03/21
	£	£
Centre Rents	94,828	48,305
Activity Income	909	14,198
Contracts	77,673	35,071
Membership	0	5
	<u>173,410</u>	<u>97,579</u>

3. Net Income/(Expenditure)

	31/03/22	31/03/21
	£	£
Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):		
Depreciation - owned assets	715	4,908
Hire of plant and machinery	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

4. Trustees' Remuneration And Benefits

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2022 nor for the year ended 31 March 2021.

Trustees' Expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2022 nor for the year ended 31 March 2021.

5. Comparatives For The Statement Of Financial Activities

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds
	£	£	£
Income And Endowments From			
Donations and legacies	4,793	73,200	77,993
Charitable Activities	97,579	-	97,579
Other Income	18,047	-	18,047
Total	<u>120,419</u>	<u>73,200</u>	<u>193,619</u>
Expenditure On			
Raising Funds	6,289	618	6,907
General Activities of the Centre	106,681	38,864	145,545
Other	14,637	2,544	17,181
Total	<u>127,607</u>	<u>42,026</u>	<u>169,633</u>
Net Income	<u>(7,188)</u>	<u>31,174</u>	<u>23,986</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements – continued**5. Comparatives For The Statement Of Financial Activities - Continued**

Reconciliation Of Funds	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds £
Total Funds Brought Forward	101,165	7,778	108,943
Total Funds Carried Forward	93,977	38,952	132,929

6. Tangible Fixed Assets

	Freehold Property £	Plant and Machinery £	Totals £
Cost			
At 1 April 2021	82,500	12,628	95,128
Additions	-	715	715
At 31 March 2022	82,500	13,343	95,843
Depreciation			
At 1 April 2021	-	12,628	12,628
Charge for year	-	715	715
At 31 March 2022	-	13,343	13,343
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 March 2022	82,500	-	82,500
At 31 March 2021	82,500	-	82,500

7. Debtors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year

	31/03/22 £	31/03/21 £
Trade debtors	11,901	293

8. Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year

	31/03/22 £	31/03/21 £
Trade creditors	1,290	7,453
Social security and other taxes	1,981	6,020
Other creditors	354	5,582
	3,625	19,055

9. Movement In Funds - continued

	At 01/04/21 £	Net Movement in Funds £	At 31/03/22 £
Unrestricted Funds			9,043
General fund	11,476	(2,433)	
Freehold Land at Neston	82,500	-	82,500
Early Intervention	-	17,578	17,578
Primary Care	-	5,997	5,997
	93,976	21,142	115,118
Restricted Funds			
CWAC Member Budgets	-	5,474	5,474
Community Led Housing	1,753	(1,205)	548
Cheshire Minds Matter	37,200	(28,336)	8,864
Shop4Neston	-	12,000	12,000
	38,953	(12,067)	26,886
Total Funds	132,929	9,075	142,004

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	110,949	(113,382)	(2,433)
Early Intervention	41,485	(23,907)	17,578
Primary Care	36,193	(30,196)	5,997
Restricted funds			
CWAC Member Budgets	6,000	(526)	5,474
Community Led Housing	(980)	(225)	(1,205)
Cheshire Minds Matter	-	(28,336)	(28,336)
Shop4Neston	12,000	-	12,000
	17,020	(29,087)	(12,067)
TOTAL FUNDS	205,647	(196,572)	9,075

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9. Movement In Funds - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 01/04/20 £	Net movement in Funds £	At 31/03/21 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	18,665	(7,189)	11,476
Freehold Land at Neston	82,500	-	82,500
	<u>101,165</u>	<u>(7,189)</u>	<u>93,976</u>
Restricted funds			
Neston Angels	410	(410)	-
CWAC Member Budgets	84	(84)	-
Community Led	7,288	(5,535)	1,753
Garden Fund	(4)	4	-
Cheshire Minds Matter	-	37,200	37,200
	<u>7,778</u>	<u>31,175</u>	<u>38,953</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>108,943</u>	<u>23,986</u>	<u>132,929</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	120,419	(127,608)	(7,189)
Restricted funds			
Neston Angels	-	(410)	(410)
CWAC Member Budgets	-	(84)	(84)
Community Led	-	(5,535)	(5,535)
Garden Fund	-	4	4
CAF CV-19 Response Grant	4,200	(4,200)	-
Cheshire Minds Matter	37,200	-	37,200
CWaC Covid Response Fund	3,000	(3,000)	-
NLCF Awards for All	9,600	(9,600)	-
P2C Trading Income Support Scheme	19,200	(19,200)	-
	<u>73,200</u>	<u>(42,025)</u>	<u>31,175</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>193,619</u>	<u>(169,633)</u>	<u>23,986</u>

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9. Movement In Funds - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 01/04/20 £	Net Movement in funds £	At 31/03/22 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	18,665	(9,622)	9,043
Freehold Land at Neston	82,500	-	82,500
Early Intervention	-	17,578	17,578
Primary Care	-	5,997	5,997
	<u>100,165</u>	<u>13,953</u>	<u>115,118</u>
Restricted funds			
Neston Angels	410	(410)	-
CWaC Member Budgets	84	5,390	5,474
Community Led Housing	7,288	(6,740)	548
Garden Fund	(4)	4	-
Cheshire Minds Matter	-	8,864	8,864
Shop4Neston	-	12,000	12,000
	<u>7,778</u>	<u>19,108</u>	<u>26,886</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>108,943</u>	<u>33,061</u>	<u>142,004</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	231,368	(240,990)	(9,622)
Early Intervention	41,485	(23,907)	17,578
Primary Care	36,193	(30,196)	5,997
Restricted funds			
Neston Angels	-	(410)	(410)
CWAC Member Budgets	6,000	(610)	5,390
Community Led	(980)	(5,760)	(6,740)
Garden Fund	-	4	4
CAF CV-19 Response grant	4,200	(4,200)	-
Cheshire Minds Matter	37,200	(28,336)	8,864
CWAC Covid Response Fund	3,000	(3,000)	-
NLCF Awards for All	9,600	(9,600)	-
TISS	19,200	(19,200)	-
Shop4Neston	12,000	-	12,000
	<u>90,220</u>	<u>(71,112)</u>	<u>19,108</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>399,266</u>	<u>(366,205)</u>	<u>33,061</u>

10. Related Party Disclosures

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31st March 2021

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities

for the year ended 31st March 2022

	31/03/22 £	31/03/21 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	16,194	4,221
Grants	5,020	73,772
	21,214	77,993
Charitable Activities		
Centre Rents	94,828	48,305
Activity Income	909	14,198
Contracts	77,673	35,071
Membership	-	5
	173,410	97,579
Other Income		
Other Income	10,667	17,244
Food & Drink	356	803
	11,203	18,047
Total Incoming Resources	205,647	193,619
EXPENDITURE		
Raising donations and legacies		
Centre Repairs	8,324	6,907
Charitable activities		
Wages	112,156	110,844
Pensions	8,331	1,674
Materials etc	32,11	23,837
Travel (Funded)	291	609
Centre Equipment	715	4,908
Advertising and Events	2,608	760
	156,212	142,632
Other		
Telephone and Communications	2,124	2,315
Post and Stationery	6,735	1,480
Cleaning	1,182	842
Insurance	2,114	2,497
Coffee Machine Supplies	1,245	440
Miscellaneous	985	1,092
Building utilities	12,696	5,697
	27,081	14,367

	31/03/21 £	31/03/20 £
Support Costs		
Management		
Legal Charges CRB Etc	2,366	1,839
Other accounting costs	1,302	323
Training	477	160
Bank charges	294	591
Bad debts	516	2814
	4,955	5,727
Total resources expended	196,572	169,633
Net income	9,075	23,986

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Financial Review

Despite ongoing difficulties around future planning, against the backdrop of Covid-19, the threat of a financial crisis, and the uncertainty of Brexit, the organisation has actually been able to stabilise.

We were not only able to maintain our revenue streams, we were able to exceed both expectation and pre pandemic performance. Securing additional funds for Neston Angels, albeit only for one year, and securing a long term contract to provide the Social Prescribing Service has meant that each programme has generated Additional income to support the charity.

This improved turnover, alongside sound financial management and improved reporting generated a very positive financial outcome for the period with a net increase in funds of just over £21,000.

Principal Funding Sources

The principal funding sources for the charity are currently charitable revenue generated from the operation of Neston Community Youth Centre (50%) and Commissioned Service Delivery (42%). The increase in grant funding we have seen over the past couple of years is now reducing as funders focus on Covid Recovery and challenging inequality.

Reserves Policy

The Trustee Board has examined the charity's requirements for reserves in light of the main risks to the organisation. It has established a policy whereby the unrestricted funds not committed or invested in tangible fixed assets held by the charity should be between 3 and 6 months of the expenditure.

Budgeted expenditure for 2022/23 is £208,000 and therefore the target is £51,000 to £102,000 in general funds. The reserves are needed to meet the working capital requirements of the charity and the Board are confident that at this level they would be able to continue the current activities of the charity in the event of a significant drop in funding.

Whilst unrestricted funds stand at £32,618 a designation of £20,000 has been set aside for operational contingency. The present level of reserves available to the charity of £12,618 therefore falls significantly short of this target level. Although the strategy is to continue to build reserves through planned operating surpluses, including the operation of Neston Civic Hall, the Board is well aware that it is unlikely that the target range can be reached for at least five years. In the short term, the Board has also considered the extent to which existing activities and expenditure could be curtailed, should such circumstances arise.

NESTON COMMUNITY YOUTH CENTRE LIMITED

England & Wales - Charity number 1117890

Accounts

Neston Community Youth Centre Ltd

Registered Company No: 06052346

Registered Charity No: 1117890



Report of the Trustees and Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2021

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Administrative Details

The Directors, who are also Trustees of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2021. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

Structure, Governance And Management

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a Memorandum and Articles of Association and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

Trustees

Mr David Clark - Chair
Mrs Louise Gittins
Mrs Kerry Quayle
Mrs Christine Owen
Mrs Kerry Robinson
Mrs Helen Roberts
Mr Andrew Mills (appointed 31st March 2021)

Independent Examiner

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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 6th December 2021 and signed on its behalf by:



Mr David Clark – Chair of the Board of Trustees
21st December 2021

The Trustees Annual Report

A word from our outgoing Chair...

Inevitably it has been a traumatic year for the charity. Delivery has not been on the activities that we planned and the financial performance has, as a result, been completely and positively different from the initial budget. It is, therefore, remarkable that we have grown in turnover at the same time as we have refocused the organisation as a leader and responder to the issues facing our community. It is a huge credit to our Chief Executive and team that they have demonstrated agility and fleetness of foot to such an extent that we ended the year in such a strong position. The trustees are enormously grateful to them all.

At the same time, the trustees themselves have adapted to new ways of working as well as to new opportunities with great flexibility, whilst honouring the organisation's purpose and values. It is safe to say that our charity is respected and trusted by the community it serves - and rightly so as we have filled a public service gap that, without our help, would almost certainly not have been filled.

At the time of writing, I am preparing to hand over the Chair reins as I complete my allotted term of office. It has been an honour and a privilege to lead the charity through a period of transformation that, in retrospect, seems amazing. In my six years of leadership, we have transformed from a room hire service to a community leadership role (whilst still renting out rooms when required). Public, private and community bodies now come to us first when there is a need to activate community engagement in economic and social development initiatives. The organisation is soundly led and financed. The Board of Trustees is invigorated by the opportunities ahead and I offer my thanks and ongoing support to Kerry Robinson whose enthusiasm and energy will continue to take the organisation forward as chair.

- David Clark

A word from our incoming Chair...

You hardly need telling that this has been a difficult year. Neston and its surrounding areas experienced, like many communities across the world, common challenges, the impact of covid whether that be on physical health, mental health, employment, the loosening of community connections with the repeated lockdowns curtailing activities. Nonetheless NCYC not only endured but continued to thrive; activities have been adapted, differing financial sources found and we have continued to support the community in both the same and different ways.

In this period NCYC have strengthened and renewed its commitment to serving the needs of our neighbourhood communities; taking stock of the year gone; and looking forward to the year to come. NCYC is committed to a vision that everyone in our community can live healthy, fulfilled and connected lives.

The Centre remains prominent in Neston, a real presence in the neighbourhood, and we can be sure that, after the year we've had, that there will never be a greater need for such a resource. We have already opened back up, attracting users, focussing on coordinating the Centre's use whilst ensuring safeguarding. Together with looking at a future much broader than the physical centre, we can look forward with renewed optimism to building back with increasing capacity, connections and ambition over the next year.

Our charity and Community Centre has been going through various changes over the last two years. Much of this work is not evident but is very necessary. As Trustees we must ensure that our charity is fit for purpose & we must also ensure the same for the Community Centre and the activities we deliver.

As a Trustee, I would like to express my gratitude and admiration to our staff, who have been so adaptable, determined and ready to serve. This work can be challenging. Regardless of these challenges both our staff and Trustees are continuing to build on our charity & Community Centre strengths. And I am really proud of the work we are doing developing links with partners both to support existing projects and find common cause to develop new projects & services.

I am hugely honoured to be asked to serve as Chair in the coming period supported by my fantastic fellow Trustees. Our centre and particularly our charity should be and is the 'building of opportunity' as a community anchor organisation, leading and supporting the development of community led solutions that enable local people to improve their health and wellbeing, reach their potential and remain connected. We all benefit from what we each bring to the centre and charity, we are in this together. And I know that together we can continue to support Neston community for many more years.

- Kerry Robinson

When The World Stopped

So much happened in the year and we would like to take you through the story of the year as it unfolded. Interestingly, each quarter felt very different and so we will walk you through the work of the charity as we experienced it

April/May/June

As the effects of Lockdown were becoming apparent, local needs were different than we had expected. Our telephones rang and our website and emails pinged from morning till night with people seeking help with shopping and delivery of medicines and, of course – as would become the norm, offers of help. More than 120 people volunteered their help with anything that was needed to enable people to self isolate. A team of two people co-ordinated activity by almost 100 volunteers for 792 beneficiaries. Working with Primary Care and local pharmacies, NCYC and Ellesmere Port and Neston Community Transport worked tirelessly to ensure that local people's needs were met.

The building that had been a hive of activity was empty and quiet except for the Foodbank sessions which continued throughout. Given that a significant proportion of our funding each year comes from operating the building, early concerns about income were eased through a variety of sources. A £3000 grant from The Westminster Foundation ensured we were able to manage the cash flow involved in shopping for over a hundred people on a weekly basis. Government funding also maintained our income levels. An initial grant of £10,000 paid to all businesses that are registered for Business Rates and 2 months of Job Retention Scheme (furlough) allowed us to worry only about local needs.

In May, we received a grant of £9600 from the National Lottery Community Fund (Awards for All) and £4200 from the Charities Aid Foundation for equipment upgrades helped us to work more effectively in the short and long term.

As staff returned to work, we had increased capacity to continue to meet local needs and to begin planning for what might come in the future.

Neston Ladies Day, which has always been central to the culture of our town, was an opportunity to do something different. On the 4th June, an army of volunteers delivered 224 afternoon teas to the members of Neston Female Society.

In numbers alone, 67 volunteers gave more than 1300 hours of their time to deliver food, medicines and other essential supplies to 792 local people aged from 3 to 101 years old co-ordinated by two paid staff members who worked a combined 1430 hours and handling over 5200 calls. The shopping alone included income and expenditure in excess of £14000. In addition, Neston Foodbank supported 174 individuals and families and was available throughout the strictest period of lockdown. All of this was done following the highest levels of infection control supported by Cheshire West and Chester Public Health team.

July/August/September

As restrictions were beginning to lift, we focussed our attention on how we would adapt to recover successfully from the impact of the ongoing pandemic. We had entered into a contract with Neston & Willaston Primary Care Network to employ a Social Prescriber and to run the service from our building and, though delayed, recruitment could begin. We also applied for recovery funding from the Power to Change Trading Income Support Scheme. These important programmes both came to fruition in August as Rachael Furey joined the team to cement our links to Primary Care and we received £19,200 from Power to Change.

Whilst this was going on, the staff that had returned to work started to make contact with every single person we had supported (792) to check that they were able to resume their essential activities and, in some cases, supporting individuals to learn new skills (using a cash machine, going shopping in a new world, online banking and more).

The funding support we received allowed us to reflect on the impact Covid was having on our business model and to consider the ongoing impact in the short to medium term as well as what we thought the future might look like. Even in August, we had little confidence that the ongoing impact would subside on social, indoor activities any time soon and it was likely that more, and more flexible, office space than previously would be required.

Vivo Care Choices approached us as their venue was not reopening and they required accommodation from which to provide their services. In September, our Chief Executive agreed to support the development of Care Communities across Cheshire West by becoming a representative of the wider sector at Cheshire West Integrated Care Partnership.

Looking back, this felt like the most normal period of time during the entire year. The sun was shining, restrictions were being lifted and plans for the future were being made even though, in the back of people's minds, remained the fact that we knew the crisis was still ongoing.

October/November/December

The third quarter of the year was probably as disrupted as the first but in different ways. There had been hope from some of our users that by the Autumn we would be returning to 'normal' but that

proved to be inaccurate. Neston Angels increased their work by visiting people outdoors, on the doorstep or in the garden and the phone calls to keep people active and engaged continued.

Arrangements for Christmas, including the Christmas Lights Switch on, were planned and re planned and planned again as circumstances changed. In the end, Hip & Harmony CIC delivered an incredible online event featuring local public art, in the form of a Window Wanderland and culminating in a countdown and lights switch on featuring hundreds of local people which was watched on more than 10,000 devices and an estimated audience way beyond what we would normally expect.

Our focus for Christmas was to turn our attention to matching the amazing offers of support coming in from local people to the clear needs we were seeing. We distributed toys, gifts, vouchers, food and more to local families in need. We delivered over 300 food hampers to older people and co-ordinated the delivery of Christmas dinners, on Christmas Day, for those that were on their own or more isolated, exacerbated by the late decision to re-impose restrictions. The people most affected were those already isolated who had been looking forward to seeing family that many had not seen since the Christmas before. In the circumstances, as volunteers delivered hot Christmas lunches, brunches, suppers, gifts and more it was an incredible way to end a (calendar) year of disruption, heartbreak, anxiety and many other feelings.

As we broke for Christmas we were approached by Primary Care (the local surgeries) to support with the rollout of Vaccines which would start early in 2021

January/February/March

“Early 2021” was an understatement. We reopened the building on the 5th of January for essential services – Job Centre, Citizens Advice, Foodbank etc and received the call to say that Neston & Willaston Primary Care network would receive a delivery of vaccines on the 7th January and rollout would commence on the 8th.

Neston has an incredibly high percentage of older people in the highest priority groups for vaccination and with restrictions in place there were real challenges around food and drink, warmth, shelter and toilet facilities for volunteers. The answer was high numbers of volunteers in short shifts. Local people, once again, stepped up! In less than 12 hours we had registered more than 140 volunteers who would do a one hour shift over three 12 hour days.

We were aware that the people receiving vaccines might be nervous and the weather didn’t help, but to see so many people who hadn’t been out of their own homes for almost a year was both incredibly exciting and moving for all involved. Volunteers, making a difference, at a time when so many people felt helpless was also a sight to behold.

12 weeks later, the same volunteers stepped in again to support the rollout of second doses of vaccines and it was amazing to see the difference in people’s confidence.

Even while all of this work was going on, we were successful in securing funding to support people’s mental health and wellbeing with a grant of £37,200 to provide activities and services for local people including counselling for young people, mindfulness in nature and employability programmes.

Looking Back (and forward)

We end this year with a sense of pride in ourselves and our community and the things we have achieved in very challenging circumstances. We have supported well over 1000 individuals with things that really matter to them at a time when things were taken away. We have played our part in dealing with the challenges people have had to confront and at every ask, our community stepped up to serve and to show that small, community led, community run organisations like ours are #NeverMoreNeeded.

In the coming year we will have a change of leadership as our current chair stands down at the end of his fixed term of office following 6 years of incredible service supporting us to move from hiring out community space to becoming a Community Anchor Organisation that has a measurable impact on our community. Part of the transition process involves reviewing our strategy, governance and operations to ensure we stay relevant and impactful

We are in discussion with Cheshire West and Chester Council to open and run Neston Civic Hall and in the coming year we hope to make this a reality. We are actively working within the Health and Social Care agenda and our work with partners to deliver appropriate services in communities is ongoing and again should develop over the coming year. Work is also now underway to develop better support for Young People and being ready when opportunities arrive to deliver the services and support young people want and need.

A word from our Chief Executive

This year has been like no other. We started the year in lockdown with the whole world feeling like it had stopped even though we worked with more people, more volunteers, more statutory bodies and more funders than ever before.

With this in mind, I would like to say thank you! Thank you to our incredible staff team who did whatever was needed to support local people; to our volunteers, new and old, who stepped up time and again to support local people and 'just get things done' whether that be shopping for those who were isolating and isolated at the beginning, delivering Afternoon Tea to Neston Female Society, delivering Christmas Dinners to people who live alone; and of course, ensuring that the most vulnerable people in our community were vaccinated. 397 Volunteers stepped up to serve. Thank you!

Our trustees! Throughout the year, we have had the support from Trustees who have asked the right questions and championed our work in equal measure. For this I would like to say Thank You!

And finally, David Clark is retiring from our board having served 2 three year terms as our Chair. He has done a fantastic job in supporting the organisation, and overseeing a complete change in how our governing body operates. The Trustees in place now are focussed on growing the organisation and, in turn, our community and as well as wishing David well for the future and I welcome the opportunity to work with our new Chair, Kerry Robinson, as the organisation continues to move forward.

- Gareth Prytherch

Independent examiner's report

to the Trustees of Neston Community Youth Centre

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)).

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

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Signed:

Neil Blake

[Neil Blake \(Jan 31, 2022 10:33 GMT\)](#)

Date: 21st December 2021

Statement of Financial Activities

for the Year Ended 31st March 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	31/03/21 Total funds £	31/03/20 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		4,793	73,200	77,993	20,325
Other trading activities	2	115,626	-	115,626	101,458
Total		120,419	73,200	193,619	121,783
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities					
General Activities of the Centre		106,681	38,864	145,545	88,789
Other		20,926	3,162	24,088	24,812
Total		127,607	42,026	169,633	113,601
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(7,188)	31,174	23,986	8,182
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		101,165	7,778	108,943	100,761
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		93,977	38,952	132,929	108,943

The notes form part of these financial statements

Balance Sheet

at 31st March 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	31/03/21 Total funds £	31/03.20 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	6	82,500	-	82,500	82,500
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	7	293	-	293	18,208
Cash at bank and in hand		30,238	38,953	69,191	17,953
		<u>30,531</u>	<u>38,953</u>	<u>69,484</u>	<u>36,161</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	8	(19,055)	-	(19,055)	(9,718)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>11,476</u>	<u>38,953</u>	<u>50,429</u>	<u>26,443</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>93,976</u>	<u>38,953</u>	<u>132,929</u>	<u>108,943</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>93,976</u>	<u>38,953</u>	<u>132,929</u>	<u>108,943</u>
FUNDS	10				
Unrestricted funds				93,976	101,165
Restricted funds				<u>38,953</u>	<u>7,778</u>
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>132,929</u>	<u>108,943</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 March 2021.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2021 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for:

- ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

The notes form part of these financial statements

Balance Sheet - continued

at 31st March 2021

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 5th December 2021 and were signed on its behalf by:



David Clark – Trustee
21st December 2021



Louise Gittins – Trustee
21st December 2021

The notes form part of these financial statements

Notes to the Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31st March 2021

1. Accounting Policies

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible Fixed Assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Plant and machinery - at varying rates on cost

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Fund Accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Hire Purchase And Leasing Commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

Pension Costs And Other Post-Retirement Benefits

The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charitable company's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

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2. Other Trading Activities	31/03/21 £	31/03/20 £
Centre Rents	48,305	77,845
Coffee Machine	803	4,293
Other Income	17,244	124
Activity Income	14,198	6,579
Contracts	35,071	11,480
Fundraising	-	1,127
Membership	5	10
	<u>115,626</u>	<u>101,458</u>

3. Net Income/(Expenditure)	31/03/21 £	31/03/20 £
Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):		
Depreciation - owned assets	4,908	2,621
Hire of plant and machinery	<u>6,907</u>	<u>3,643</u>

4. Trustees' Remuneration And Benefits

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2021 nor for the year ended 31 March 2020.

Trustees' Expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2021 nor for the year ended 31 March 2020.

5. Comparatives For The Statement Of Financial Activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds £
Income And Endowments From			
Donations and legacies	3,256	17,069	20,325
Other trading activities	<u>101,152</u>	<u>306</u>	<u>101,458</u>
Total	<u>104,408</u>	<u>17,375</u>	<u>121,783</u>
Expenditure On Charitable Activities			
General Activities of the Centre	79,223	9,566	88,789
Other	<u>24,781</u>	<u>31</u>	<u>24,812</u>
Total	<u>104,004</u>	<u>9,597</u>	<u>113,601</u>
Net Income	<u>404</u>	<u>7,778</u>	<u>8,182</u>

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5. Comparatives For The Statement Of Financial Activities - Continued

Reconciliation Of Funds	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds £
Total Funds Brought Forward	100,761	-	100,761
Total Funds Carried Forward	101,165	7,778	108,943

6. Tangible Fixed Assets

	Freehold Property £	Plant and Machinery £	Totals £
Cost			
At 1 April 2020	82,500	7,720	90,220
Additions	-	4,908	4,908
At 31 March 2021	82,500	12,628	95,128
Depreciation			
At 1 April 2020	-	7,720	7,720
Charge for year	-	4,908	4,908
At 31 March 2021	-	12,628	12,628
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 March 2021	82,500	-	82,500
At 31 March 2020	82,500	-	82,500

7. Debtors: Amounts Falling Due Within One
Year

	31/03/21 £	31/03/20 £
Trade debtors	293	18,208

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**Notes to the Financial Statements – continued
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8. Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year

	31/03/21 £	31/03/20 £
Bank loans and overdrafts (see note 9)	-	4
Trade creditors	7,453	6,607
Social security and other taxes	6,020	2,983
Other creditors	5,582	124
	<u>19,055</u>	<u>9,718</u>

9. Loans

An analysis of the maturity of loans is given below:

	31/03/21 £	31/03/20 £
Amounts falling due within one year on demand:		
Bank overdrafts	-	4

10. Movement In Funds

	At 01/04/20 £	Net Movement in Funds £	At 31/03/21 £
Unrestricted Funds			
General fund	18,665	(7,189)	11,476
Freehold Land at Neston	82,500	-	82,500
	<u>101,165</u>	<u>(7,189)</u>	<u>93,976</u>
Restricted Funds			
Neston Angels	410	(410)	-
CWAC Member Budgets	84	(84)	-
Community Led	7,288	(5,535)	1,753
Garden Fund	(4)	4	-
Cheshire Minds Matter	-	37,200	37,200
	<u>7,778</u>	<u>31,175</u>	<u>38,953</u>
Total Funds	<u>108,943</u>	<u>23,986</u>	<u>132,929</u>

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10. Movement In Funds - Continued

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	120,419	(127,608)	(7,189)
Restricted funds			
Neston Angels	-	(410)	(410)
CWAC Member Budgets	-	(84)	(84)
Community Led	-	(5,535)	(5,535)
Garden Fund	-	4	4
CAF CV-19 Response grant	4,200	(4,200)	-
Cheshire Minds Matter	37,200	-	37,200
CWAC Covid Response Fund	3,000	(3,000)	-
NLCF Awards for All	9,600	(9,600)	-
TISS	19,200	(19,200)	-
	73,200	(42,025)	31,175
TOTAL FUNDS	193,619	(169,633)	23,986

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 01/04/19 £	Net movement in Funds £	At 31/03/20 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	18,261	404	18,665
Freehold Land at Neston	82,500	-	82,500
	100,761	404	101,165
Restricted funds			
Neston Angels	-	410	410
CWAC Member Budgets	-	84	84
Community Led	-	7,288	7,288
Garden Fund	-	(4)	(4)
	-	7,778	7,778
TOTAL FUNDS	100,761	8,182	108,943

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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10. Movement In Funds - continued

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

Unrestricted funds	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
General fund	104,408	(104,004)	404
Restricted funds			
Neston Angels	757	(347)	410
CWAC Member Budgets	5,205	(5,121)	84
Community Led	9,334	(2,046)	7,288
Garden Fund	79	(83)	(4)
Neston Fund (Angels)	2,000	(2,000)	-
	17,375	(9,597)	7,778
TOTAL FUNDS	121,783	(113,601)	8,182

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 01/04/19 £	Net Movement in funds £	At 31/03/21 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	18,261	(6,785)	11,476
Freehold Land at Neston	82,500	-	82,500
	100,761	(6,785)	93,976
Restricted funds			
Community Led	-	1,753	1,753
Cheshire Minds Matter	-	37,200	37,200
	-	38,953	38,953
TOTAL FUNDS	100,761	32,168	132,929

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Neston Community Youth Centre Ltd**Notes to the Financial Statements – continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2021****10. Movement In Funds - continued**

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	224,827	(231,612)	(6,785)
Restricted funds			
Neston Angels	757	(757)	-
CWAC Member Budgets	5,205	(5,205)	-
Community Led	9,334	(7,581)	1,753
Garden Fund	79	(79)	-
Neston Fund (Angels)	2,000	(2,000)	-
CAF CV-19 Response grant	4,200	(4,200)	-
Cheshire Minds Matter	37,200	-	37,200
CWAC Covid Response Fund	3,000	(3,000)	-
NLCF Awards for All	9,600	(9,600)	-
TISS	19,200	(19,200)	-
	90,575	(51,622)	38,953
TOTAL FUNDS	315,402	(283,234)	32,168

11. Related Party Disclosures

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31st March 2021

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities

for the year ended 31st March 2021

	31/03/21 £	31/03/20 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	4,221	3,744
Gift aid	-	42
Grants	73,772	16,539
	77,993	20,325
Other trading activities		
Centre Rents	48,305	77,845
Coffee Machine	803	4,293
Other Income	17,244	124
Activity Income	14,198	6,579
Contracts	35,071	11,480
Fundraising	-	1,127
Membership	5	10
	115,626	101,458
Total incoming resources	193,619	121,783
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Wages	110,844	74,428
Social security	-	2,116
Pensions	1,674	1,455
Materials etc	23,837	1,795
Travel (Funded)	609	1,886
Centre Equipment	4,908	2,621
Advertising and Events	760	1,251
	142,632	85,552
Other		
Centre Repairs	6,907	3,643
Telephone and Communications	2,315	1,471
Post and Stationery	1,480	3,028
Cleaning	846	1,274
Insurance	2,497	2,608
Coffee Machine Supplies	440	1,792
Miscellaneous	1,092	855
Building utilities	5,697	10,141
	21,274	24,812
Support costs		
Management		
Legal Charges CRB Etc	1,839	1,102

Carried forward	1,839	1,102
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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities

For the Year Ended 31st March 2021

	31/03/21	31/03/20
	£	£
Management		
Brought forward	1,839	1,102
Other accounting costs	323	1,385
Training	160	327
Bank charges	591	423
Bad debts	2,814	-
	5,727	3,237
Total resources expended	169,633	113,601
Net income	23,986	8,182

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Neston Community Youth Centre would like to thank the following for their financial support during the year...



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